# **BARRINGTON NEWS**

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## **Message from HOA President:**

Hello Barrington Park residents. Spring is in the air... and it won't be long before the park is green and vibrant again!

A few things have popped up on the radar of your HOA's Board of Directors. I wanted to let you know that we are discussing these things and welcome any input you might have. Subjects include: a proposal for a smokeless community, revamping the garbage can rules, recycling, possible dog park, etc. Please feel free to share your input by leaving me a voicemail message at 801-263-3628, option 4 then 1. I'll listen to every voicemail, though I might not reply due to sheer volume.

Lastly, I wanted to remind residents not to park on the streets overnight. I few trailers were "booted" last month due to this problem. Our streets are not very wide, and for various reasons, which include snow removal and emergency vehicle access, we have contracted with a towing company that will tow or boot anything parked on the streets overnight. The CC&R's do allow recreational vehicles, boats, and trailers to be parked on the street for purposes of loading and unloading. To clarify, this is for recreational or camp trailers. We are especially intolerant of commercial vehicles and trailers being parked on the common streets. Keep them in your driveway (no overhanging the street), or even better, keep them at work. This is a residential planned community with HOA rules and restrictions. With a little common sense and a healthy dose of courtesy towards neighbors, this can be a fun, low effort (i.e. you don't have to cut the lawn, paint the exterior, or clean the pool) place to live.

Cheers, David Maxwell

<u>KEEPING A WATCHFUL EYE</u> – The Board of Directors is very concerned about security and vandalism in the Park. Although we really think incidents in Barrington are less than the surrounding area, we are still concerned and want to do all we can to minimize the impact on our residents and our budget. The Board asks that you report any incidents that you are involved in or observe to the office, even if you have also reported it to the police. The Board is maintaining a log and will use the information to proactively coordinate with police patrols and their efforts, as well as taking steps to prevent future events. Simply call or email the office and we will enter the information.

Car prowls are the single most crimes being committed in Barrington Park. Be sure to lock your car doors and remove anything of value every night. The second biggest problem area is stupid petty acts of vandalism, such as breaking lights, breaking the lettering off the front wall, pulling down signs, stealing yard fixtures, throwing debris in the ponds, breaking fences and other minor destructive acts.

The very best deterrent to all of the above is for all our residents keeping a look out. If it seems out of the norm, don't be afraid to ask and report. When thieves or vandals believe they are being watched, they will go elsewhere. Help keep Barrington Park the safe and crime free community it is.

<u>BUILDING REPAIRS</u> – If you feel that damage has been caused to your home that is the HOAs responsibility, you must notify the property manager <u>before</u> any repairs are made or started. The Association will not reimburse owners for repairs that are made without the HOA being involved in the repair process from the beginning.

**ROOFING WORK** - With warmer temperatures arriving and the bulk of the winter season over, the roof contractor is resuming work. There are five more roofs being replaced as was budgeted for this fiscal year. You will see these being completed as the spring weather permits. With the completion of the of these roofs, all major construction work will have been completed for the year. The only exception will be if we receive a settlement for defective deck boards from the manufacture. If we do receive the replacement boards, we will do some deck work.

## **RULE REVIEW OF THE MONTH**

<u>OIL Stains on Driveways and Carports</u> Many of you have received letters concerning oil stains on driveways or in carports. It may sound stupid to be concerned about it but really it isn't. Not only is the oil unsightly, but it gets into our waterway system. All of our gutter systems empty into the ponds. The consequence is added pollution hurting the water fowl, fish and plants. It is the responsibility of the owner to not drop oil in the first place, so it becomes the responsibility of the owner to clean up after oil is dropped. Many have asked how to get the oil cleaned so here are some suggestions:

- 1. Absorb fresh oil spots with rags, paper towels or cat litter. Then use a powder laundry soap mixed with fine sand, scrub the area with a stiff brush let this set for a while then sweep up. Thoroughly rinse.
- 2. Make a paste of automatic dish soap or any laundry soap (liquid or powder) with small amount of water scrub into the area let this set for a few hours then hose down, repeat if needed.
- 3. Mix any Liquid soap with water in a spray bottle, spray the spots and scrub into the cement let this set for a while, and then hose down, repeat if needed
- 4. You can also try any cola product, Baking Soda or TSP (tri-sodium phosphate).
- 5. Valspar Concrete Stain & Spot Remover is also good, (\$12.95 at Lowe's).

You can purchase an oil drip pan that you can put under the vehicle (Wal-Mart has these for about \$13.00) or they have them at auto parts stores, *This will need to be removed and put somewhere out of sight when the car is not in the driveway, this pan will also need to be kept clean*.

"Speed Limit for the safety of our children, elderly and every resident, the posted legal speed limit is 10 ½ miles per hour".

"While in the Common Area, all animals MUST BE ON A LEASH OR RESTRAINE\$D AT ALL TIMES"

#### February 2017 Park Report

Job Order Status 18 new requests 28 closed, 20 still open, a decrease of 8. Of the 20 still open, 11 are over two weeks, 6 are future funding cement. (Counter 10740)

## Grounds - & Buildings

- 1. Work Orders Continue.
- 2. Debris cleanup continues when snow melts
- 3. Snow removal minor since 1 Feb
- 4. Cat trap is out. Many roaming cats.
- 5. Roofs. Four more roofs to be replaced from this year's budget when weather breaks.
- 6. Decks replaced 1188/1160/1155 Norwalk, 4276/4280 Dunmore.
- 7. Annual Tree trimming contract complete.
- 8. Two sidewalk drainage issues to address in spring/summer. Between tennis courts and gazebo and by dog station end of Taryton.
- 9. Fertilizer Contractor to be renewed.
- 10. Tree replacements pushed off to early spring.

#### New Folks -

• 4311 Cromwell Com Develop Corp (Sec Hous Urb Dev)

#### Office -

- Automatic Withdrawals moving to 3 per month
- Inquiry for recycling again
- Bad Trex Claim, 11 Decks Approx 1700 Sq ft bad material.

#### Board Decisions -

- Chase vehicle
- Dog Chains
- Blue lights

<u>AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS</u> — Here is another advertisement asking that you sign up for Automatic Withdrawal of HOA fees from your bank or credit union. Once you sign up, you never have to worry about being late or forgetting your payments. The payments are credited to your account on the same day each month. It saves you a trip to the drop box, a stamp or time scheduling the payment from your phone or computer. Your account information is safer than a check because it is not floating around on a piece of paper and you can change accounts or stop the automatic withdrawal at any time. Checks seem to be disappearing as a means of payment and for many of you, your association check is probably one of the few you write each month. Consider Automatic Withdrawal. It's safe easy and the wave of the future. For more information or to sign up, give Bruce a call at the office 801-263-3628.

**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.

1219 Middlesex Measles 1229 Carlton Woodbury 1231 Norwalk Maughan 4224 Derbyshire Bond 4228 Derbyshire Ashby 4272 Taryton Erickson 4276 Brunswick Coffey 4302 Rugby **McDermott** 4304 Arden Davis 4305 Arden Sundell 4313 Rugby Parker

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 modern 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

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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

NEXT BOARD MEETING - 9 March 2016, 6:30 PM at the Office