# **BARRINGTON NEWS**

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#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE—

At the beginning of this Holiday Season I just wanted to take a moment and let you know how grateful I am to you fellow owners of Barrington Park. I am so proud that collectively we have created such a wonderful place to live that is clean, well kept, quiet, peaceful and one that experiences little turmoil. I am also grateful to all those that serve on the Board of Directors and the various Committees so unselfishly. As I walk around the Park I have the opportunity to talk with many of you, I realized that I am blessed with good neighbors that care about each other. I wish each and every one of you the warmest Holiday Season and that you are able to share it with friends and loved ones. Have a great Holiday and best wishes for the next year.

Greg, President

<u>ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION</u> --The Barrington Park Homeowners Association annual meeting was held 14 November 2013, 6:30 PM at Fremont Elementary School. The meeting was well attended and many other owners submitted absentee ballots or proxies. The meeting followed the agenda previously provided. The meeting was calm and professional. There was good discussion concerning the proposed CC&Rs. The meeting provided a valuable interchange among Association members and the Board of Directors. There were reports given by the various standing Committees. These reports were informative and provided owners with information about what has been accomplished and what is being considered in the future. Hope to see everyone attend next year.

**ELECTIONS:** At the Annual Meeting members had the opportunity to vote for three positions on the **Board of Directors**. Individuals who had expressed a desire to run and whose names were on the preprinted ballots were Greg Fraser, Sam Holman, Dave Maxwell, Shelley Roberts and Pat Roberts. We were extremely excited about the number of owners who were willing to serve on the Board. Although not all were elected, there will be plenty of opportunity to serve in the future. The number of people willing to get involved is an indication of a healthy Association. You, the membership, elected **Greg Fraser, Sam Holman and David Maxwell** as your new Board Members effective January 2014. At the next Board meeting, elections of Board positions will be accomplished at which time we will publish the results. It's people like these great folks that make living here possible. Without people being willing to get involved, the Association simply could not exist. Thanks again to all these fine people.

<u>COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS-</u> We Talk quite a bit about the elections and the future of Barrington Park. We again want to thank the folks that volunteer time to make this a better community. And now will give you all an opportunity to help. As we stated earlier, our next board meeting is devoted to selecting officers and committee assignments. We want anyone who has an interest in serving on one or more of the committees to drop us note in the office drop box with you name, address, phone number and committee interest. The following are committees available.

Architectural
Appeals
Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs)
Finance
Grounds
Newsletter
Nominations
Welcome

<u>COVENANTS</u>, <u>CONDITIONS And RESTRICTIONS (CC&Rs)</u> -- The work on the CC&Rs has been finished. Proposed CC&Rs were either sent or made available to owners. The CC&Rs committee is currently working on getting the required signatures for passage. If you concur with the proposed CC&R's and Bylaws, you are invited to drop by the office and sign the required document. Someone will be in the office until 8:00 PM starting Monday, December 2nd thru Friday, December 13th. The office will also be open on Saturday December 7th and the 14th from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Please take advantage of these times and stop in and sign the approval sheet

<u>DELIVERY THEFTS</u> - Just a word of caution about packages. At this time of year, we should be even more aware and sensitive to the fact that there are many thieves looking for those times when we let our guard down just a bit. They will take advantage of every opportunity to destroy your Holiday. Be sure you lock your cars, don't leave anything of value in your cars, and if you are expecting a package and won't be there, have it delivered to a neighbor or somewhere where it isn't just left on the steps. Neighbors can help by watching each others houses. Packages that fit, are also delivered to the parcel locker by the mail room. Two (2) years ago those lockers were broken into and a few packages stolen. We have added lighting to the area but it would be wise if residents checked their mail everyday and retrieved any parcels rather than leaving them overnight.

SNOW REMOVAL -As a yearly reminder following is our policy and procedure for Snow removal. Snow removal is done when storms accumulate a depth of 2 inches or more (most of time the crew removes less than that if it sticks). 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 overnight 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 and know we will get to you. . Any help that is provided by you is appreciated and expedites the whole snow removal process, allowing the crew to work on other things. The crew does not remove snow from patio or deck areas.

Along with snow removal are the ice hazards that cold weather brings. Remember that Ice Melt (Not Salt) is available for owners (do not use salt on any of the cement surfaces). Please use what you need but do not over use. Be especially careful on the new cement. Our contractor advises that it takes a couple of years for the cement to really harden where extra ice melt will not have effect. Ice melt is available by calling or picking up at the office.

### **HOA FEE**

## **CHANGE OF LATE DATE**

HOA fees have always been due the first day of each month. Several years ago it was decided fees were considered late after the fifteenth, with late charges being assessed after the twenty-fifth. This does not comply with the current CC&Rs or the CC&Rs that are being proposed. To insure compliance with the CC&Rs and to be consistent, when determining penalties for being late, effective January 2014, HOA fees will be **considered late after the fifteenth (15th)** of the month and a late charge of \$25.00 or 5% of the unpaid balance, whichever is greater, will be applied on the unpaid HOA fees at the end of the business day on the 15th of the month.. This change does not affect most homeowners who pay fees before the 15th . Those that have been paying after the 15th must plan accordingly to avoid charges and possible liens. Again, this policy will become effective in January 2014.

**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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Homeowners who were at least 2 months in arrears as of the 15<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. No further notice will be given.

#### Jellings

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4265 Brunswick	Sichanpheng
4271 Gloucester	Luna
4272 Taryton	Erickson
4280 Dunmore	Gray
4289 Winfield	Hansen
4304 Arden	Davis
4307 Cromwell	Andrews
4309 Winfield	Moore
4314 Abby	Johnson
4317 Abby	Valentine
4317 Haverford	Martinez
4319 Abby	Bethers
4320 Haverford	Escalante

<u>PET MESS -</u> Again, our single most item that generates complaints. Your dog or pet must be on a leash anytime it goes past the threshold of your door. You must pick up pet droppings immediately. You are not allowed to "stake" dogs or pets out unattended. Your dog should not create a nuisance by barking continuously (this happens frequently when dogs are left unattended on patios or decks). You should control your dog so it does not run up anyone (some people are allergic or do not like animals.) Patios and decks are not intended to be kennels. those areas must be cleaned of dog droppings every day. As a courtesy to other owners, you should not walk your dog anywhere on the lawn areas on the front homes and please stay a reasonable distance from homes on the sides and back of homes. There are five (5) pet clean stations around Barrington Park equipped with bags and drop off baskets. There is really no excuse for pet owners not to pick up after their pets.

<u>CAR PARKING</u> - Now that concrete pours for this year are complete and owners have access to all their parking spaces, the tow company will again start patrolling the streets for parking violations. Don't park on the streets overnight to avoid towing. Also if you need extra parking, temporary or long term, stop by the office and get a permit. Long term extra parking is \$25.00 per month which is a lot cheaper that a tow for about \$200.00.

<u>FROM YOU</u> - 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

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

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 December 2013, 6:30 PM at the Office