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Subject: RE: Natl Night Out event @ Tietze Park

Mr. Adelman, I am more than happy to work with any other representative in the BNA. Please let me know who else in the organization I may talk with. I welcome and appreciate any group of residents who are committed to improving our community. However, I find your personal tactics self-serving and distracting.

The BNA has not been singled out in being excluded from the event organized by the LGNA. The LGNA also rejected a request by the Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association to participate in their event.

You have confused your right to use a public park with your desire to participate in an event sponsored by another organization. There is no question that the BNA may use the park, and has in fact been offered use of the pavilion. However, you want something else. You want the city to force the LGNA to include the BNA in an event organized by the LGNA. The LGNA has the right to include or exclude from their National Night Out whatever organizations they wish. Had the Girl Scouts reserved an area of the park for an event, the city would not force them to accommodate a request by the Friends of Lakewood Library to let them have a table.

The park is big enough for both the BNA and the LGNA to hold successful NNO events in separate areas of the park. You have been offered use of the park pavilion, but you rejected this location, claiming it is analogous to being asked to "sit in the back of the bus." In fact, the pavilion is the best location in the park for an event. Had the LGNA reserved the pavilion, I have no doubt you would be clamoring for it. It has become apparent in your many emails on this subject that you are more fixated on using whatever facilities the LGNA has reserved, rather than organizing a successful event for BNA residents.

Your personal desire for attention and conflict does not further the goals of the organization you purport to represent. I am happy to work with the BNA. Please have Diana Souza, Pat Salvaggio, or any another BNA officer contact me.

Angela Hunt

From: Avi S. Adelman [<mailto:avi@aviadelman.com>]
Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2006 10:32 AM
To: Angela Hunt
Subject: RE: Natl Night Out event @ Tietze Park

Ms Hunt

BNA rejected the offer of the Tietze pavillion outright, as we were not happy with being relegated to the "back of the park."

As the acting president of the association, your correspondence should be directed to my attention.

The issue at hand - one neighborhood association making decisions that negatively impact groups they don't like - is not acceptable in a civilized society. Your attitude of condoning the behavior of LGNA in this and similar issues is disgusting to say the least.

Your comment confirms our beliefs- You do not recognize BNA as the legitimate representative of this area, and you sure as heck don't want to deal with me.

This is completely opposite your public pronouncements that you care about the area and its residents.

But it is not surprising to me at all.

Our informal board is very committed to making sure that BNA continues to grow and develop, no matter the roadblocks you or LGNA throw in our path.

We will see you Tuesday evening at the event - come by for some chicken wings!

Avi S. Adelman

At 10:23 AM 7/30/2006 -0500, you wrote:

Mr. Adelman, the Park Department has already accommodated your request for a presence at Tietze Park during the National Night Out event organized by the LGNA. I will be happy to discuss this further with your vice president, Diana Souza, or other officers from the BNA.

Angela Hunt

From: Avi S. Adelman [<mailto:avi@aviadelman.com>]

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Subject: Natl Night Out event @ Tietze Park

Ms Hunt

I am writing to you on behalf of the Belmont Neighborhood Association.

As you know, we have been denied the right to participate in the Lower Greenville National Night Out event this coming Tuesday evening.

Our emails to LGNA's Ms. Willison were ignored until Saturday when I received a hand-written letter telling us that the event sponsors were set way back in April 2006.

BNA was NEVER invited to any of the planning sessions for this event. We are being ignored because LGNA does not recognize BNA as the true representative of the residents on Lower Greenville south of Belmont.

We have been denied the right to join the DHL because LGNA has - with DHL's cooperation - worked to keep us out. The most notable issue was their request to hold a hearing on our application, but without telling us what the questions were to cover.

I think that is called a "Star Chamber" hearing.

In re the NNO event, the Park Dept was caught off-guard by our request. We were offered the use of Glencoe Park, three miles NORTH of the BNA area.

We were also offered the use of the Tietze Pavillion, far away from the main event. We turned that down, saying that we will not be forced to go to the back of the park.

People roll their eyes when we tell them we are being denied the right to participate in an event that is designed to promote communication among neighbors and neighborhood groups, all in an effort to promote the private agenda of one neighborhood association and its leadership.

Ms. Hunt, let me be very clear - BNA will be at the NNO event on Tuesday night. We will not be denied the right to represent our own neighborhood to your office and others. And we will not be denied our right to the use of a City park.

There is no requirement that participation in these events must be limited to groups that LGNA likes or that are members of the DHL. BNA is a small but growing group and we deserve the right to represent ourselves in all events and forums.

Our membership is asking you, as the elected representative for all neighborhoods in this area, to intercede with LGNA immediately.

We are demanding "safe passage" to the event and while we are there. We will avoid any and all physical confrontations, and we expect the same of LGNA and the other organizers.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening.

Avi S. Adelman

And we are demanding to be included in all future

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