## **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.

# NOTICE OF BARRINGTON PARK ANNUAL MEETING

Set aside Thursday evening 14 November 2013 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 discussed based on your input. Also, there are 3 positions on the Board of Directors that will become available. If you are enthusiastic and energetic, with an interest in serving as a member of the Barrington Park Homeowners Association Board of Directors, please call Evelyn Strong (Nominating Committee Chairperson ) 801-262-6786; Hazel Beck 801-270-0233; Laura Geisler, 801-262-8128.

**POOL** – The pool officially closed at the end of Labor Day (9:00 PM). Thanks so much to all that used the pool. You have been just great this year concerning courtesy. We hope that you found your pool experience fun and enjoyable. It is one of the best maintained and attractive pools in the valley. We also want to thank the pool monitors for their help in keeping the pool area a great place to visit. See you next year for the Memorial Day weekend opening.

Rules Reminder –We continue to receive numerous complaints about owners who allow their pets off leash and/or do not pick up their after their pets. As a reminder – whenever your pet is on the common areas, it must be on a leash and you must pick up after it immediately. Another note about dogs on leashes. Be aware that some people do not like dogs or animals. When you are walking with a leash and you encounter another person, restrain your dog from going up to a person unless you are sure the person welcomes the advance. This becomes particularly important around the mailbox area. The single most time consuming issue we constantly deal with as a Board is pet complaints. Please help! Be a responsible pet owner

Another Notable Reminder - Home values are on the rise in Barrington Park. Although we understand that home prices are rising nationally, ours seem to be rising a bit faster. We can tell you one of the reasons for the faster increase is because of your investment in keeping the Park beautiful. Because we live here and come and go daily, we probably take for granted what we have. It is always good to receive the comments from outsiders, especially real estate agents and appraisers who continue to tell that for its age Barrington Park is as well maintained as any the valley and better than even many of the newer complexes. As one real estate agent stated. "Barrington Park is beautiful. Driving in is like driving into a pristine landscaped Park." Congratulations Homeowners!! Collectively we have made this a coveted place to live.

<u>Lots of Concrete</u> - Thanks for your patience as we have redone many patios and are still doing some flowerboxes. We know it is messy and inconvenient but "Oh! What a difference" when it's done. All this work is a result of the funds that you owners approved a couple of years ago. We have trying to do the worst first so if you have not got your bad cement replaced yet, be assured that we have plans to do more each year as monies become available from our budgeting process. In other words, you can expect to see continued work of this nature every year. You will eventually get done.

Best Looking Garden Award — Issues past we announced a "Best Looking Gardens" contest. Well, on 23<sup>h</sup> of August independent judges went around Barrington Park and made their recommendations as to who had the best looking garden areas. Many of you did a wonderful job and they had difficulty in making up their minds. THE WINNERS of the Best Looking Gardens in Barrington Park are: 1st McKel Porter \$100.00 (1242 Thames Court), 2nd Bailey \$50 (4235 Winfield) and 3rd Jerry & Sandy Nordyke \$25 (4246 Winfield Road). These winners will receive Checks as indicated for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Congratulations to these winners for their efforts and making Barrington Park beautiful. Although they did not win cash, our judges wanted us to make note of their Honorable mentions Valeri Sehara (4241 Waverly Court) for great end of summer color and multi-level planting, Marsha Andersosn (1154 Middlesex) for xeriscaped garden and good use of pots, Faye Pollock (1222) Carlton for great of summer color and Garth & Kerrie Hyden (1243 Thames) for multi-level planting (and for having to compete with thier neighbor accross the street).

Thanks again and congratulations to all. We also want to thank DFI, LLC our Property Management Company for providing the prizes. If you get some time, go look at these gardens as well as all the great work that many other owners have done.

<u>Parking on the Streets</u> – Now that the concrete replacement is almost over, remember that there is no parking allowed on the streets between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 AM. Vehicles parked on the streets during that time are subject to being towed at owner's expense. If you need and extra space, they are available from the office at a cost of \$30 per month.

<u>Feeding the Wildlife</u> – Residents are reminded and encouraged <u>not</u> to feed the wildlife around the Park especially the ducks. Although it may be fun to mingle with nature, it creates a false environment for the animals which in turn causes them stress which can be fatal when the feeding stops. It also encourages other animals such as predators to take up residency here. Leaving pet food outside is a bad idea. Pet food will attract skunks, raccoons and fox, all of which have been seen around Barrington We do love our wildlife but please allow nature to keep it in balance.

<u>Thanks to You -</u> Mike Stant, our Maintenance Forman, wants to thank all of you who have expressed condolences to him after the tragic death of his daughter. She was killed in France when a truck jumped the curb and struck several other pedestrians also. She was living in France with her husband who was on assignment there as an auditor. Mike very much appreciates your thoughtfulness and prayers.

## August 2013 PARK REPORT

Job Order Status 45 new requests, 61 closed, 51 still open, a decrease 16. Of the 51 still open, 28 are unfunded of which most are cement work. Of the 23 still open after cement, 21 are over 2 weeks old. (Counter 8892)

### Grounds - & Buildings

- Work Orders Continued work to close out.
- Lawn mowing weekly
- Pool Maintenance daily 2nd test from County water quality "Excellent". replaced 1 chemical pump
- Pool inspection by County Health Dept. Three minor issues markings, loose ladder, skimmer check valves.
- Sprinklers are running at 100%. Cut more hours per week off of areas where we see water jumping curb and running in gutter.
- Ongoing sprinkler repair and adjusting
- New Fountain in pond one quit. Being returned to vendor.
- Electrical problem on Winfield Road security lights fixed. Short underground.
- Rugby fences complete.
- Wind damaged pool fence replaced.
- Balcony floors replaced 4311 Abby, 4311, 4307,4311, 4316 Haverford, Second coating of material on Rail expected up
  week of 12 August.
- Patios in the process of being replaced 4299,4301, 4302, 4303 Newton, 4306 Rugby, 4316,4317, 4319 Rugby
- Pool, 1 more closure on the kiddie pool.
- Call outs, 1 pool.

#### New Folks -

None

#### Office -

- Automatic Payments working
- Additional costs for Semi Private fence all billed to owners.
- Reported incidents Stolen car on Winfield. Garage prowl Cromwell
- 1 Fine and 3 Courtesy letters to be sent week of 12 August

From Finance & Management – When making payments please make sure your 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 . 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 or 5%, whichever is greater, WILL be charged for any payment received after the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. Homeowners who were at least 2 months in arrears as of the 25<sup>th</sup> of last month are listed as follows. Others that were on the list have become current. Liens either have or will be placed on these properties if they are not brought current immediately. Jellings

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1194 Middlesex	Garduno
4271 Gloucester	Luna
4272 Taryton	Erickson
4280 Dunmore	Gray
4289 Winfield	Hansen
4301 Rugby	Trinh
4304 Arden	Davis
4306 Arden	Isgar
4309 Winfield	Moore
4311 Cromwell	Lewis
4314 Abby	Johnson
4316 Whitby	Hall
4317 Haverford	Martinez
4319 Abby	Bethers
4320 Haverford	Escalante

FROM YOU - We will advertise your businesses as long as it can be relatively short, you 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. Owners are responsible to obtain proper approvals for any work being done to the outside of the buildings. Workers should ask to see the approved plans by the HOA prior to doing any work to the exterior of the buildings. We will publish your add for a period of three months unless terminated earlier by the business owner. Renewals are made by contacting Bruce @801- 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. 385-202-0326 3/3

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 Legal Shield where you receive: - Identity Theft Protection—Legal Will Preparation –Audit Assistance – Hefty discounts on all other legal services. All of this for only \$35.95 per month. Call Steve @ 801-269-1024.

SEAMSTRESS – Expert seamstress right here in Barrington Park. More than 25 years experience in alterations and repair to women's and men's clothing including dresses, pants, shorts, shirts and all items of apparel. Also able to manufacture drapes, pillows and bed spreads. Call for all your home and clothing fabric needs. Call 801-685-7118, ask for Galina.

NEED A HANDY MAN – I can do most all jobs when it comes to things around the house from plumbing like leaking faucets, disposal replacement, toilet valves, building shelves, changing doors, wiring issues, cabinet repair. Just about anything you need done. I am retired and live here in Barrington so I care about the community, and I can respond quickly and honestly. Give me a try I know you will be pleased. Call Boris at 801-685-7118

YOU HAVE A REALTOR LIVING IN BARRINGTON PARK WITH YOU! Do you need to sell your home? I can help. Do you want to buy a home? I can help. Do you know of anyone wanting to move into the area? I can help. Or even if you are just curious how your Real estate Portfolio/Values are doing, give me a call. I'd be more than happy to assist you with all of you Real estate needs. Sam Holman 801-842-2225

*PAINTING, MAINTENACE, HANDYMAN* – I have been in construction for the last 23 years. I have worked side by side with general contractors, electricians, plumbers. I owned "All Purpose Painting and Maintenance". I am a painting Contractor. Can do mostly inside painting and all kinds of handyman jobs. I live in Barrington Park. Call Wayne at 801-573-9782

HOUSE CLEANING - \$10.00 per Hr "EXCLUSIVE OFFER" Barrington Park Residents ONLY! Joeley Barrett; Cell 801-856-1263; Home 801-262-2398, references available.

CATHY's PET CARE - Cathy is a friend of Barrington Park with over 20 years of experience working with animals. She is comfortable handling a wide variety of special needs and temperaments and is trained to administer medications and provide basic medical care. Care provided just 15 minutes from Barrington Park in her holiday home. Care in your home also available. Call 801-277-2956 or visit her website www.SLCpetcare.com for more information 3/3

A NEW IDEA for our neighborhood. Do you have a few weeds around your house that need pulled or a little clean up around the outside of your home that you are not able to do? To help our community, we would like to start a little neighborhood group project. We are calling it "Pay it Forward'. If you need a little help, please call. If you have a little time to help your neighbors and would like to help, please call Leda at 801-301-5804.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** 12 September 6:30 PM at the Office