

# 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.

**MID SUMMER** - It is mid summer at Barrington and things are going pretty well. We are a bit concerned though about **water**. You may remember that last year we did not have one day over 100 degrees. Everything stayed really green and we saved a great deal of money on water. This year it seems that almost all of July was over 100. We now have a bumper crop of Brown spots. Some are caused by us being a little stingy on the water and some are simply that when it gets this hot, Mother Nature takes over by telling the grass to go dormant. As soon as it cools a little, it will come back with full glory. So please bear with us a little as we try to strike a balance between water conservation and keeping it beautiful. Incidentally, each day we water, it costs you roughly \$100.00 +. Along with the heat, we ask homeowners who have had a **tree or bush** planted close by their homes either this year or last, please give them a real deep watering. The normal lawn watering does not get deep enough to help the still developing young roots and for maintenance to drag a water barrel and hose all around the Park is time consuming and costly. Thanks in advance for your help. It will save us money that we have invested in insuring Barrington always has trees. **INSECTS** - Barrington has long had a policy that we allow nature to take its course concerning most insect control. That is, if they live outside we do nothing. On the other hand, if they are penetrating the exterior surfaces and are entering the home, we do try to stop the insects from entering your home repair the damage that allowed the critters to invade in the first place. This does not preclude homeowners from purchasing their own pesticides as long as they use them in accordance with label directions and are extremely careful about neighborhood pets. We will still come spray for yellow jackets if they build a nest on the exterior of your home. **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** – We appreciate **Donna Hagbloms** efforts to get the Neighborhood Watch up and going again in Barrington. They met on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July with the newly organized Taylorsville police personnel. There was great homeowner participation and very soon we hope to have a little brochure out to all homeowners outlining Neighborhood Watch in Barrington Park complete with what to look for, what to do, neighborhood Captains, who to call, and where to send reports. The meeting was a success and although you may not see "patrols", know that they are up and operating. If you would like to help or want or need more info, give Donna a call at 268-9145. Here are some other numbers to call: Of course in an emergency call 911. For other Non-emergency situations call 743-7000 which goes directly into dispatch for Taylorsville Police. If we all get involved, we can keep Barrington Park safe and crime free. **COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE** The compliance committee is up and running. As a matter of fact they issued 41 tickets in the month of July and had one care towed. Please review your rules and CC&Rs if you are not familiar with the do's and don'ts of Barrington. They are just issuing warnings now but will crack down with fines for those who refuse to comply. **ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE** – If you didn't already know, this is the committee that approves or disapproves your requests for changes to the exterior of your buildings, such as windows, doors, patio covers, cement under decks, awnings, lattice, etc. They also work closely with the Grounds Committee concerning landscaping and infrastructure issues. Greg Fraser is the Chair of the Architectural Control Committee and has decided that this Committee will meet the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM in the office. He invites any homeowner to come to the meeting who has issues or

requests that should be addressed by architectural control. Here is a great opportunity for you to have access to your Board and Committee members. **PONDS** – After an extremely wet fall winter and spring, we are now in little or no rain July and August. Pond number two is drying up again and we just had to turn off the pumps due to low water. As the pond dries, we will be doing some maintenance on cat tails and other vegetation that is starting to overgrow the system. We will be careful as USU tells us that ponds with cattails are an indication of a healthy ecosystem. We are also not allowed to put chemicals in the ponds as they drain to the Jordan River. We do and will continue to bait for mosquitoes. **WATERING SCHEDULES** – The water comes on at night and in the early morning hours three times a week. Usually (depending on rain and heat) those cycles are about 7 minutes in length also three times during the cycle. This is to allow maximum soaking and avoiding run off. Do not be alarmed if you see an area getting watered more than once in one night. That is part of the plan. As always, residents are encouraged to report any broken sprinklers or heads that do not operate correctly. **INTERNET** – We thought to put in a reminder about our Web Page, “BarringtonPark.org”. It contains a lot of useful information and we are going to do a lot more to expand what is there. There may be a couple of items that need a quick fix but we work pretty hard to make sure it covers most of what you need to be informed. There is a search engine built in so you can find information rapidly. We hope you take the opportunity to visit. Along with the Web site is our ability to send you newsletters and statements by e-mail. This usually gets you those documents two to three days before the snail mail and it saves your Association a great deal of money. To sign up, simply provide Bruce with your name and email address. He will do all the rest. **POOL** – Thanks so much to all that use the pool. You have been just great this year concerning courtesy and cleanliness. We have had only a couple of very minor incidents and those were taken care of quickly and equitably. In return for you hard efforts, it has been our hard effort to give you the cleanest pool possible. Just last week we informed by a worker in the Board of Health that there are only two extremely clean pools of our type in the valley. Barrington is one of them. Congratulations to you swimmers, the monitors and the maintenance people. For you information, the Pool will close for the season at 9:00 P.M. on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September. That is Labor Day. **VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH** – We thought it appropriate to recognize **Thelma Olsson** as this months outstanding Volunteer. During this period Thelma gave many hours helping the Park by drafting, completing, printing and sending a great deal of backlogged Board correspondence. She has also taken a great deal of time in assisting the Budget Committee and completed spending comparison charts for many years. Thelma says she loves Barrington Park and does much to help keep it running smooth and efficient. We appreciate Thelma and many others who really do care and put their actions where their mouths are.

## JULY 2005 PARK REPORT

Job Order Status - 117 New Requests, 135 Closed, 221 Still Open – a decrease of 28 backlog. (counter 2257) Funding is biggest reason for backlog. Many cement and siding requests.

### Grounds - & Buildings

- Trimming shrubs throughout Park
- Pool operation continues with one minor diaper incident
- Pool leak seems to have stopped.
- 2 Decks completed, waiting for contractor to start the third.
- Water being increased as heat rises. Some lawn going dormant.
- Painting small fences.
- Painting the worst of the trim on houses.
- “Ringing” trees with Bend –a-board and bark.

- Staining decks.
- Lawn care going well. Some trouble spots on weeds and water.
- Replaced all the small wooden fences on Cromwell with vinyl.
- Working on siding repairs where holes are breaking through.
- Sprayed for weeds on streets driveways and tennis courts.
- 2 Garage doors replaced.
- Replaced pump on pond #3 .
- Sprinkler repairs continuing.
- Rebuilt sprinkler valve boxes 4 total
- Repaired foundation leaks on 2 each
- Scheduled Equipment Maintenance Complete
- Made good dent in backed up work orders with good weather.

Major projects still on .

- “Lifting” covered decks as time permits .

Office –

- Behind on violation letters. Lots of office traffic.
- New Folks
  - 4305 Abby Simonsen (Bergstrom)
  - 4289 Winfield Hansen (Portillo)

Board Information

- Slip and fall –New plaintiff counsel – Added breach of contract to claim. Info copy of attorney letter.
- Pool Stats: May 3 swim days, 1 rainout, 221 Swimmers 23 pd hours, 9 volunteer hours  
June 25 swim days, 5 rainouts, 1080 Swimmers, 217 pd hours, 36 volunteer hours

Board Decisions –

Owners - painting and fixing their own outsides.  
Use of gazebo for youth yard sale  
3 Complaints

On Hold

Smoking at the pool  
Second hand Smoke

**From Finance & Management** – As a reminder, HOA fees are due the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month (even if you do not get a statement until sometime later) A Late Charge of \$25.00 can be charge for any payment received after the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Per the CC&Rs, starting with the 1 September billing cycle, 1½ percent interest per month will be charged on the unpaid balance of all accounts. This is the month for those of you who have had small outstanding balances to catch up on your account.

Homeowners who are at least 90 days in arrears are listed as follows. Others that were on the list have either become current or have been forced from their homes. Liens either have or will be placed on these properties if they are not brought current immediately.

4233 Waverly	Llewelyn
4238 Derbyshire	Horne
4265 Brunswick	Sichanpheng
4307 Rugby	Jensen
4319 Abby	Bird

**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.

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***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, [Katie@move2slc.com](mailto:Katie@move2slc.com) 2/3

***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 3/3

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**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING** 11 August 2005, 6:30 PM at the Office