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June 19, 2013

Sheryl Katzman 3536 Chiswick Court 38-G Silver Spring, MD 20906

Dear Ms. Katzman,

This is to notify you that, in accordance with the Leisure World Community Corporation Bylaws Article VIII. Committees, Section 3. <u>Membership</u> cited below, I am removing you from the *Leisure World News* Advisory Committee, effective June 27, 2013, for cause.

"Each standing committee shall include at least five voting members. In addition, it may include a non-voting Director who shall serve as a liaison officer between the Board and the committee. The Chairman of the Board, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint all committee members and shall designate committee chairmen and such other committee officers as he considers desirable. The Chairman of the Board may remove any committee member he appoints (emphasis mine); he shall provide the Board, at its request, with the reasons for any such action. With the concurrence of the Chairman of the Board, the principal employee of the Corporation or of its subsidiary entities shall assign a member of the staff to participate, without a vote, in any or all aspects of the work of a committee," I am removing you from the Leisure World News Advisory Committee, effective June 27, 2013, for cause.

Below is a summary of some of the complaints I have received regarding your behavior on the committee which undermines the work of the committee and complicates the ability of staff and volunteers to produce the paper in a timely fashion.

- Consistent expressions of opposition to the purpose of the News as an organizational publication
- Denigration of content as a "little social" paper
- Persistent voice for investigative reporting and news articles about controversial topics
- In retaliation for having a written submission edited, withdrawing permission to use a photo previously submitted for use in the paper
- Knowingly submitting a letter to the Residents Forum which was written by a non-resident (in violation
  of the rules for submitting letters to the Residents Forum) without even crediting the writer. This is
  plagiarism, which is not only unethical but, in the field of journalism is cause for dismissal from a
  position.

As I stated at the start of this letter, you are hereby removed from membership on the *Leisure World News Advisory* Committee.

Sincerely,

Barbara Cronin

Copies to Ms. Robinson, Chair, LWNAC

Ms. Wacha, President, Montgomery Mutual Board

Ms. Sigler, Director, E and R

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