

THE VILLAGE REFORM DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1986, BEGINNING PROMPTLY AT 8:00 (DOORS OPEN AT 7:30 FOR PRE-MEETING SOCIALIZING) AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, 371 SIXTH AVENUE, IN CASSERLY HALL (ENTRANCE OFF WASHINGTON PLACE)

Agenda

1. Committee reports (see details below about various resolutions which were generated by the community affairs committee and the legislative action committee)
2. Endorsements of candidates for public and party office
Congress, 17th Congressional District
State Senate, 27th district
Assembly, 61st Assembly District
State Committee, Male, 61st Assembly District
State Committee, Female, 61st Assembly District
3. Club Election of officers, 8 positions on the executive committee, and members of the conflicts committee

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Monday, April 28
8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Legislative affairs Committee
Home of Joan Stoliar, 46 Jane Street
(see details of committee activity below)

Tuesday, April 29
St. Joseph's Church
Farrell Hall
8:00 P.M.

Washington Square West 4th Street Block
Association Meeting--for members who live or
work in this organization's area, this general
meeting may be of interest. Contact VRDC club
member and chair of this block association
Diane Whelton with questions.

Wednesday, April 30

VRDC MEETING--SEE AGENDA ABOVE

Thursday, May 1
7:30 PM

Community Affairs Committee
Home of Robert Rygor, 338 W. 11th Street
(see details of committee activity below)

Sunday, May 4
noon

Rally organized by Save the Village, at the site of the Memphis, at the corner of Washington and Charles Streets, to protest the current zoning laws which allow such a hi-rise to be built and to show support for legislative action

Suite 533, 60 East 9 Street, New York, NY 10003

Sunday, May 4, 1986
1:00-4:00 P.M.

Fundraiser for the Independent Democratic Club
(Phil Wachtell's and Francine Quesada's club, which
represents the area east of our part of the East
Village) 46 Third Avenue, at 10th Street
Call for details if you're interested--473-2787.

Monday, May 5, 1986
8:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
60 East Ninth Street, Apt 533

over (no)
(The executive committee has been meeting on the
first Monday of each Month--this inconveniences
some of our members--one of the items on the agenda
will be whether to change the time of meetings.
Exec Committee members, phone in your preferences
even if you can't come)

Tuesday, May 6, 1986

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION--PLEASE GO OUT AND SUPPORT
THE VRDC SLATE; IF YOU CAN WORK ON ELECTION DAY,
PLEASE CONTACT EITHER OF OUR TWO CAMPAIGN
CHAIRS--CATHY HUGHES OR MIKE BATTAGLINO--OR CALL
THE CLUB AT 473-2787. WE'LL ALSO BE DOING WORK
FOR OUR SLATE IN THE WEEK AND ON THE WEEKEND PRIOR
TO THE ELECTION.

IF YOU HAVE ITEMS TO INCLUDE ABOUT UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS OR OTHER
PIECES OF INTERESTING INFO, PLEASE CALL OR BRING IT TO THE NEXT MEETING.
IT WILL GO IN THE NEXT MAILING.

IN CASE YOU MISSED OUR LAST MEETING, THE HIGHLIGHTS:

1. We endorsed eight candidates for the upcoming school board election, as follows (in order) CINDY FINE, LINDY LINDER, JOHN FRATTA, RONALD SCHNEIDER, PAUL VIGGIANO, PHYLLIS GONZALES, KEN LINGE, AND JIM BUDEN. You'll be receiving a further mailing regarding the school board election, but, please, set aside a little time on the weekend of the 3rd and 4th of May to help the VRDC elect its school board slate.
2. We voted to support the resolution sponsored by the Coalition for the Homeless, which would mandate certain minimal standards for shelter for homeless families and would make the city responsible for its provision. We will be collecting signatures for this resolution as soon as the weather gets a little warmer and in conjunction with our summer petitioning operation.
3. Mark Green, consumer advocate and head of the Democracy Project spoke to the club.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Two new committees are getting off the ground. Club member Don Cameron has agreed to chair the newly formed Foreign Affairs Committee meeting. If you have ideas about issues such a committee should be addressing and/or would like to help Don inorganizing an initial meeting, he can be reached in the daytime at 233-3348, or call Liz at 473-2787 with a message for Don.

The other new committee--actually, a subcommittee of Fundraising-- is the Street Fair Committee, chaired by Harry Malakoff. A giant thanks to Harry and to Lew Todd and Tim James for their organizational efforts to date. Our street fair will be July 12 (rain date, July 13), and I hope club members will join the festive spirit and help us make the fair a success. Lynn Fennerty and new member Louis Baeza have already volunteered--won't you, too?

A THANKS and a CONGRATULATIONS are in order for our Vice President Ruth Sherlip: THANKS for letting the VRDC use her home for our April 8 new members party (which was attended by about 35 people) and CONGRATULATIONS ON HER COMMUNITY BOARD APPOINTMENT. Congratulations too to Honi Klein and Carol Reichman on their reappointment to the board, as well as to all the qualified individuals chosen by our new Borough President David Dinkins.

COMMITTEE NOTES

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS At last month's legislative affairs committee meeting, the group heard Steve Null of the Coalituiou for Fair Business Rents discuss the newly-drafted legislation being introduced in both the state legislature and the city council; the committee will discuss the legislation again at its April meeting; for those of you confused about our club's stance, yes, we have already come out in favor of some sort of control on business rents. The committee will be voting on whther to support these specific proposals.

Last month, the committee discussed street prostitution and passed a resolution suggesting legislation, which resolution will be discussed at the April general membership meeting.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS At last month's community affairs committee meeting, the committee discussed traffis poblems at Greenwich Avenue and Eighth Street, proposed downzoning in the far west Village, the funding of a prposal to study the far west Village for possible inclusion in the histor district, a possible solution to some of the neighborhood's drug problems, and the west side rail line. The committee will be planning a forum on the west side rail line i the upcoming weeks.