

# BARRINGTON NEWS

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In an attempt to keep the Barrington Park residents better informed of what is happening in the our community, this news letter is provided on a monthly basis. Our format has changed to offer more explanation and perhaps even make our "monthly" easier and more enjoyable to read. 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.

## *Happy New Year*

The Board of Directors would like to wish all of our residents the happiest of new years. We look forward to exciting times as we continue our efforts to make Barrington Park the best place to live in the valley. As we all make those New Year resolutions, we as Board would ask that each homeowner resolve to do one small thing each month to improve our community. Those small things could be planting flowers, or picking up garbage or cleaning up a pet mess, or caring for a neighbor just to name a few. The point is that if every residence did one little good deed, it would mean 3336 good things happened during the year to make us a better neighborhood. We appreciate the support of so many of you. Best of luck for the coming year.

**Elections** We are pleased to announce the results of our elections that took place at the November Annual Meeting. Those that were elected to the Board of Directors for 3 year terms were Donna Hagblom, Mike Perlman, and Gregory Fraser. As we announced earlier, Klaus Oefele resigned due to personal conflicts. Evelyn Strong was asked, and graciously accepted, to fill the remainder of Klaus' term. Additionally, the Board elected new officers for the coming year. So, here is how the new Board and Officers came out:

<b>MARY MCDERMOTT</b>	<b>President</b>	<b>261-3905</b>
<b>DONNA HAGBLOM</b>	<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>268-9148</b>
<b>EVELYN STRONG</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>262-6786</b>
<b>KATIE NIELSON</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>261-0766</b>
<b>BILL WASSMER</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>293-8968</b>
<b>MIKE PERLMAN</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>265-8666</b>
<b>JOHN BRIA</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>269-0530</b>
<b>DEBBIE BASS</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>685-8833</b>
<b>GREGORY FRASER</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>266-4695</b>

On 2 December 2004, homeowners **voted NOT to approve the proposed assessment** for the renovation of the building exteriors. The proposal was defeated by only two votes. Of course the Board was disappointed with the outcome because the building exteriors are in dire need of attention. But what was more disappointing to the Board and many others is that the fact that only 126 of 278 possible owners bothered to vote. That is only 45% of the eligible voters. We would have hoped that something as important as our future would have been decided by more than the 64 people that voted no. Later in this newsletter we have, by permission, reprinted a letter we received from a long time resident and former Board member of Barrington Park. The letter expresses the sentiments of many people who have contacted Board members and the office since the election. The problem has not gone away and we cannot simply

ignore it. During our Board meeting in January, we will be discussing other options. Those options may include a new assessment proposal, a maintenance fee increase, cutbacks in service or others. We have continuously asked if residents' have other solutions than those proposed by the Board. We receive a great deal of criticism for what we propose but few suggestions on solving the problem. To date we have received only two other suggestions that we will consider. PLEASE if you have some ideas, take time to jot them down and drop in the office "drop box" before our 13 January Board Meeting.

**FRIENDLY RULE REMINDERS OF THE MONTH** - 1) We are alarmed at the amount of trash being dropped or thrown on the grounds. This includes cigarette butts. We plead with residents to pick up after themselves. Remember that someone needs to pick up the trash and that cost money and time. The more manpower we divert to trash pick up, that much less manpower is used for repairs. We again need to thank Annette Sheffield. Almost everyday as Annette can be seen walking around the Park and picking up trash and cigarette butts. The only thing she has ever asked in return is for people be considerate of each other and take care of their own trash and cigarette butts.

2) We also ask that residents use the recycle bin for only paper and broken down cardboard. If the bin is full, do not stack around or on top of the container; take it back home until there is room. We ask that break down cardboard boxes because they take up a great deal of room if you don't. The bin gets emptied each week (usually Monday). If we continue abuse and cause problems for the recycler, they will take the bin out and we will loose over \$600 revenue each year.

## DECEMBER 2004 PARK REPORT

Job Order Status - 138 New Requests, 146 Closed, 192 Still Open – a decrease of 8 backlog. (counter 1679) Funding is biggest reason for backlog. .

### Grounds - & Buildings

- Leaf clean up continues on a rotational basis with priority to entrances.
- Final mow for season complete
- Sprinkler system blown out and winterized
- Removed Pond pumps for winter
- Finished all prep on Rhino Shield Buildings
- Trimmed bushes before weather turned bad.
- All tree stumps removed from cut trees,
- 3 Decks raised – Need pads poured for steps
- Lift station pumps repaired.
- Rain gutters being cleaned and repaired
- Balconies on Arden Court being worked as weather permits .
- Major under ground electrical on 1300 West, back of Norwalk and around pond 1 fixed or being worked.
- Decks on 3 Decks on Middlesex finally completed
- Trimming shrubs throughout park as time permits.
- Have completed all roof repair requests.
- Fixed foundation leaks.
- Repaired trim and siding on 3 buildings prior to being Rhino shielded
- Lawn Equipment Winterized.
- Winter Equipment serviced and ready.
- Started erection of new equipment storage shed.
- Continuing porch light refurbish that was started last year.

### Major projects still on.

- "lifting" covered decks as time permits .
- Rebuild foot bridge
- Do another group of railroad ties to concrete flower boxes.
- Continue new tree planting

- Arden Court balcony rebuilding

Office –

- 1 each \$93.00 fine issued for multiple pets.
- Haverford sale fell through – probable bank foreclosure
- 4 liens processing to be recorded.
- Audit in progress
- New Folks
  - Alder 4310 Rugby (Butler)
  - Potter 4311 Abby (HUD Vannoy)
  - Scruggs 4280 Dunmore (HUD Clark)
  - Symes 4308 Cromwell (HUD Roberts)
  - Swensen 4260 Dunmore (McMullin)
  - Petterborg 4317 Arden (Adams)
  - Leonard 4284 Winfield (Shingleton)

Board Decisions –

- Siding Repair
- On Hold
- Smoking at the pool  
Second hand Smoke
- 15 Complaints for action.

**From Finance & Management** – Homeowners who are at least 90 days in arrears are listed as follows. Others that were on the list have either become current or have been forced from their homes. Liens will be placed on these properties if they are not brought current by 15 January 2005

1191 Norwalk	Hummel	4307 Cromwell	Andrews
1229 Carlton	Woodbury	4307 Haverford	Montoya
4238 Derbyshire	Horne	4307 Rugby	Jensen
4265 Brunswick	Sichanpheng	4319 Abby	Bird

**From You -** We will advertise your businesses as long as it can be relatively short, you provide a copy of your business license and 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. We will advertise for a period of three months unless terminated earlier by the business owner. Renewals are made by contacting Bruce @ 558-1737.

***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 \$40/hour for any work done within Barrington Park. Call for quote on computers, printers, software, etc. 265-3815 2/3

***REAL ESTATE*** I wanted to introduce myself to you again. My name is Katie E. Heiner and I am a new resident of Barrington Park. I have lived in the Park since last August and am a real estate agent with Prudential Utah Real Estate. I have had success in selling two homes in Barrington Park for close to the asking price. From the time they were listed, I had them sold in 50 days!!!! As a resident, I have an increased interest in our Community. If you have any questions or are interested in buying or selling your home or know of someone who is, please give me a call. (801) 347-9777, [Katie@move2slc.com](mailto:Katie@move2slc.com) 3/3

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**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING** : 13 January 2005 6:30 PM at the Office

**FROM YOU** - The following is a reprinted letter from one of our residents. We thought it worthy to be reprinted in its entirety:

### WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

With the defeat of the special assessment, Barrington Park and property values will more than likely go right down the toilet.

To the young man who foolishly made the statement “everyone will be dead or gone in 5 years”, there is a large group of people who have been here for years and want to continue to live here for years. I am sure your property value will be going down in the two years you plan to be here.

To the Chevy driver who thinks we were trying to buy a Cadillac, what is your solution? Even Chevy drivers need to keep their cars in good repair. It is going to cost more than \$5,000 to paint the units very 3-5 years and do the work than needs to be done on the units. Are you willing to go on as we have while property values fall because the park is falling apart?

To the woman whose house was one of the prototypes, you are “throwing out the baby with the bath water” because everything wasn’t exactly to your liking? I understand the crew worked everyday they could and we have had weather issues. I understand having construction work on your home is difficult, but you are not giving the park a chance to make things right, so the rest of the park be damned.

Think about this:

1. It is going to cost us to have repairs made. We cannot do this for nothing. We have to do it soon.
2. We cannot continue without an increase in our maintenance fees. At least with the assessment it would end in 5 years, an increase in fees most likely continue on indefinitely.
3. Property values will go down without something being done. We will see an increase in rentals and people who don’t care what happens here.

To all of you who voted yes or no, we as a community have got to come up with solutions to the ongoing problems here at Barrington Park. We cannot continue to sit back and say “Let the board do something” and then complain about the choices they make. I know the board worked hard as did Bruce in coming up with the proposal. I felt it was a reasonable solution to getting Barrington Park in great shape.

**IT IS TIME TO GET OFF YOUR DEAD BUTTS AND CONTRIBUTE TO THIS COMMUNITY. GET TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING AND ASK FOR A REVOTE ON THIS ISSUE OR COME UP WITH SOMETHING ELSE THAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE THE REPAIRS WE NEED. OTHERWISE, A LOT OF GREAT PEOPLE WILL BE LEAVING BARRINGTON.**

Sincerely,  
Linda James, 1227 Carlton Court

**BARRINGTON PARK HOMEOWNERS:**

FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF QUESTIONS THAT THE CC&R COMMITTEE OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT ON.

THE CC&R COMMITTEE IS ENDEAVORING TO FINALIZE THE DRAFTS OF THE NEW CC&R'S AND BY-LAWS FOR SUBMITTAL TO YOU FOR APPROVAL AND SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS PERTAIN TO POSSIBLE CHANGES IN THOSE DOCUMENTS.

THE BOARD WOULD LIKE YOUR OPINION ON SOME POSSIBLE CHANGES WITHIN THE PARK.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE AND RETURN IT TO THE BARRINGTON PARK OFFICE MARKED "CC&R COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN".

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SIGN THE QUESTIONNAIRE. BUT ONLY THE HOMEOWNER CAN COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO THE OFFICE BY JANUARY 31, 2005.

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DO YOU FEEL RESIDENTS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO HAVE 2 PETS PER UNIT.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

IF THE INCREASE IN PETS IS PASSED WHAT DO YOU FEEL IS AN ACCEPTABLE WEIGHT LIMIT FOR THE PETS?

PER EACH PET \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE FILL IN A WEIGHT IN EACH BLANK)

DO YOU THINK SKATEBOARDS , ROLLER BLADES, SCOOTERS, ETC. SHOULD BE ALLOWED IN THE PARK?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD YOU APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIFIC PLACE FOR THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE PARK?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT WE TAKE HALF OF THE TENNIS COURTS AND MAKE A BASKET BALL COURT OR OTHER RECREATIONAL AREA:

DO YOU APPROVE?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU FEEL THAT LEGAL FIREWORKS, ON THE APPROPRIATE HOLIDAYS, SHOULD BE ALLOWED IN THE PARK (THIS WILL NOT OVERRIDE LOCAL AND/OR STATE REGULATIONS.)

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A SECURITY GATE OR GATES INSTALLED AT THE ENTRANCES?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES - WOULD YOU LIKE THEM ON JUST ONE ENTRANCE OR ON BOTH:

BOTH \_\_\_\_\_ ONLY ONE \_\_\_\_\_

IF ONLY ONE ENTRANCE WHICH ONE?

NORTH ENTRANCE \_\_\_\_\_ SOUTH ENTRANCE \_\_\_\_\_

ARE THERE ANY OTHER ITEMS YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED IN THE CC&R OR BYLAWS OF BARRINGTON PARK, OR WITHIN THE PARK ITSELF?

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