# **BARRINGTON NEWS**

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August 2017

<u>Summer</u> – is here. Wow.. Hot It Is. We are way past the number of days over 100 degrees that we had all last year. This kind of heat is taking a toll on us, our lawns and gardens. Unfortunately, we have a bunch of brown spots and a huge water bill! Rest assured, all will come back as soon as the weather cools. But even with the brown spots, there is rarely a day goes by that some member of the Board or our Property Manager doesn't get some kind of comment on how good Barrington Park looks. Although we know our grounds crew does a great job, most of the credit goes to you and the way you maintain your flower beds, patios and deck areas Thank you so much! THANKS TO YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP IN KEEPING BARRINGTON PARK GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL!

<u>Barrington Park Meet and Greet</u> – Let's get together to close out summer!! On the 26<sup>th</sup> of August, the Barrington Park Association is sponsoring a **Meet and Greet** get-together in the gazebo area. All residents are invited to come have a hot dog, a hamburger, some chips, other goodies and good company as you meet your neighbors. No formal program is planned. It's just great time meet old friends and make new ones. Food will be served from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. Please come and have some fun. Pull the attached flyer and post in a place where you will not forget!!!

<u>Pest Control</u> –We have had several people ask again about spraying for bugs, slugs, earwigs, ants and other insects. As policy, Barrington Park does not use pesticides of any kind other than wasp freeze that is sprayed directly at an active wasp nest on the buildings and trees. Gopher pellets are also used on rare occasion and are buried directly into gopher tunnels and mounds. This policy has been in effect for many years to avoid our wildlife and pets from consuming pesticides or insecticides. We do know that owners use different insecticides or pesticides for various reasons. However, owners should not use any chemicals on any of the common areas. Owners are responsible for misuse or unauthorized use of pesticides.

<u>Swimming Pool</u> – Just a reminder that the pool will be closing for the season at 9:00 PM, September 4, 2017, which is the end of the Labor Day Holiday. Even though it has been a busy year at the pool, there has not been a single "contamination incident" where we have had to close the pool for an extended period of time YEAH!!! We thank all swimmers and ask you to please continue to be kind to your fellow residents by monitoring your children closely and see that they use the restrooms on a regular basis while at the pool. Thanks to all of you who use the pool, obey the rules, are courteous to other bathers and respect the facilities.

Best Looking Garden Awards – The time is almost here for Judging and it is going to be hard. There are a lot of good looking garden areas. The Board of Directors, Grounds Committee and Property Manger (DFI) think you ought to be recognized for your efforts. Judging is going to be different this year in that **YOU Residents are the judges**. What we want you to do is this: sometime between now and September 8<sup>th</sup>, (the week after Labor Day weekend), drop a note or email the office whose yard and garden you think are the best looking. Nominate three by your first, second and third place choices. Please give us your name and address so we can identify who is voting only so the same people can't "stuff" the box. When the vote is tallied, three (3) owners will be awarded gift cards of \$75.00, \$50.00 and \$25.00 for 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place for best looking yard garden areas. DFI has is donating the prizes so no monies come from

HOA dues. You can still be considered even if you start now. There is plenty of time left. For those that are established, now is the time for some fine tuning. HAVE FUN!!!!

### Little tidbits of Suggestions and information while living in our wonderful Barrington Park HOA-

Here are some things that you probably already know about living in close proximity to other people and in a community development such as Barrington Park. They are mostly common-sense items that sometimes we forget so it's always good to be reminded of once in a while. This list isn't all inclusive and not in any order of importance but are items come up on a recurring basis. Here we go:

SMOKE: Whether it be cigarette, or pit smoke, you live very close to your neighbor. The Law says you must control your smoke so as not to offend your neighbor. The easy way to do that is not to smoke or build fires anywhere that it could drift into your neighbors living area.

**PRIVATE SPACE**: Everyone like a degree of privacy and has expectation that others are not looking in their windows or getting to close to deck and patio areas. Although most of the grounds around a home are considered common area (the front is <u>limited</u> common area, which means exclusive use by the resident) it is common courtesy for people out walking dogs or just getting exercise, not to go to close to another person's home. Especially not close enough to look through the windows into someone else's home. Keep some space between you and other homes while walking around.

**TRASH:** Most of us really hate litter. It looks bad and shows that someone does not respect other people who live in the community. Every day the grounds crew does a "sweep" and picks up trash that gets thrown out of cars or simply gets dumped out of trash cans. That "sweep" costs us all money and especially valuable time the crew could use doing other things. The same goes for Cigarette butts. Please help keep the place looking beautiful by disposing of trach and cigarette butts properly.

**DOGS:** We talk a lot about dogs but sometimes forget to mention that some people and some dogs are really afraid of dogs. So not only is it imperative to keep any size dog on a leash but also control the dog when someone else is in the area. Dogs on a loose leash may run up to a person intending to be friendly but that person or other dog may feel threatened and truly scares. Please watch you dogs, especially those that might tend to be a bit friendly aggressive. OH! and DON'T FORGET pick up after your dog We have six (6) dog stations with bags around the park. There is no reason for anyone not to be able to pick up after their dog and dispose of the waste.

**BIRD FEEDERS:** We love our birds and we love bird feeders as long as they are not placed where the seeds fall on the lawn. What happens is the ducks find that fallen seed irresistible. While feasting on the seed, they eat the trample the grass too. Soon we have a big dead spot that turns into mud. Place your feeders wisely.

GARBAGE CANS: You probably already know that garbage cans left out past the day of pickup can cause Courtesy Letters and/or fines. It might be real neighborly if you know your neighbor is out of town or gets hung up at work or has other problems, that you take their can in for them until they get back. They'll probably love you for it and may even make some cookies for you. Simply, lets watch out for each other...and it keeps Barrington looking clean and tidy.

# JULY 2017 Park Report

Job Order Status 73 new requests closed, 52 still open, a decrease of 3. Of the 52 still open, 26 are over two weeks, 8 are future funding cement. (Counter 10975)

Grounds - & Buildings

- 1. Work Orders Continue.
- 2. Lawn care regular, starting earlier ½ hour due to heat.
- 3. Sprinkler system turned up to 120%. Watering 3 times per week

- 4. Sprinkler repairs on going daily as reported and observed. 1ea Main line break on Carnaby- repaired. 1ea Manifold rebuilt with two valves replaced on Abby
- 5. Replaced sprinkler clock #13 on Winfield
- 6. Two broken Security Lamps replaced on the back of Winfield Rd replaced with LEDs
- 7. "Rubber Bark" installed Gloucester Court circle.
- 8. 2 new pond fountains purchased and installed in ponds 1 & 3.
- 9. 2 new pond fountain pumps purchased to install in pond 2 when practical.
- 10. Pool Operations- Both pools passed Board of Health Inspections with only one comment. Need a "First Aid Kit" otherwise "Excellent".
- 11. Both pools opened on Memorial Day as scheduled.
- 12. Weed control on going.
- 13. 2 Cats taken to animal shelter. 2 traps still out.

#### New Folks -

4271 Taryton Beard (Grover)
 4228 Derbyshire Equity Solutions (Ashby)
 4274 Brunswick Brunson (Ferguson)
 4305 Arden Lozano (Sundell)

#### Office -

- 4314 Abby Update
- Speedy Plumbing still drawing plans for additional clean outs on French drain on north side of property.
- Fencing northwest corner to continue when new worker is hired.
- 3 reports of car prowls Friday night 7 July. No damage or serious theft.
- Complaints of "space invasion". Newsletter item.

#### Board Decisions -

• Former Spouse on deed amenity use.

**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.

4224 Derbyshire Bond

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

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**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING** –10 August 2017, 6:30 PM at the office.

# BARRINGTON PARK RESIDENTS

FOR
Saturday, AUGUST 26 TH,
3:00 – 5:00 PM
at the Gazebo area

# MEET & GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS

Have a bite to eat and Socialize a bit