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— **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** —  
**THELMA OLSSON**

I hope all of you had a wonderful and fun 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Pioneer Day. It was a wonderful parade, as usual, the fireworks from Sugarhouse were especially beautiful, and the Liberty Park fireworks did not do much damage—just some scary moments.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual golf tournament scramble will be on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at Meadowbrook Golf Course. 9:00AM tee-times, and the cost will be \$43 with a cart, \$31 without.

In this heat, it would be great if all of you would just check on your elderly neighbors, as they do not always keep themselves hydrated.

When in the pool area, please respect all the rules and just have a good time.

Feel free to contact me with any concerns or suggestions:

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**“Belief in ourselves is like a muscle—  
it is strengthened by constant  
and careful use.”**

—Catherine DeVrye

— **BARRINGTON NEWSLETTER** —

As some of you may have noticed, the Barrington News has been undergoing some changes in the past few months. The monthly newsletter should be by the members of the Association, for the members of the Association, and as such we would love to hear your suggestions on how we can make the newsletter better, as well as anything newsworthy going on in the Park. The eyes and ears of the newsletter only reach so far, and no doubt we miss an article here or there that should be included. If you have any newsworthy content, or want to help with the writing and creation of the Barrington News, please contact Adam Hunter at [mac483@yahoo.com](mailto:mac483@yahoo.com).

— **SERVICE IN THE ASSOCIATION** —

As we approach the summer months, some of you may wonder how the Barrington Park Homeowners Association is run. While it is true that there is a Board of Directors (comprised of nine members who are elected by the members of the Association) and a property manager (the Board has contracted DFI Property Management to manage the property, with Bruce appointed as the office manager), there are also a number of committees which have been formed to handle different areas of the Association. For example, the Architectural Control Committee approves any repairs or modifications that are done to the exterior of units, and the CC&R committee reviews the needs of the Association and incorporates them into the CC&Rs when appropriate. Both of these committees, as well as every other committee of

the Association, rely on the service of Association members for their existence and function. Without the hours of service put in by members of the Association, the committees would cease to function and that, in turn, would put vast amounts of pressure on the management of the Park.

If you wish to serve on any committee or have any ideas on how the Association can be improved, contact any member of the Board, or feel free to visit the monthly Board meeting.

#### — MID-SUMMER —

By the time you get this letter, the summer application of fertilizer and weed control will have been applied. On July 28<sup>th</sup>, an insecticide for bugs that are eating up some pretty big patches in the lawn was sprayed. Just as a reminder, when it gets this hot, Mother Nature does her best to preserve the grass by telling it 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 lush green.

#### — INSECTS —

Barrington Park has a policy that we allow nature to take its course concerning most insect control. That is, if they live outside, we usually do nothing. Ants, gnats, and other insects are often eaten by other insects or animals. If these pests are invading your home, we suggest you purchase a perimeter spray (available at most grocery or hardware stores) and spray around your doors and windows. Please be careful with any spray you use, as we have a lot of birds and other animals around the grounds. Salt Lake County provides mosquito control for all our ponds and waterways on a regular basis. Owners can assist with mosquito control by ensuring no standing water is allowed in containers on porches and patios. Barrington Park will assist with yellow jack control if they build a nest on the exterior of your home.

#### — WATERING SCHEDULES —

The sprinklers come 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 three times during

the period. 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, as that is part of the plan. As always, residents are encouraged to report any broken sprinklers or heads that do not operate correctly.

#### — PONDS —

We have made numerous calls to State and County agencies trying to come up with some sort of solution to the algae problem we have in our ponds. As of yet, they have provided no workable solutions due to our water running into the Jordan River.

#### — POOL —

Thanks so much to all that use the pool. You have been just great this year concerning courtesy and cleanliness. In return for your hard efforts, it has been our hard effort to give you the cleanest pool possible. As you know, the pool underwent major renovation and is one of the best in the city. We have had to learn how to deal with the new isolated wading pool, but we think we have it all figured out. Again, we receive many comments of how great a pool operation Barrington Park has. Congratulations to the swimmers, the monitors, and the maintenance people. For your information, the pool will close for the season at 9:00PM on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September (Labor Day).

#### — BEST-LOOKING GARDEN AWARDS —

On August 20<sup>th</sup>, gift certificates in the amounts of \$25, \$50, and \$75 will be awarded to the homes that have the best-looking yard. Many of you do a great deal around your homes to help add to the beauty of Barrington Park, and the Board and Grounds Committee think you ought to be recognized for your efforts. Those of you who have not started yet still have plenty of time to get those flower beds going, so start cleaning, planting, and having fun! Prizes will be donated by our property management company, DFI.

#### — HOA DUES BY CREDIT CARD —

We just finished the paperwork which will allow you to pay for your monthly dues and special assessments by credit card! Not only do we now have the ability to take one-time payments, but we can actually setup recurring monthly transac-

tions that are added to your credit card around the same day each month. No more writing checks or having to remember to make the payments. Unfortunately, due to the nature of how credit card companies make money, we will need to charge a "convenience fee" of seven dollars when you pay by this method. (This offsets the cost to the HOA without dipping into usable and budgeted funds.) For more information or making of payments, call Bruce at the office at 801-263-3628.

### — JULY 2010 PARK REPORT —

- Job Order Status
  - 93 new requests, 38 closed, 258 still open.
  - Increase of 55 requests (counter 6853).
  - Of 258 still open, 32 are unfunded, most of which are cement.
- Grounds & Buildings
  - Continued work on backlog work orders.
  - Regular pool maintenance.
  - Regular lawn care.
  - Sprinkler system is causing unusually excessive time. 3 main line breaks behind Norwalk, 1 main line break at Brunswick, 1 lateral line, 3 clocks replaced, 6 valves replaced. System is 30 years old with numerous repairs and failing components.
  - Trimming has started.
  - Getting final cost figures on 4 more roofs to be done this year. Based on evaluations of most-needed, they are 1154/58 & 1218/22 Middlesex, 1151/55 Norwalk, and 4225/29 Derbyshire.
  - Requested information on Winfield homeowner concerning their desired patio fence replacements. Gave suspense date to July 9<sup>th</sup> or configuration would remain the same as it is now.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> application of fertilizer to be applied about May 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Solar panel structure is up. Tying new system into the old this week. Will paint bottom as soon as all testing and acceptance is complete.
  - Renovation painters are now in full operation. 4 wood buildings complete, slated last 2 wood buildings and moving to regular buildings. 13 buildings are repaired and ready for paint crews.
- New Folks
  - None

- Office
  - Received report that Daphine Williams of 1194 Middlesex passed away on June 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - 1 appeal received and forwarded to Appeals Committee.
  - Received update on recycle containers from Allied.
  - Did complete inventory of Trex decks. Again made contact with corporate, submitting new claim through class action suit. We believe 42 of 102 decks have or will have flaking problems.
- Board Decisions
  - Roof colors.
- Executive Session
  - 3 complaints.

### — FROM FINANCE AND 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 doing so helps ensure your payments get posted to the proper account. You do not need to write two separate checks for the regular and special HOA dues, unless you want to for your own accounting purposes. Anything above what your normal dues are will be applied to any special dues unless you indicate differently. Payments received are first applied to the regular HOA dues and then to any special dues. Regular HOA dues 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 will be charged for any payment received after the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Homeowners who are two (2) months in arrears as of the 25<sup>th</sup> of last month are listed as follows. Liens either have been or will be placed in these properties if they are not brought current immediately.

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| •1184 Southampton | Jellings           |
| •1192 Norwalk     | Woodruff/Lawson    |
| •1199 Norwalk     | Winward            |
| •1216 Southampton | Fife               |
| •4237 Derbyshire  | Mosher             |
| •4261 Winfield    | Sepulveda/Gallardo |
| •4271 Gloucester  | Luna               |
| •4274 Brunswick   | Stanley            |
| •4301 Rugby       | Whitney            |

- 4304 Arden Davis
- 4305 Haverford Hood
- 4307 Haverford Montoya
- 4311 Abby Blackie
- 4314 Abby Johnson
- 4319 Abby Bethers

— **ASSESSMENT BALANCES** —

Assessment balances should be no higher than \$450 as of August 1<sup>st</sup>. This month, if there is a balance owed on the Special Assessment, you either will or already have received an Assessment Statement in preparation for September’s maximum balance of \$300. Below are listed those Assessments that are in arrears. Late fees and liens will be or have been placed on these properties. If you have questions, call Bruce at the office, 801-263-3628.

- 1164 Norwalk Degraw
- 1192 Norwalk Woodruff/Lawson
- 1208 Middlesex Roh
- 1231 Norwalk Kisner
- 1258 Thames Szabo
- 4237 Derbyshire Mosher
- 4274 Hemingford Davis
- 4295 Winfield Lucero
- 4237 Cromwell Flores
- 4301 Rugby Whitney
- 4304 Arden Davis
- 4307 Haverford Montoya
- 4307 Rugby Parsons
- 4309 Arden Johnson
- 4310 Newton Frisby
- 4314 Abby Johnson
- 4316 Whitby Hall
- 4319 Abby Bethers
- 4320 Haverford Escalante

— **FROM YOU** —

(As a service to Barrington Park residents and employees, we will advertise your businesses in the Barrington News. As long as it is relatively short, you can provide a copy of your business license, and you are a resident or employee of Barrington Park (no tenants or landlords, please), we will advertise for a period of three months, unless terminated earlier by the business owner. Renewals are made by contacting Bruce (801-263-3628). Please note that Barrington Park does not endorse or assume any responsibility

for the agreements residents may enter into with any of these businesses.)

**Air Conditioning** – Is it hot and your air conditioner is not? Don’t suffer! Just call AAA Comfort Specialists now for \$20 off our \$75 tune-up inspection. Free condenser washing for Barrington Park residents only! For a limited time, includes a free premium LED flashlight! Call us now! Rick (801-759-2761), Charmaine (801-262-1694). (1/3 months)

**Legal Services** – You don’t need to pay \$300-\$400 per hour for your own TOP NOTCH lawyer. For just \$35.95 per month, you get a Prepaid Legal Services Package where you receive: Identity Theft Protection, Legal Will Preparation, Audit Assistance, and hefty discounts on all other legal services. All of this for only \$35.95 per month. Call Thelma at 801-269-1024. (1/3 months)

**Binary Empires** – This company specializes in computer and network services, hardware, and software. Services of interest to Barrington Park residents may 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 801-265-3813 for a quote on computers, printers, software, etc. (2/3 months)

**Notary Service** – There is a notary service available in Barrington Park for \$5. If you need documents notarized, call 801-518-6943. (3/3 months)

— **NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING** —  
 The next board meeting is scheduled to take place at 6:30PM on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010. It will be held in the Park office. All homeowners are invited to attend.

