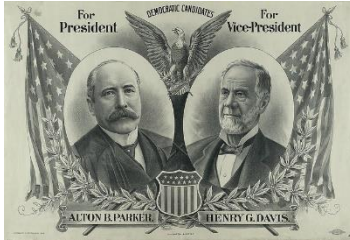


The Voice of the People

It's An Election Year



It could be argued (not successfully, perhaps, but it *could* be argued) that of all the people you might vote for this year - the election that may have the most direct impact on your day to day life – is the election of your HOA's Board of Directors.

After all, the seven homeowners that sit on the Board have lots of sway about what does (and doesn't) go on here at The Q. They're responsible for the safety, maintenance and repair of the property. It's complicated. And expensive.

They have the power to close the Clubhouse - and the amenities within – to everyone, or to an individual – and have done both in the last year.

If four of them vote yes.

Four people. Out of how many who live here - 350?

Wow.

It's important to have smart, responsible people in those seats.

The whole concept behind condo life is kind of amazing. Go in with hundreds of folks (a couple of whom you might actually know) – buy buildings, parking garages... ..extensive, management-intensive landscaping....a very nice clubhouse with a grand piano, library, gym, and cement pond.

Then assume seven of your neighbors - none of whom are paid - are gonna step forward and manage it all.

What could go wrong?

Certainly, there's a highly capable (and faithful) staff and a property manager involved. But the management and coordination of all that falls, ultimately, on those same seven neighbors.

As most of you probably know, the election of Board members happens annually at The Quintet - tied, our Science editor assures us – to the Spring Equinox.

Normally, 3 of the 7 positions come up for election one year, the other 4 being elected the following year.

But this year is different - five of the seven Board positions will be up for election.

Any owners who wish to serve on the Board of Directors must have their declaration to the Office Manager by March 8th.

For more info on election procedures and timelines, visit The Quintet website - select the "Residents" pull down menu. Or click here [Quintet Election Procedures](#)



Also critical to a smooth-running Quintet are the various Committees - volunteers who investigate various projects and issues in to order to advise our Board of Directors.

Landscaping, Maintenance and Reserves, Security, Finance, Architecture, Social, Rules, Art Preservation can all play a substantial role in managing, preserving and enhancing our property.

If serving on the Board itself doesn't appeal to you, these various committees are an opportunity to get involved and at the same time, get to know some of your neighbors a little better.