

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.



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President's Message – Thelma Olsson

Happy New Year Everyone.

Well we all made it for another year and I am sure we have all had New Year's Resolutions that we have made and hope to keep. This helps us set up goals for the New Year.

Early this month we are going to be sending very important information concerning the CC&R's. It will give you several options on how to vote and what all the changes were. We have explained all the changes and why they had to be made and all board members and CC&R committee members have approved of the changes.

Annual Homeowners Meeting:

Thursday, February 19, 2009 @ 6:30 PM will be our annual meeting. This year we have three openings on the board. Anyone interested please contact Carma James with your information and she will tell you how to proceed if you would like to be on the ballot.

Most people would think it is a lot of work, but I just want to say what a great time I have had being President and getting to meet with so many of you.

Thank all of you for your support during 2008.

Feel free to contact me with any concerns or suggestions:

Home 269-1024

Mobile 910-6360

Work 466-9149 or email me at Thelma@benchmarksystems.biz

Whether it is the best of times or the worst of times, it is the only time you've got.

By Art Buchwald

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS – Homeowners should be quite pleased about the way Barrington Park looked during the Holidays. There were many great decorations and it made the whole community look and feel festive. The Board wants to thank all those that did decorate. So that Barrington will look well kept, please remove your decorations before the 15th of January 2008, weather permitting. If you put Christmas Trees at the curb, our maintenance crew will haul them off to the recyclers.

RECYCLE PAPER BIN – Did you know that last year, Barrington Park was able to receive \$462.75 for recycled paper? That is pretty good and does help to defray other costs in the Park. We would only ask that again residents do not put anything but paper products and cardboard products in the bin. Also cardboard

boxes should be broken down and flattened. Otherwise the bin fills up to fast and we do not get as much money for the light loads.

NOTICE OF BARRINGTON PARK ANNUAL MEETING

Set aside Thursday evening 19 February 2009 6:30 PM to attend the Barrington Park Homeowners Association Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Johns C. Fremont Elementary School, 4249 South Atherton Drive. This is your community and there are many things that are decided and discussed based on your input. Also, there are 3 positions on the Board of Directors that will become available. If you are interested in doing a little community service, please write a brief paragraph about your qualifications and why you want to serve on the Board. The Board meets once a month and occasional extra meetings may be necessary. Please get your letters to Carma James (Nominating Committee Chairperson 262-4621), any Board Member or Bruce at the office as soon as possible.

HOMEOWNERS HELP NEEDED- One of the consequences of the snow and subsequent freeze and thaw cycles is that our rain gutters try to become “ice gutters”. As we all know, there really is no such thing as an “Ice gutter” and thus damage can occur. The result is massive icicles may develop and water drips over the edge. The real cure is warm weather. The temporary cure is for maintenance to knock the big icicles down before they do damage to the home or the rain gutters themselves. We are asking if homeowners see some big icicles begin to develop over the rain gutters, they notify maintenance. Also as a reminder where those icicles may drip on walkways or porches, Ice Melt is available to help control slippery surfaces. Maintenance will deliver Ice Melt if you let them know. Please be careful and use caution as you move around Barrington Park.

SNOW REMOVAL -- . **Snow Plowing** - This is done on a priority basis. The first areas are the entrances and around the post office. Next are the main streets and finally the side streets. Unfortunately, snow needs to be piled wherever we can find a spot. If the snow piles get really bad, we will haul off with the Bobcat. However, that tends to cause some damage so we use it as a last resort. Although maintenance is sensitive to the noise plowing causes, there may be several times a year that they need to start early and will work late in the evening. Please give the plow the right of way and remember no **parking on the streets overnights** and **no parking overnight in guest parking without permits**. It becomes really easy to spot violators when it snows because it so problematic for snow removal. If you don't want your car towed, please help us with this one. **Hand Shoveling** - Shoveling the walks and drives is an added part of our contract with DFI. As with plowing, the blowers and shovelers work on an established priority system. First being the post office, next the major walk areas then they move to our “special needs” list and finally the rest of the drives and walks. In other words they will eventually get to you and are happy to do so. The problem is that there are four or five of them and 278 homes plus all the walks. If you do the math it means that each shoveler has over 70 units to do. It simply takes time so please be a little patient with us. Any help that is provided by you is appreciated and expedites the whole snow removal process, allowing the crew to work on other things.

December 2008 Park Report

Job Order Status 44 new Requests, 145 Closed, 125 Still Open – a decrease of 101 requests (counter 5478) Of the 125 still open, 28 are “Unfunded” of which most are cement. 10 are “Hold” that renovation will take care of.

Grounds - & Buildings

- Significant improvement in work order back log

- Leaf clean up is on going in earnest until the snow stops us.
- Having some back up problems with drain between Pond 1 & 2. Trying some different methods before we take more radical and expensive approaches.
- Asphalt Road repair completed Norwalk & Darby Castle and Gloucester.
- Speed Bumps and Parking areas painted.
- All pond fountains back on. Will stay on until ponds ice up.
- Roofs completed for this fiscal year 4271/4275 Taryton, 4272/4276 Taryton, 1184/1188 Southampton, 4277/4285 Dunmore, 4276/4280 Dunmore would like to do more but funding not available.
- All Renovation Coating is complete for this year (Attached Info Sheet).
- 2 buildings renovated coated this month 4233/35 Waverly, 4241/4243 Waverly
- 4 buildings in process of repair for spring coating 4256/60 Dunmore, 4258/60 Gloucester, 4271/73 Gloucester, 1132/34 Norwalk.
- Snow removal equipment all ready.
- DFI laid off 4 more individuals 5 December. Now down to normal winter personnel + 1 for continued renovation work when able.

Office –

- New Folks - 4313 Rugby Fatz (Whitbeck)
- Audit is on going
- Report of Stolen car on Winfield Road
- Golf cart buy
- 1 Appeal received
- 19 February 2009 Annual Meeting almost Locked in with School

Board Decisions –

- 2 Dog complaint responses received
- No response to two courtesy letters.
- Pool Rebuild

From Finance & Management – When making payments please make sure your Barrington Park address appears somewhere on the check or money order. Your address is your account number and helps insure your payments get posted to the proper account. Regular HOA fees are due the 1st of the month (even if you do not get a statement until sometime later). A Late Charge of \$25.00 may be charge for any payment received after the 20th of the month. As stated in the CC&Rs, 1 percent interest per month is charged on the unpaid balance of all accounts.

The following are delinquent on maintenance fees for 60 days or longer. Liens are in progress or have been placed. Requests for Judgments and foreclosures have started for chronic delinquencies.

1184 Southampton	Jellings	4309 Abby	Anderson
1192 Norwalk	Woodruff/Lawson	4310 Rugby	Minaya
1199 Norwalk	Winward	4311 Abby	Blackie
4272 Taryton	Erickson	4317 Arden	Woolfork
4307 Cromwell	Andrews	4319 Abby	Bethers
4307 Haverford	Montoya	4320 Haverford	Escalante

ASSESSMENT BALANCES

Assessment balances should be no higher than \$1350.00 after 1 December 2008. Those owners whose balance is greater than that will have late charges applied. Those whose balance is above \$1500.00 will have Liens placed on their property. **The following are delinquent on ASSESSMENT fees for more than 30 days with balances of \$1500.00 or more.** Lien charges will increase the balances by approximately \$175.00. Please make you account current immediately.

1134 Norwalk	Christensen	1198 Norwalk	Silcox
1164 Norwalk	DeGraw	1199 Norwalk	Winward
1192 Norwalk	Woodruff/Lawson	1208 Middlesex	Roh

1229 Carlton	Woodbury	4301 Cromwell	Flores
1254 Thames	Rigby	4301 Rugby	Whitney
1258 Thames	Szabo	4303 Rugby	Rhodes
4228 Derbyshire	Ashby	4307Haverford	Montoya
4247 Winfield	Murphy	4309 Arden	Johnson
4260 Dunmore	Swenson	4309 Rugby	Hawks
4267 Winfield	Markham	4309 Winfield	Moore
4268 Taryton	Ipson	4310 Newton	Frisby
4277 Dunmore	Penny	4316 Whitby	Hall
4289 Winfield	Hansen	4319 Abby	Bethers
4293 Brunswick	Scott	4320 Haverford	Escalante
4295 Winfield	Lucero		

STATEMENTS

On occasion someone wants a complete printout of the transactions on your account for the previous year. If you would like one, let Bruce know and he can run one off for you. Call 263-3628.

ANNUAL AUDIT

The Annual Audit is in progress as is required by the CC&Rs. This audit is designed to protect the Homeowners by making sure that the records are kept in accordance with standard business practices and that proper safeguards are in place to insure monies received are expended in accordance with the CC&Rs and budget as developed and adopted by the Board of Directors. This audit will be made available to homeowners as soon as it is received by the Board.

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 @ 263-3628

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 \$45/hour for any work done within Barrington Park. Call for quote on computers, printers, software, etc. 265-3813 1/3

TRAVEL -70% of travel is booked on the Internet...there are several online sites are available and one happens to be right here in BARRINGTON PARK. Since most often you are going to use an online service to book your travel anyway – instead of going with a faceless corporation, give **setravelgetaways.com** a shot! Take a LOOK before you BOOK at **setravelgetaways.com** . Also available are Flowers, Romance getaways, Golf getaways, outdoor excursions, tickets & attractions, sporting event tickets, theater & musical tickets, concerts and shows. If you have any questions, call Shelley Roberts at 231-8626. 2/3

MASSAGE...The best way to relax and rejuvenate your body and spirit. Why go anywhere else when right in your own community, you can have someone come to you? Call Shelley at 231-8626 for an appointment. 2/3

NEW YEAR NEW YOU- A free pamper session for you with gift. Please call Marilyn Silcox 801-550-7185 Mary Kay Independent Consultant 1/3

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NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING -- 8 January 2009, 6:30 PM at the Office