## **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 To All. Hope everyone had a great Holiday.

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. Hopefully we can all keep our resolutions and goals for 2010. Sounds really strange to say 2010, doesn't seem that long since we were all worrying about our computers going into the year 2000.

Finally this year after many, many tries we succeeded in completing and passing the new CC&R's with everyone's help. There are still a few discussions that need to talk about, but I will discuss that later.

#### **Annual Homeowners Meeting:**

Thursday, February 18, 2010 @ 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. We will also have a small committee made up of home owners and 2 board members that have suggestions on the dog issue in the CC&R's. That was the main complaint, the poundage of the animals. So if you would like to be on that committee please see me.

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.

We have now had 2 annual picnics and 2 golf tournaments that have been very successful. The board would like to know if we would just like to trim it down to one and just have the golf tournament along with the picnic. That way maybe more people will attend at least one of the events. We would like your feedback on this item.

Thank all of you for your support during 2009.

Feel free to contact me with any concerns or suggestions: Home 269-1024
Mobile 910-6360
email me at tiotio@nexconnect.com

» Remember that happiness is as contagious as gloom. It should be the first duty of those who are happy to let others know of their gladness.

- Maurice Maeterlinck

<u>CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS</u> – 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 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2010, 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 \$334.50 for recycled paper? That is pretty good and does help to defray other costs in the Park. We would only ask that residents do not put anything but paper 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 18 February 2010, 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.

<u>HOMEOWNERS HELP NEEDED-</u> 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.

<u>CONDOLENCES</u> – Last month we lost two great and long time residents of Barrington Park. <u>David Swanson</u> died the first of December in his home here in Barrington Park. David and his lovely wife Pat have been in Barrington Park for many years on Norwalk Road. You may remember that recently David donated a very fine table saw set to Barrington Park. Then on 13 December, <u>Douglas Scott</u>, also on Norwalk Road, died surrounded by his family. Doug was well like and a great fellow to be around. He supported many things that helped improve Barrington Park.

Doug and David, we will miss you both and sincere sympathy is expressed to Doug's family and Pat and Davids family.

### **December 2009 Park Report**

Job Order Status:49 new Requests, 101 Closed, 117 Still Open – a decrease of 44 requests (counter 6424) Of the 117 still open, 28 are "Unfunded" of which most are cement.

#### Grounds - & Buildings

- Continued work on backlog work orders. Down significantly from a year ago.
- Leaf clean is now suspended due to snow. Property quite clean.
- Gutter cleaning will take place during winter as weather permits.
- All pine trees sprayed with dormant spray to stop scale & disease.
- 6 tree stumps removed.
- New Parking & towing signs installed on all main streets.
- Main underground lighting electrical line repaired by pond 1.
- 1<sup>st</sup> snow storm removal complete. 13 hours.
- Handrail repair on going during winter weather.
- Assessment renovation repair will continue all winter as weather permits.
- Maintenance crew reduced 4 people to winter staffing & budget cuts.

New Folks - None

#### Office -

- Audit should be done with two weeks (info)
- 4 Cars towed last month (info)
- Comcast loss control letter (info)
- 2 Calls about slow snow removal
- David Swanson 1180 Norwalk died 1 Dec ?

#### Board Decisions -

- Annual Meeting Thursday evening 18 February 2010 ? (action)
- 1 letter on parking (possible action)
- 1 letter on deployed soldier (possible action)
- Lease Addendum for possible rule change.
- Rules

Executive Session – 1 Complaint

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. As stated in the CC&Rs, 18 percent interest per year 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	4229 Derbyshire	Griffiths
1192 Norwalk	Woodruff/Lawson	4236 Winfield	Brooks
1198 Norwalk	Silcox	4237 Derbyshire	Mosher
1199 Norwalk	Winward	4260 Dunmore	Swensen
1208 Middlesex	Roh	4261 Winfield	Sepulaveda/Gallardo
1216 Southampton	Fife	4271Gloucester	Luna
1229 Carlton	Woodbury	4272 Taryton	Erickson
4228 Derbyshire	Ashby	4273 Brunswick	Baker
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4301 Rugby	Whitney	4307 Haverford	Montoya
4303 Rugby	Rhodes	4310 Newton	Frisby
4306 Newton	Cunliffe/Gilmore	4311 Abby	Blackie
4307 Cromwell	Andrews	4319 Abby	Bethers

#### ASSESSMENT BALANCES

Assessment balances should be no higher than \$750.00 after 1 December 2009. Those owners whose balance is greater than that will have late charges applied. Those whose balance is above \$900.00 will have Liens placed on their property. The following are delinquent on ASSESSMENT fees for more than 30 days with balances of \$900.00 or more. Lien charges will increase the balances by approximately \$175.00. Please make you account current immediately.

1164 Norwalk	DeGraw	4295 Winfield	Lucero
1192 Norwalk	Woodruff/Lawson	4300 Rugby	Wolf
1198 Norwalk	Silcox	4301 Cromwell	Flores
1199 Norwalk	Winward	4301 Rugby	Whitney
1208 Middlesex	Roh	4305 Haverford	Hood
1216 Southampton	Fife	4306 Newton	Cunliff/Gilmore
1229 Carlton	Woodbury	4307Haverford	Montoya
1258 Thames	Szabo	4309 Winfield	Moore
4228 Derbyshire	Ashby	4310 Newton	Frisby
4236 Winfield	Brooks	4316 Whitby	Hall
4237 Derbyshire	Mosher	4319 Abby	Bethers
4260 Dunmore	Swensen	4320 Haverford	Escalante
4289 Winfield	Hansen		

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

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HELLO FELLOW BARRINGTON PART RESIDENTS - I find that I have some spare time available after I come home from my full time job and on weekends. If you are a senior citizen or are handicapped and are need of some minor help, small house repairs, painting, some minor cleaning, etc., consider giving me a call at 801-618-7401. Costs for my labor- NOTHING. You just provide for any supplies used, or reimburse me for ones I had to buy. I used to do this volunteer work for a church organization when I lived in Washington, and I find that I miss helping out others. I'm clean, honest, kind and quite handy and talented. I live at 4223 S. Winfield and my name is David Snyder. Call me if you need some help.

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING -- 14 January 2010, 6:30 PM at the Office