BARRINGTON NEWS

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May 13th is Mother's Day. Happy Mother's Day to all of the Moms in Barrington Park!

<u>Presidents Message</u> – Summer is right around the corner and as the season approaches we see May and June as having lots of things going on. First on the list is our 15th **ANNUAL GARAGE SALE** scheduled for the 19th and 20th of May (see the note in this newsletter). Then the **POOL OPENS** on the 26th of May, Memorial Day Weekend (also see note in this newsletter). After that is our, what's becoming an annual event, **MEET AND GREET** on the 9th of June. And after the "Meet and Greet", we are into full swing summer at Barrington. None of these events and activities work very well without you homeowners being involved and showing the community spirit you do. We think we have one of the most beautiful, well kept places to live in the valley. Most of that is because, again, your community spirit and wanting to keep Barrington Park the great place it is. Thanks for all you do to help make this all work.

We would like you to pay close attention to the article we have in this newsletter about water. Increases like this caught us completely off guard as we had no idea this was coming and are already working off of the budget that was put together last July. We take great pride in trying desperately to keep costs down, thus avoiding HOA fee increases. These types of increases really hurt.

<u>Barrington Park Meet and Greet</u> – Let's get together to start summer!! On the 9th of June, 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>Pool Opening</u> – Mark your calendars that on Saturday May 26th (Memorial Day Weekend), the Barrington Park Swimming pool is scheduled to open for the season (weather permitting). We take a lot of pride in the cleanliness of our pool water and do much to make sure that you have a great experience with your family and guests. Residents and guests have also done a wonderful job in keeping our pool clean and enjoyable. The hours of the pool will be:

11:00 AM – 9:00 PM Monday thru Friday

10:00 AM – 9:00 PM Saturday and Sunday and Holidays

As a couple of reminders: You must be current on your HOA monthly maintenance assessment to use the pool. Bring your ID, by doing so we can make sure only authorized persons use the pool. We have some new Pool Monitors so your ID is essential. Homeowners should be at the pool with guests. No alcoholic beverages or persons who appear to be intoxicated are allowed.

15^h Annual Barrington Park Garage Sale. The dates of May 19 & 20 are set for the Annual Barrington Park Garage Sale. Get all that unwanted stuff out of your basement and closets and make a few bucks in the process. Each year, we have a lot of traffic coming through the park (especially on Saturday). So, be sure and participate, even if you only have a few items. Remember, ONE MAN'S JUNK IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE.

- 1) We will advertise the sale starting at 8:00 am and ending at 4:00 pm each day.
- 2) You need to secure your own area.
- 3) All items must be removed from the common area by 5:00 pm on Sunday.
- 4) Items should be placed so as not to impede any traffic.
- 5) Have Fun!!

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SUGESTION

Keep your garage door closed when you are not within eye view, someone can go in and remove several items within minutes and you won't even know it.

Make sure that all outside lights are working. This helps deter suspicious activity.

If you are going out of town, ask a neighbor or two to keep a lookout on your unit and if you know a neighbor is not at home watch out for them also.

Call Unified Police if you see anything that is suspicious 801-743-7000

Water and Sprinklers – We got hit hard by the recent Taylorsville Bennion Improvement District water rate structure change. As most of you also saw an increase in your water bill, so did Barrington Park, a big increase. For your information, here is what has happened: Barrington Park has four (4) water meters. One (1) for the office and pool area, one (1) for the maintenance building and Two (2) large 3inch lines that come into the Park to service the common area sprinkler system. Where the two (2) main sprinkler lines in the past were charged a "Water Availability Rate" of \$5.00 per month, they now are charging \$100.00 per month. That increase alone will cost us an additional \$2400.00 per year, even though we don't use the sprinkling system 6 months out the year. On top of that increase is the cost per 1000 gallons of water. Based on the new rate structure, if we use the same amount of water this year as we did last year, our water bill will go up a whopping \$6,444.95 or an increase of water 23%. Combining the two increases, our bill would go up \$8,840.95. Bottom Line – Using the same amount of water this year as last, our bill will go from the \$29,000 we budgeted to \$38,000. Breaking that down further, each owner will be paying almost \$3.00 per month more for watering the lawns.

There a couple of things we are going to try lessen the impact. One is that we are going to cut watering from three times each cycle to two with slightly longer watering periods. Next, we are going to adjust times on those area stations that sometimes have water running off the area. That will cause a few more dry spots, but overall will save money. In all cases, we will not lket the grass dye but may let more places go dormant when it's really hot. Owners can help by observing and reporting any sprinklers that are not operating properly or are broken. Flags will be available in a container by the office door. If owners flag a bad sprinkler, maintenance will automatically go fix it. Help us conserve and save water while keeping Barrington Park green and beautiful.

Spring Cleanup - It is now SPRING and in order to keep Barrington Park looking Beautiful and aesthetically pleasing to the eye, it is time for you to spruce up your areas by removing all dead flowers and leaves, pulling the weeds and filling in all planting areas with flowers, shrubs, grass, woodchips, or rocks. Remember it is your responsibility to remove all weeds and debris under your decks and patios These are not STORAGE AREAS. (only summer items can be kept there during the winter).

<u>Oil Cleanup</u> – ALL OIL SPOTS on driveways and on carports are your responsibility to clean up and keep clean. If you are using a oil drip pan, this must also be kept clean and out of sight when your vehicle is gone. If you have any questions or comments, please call 801-263-3628 ext. #7 for Committees, then ext. # 2 for the Compliance. This will go directly to Deloris the Compliance Chair Person.

Working to Protect Your Money

One of the most important responsibilities of the board is to manage the association's funds—your money. We take this responsibility seriously; these are the procedures we insist on to protect your money:

- Association financial records are reviewed or audited annually by a certified public accountant.
- Bank statements are reconciled promptly each month.
- The balance sheet and profit and loss statement are reviewed each month.
- Association reserve accounts are analyzed annually to ensure they are adequate for future needs.
- The association has a policy that safeguards the principle of invested funds, a signature policy that safeguards operating funds, and a collections policy that safeguards cash flow.
- All association volunteers and personnel who have access to association funds are bonded.
- Kickbacks are prohibited, and any possible conflict of interest must be disclosed.
- Checks and balances are in place to ensure the safety of association funds—such as requiring two signatures on all checks.

April 2018 Park Report

Job Order Status: 26 new requests, closed 19, 35 still open, an increase of 7. Of the 35 still open, 19 are over two weeks, 9 are future funding cement. (Counter 11316)

Grounds - & Buildings

- 1. Work Orders Continue.
- 2. Renovation of building and ground light fixtures is complete 450 fixtures were removed refurbished and rehung.
- 3. Pond 2 Fountain Experiment going well. Will build another for east end of pond.
- 4. Pond 2 water level control working
- 5. Pond 1 fountain guit working. Warranty applied for.
- 6. North Entrance Island and Norwalk divider island reworked with rubber mulch.
- 7. Sprinkler testing and repairs from winter started.
- 8. Tree ring cleaning started.
- 9. 1st fertilization and weed control completed.
- 10. Aeration to start Monday April 16.
- 11. Golf course fence behind Norwalk requiring repair. Cut and lifted. Bruce to meet with Golf Course Manager.

New Folks -

• 4228 Derbyshire Swindlehurst (Equity Solutions)

• 4229 Derbyshire Blume (Juarez)

Office -

- Arden Court security lights working well. Will phase in other carports
- 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 1231 Norwalk Maughan 4313 Winfield Smith 4314 Abby Johnson 4320 Haverford Escalante

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

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.

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.

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NEXT BOARD MEETING: 10 May 2018 6:30 PM at the Office

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR Saturday, June 9 th, 3:00 – 5:00 PM at the Gazebo area

MEET & GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS

Have a bite to eat and Socialize a bit