

# BARRINGTON NEWS

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In an attempt to keep the Barrington Park residents better informed of what is happening in 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.

**Spring Around the Corner** – As of this writing and looking at snow falling outside, it's pretty hard to believe spring is right around the corner. But it is and as the snow retreats and those ugly black piles disappear, there is just a hint of green starting to emerge. The maintenance crew is flip flopping between ice melt and spring clean up. Pretty soon the buds and bulbs will start emerging and the whole Park moves into a pretty exciting and wonderful season. As spring does approach, we thought it wise to remind everyone of a few things. First and foremost is **safety** - Those kids that have been cooped up all winter like to start playing out doors. We are terrified for their safety as we continue to observe cars going through this Park like it is the Indianapolis 500. Please slow down before someone gets hurt. Besides it's one of the rules you agreed to when you moved into the Park. **Flower gardens** – Homeowners should remember that you are responsible for the flower garden areas on the front of your homes and planted areas along the driveways. We encourage homeowners to add a bit of color to the Park by planting appropriately. If the Park is forced into weeding and taking care of your area, it will be back charged to the homeowner. They should be kept free of weeds and other debris. Concerning those flower bed areas, the Grounds Committee recommended and the Board decided that the wood used for retaining in the flower beds will no longer be acceptable. Instead, we have adopted a product called "Castle Rock". It is available from maintenance and comes in two sizes, 12"x 4" and 15" x 7 1/2". The delivered cost to you will be \$1.49 and \$3.24 respectively. Examples of these blocks can be seen at Whitby Court. For those of you that still have wood in your flowerbeds, don't go out and buy the block unless you are replacing the wood. The wood is Okay until it needs to be replaced. If you want to order the block, just let maintenance or the office know. **Water** – For those of you that have sump pumps, make sure they are operating. We have been informed that some pumps are now operating after having no requirements for the past 4 years. This shouldn't be a surprise with this years 100% snow pack and continued rains. As a reminder, your Association is not responsible for water damage caused by natural sources such as rain or snow. **Rollerblades, Skates, Skateboards, Motorized Scooters, ATVs** – As the weather warms, a friendly reminder that these items are not allowed to be used in the Park. Please help us keep the Park quiet and safe. **Tennis Courts** – Soon the net will be placed. If you want to use the tennis court and you do not have a key, you can get one from the office. It will cost you a \$5.00 refundable key deposit. **Dog and Cat mess** – Please keep it clean. Last month we issued five \$100.00 fines for dog and cat violations to include not cleaning up after pets and animals running loose. We are serious about this issue and are showing no tolerance for violations.

**Board of Director Offices and Committees** – The last page of this newsletter contains the Board of Directors and the offices they have been elected or appointed to. It also lists the different Committees and Chairpersons of those committees. We are soliciting participation by homeowners who wish to serve on any of these committees. If you see a committee that interests you and you are willing to put in just a few hours a year to help, let either the chairperson know or drop a note in the office drop box. The more people that get involved, the better the Park becomes. Please get involved in your community.

**Volunteer of the Month** – This month we want to recognize **Deloris Lenhart**. Our property manager took on the task of cleaning out 25 years worth of old financial records that are no longer needed by the Park. Mixed in these files were some items of historical value and correspondence. Deloris graciously volunteered to help go through the files and separate those items that were considered to have some sort of historical value. She spent many hours working under some pretty dusty and dirty circumstances. The end result, the old stuff is gone and we are up to date with our records. Many of you know Deloris from her many years of service to Barrington as a member of the Board. Even though she is not on the Board now, she still wants and does contribute a great deal for the benefit of everyone who lives in this community. Deloris, thanks so much for all you do.

**From Finance & Management** – Just a reminder that the office is open for parking permits, payments, work orders, complaints, information, attaboys, financial information, insurance information and anything else that has to do with daily operation of Barrington Park. Bruce will be glad get items you wish to be addressed by the Board on the monthly meeting agenda. **Recycle Bin** – we are making some pretty good money from the paper-recycling bin. We ask that homeowners make sure they use it only for all paper products and that they use the big green container for the items they bring from home rather than putting their newspapers, magazine and shredded confetti in the blue container by the mailroom. Homeowners who are at least 90 days in arrears are listed as follows:

1164 Norwalk	McAllister
4265 Brunswick	Sichanpheng
4272 Taryton	Erickson
4280 Dunmore	Clark
4289 Winfield	Portillo
4293 Brunswick	Scott
4303 Rugby	Davis
4307 Rugby	Jensen
4308 Cromwell	Roberts
4308 Haverford	Padilla-Lindsay
4309 Haverford	Sargent
4311 Arden	Vannoy
4315 Haverford	Strum
4318 Whitby	Moore

## FEBRUARY 2004 PARK REPORT

Job Order Status - 60 New requests , 28 Completed, about 140 still open. Most are for items that cannot be done until good weather arrives i.e. paint, rain gutters.

### Grounds - & Buildings

- All outside grounds lamps have been cleaned, painted and refurbished.
- Changing small outside post lights with larger fixtures.
- Snow removal was main effort to include three of four weekends.
- 325 lbs of Ice Melt distributed to homeowners.
- Two pallets of Salt were used for roads during January
- Most broken limbs have been picked up. Waiting for snow melt for the rest. Will be “chipped” and spread in the Park in the spring.

- Grounds Committee walkthrough identified damaged trees for pruning and cut down. Will begin pruning as soon as it warms slightly.
- Picked up Xmas trees.
- Rebuilt truck snowplow.
- Repaired golf cart.
- Repaired snow blowers.
- 4 Garage doors replaced.
- Electrical repair on Rugby Court completed.
- Involuntary leave taken by crew during extreme cold periods.
- Lost another 4 rain gutters due to heavy ice build up.
- DFI paid for Randy & Mike to attend lawn maintenance & pest control school.

Projects still on the board as weather permits:

- “lifting” covered decks.
- Abby vinyl rails and balcony repairs.
- Shave sidewalks with bumps. (planned)
- Pruning of trees.

Office –

- Letters sent are in reading file.
- 4 Liens are starting.
- 1 Car towed for parking violations.
- 1 Cat trapped and delivered to Humane Society.
- 1 \$100.00 fine issued for parking violations.
- All old records since 1979 gone through and sent to recycling.
- Park Manager made a gift of a new American Flag to fly above the office.

**From You - 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. 1/3

***EXCEL ASSIST SERVICE*** Services include Carpentry, Concrete, Drywall, Painting, Plumbing, Roofing, Cooler Maintenance and Hanging Electrical Fixtures. Free estimates. Call Leo@ 359-4832 or Steve @ 261-1997 Tell them you are from Barrington Park. 3/3

***FLOOR COVERINGS*** If you’re looking for way to spend your tax return, or just want a change in the way your home looks, call Jared at 910-4485 for the Barrington Park Special on new floor coverings. We do **carpet, tile, hardwood, laminate, and vinyl floors.**

***U.S. NATIONAL FINANCE INC.*** – Need help with your mortgage? Let mike helm with U.S National Finance help. Whether you are moving and need a new mortgage or are thinking of refinancing or just have a question that needs an answer, call Mike Helm @ 694-3086.

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING** : 11 March 2004, 6:30 PM at the Office

# BARRINGTON PARK BOARD

President -	Mary McDermott	261-3905	
Vice President -	Bill Wassmer	293-8968	
Secretary -	Katie Nielson	261-0766	W:975-0300
Treasurer -	John Bria	269-0530	C:750-3030
Member -	Steve Olsson	269-1024	
Member -	Mike Perlman	265-8666	
Member -	Donna Hagblaum	268-9145	C:712-3816
Member -	Brian Hart	290-2388	
Member -	Klaus Oefele	268-4103	

## Basic Committee Assignments

### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

*Chairperson – Mike Perlman*

### GROUNDS

*Chairperson – Steve Olson/John Bria*

### FINANCE & BUDGET

*Chairperson - John Bria*

### CC&RS

*Chairperson – Katie Nielson*

### APPEALS

*Chairperson – Eldon Bodily*

### WELCOMING

*Chairperson – Bruce Bollinger*

### COMMUNICATION LIASION

*Chairperson – Bill Wassmer*

### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

*Chairperson – Donna Hagblaum*