

BARRINGTON NEWS

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In an attempt to keep the Barrington Park residents better informed of what is happening in our community, this newsletter is provided on a monthly basis. 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.

Where has Summer Gone? - It seems that just a few weeks ago we were ushering in summer. Now the kids are back in school, the pool is closing, there is much less daylight and we are getting those hints of fall with the cool mornings and warm afternoons. Soon the leaves will start changing and the crew will switch from summer maintenance to winter survival. We residents of Barrington are so blessed that we have a safe, clean, well maintained and beautiful community in which we live. The Board of Directors knows that you residents make this community what it is. It is you that keeps it safe, clean, and well maintained. It is the little things that you do like watching out for your neighbor, picking up that little piece of trash, pulling and extra weed and planting those beautiful flowers that makes Barrington Park stand out from the crowd. Thank you all for what you do.

GREAT TO MEET SO MANY !!! On the 27th of August your Association sponsored the first (of what we hope to be an annual event) **MEET & GREET** get together at the Gazebo. It was so good to see so many show up and meet their neighbors. The atmosphere was good with lively conversation, making new friends and seeing old friends. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with chips fruit vegies and cookies were served. It was a great success!! We want to thank all those that helped put it on and particularly Pat Platts, and Donna Hagbloom for hard work they did. Also the great chefs who cooked for us, Dan Platts and Dennis Kaplanis. But more than those good people, Thank You --- residence of Barrington Park, for coming and enjoying the company of one another in this wonderful community we live in.

TENNIS COURTS – They are done!!! After years and years of major damage, the tennis courts have been repaired and resurfaced. They are a beautiful... and functional. There has been much debate over the years as what to do with the old courts. It was almost the same story as “What comes first? The chicken or the egg?” Many folks said “Don’t put any money into repairs because no one uses them.” The ones that wanted to use them said they wouldn’t because “They are were unsafe and not useable with big cracks in them”. Because the tennis courts were and is an amenity when we owners bought into Barrington Park, the HOA really has had an obligation to keep them useable and maintained. Thus the decision, which is really an obligation, was to repair. Because the courts are common area and owned equally by all owners in Barrington Park, the only way to change the originally intended purpose of that common area is to get the same number of homeowners that can change the CC&Rs to agree to some other change. The result then is that Barrington Park has repaired and refurbished tennis courts. **BUT THAT’S NOT ALL.** The tennis courts have also been marked to be “Pickle Ball” courts. At first the Board didn’t know what pickle ball was but it is the latest court craze taking the country by storm. Apparently its loads of fun, less strenuous than tennis but a great way to exercise and have fun. When we asked the contractor doing the courts if he would put pickle ball on one court, he said no. He said we want to do both courts because once people start playing it, it will catch on like wildfire. So.... we did both courts. Take a look on the internet, it really does look fun. We have already had a few people use the courts for pickle ball and it appears to be catching on.

POOL – The pool will close for this summer 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 and cleanliness. We made it through the entire year with a single “accident” which would have caused a pool closure. GREAT!! 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.

LOTS OF CONCRETE- The contractor has started concrete replacement. 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 few years ago. We are doing 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 we budget cement replacement in our budgeting process. In other words, you can expect to see continued work of this nature every year. If you have cement that ought to be replaced, it will eventually get done.

Parking on the Streets – With concrete replacement beginning, parking on the street restrictions will be eased a bit. However, please use common sense in parking on the street. Don't park behind someone's driveway blocking them from getting in or out. Don't park in such a way as to restrict say a fire truck or ambulance from being able to get down the street. If you are one of the people having work done, we know it's inconvenient, but suggest that you park in the guest parking spots for a while.

Best Looking Garden Award – The Judges are finalizing their pick for the best looking gardens. Look for results in the next newsletter. We simply did not have enough time for the judges to get their votes compiled and the fact that so many of you have really good looking garden areas. It’s really sad to think that the first frost is only a few weeks away and that our lovely flowers will start to get ready for winter. Enjoy the surrounding while the flowers are still brilliant.

Rules Reminders– Trash Containers - Residents are to place containers on the street for collection no earlier than the evening before scheduled pickup, and are to remove the containers from the street no later than the evening of pickup. Trash containers must be kept in the garage or next to the fence for units with carports.

Driveways... Vehicle leaks are the responsibility of the homeowner to properly clean up. An oil drip pan must be used; this needs be kept clean and out of sight when the vehicle is not in the driveway.

Feeding the Wildlife – Residents are reminded and encouraged **not** 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. This year we have seen a big increase in the number of squirrels which are trying to take up residence under decks and porches and patios. They are eating about anything they can find and seem to love people’s gardens and bird feeders. All we can do is try to trap them which has had little success. We also paid dearly to have a skunk removed. We do love our wildlife but please allow nature to keep it in balance.

A Little Note About Security - Good neighbors look out for each other. If you are away for awhile and your neighbor knows about it, he or she can keep an eye on your place. Then, if they see anything out of the ordinary, they can alert the police. They might also let you know if you left your car unlocked or noticed other things that might help keep you and your property safe. Barrington Park has little reported crime. The ones we do hear about are usually those where a garage door was left open, or expensive valuable items were plainly visible in a car and the door unlocked. Help yourself and your neighbors from becoming victims. Watch out for yourself and others.

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Job Order Status 137new requests (2 months) 142 closed, 45 still open, a decrease of 5. Of the 45 still open, 27 are over two weeks, 16 are future funding cement. (Counter 10510)

Grounds - & Buildings

- Work Orders – Continue.
- Lawn care continues – mulching grass.
- Pool operations continue with 2 courtesy letters sent.
- Tennis court refurbish started – will stripe for tennis and pickle ball
- Shrub trimming continuing
- Deck staining continuing
- Weed control spraying continuing
- 1300 West lights repaired- required special order electrical breakers.
- Four (4) Sprinkler clocks required replacing. 25 total clocks with average of 8 stations per clock
- One (1) sprinkler mainline breaks (Hemingford)repaired.
- Two water to homes replaced. 1215/19 Middlesex.
- One (1) day just cleaning up debris from heavy winds.
- Two pond pumps replaced
- Tree replacements scheduled for September when weather cools.

New Folks -

4308 Haverford	Stone	(Community Development)
4316 Abby	Woolf	(Maroney)
1223 Norwalk	Hughes	(Rasmussen)

Office -

- Cement contractor called, says we should be starting end of August, first of September

Board Decisions –

- None

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 1st 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 15th of the month. Homeowners who were at least 2 months in arrears as of the 15th 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.

1194 Middlesex	Garduno
1230 Southampton	Farmer
1231 Norwalk	Maughan
4227 Winfield	Peters
4228 Derbyshire	Ashby
4271 Gloucester	Luna
4304 Arden	Davis
4310 Carnaby	Freeman

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 1/3

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. 2/3

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 2/3

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 1/3

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NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING – 8 September 2016, 6:30 PM at the Office