## **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.

**Spring** – As spring is now here we as a Board hope that this time of year finds all our residents prosperous and at peace. Where our world and schedules can become hectic and overwhelming, there are few places that can be more important than the security, comfort and tranquility of our homes and neighborhoods. It is our goal to keep Barrington Park that place of comfort, beauty and tranquility and one of the premier and most coveted places in the valley to live. All it takes is a look around to know that we are so lucky to live where we do. The last few months have been trying to all, residents and Board alike. We are faced with decisions that will have impact for many years to come. There has been heated debate, disagreement constructive criticism as well as argument over what to do and how to do it. Some may believe that these actions are counter productive and detract from where we must go. We would like to believe that these actions are a product of people who care and are concerned about their homes and community. We applaud those who are active in the Park decision-making process and those who have provided input and recommendations. The Board does not always have all the answers. We do our best to obtain all the information necessary to make responsible decisions that are in the best interest Barrington Park in the long run. Many times good information and great ideas come from other than Board members and we appreciate the input. Concerning this whole process, our only request is that we retain our friendship and respect for one another by insisting that we always freely exchange ideas and solutions but refuse to get into personal attacks or character assassinations. Anyone involved in making or trying to make Barrington Park a better place to live, does so because they care about Barrington Park. How lucky we are that we have so many that are willing to be involved. We see continued lively debate in the near future and everyone will again have the opportunity vote on important issue concerning our community. Regardless of vote outcomes the Board will ask that we all accept what the majority of resident's desire and all work together to that end.

**Building Renovations** – The Board had a Special Board Meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March for the purpose of trying to decide different options to present homeowners for getting the building exteriors fixed. There was a great deal of discussion concerning all aspects of what needed to be done and the best way to approach it. Although the Board was in the process of tentatively scheduling a Special Meeting of all homeowners for the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, They were missing some important information that is key to being able to make informed decisions and set a proper agenda. The Board, will meet again on its regularly scheduled meeting and if all the information needed to make the proper decisions is received, a Special Homeowners Meeting will be called for the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2005. Homeowner's will get the proper notifications, issues and an agenda at least 15 days prior to any meeting. Bottom Line – Tentatively reserve the evening of 4 May for a Special Meeting of the Barrington Park Homeowners Association.

**Friendly Reminders of the Month (and season)** – Every once in a while we need to do this so this is going to be a bit nasty for some people who live here. This is the paragraph where we remind people about rules and that they belong to a community where their actions affect everyone else. One would think this all makes sense and that we shouldn't need to do this. However, if we didn't do the reminders and if we

didn't assess the fines when required, some people simply don't believe the rules apply to them. If these reminders don't pertain to you, forget them. If they do pertain to you please take the necessary action to correct your behavior.

- <u>Pets-</u> Dogs and cats must be on a leash whenever they are outside and you must clean up after your pet <u>immediately</u> when they mess the grounds. Dogs are not to be "staked out" and you must control barking that is irritating or disturbs neighbors. (Do you know what your dog does in, including barking, when you are not home?) One other request when it comes to the dogs, If you notice that your dog is killing the lawn in a particular area, please help by taking it to different locations to do it's business.
- <u>Cigarette butts –</u> Between the grounds crew as they do their work and a wonderful volunteer that goes around and picks up trash almost daily, we thought it might be interesting to see how many unsightly cigarette butts we could pick up that have been discarded. In a two-week period of time there were 897 butts that were picked up. As far as we are concerned, throwing a cigarette butt is littering. They get in the pond systems, the grass, playgrounds, are a nuisance and do not decompose. We wonder if people who throw them ever think of what happens to them. We can tell you, it costs every one of you money to have them picked up! Please smokers, no one is asking you to quit smoking. We are asking you to quit littering and making the place look trashy.
- <u>Speeding</u> All we can say is that the children are playing outside and soon will be out of school. If you are traveling at such a speed that you couldn't stop if child jumped from behind a parked car, then you are traveling to fast. Please slow it down!!
- <u>General Clean Up</u> We would like homeowners to take a look around your homes and decks and patios. If they are cluttered and present an unsightly appearance to others, we request that you tidy them up. It just keeps the whole place looking good which is one of the things that impresses so many that come to or visit Barrington Park.

## MARCH 2005 PARK REPORT

Job Order Status - 88 New Requests, 60 Closed, 162 Still Open – an increase of 18 backlog. (counter 1868) Funding is biggest reason for backlog. Many cement and siding requests. Additionally, Ground Committee "Walk about" generated many.

Grounds - & Buildings

- Started Sprinkler repairs
- "Ringing" trees with Bend –a-board and bark.
- Balconies on Arden Court complete, started Haverford weather permitting.
- Aerated all the lawns.
- 2 garage doors installed.
- New storage shed complete and final inspected
- Continuing porch light refurbish that was started last year.
- Built new retaining wall east new shed.
- Pond pumps are in except # 1. (1 going in 14 Mar)
- 1 more maintenance persons hired on due to good weather (Down 3 people from summer).
- 3 more enclosed decks raised with new steps and pads.
- Tennis court nets up. Purchased new one.
- General ground clean started.
- Let contract for TruGreen fertilizing, cheaper than internal.

Major projects still on .

- "lifting" covered decks as time permits .
- Pool tile renovation early spring.
- Others Dependent on Budget results.

Office -

- Audit finished
- Dramatic decrease in problem accounts.
- Delinquent account proposal from attorney.
- New Folks
- 1192 Norwalk Toscan (Vincent)
- 1154 Middlesex Anderson (Ward)

Board Information

- Slip and fall –no additional word.
- The office was informed that Mr. Warren Thomas who lived at 4243 Waverly passed away.

Board Decisions -

"seed money" for skip trace

On Hold

Smoking at the pool Second hand Smoke

6 Complaints for action.

**From Finance & Management** – Please sign up for E-mail statements and newsletters. It saves a great deal of time and postage money. Simply let Bruce know by phone call or drop a note at the office what your e-mail address is. He will do the rest.- HOA fees are due on the first day of the month. Late charges of \$25.00 can be applied to Homeowners who do not pay by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Homeowners who have small balances from previous late fees, key services, fines and other miscellaneous services will see finance charges added of 18%. Homeowners listed below are at least 90 days in arrears. Others that were on the list have either become current or have been forced from their homes. Liens have been or are in the process of being placed on these properties.

1191 Norwalk	Hummel
1229 Carlton	Woodbury
4265 Brunswick	Sichanpheng
4307 Rugby	Jensen
4319 Abby	Bird

<u>Insurance</u> – Homeowners are reminded that your HOA fees cover insuring the exterior of your building. However, each owner should have insurance for the interior of their homes to include personal belongings. These policies are relatively inexpensive and are available from almost anyone who handles property insurance. If you have any questions, please call Bruce at the office 263-3628 or call our agent, Rita Hendrickson at 484-4477.

<u>DSL-</u>We have been informed that Qwest now has DSL available in Barrington Park. Apparently they had problems providing us that service in the past but now believe they can do it. Barrington Park does not solicit, endorse or support DSL service through Quest. This is for your information only.

<u>WEBSITE and E-Mail Statements -</u> Just another reminder that Barrington Park does have a website. Click onto barringtonpark.org and you will be able to get all the latest information and updates. We have recently added the current Covenants Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs they are still the 1990 version.). We also want to again plug you getting your statements and newsletters by E-mail. Not only do you save the Association money by doing it by E-mail, but you also get your information 2-3 days earlier than snail mail, especially now that we are using a cheaper mail service. To sign up, simply drop a note with your email address to Bruce. We do not give your address to anyone else.

<u>From You -</u> 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

**REAL ESTATE** I wanted to introduce myself to you again. My name is Katie E. Heiner and I am a new resident of Barrington Park. I have lived in the Park since last August and am a real estate agent with Prudential Utah Real Estate. I have had success in selling two homes in Barrington Park for close to the asking price. From the time they were listed, I had them sold in 50 days!!!! As a resident, I have an increased interest in our Community. If you have any questions or are interested in buying or selling your home or know of someone who is, please give me a call. (801) 347-9777, <u>Katie@move2slc.com</u> 1//3

**J&B HOME MAINTENACE** – Fine tune your home today with preventive maintenance. Fix leaky taps Adjust door, Wall repairs, Painting Change Furnace Filters, Electrical Plugs and Switches, Weather seals,/caulking Call today for your 30 point inspection P) 261-3595 Cell) 597-0656. 1/3

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*OFFICE & HOME CLEANING* – I specialize in office and home cleaning. Special; rates for cleaning within Barrington Park. Also, referral discounts apply. \$100.00 cash bonus for referring a business that signs a one year contract for me to clean them! Bonus given after 2 months of continuous service. Offer can expire at any time. Call Cory 270-5642 or 577-3063. <u>corycarrier@msn.com</u> 1/3

**COMPUTER WORK** - Computer troubleshooting, upgrades, new systems, networks, free phone advise. Special rate for Barrington Park of \$25.00 per hour. Also, if I cannot fix your problem-no charge! <u>corycarrier@msn.com</u> 1/3

**YORK** – Air Conditioner & Furnace replacement available to all Barrington Park residents at contractor cost. Professional, licensed contractor service and installation. I live in Barrington Park. Come by and see my York system and let me show you the electrical and gas savings. Lonnie Knigge / 599-0627. Service and installation 918-5955 1/3

## NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING : 14 April 2005, 6:30 PM at the Barrington Office