

The Voice



Chicago Politics comes to LWV

How do we determine the priority for reserving a Recreation Facility? Logically, a club or organization that reserves a facility one year should have preference for those days, and that facility, the following year. This makes sense so that an organization is not faced with having a different meeting day each year.

Of course, this assumes that politics does not play a part! In 2010 the rules have changed and the GRF/PCM "machine" now includes a new, publicly acknowledged, ingredient, called; "NEPOTISM." For the past three years, "Residents Voice" has held their meetings on two Thursdays a month in Clubhouse 5 at 6:30 pm. When reserving our dates for 2010, there was a conflict on a number of evenings and the time was allocated to, ... "someone that the Recreation Department would not publicly acknowledge."

Is it any surprise that the organization that has been assigned these dates is, "The Friends of the Village?" PCM uses the excuse that "Friends of the Village" is a formally recognized club, whereas, "Residents Voice" is not; ergo, the club gets precedence.

So, why isn't "Residents Voice" a club? A United Director erroneously stated the reason being, "because Residents Voice would not publish their Membership list." Another bit of "misinformation" from a Director. It might be

that the Director was reading her magazine during the Board Meeting and missed the real reason.

Now for the facts; the following excerpt is from a letter by the Recreation Director, Kurt Rahn, in which he stated, "After reviewing the Manifesto you provided and the existing by-laws for the Community Civic Association, I find that there is indeed a duplication of purpose. Based on this I must decline your request for Resident's Voice to become a Laguna Woods Village club/organization." A link to the full letter can be found at the "Residents Voice" website at www.rvoice.org.



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