

BARRINGTON NEWS

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THE SEASON IS CHANGING - Spring is officially here!! The trees are blooming, the flowers are popping up everywhere and, in general, spring just brings a refreshing feeling as we come out of winter. As Spring erupts, enjoy our beautiful grounds but be safe in doing so.

The streets can be congested with kids, bikes and pedestrians. The ponds with water and ducks always attract the little ones and can be fatal to them in a matter of seconds if they are not properly supervised. The playground is a great source of fun and activity, but again, should only be used by the young with supervision. Although Barrington Park does all it can to maintain the grounds and equipment in a safe manner, the Barrington Park Homeowners Association assumes no responsibility for injury caused by use or misuse of the grounds or equipment. **Please be careful!**

SECURITY – During the last couple of months some Barrington Park residents have again been victims of theft and burglary. We don't see an increase of these incidents and reports of crime have decreased in Barrington. However, each of these incidents is a concern to us as we want our residents to feel safe and crime free. The reason we bring up the information is so that we can suggest a few things that might help our residents avoid being targets for thieves. We suggest looking at these suggestions and as you evaluate your own situation, you could possibly make some changes to help yourself and home. 1) Keep a watchful eye of anything that looks out of the ordinary. If you see something unusual, confront the issue, report to the police or management. In other words, watch out for your neighbors. 2) If you are leaving town, let a neighbor know so they can watch for anything unusual while you are away. Have one or two lights come on at various times. Make sure your front porch area gets picked up of any newspapers or other items that might be dropped off. 3) Do all you can to make sure possible access areas to your home is not secluded from view. 4) Perhaps motion sensor lights might be a way to light up an area and give notice of some activity that you might want to check out. 5) Consider installing a burglar alarm system. There are extremely good systems on the market today that are relatively inexpensive, easy to install and have very low or no monthly charges. Some of these systems come with cameras that can be installed for monitoring outside your home as well as inside. 6) Cameras, there are many motion activated cameras that are available. These can be installed inside your home or outside. The HOA allows cameras to be installed outside but asks that you check with the office to make sure installations will not cause issues with the exterior coatings. 7) Get involved with the local Neighborhood Watch. There is an active group right here in Barrington Park. For more information, give Deloris a call at 801-265-0580.

Thieves will always take the path of least resistance. If your home is protected, and the one next door is not, the thief will go to the unprotected home

POOL OPENS – Mark your calendars. The Barrington Park Swimming pool is scheduled to open for the season Memorial Day weekend, Saturday May 26th (weather permitting). We appreciate that our residents were wonderful in caring for the pool and pool area last year. The pool is a popular place to get out of the heat and enjoy each other's company. We look forward to another great year and look forward to seeing you next month.

POOL MONITORS – Barrington Park has the reputation of having one of the cleanest and well-run community pools in the county. One of the big reasons it is so is because of our Pool Monitors. These

great folks not only make sure that all pool patrons follow the rules to keep the pool area family friendly, they also check to make sure only authorized residents and guests use the pool. The other important job of the pool monitor is to check water quality several times a day. Then if they see a problem, they can immediately notify our maintenance crew get the problem resolved. The Pool Monitors work for Barrington Park through our Property Management Company, DFI. Sabrina Bell, the Pool Monitor Supervisor has informed us **that there are still a couple openings for Pool Monitors to work at the pool this year.** If you are interested in working part time at the pool, let Bruce in the office know. He will forward your information to Sabrina.

GARAGE SALE – So that you can put the dates on your calendar, the Annual Barrington Park Garage/Yard sale is tentatively scheduled for 19-20 May 2018 (weather permitting). More information will be contained in the next newsletter, but this gives you about seven weeks to collect all that stuff you can make your million dollars on. It's a fun event so plan on it!!

BUILDING REPAIRS – If you feel that damage has been caused to your home that is the HOA's responsibility, you must notify the property manager **before** 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.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE - One of the reasons that Barrington Park looks so good is because of the great work that is done by the Grounds Committee. Spring is here, and the Grounds Committee becomes more active. This is a group of volunteers that meet and discuss things that will or could improve the aesthetics of our Community. The current Chair of this Committee is Dixie Lehman. She can be reached at 801-266-4368. It's a pretty easy way to get more involved with your community.

YARD and GARDEN Maintenance – There always seems to be confusion about who maintains what concerning the yards and gardens. The CC&Rs prescribe that the HOA will do all yard maintenance on the common areas. The literal interpretation would then mean up to 1 foot around owners buildings. However, we do know that some owners have planted flower gardens in front of and down the sidewalks or drives of their properties. These plantings are done at no additional expense to the Association and are not maintained by the Association. To be clear on who maintains what areas as recommended by the Grounds Committee, the Board adopted the following policy: Homeowners who wish to plant and maintain the small areas in front of their homes and along side their driveways (normally no more than 2 to 3 feet) may do so at their own expense and **the Property Manager must be notified by those who wish to do so.** Those owners that do not notify the property manager that they wish to maintain their gardens will have their areas automatically maintained by the HOA. Owners that have planted areas and no longer wish to maintain them must notify the Property Manager. The Grounds Committee will decide what to do with the area and if it required some type of modification, the homeowner will be charged to have the area returned to HOA maintenance. It must be noted that when the HOA maintains the area, it will be the way the HOA wants it done. The Owner will have no say in the planting or care.

Yard Waste - Some of you like to maintain your flower gardens, and as you do, you will generate some yard waste. We ask as much as possible that you put that yard waste in your private garbage cans. If you generate more than can fit into the garbage can, please place the extra garden waste out by the street. Our maintenance personnel will pick it up the next work day. Thanks for helping keep Barrington Park beautiful.

DECK and PATIO Maintenance - Along the same lines as yard maintenance comes deck and patio maintenance. The HOA does maintain i.e. replace decks and patios that fall into disrepair. However, decks or patios that have been modified by owners such as installing carpet or have been abused by pet waste or other activities which are considered other than "fair wear and tear", become the responsibility of the owner. Owners are also reminded that patios, decks and spaces **under decks** are not to be used for storage. Patio furniture may be placed under decks during the winter month but other items should not.

CONDOLENCES- We were saddened to learn this month the passing of one of our great residents, **Larry Lehman**. Larry and his wife Dixie have lived here at Barrington Park for many years. Larry has always supported the community in various ways and been a friend to all he came in contact with. We could always count on Larry to let us know when the water levels in the storm drain area were getting to be a problem. We will miss Larry and want to extend our sincere condolences to Dixie and the Lehman family.

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Job Order Status 27 new requests closed 33, 28 still open, a decrease of 6. Of the 28 still open, 17 are over two weeks, 8 are future funding cement. (Counter 11290)

Grounds - & Buildings

1. Work Orders – Continue.
2. Renovation of building and ground light fixtures is ongoing. Approx. 375 of the 450 fixtures have been done.
3. Tree trimming company completed their work.
4. Road patching complete until summer.
5. Deck staining complete.
6. Security motion light test on Arden Court installed for evaluation.
7. Pond drains and fountains cleaned.
8. 3 cats trapped and removed.

New Folks -

- 4304 Arden Tippettts (Failner)

Office –

- Arden Court security issues are being worked on.
- 4314 Abby update .

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.

1180 Middlesex Twitchell
1198 Norwalk Silcox
1231 Norwalk Maughan

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 385-743-2425 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. 3/3

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 3/3

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

NEED A TUTOR? Is your child struggling to keep up in school? I can help! I am a current PhD student at the University of Utah with a Master’s in science and experience as a private tutor. I can help with most K-12 subjects, Spanish, essay writing, college applications, class projects, and SAT/ACT test prep. I am available evenings and weekends with a flexible schedule, and since we’re neighbors, I can come to you! Call Nicole at 972-979-1154. 3/3

NEXT BOARD MEETING - 12April 2018, 6:30 PM at the Office