# **BARRINGTON NEWS**

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In an attempt to keep the Barrington Park residents better informed of what is happening in the our community, this news letter is provided on a monthly basis. Our format has changed to offer more explanation and perhaps even make our "monthly" easier and more enjoyable to read. Residents of Barrington Park are encouraged to submit questions or make suggestions as to what is included in this publication. Simply drop off your articles and/or questions at the office drop box. Please submit items at least 1 week before the end of the month.

From the Board of Directors – We just wanted to take a few minutes and thank all of you for your efforts in making this a pretty great place to live. Sometimes it seems that we dwell a lot on the negatives. If we do, it is only because those are the things that keep hitting us Board members to try to fix or referee. By-inlarge we are pretty pleased in the way things are going. No there is not enough money to get everything done that needs to be done, but we are making improvements. Yes, there is still a dog or cat running loose once in a while, but most of you pet owners have recently done a terrific job following the rules. We see much improvement. As for our young people, what a great group we have. In the last few months we haven't had a single complaint and as a matter of fact have received comments on how considerate many of you have been. Most of us have learned to negotiate our asphalt speed bump jungle as well as recalculate the time required to get through the Park at a noticeably slower pace. We have seen great examples of neighbors helping neighbors and even greetings and waves to and from complete strangers. There are dedicated people involved in making us all safer through our Neighborhood Watch program. Residents out for a walk are picking up a carelessly discarded piece of litter. In general, we just have a feeling of growing Community Pride and Unity. Those feelings come from you, our Association members, and we appreciate and applaud you for your efforts. If there is anything we can do as a Board to help keep it going, please let us know. We are always happy to receive constructive comments and criticism.

We want to also thank you residents who have been really gracious about straightening out some minor issues which helps make the Park look better. We sent out about 30 letters to residents asking that various little problems be addressed. The letters were friendly in nature and generally asked for little other than a few minutes of the owners' time and effort. There is one thing we would like to ask of everyone in the Park. That is to not park or stop at the Red Curb by the mail boxes. There are plenty of parking spaces either side of the mail building. Parking or stopping in the red zone cause some real congestion problems and is a safety issue. That's why we painted it red to begin with. Thank you for your cooperation.

We have made a slight change of positions on the Board of Directors. Dave Maxwell has resigned as Treasurer due to work conflicts but will remain on the Board. The Board accepted his resignation and quickly voted to appoint Linda James as the new Treasurer. We thank both of these great people for the volunteer work they do in behalf of all of us. Thanks Dave and Linda.

From Maintenance - Roy is pretty pleased about the mild winter as far as his maintenance and snow removal are concerned. So far, the only thing he has had to spend from his \$5000.00 snow removal budget is a pallet of salt that is still sitting in the yard virtually untouched. If it stays this way, that \$5000.00 can go for other improvements. With the mild weather, the crew has been able to continue leaf pick up, roof repairs, roof replacements, rain

gutter repairs, tree/shrub removal, building evaluations and started a fence replacement. As it warms up even more, they are going to tackle a couple of severe siding problems. As much as we all appreciate the warm weather, Roy did remind us that he is getting preliminary word of possible severe water conservation measures due to the continuing drought. If that happens, we should be prepared to accept even browner lawns and drier ponds than we had last year. We will keep you posted. Roy also asked to remind every one to try to keep at least 2 feet between garbage cans when you set them out for pickup. Apparently if they are too close together, the garbage truck can't get its jaws around the can properly. Then the driver has to stop, get out of the truck, and line up the cans properly. This causes a lot of extra work and time. Please help. We do appreciate what the crew is doing. They are pretty focused improving our quality of life.

From The RV Park — Joe Peterson informs us that he still has two spots available in the RV Park. These are on a first come first served basis at \$15.00 per month. Your rig should be no longer than 24 ft. If you are interested, call Joe or Myrna at 265-2206.

From Finance and Management – Well, this is the first month of "E-mail statements and Newsletters" for those that signed up. As of this newsletter, we are not sure yet of the success, but say a **THANK YOU!!** to all that signed up. We calculate at this point, it should save us about \$65.00 per month and as more people sign up, our savings will increase. It doesn't sound like much but when we keep adding the little bits, they turn into big bits.

Thanks to all who noticed the \$5.00 increase on your statements and sent it in. We really anticipated a bigger problem but there were only 18 residents that did not notice the fee went up. Bruce will send them a gentle reminder if they forget again.

As a reminder, residents are entitled to see the books and records of the Association and we want to make sure that you are all aware of that. Even though the Office is not currently staffed by regular hours, simply give Bruce a call @558-1737. He will be more than happy to arrange a time when you can get your questions answered and see what ever documents or records might be of interest to you. There are no secrets and your Association papers are available to you.

#### **From You -** One of our residents wrote:

"Recently I've driven thru couple apartment complexes-"The Brittney & Sante Fe" and seen the crystal clear blue water in their ponds without any growth in them. I am not sure but I believe they treat their water with copper sulfate or some other chemicals. I thought maybe you could investigate this to improve our ponds. Thank You"

We appreciate the comment and with that, here comes Barrington Park Pond Lesson 101. The writer is correct that the apartments do use a chemical as well as being completely cement lined with re-circulated and filtered water. When it comes to Barrington's ponds, it's a completely different ball game. Our ponds are actually created from artisan wells and the storm drainage system. Additionally, we do not re-circulate our ponds. At no time do we add water to the ponds other than what runs down the streets (thus our caution to residents about paint, antifreeze, oil, cigarette butts and other debris from the gutters). We are completely at the mercy of water tables, ground water and Mother Nature. Fortunately or unfortunately, depending on how you look at it, our pond system then presents some unique challenges. Certainly they are very natural looking but they then can and do at times become unsightly. We are limited as to the chemicals, creatures and plants that can be added because our ponds drain into the Jordan River and the State is actually pretty fussy about what drains into that ever improving River.

Roy has called in some pond experts and we are pretty limited as to what we can do unless we want to spend a tremendous amount of money. However, he did pick up a few pointers that he hopes will help. To start with he has ordered a new type of fountain for ponds 1 and 3. These new fountains are supposed to do a better job of keeping the ponds from going stagnant. If it works, we will look at pond 2, but pond 2 does cause us additional problems in that it is so shallow. The new fountains need about three feet of water to operate correctly. Roy also found out that some of the foliage i.e., Cat Tails are a good thing. We will try to keep them strategically located without allowing them to go completely wild. Bottom line, we'll keep trying to improve the ponds. Again thanks for the comments and suggestions. Keep them coming.

We will advertise your businesses as long as it can be relatively short, you provide a copy of your business license and are a resident or employee of Barrington Park. No Tenants or Landlords please. Barrington Park does not endorse or assume any responsibility for the agreements residents may enter into with any of these businesses. We will advertise for a period of three months unless terminated earlier by the business owner. Renewals are made by contacting Bruce @ 558-1737.

"Binary Empires" This Company specializes in computer and network services, hardware and software. Services of interest to Barrington Park residents include configuring home office computers and printers, web content filtering, VPN to a main office, and Internet Connection Sharing of Cable, Satellite, or modem Internet connections. Special Rate of \$40/hour for any work done within Barrington Park. Call for quote on computers, printers, software, etc. 265-3815.

<u>Next Board Meeting</u> Board Meetings have been changed to Wednesday Evenings. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be 12 February 2003, starting at 6:30 PM.

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