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Greetings, Neighbors

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#### ELECTION NEWS

Hearing Notice, Election Board Meeting

SUNDAY, FEB. 8, 2009, at the Barn

4PM (RE: CANDIDATES FOR TRUSTEE)

4:30PM (RE: CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT)

To read the full hearing notices, click here:

[http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/2009\\_Election/  
2009\\_ElectionBoard\\_Trustees.pdf](http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/2009_Election/2009_ElectionBoard_Trustees.pdf)

[http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/2009\\_Election/  
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Or if those links don't fly, please see posting on both our home page ( <http://deerparkneighbors.com> ). You'll always find the Election link in the left-hand column of every page.

Some coverage on the slate challenges:

<http://www.dailyherald.com/story/print/?id=269303>

[http://www.pioneerlocal.com/lakezurich/news/1415426,lz-dpobject-020509-  
s1.article](http://www.pioneerlocal.com/lakezurich/news/1415426,lz-dpobject-020509-s1.article)

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CORRECTION to our Feb. 2 eBlast

DPN was mistaken as to the actual number of objections, but indeed, each of the 8 candidates was filed against. And if you count the specifics, it's even more than 14 individual objections. But who's counting!

We have reviewed these today, and in our opinion, these objections are petty and partisan, and nothing more than paperwork technicalities. Of course, our opinion doesn't matter; the Election Board's does: Trustees Dave Kizior and (retiring) Pat Plautz and Village Clerk Susan Meyle. We hope letter of the law is tempered with good sense, and with an eye to the common good, not partisan politics.

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IN OUR OPINION

*Look, we get it. Campaigns are partisan by nature. But getting on the ballot requires jumping through so many hoops, any one of us might fail to cross a "t" or dot an "i." If that error is not substantive, does not reflect on one's ability to effectively serve in public office, then shake hands, and come out fighting—on the campaign trail, not in front of the election board.*

*Surely, there are few public processes more ugly and cynical than a local election board (a matter of state law, not village code). Should this board result even one uncontested seat on the ballot, then you, the voter, will have no choice in April.*

*Let us repeat that: No choice.*

*These objections, the drama around them, the flurry of gossip, the utter meanness of the "he filed, she filed" atmosphere exposes Deer Park at its very worst. And that goes for BOTH sides. Let's work together for a better Deer Park, not a bitter Deer Park.*

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ROUTE 53 ADVISORY TO BE ON APRIL BALLOT

The Lake County Board approved placing an advisory referendum on the April 7, 2009 ballot on whether Route 53 should be extended from Lake Cook Road

north to Illinois Route 120. This is an advisory referendum that will be used to determine the level of public support for the extension of Illinois Route 53 through Lake County. The following advisory question of public policy will be submitted to the voters of Lake County:

**Shall the State of Illinois construct the extension of Illinois Route 53 from Lake Cook Road northerly to the existing Illinois Route 120?**

Deer Park Neighbors would like to hear from you! Please reply to this email with "53" in the subject line, and include your name if we are free to share your opinions with your neighbors.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL

We hear, almost daily from you, that "well, 'that's that, CN won, it's over." Many of you have also said you feel that you can't catch up with the CN matter. Today, on "Worldview" on WBEZ, there was an excellent interview that encapsulates all the issue. Sometimes it is easier to listen than to read about a complex matter.

<http://www.chicagopublicradio.org/content.aspx?audioID=31956>

*See you soon, and remember, Together, We Are Stronger!*

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