

September 1988

Dear Friend:

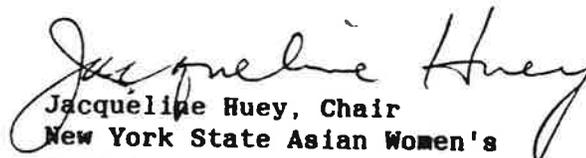
We are writing in support of Margaret Chin, who is seeking re-election to the New York State Democratic Committee.

Those of us who care deeply about issues affecting women recognize the importance of supporting Margaret Chin. A working mother herself, Margaret understands the need for pay equity, expanded day care services, and quality education. She has been a long time supporter of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) and reproductive freedom of choice for women. Margaret Chin has testified before the City Council and lobbied state legislators for urgently needed policy reforms and improved services to aid victims of domestic violence (child abuse and spouse abuse).

It is because of her dedication to women's rights, and her exemplary record of community service, that Margaret Chin has been endorsed by the Village Voice, Borough President David Dinkins and City Councilmembers Ruth Messinger and Miriam Friedlander.

We urge your support for Margaret Chin in the Democratic Primary on Thursday, September 15.

Sincerely,

  
Jacqueline Huey, Chair  
New York State Asian Women's  
Political Caucus

  
Gale Brewer, Chair  
National Women Political Caucus  
New York State

## Carole A. DeSaram

Dear Fellow Democrat:

As the head of the New York City chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) from 1974 to 1976, I was deeply involved in the heart-breaking fight to win adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). As you know, that fight was lost in the 1970's and early 1980's, as a result of an outrageous campaign of distortions and untruths by opponents of the ERA. Sad to say, some very damaging opposition came from women.

I am writing to you because one of those women who worked to defeat the ERA, Margaret Chin, is running for office this year here in Manhattan. Margaret Chin, a loud ERA opponent in the mid-1970's, is running for Democratic State Committee from the 61st Assembly District in the September 15th Democratic Primary. She deserves to lose.

As a resident of the 61st Assembly District, I will be voting for Carol Reichman, who has a consistent record of support for the ERA and other feminist causes, as well as long involvement in Democratic party affairs and in educational issues.

Our district, consisting chiefly of the Village and Lower Manhattan, is one of the most progressive in the City, particularly on women's issues. It would be ironic if we were to elect someone who fought against the ERA, as Margaret Chin did, to represent us.

Please join me in supporting Carol Reichman for Democratic State Committee in the Democratic primary on Thursday, September 15th.

Sincerely,



Carole A. DeSaram  
President, NOW-NYC  
1974-1976

# WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH, CAROL REICHMAN...*GOES ELSEWHERE!*

In this year's election for Democratic State Committee, Carol Reichman says her membership on the community board qualifies her for elected office. The truth is, when the community board voted on several important neighborhood issues, Carol Reichman abstained or was absent entirely. Since 1986, Reichman has missed 30% of the meetings. Now she wants you to give her a promotion!

Decide for yourself:

## THE REICHMAN RECORD

<u>ISSUES</u>	<u>REICHMAN*</u>
•A proposal to ban construction on Saturdays to preserve peace and quiet for local residents .....	ABSENT
•A resolution requesting the City to hire 500 additional police officers for local precincts .....	ABSENT
•Repeal of the One-Way Toll on the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge (a plan that had caused massive traffic jams in the South Village and Lower Manhattan) .....	ABSENT
•Restoration and renovation of the West Side piers .....	ABSENT
•Moratorium on "out of scale" hi-rise building construction in the Village without an Environmental Impact Study .....	ABSENT
•Impact of Westside Highway replacement road upon Village Historic District .....	ABSENT
•Greenwich Village Youth Council application for a drug abuse prevention program .....	ABSENT
•Increase of Medicaid allowances for senior citizens in nursing homes .....	ABSENT
•Tougher sentences for convicted crack dealers .....	ABSENT
•Expansion of Police Department "Crack Unit" in our community .....	ABSENT
•Opposition to nomination of Robert Bork to the U.S. Supreme Court .....	ABSENT
•Restrictions on use of glass bottles in public parks .....	ABSENT
•Resolution on the use of floating jail barges as a solution to prison overcrowding .....	ABSTAINED

\*Voting record compiled from official meeting minutes of Community Board #2.

## RE-ELECT MARGARET CHIN, DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN.

Caring, Commitment, Results...Leadership That Works!

Democratic Primary: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 6 a.m.—9 p.m.

Reminder: Margaret Chin is seeking re-election along with State Committeeman Keith Crandell on a slate endorsed by the Village Independent Democrats, the Downtown Independent Democrats and the Gay and Lesbian Independent Democrats. She is also endorsed by City Council members Miriam Friedlander and Ruth Messinger.

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## MARGARET CHIN CARES...

### ...ABOUT CHILDREN:

*"Margaret... is a clear and steady voice of concern and caring for children and their welfare."*

—Harrison J. Goldin, New York City Comptroller

### ...ABOUT TENANTS:

*"Margaret Chin is a tenacious worker in behalf of tenants—which might well be the root of the cruel and relentless attacks on her."*

—David Rothenberg, former State Committeeman, 61st A.D.

### ...ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY:

*"For many years, Margaret has been a dedicated and effective leader for housing, senior programs, social services, justice and equality."*

—Miriam Friedlander, City Councilmember

### ...ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION:

*Margaret Chin with local residents and Borough President David Dinkins, protesting "floating jail" barge.*

### ...ABOUT PEACE

*Margaret Chin and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir discussing peaceful solutions to the fighting in the Middle East.*

### ...ABOUT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY:

*Margaret Chin and Democratic nominee for President Michael Dukakis at the 1988 New York campaign kickoff.*

*"Margaret Chin is a pride of the Chinese Community."*

—**Betty Chin**, President of National Association of Chinese American Women

*"We endorse... Keith Crandell and Margaret Chin... just the sort of dedicated and progressive community activists who ought to represent the Village on the State Committee."*

—**The Village Voice**, September 13, 1988

*"Thank you for expressing your dismay at the anti-Semitic books emerging in Japan... Your voice of protest as a leading Asian American is welcome and appreciated."*

—**Carol Lister**, Regional Director  
Anti-Defamation League of B'Nai Brith  
March 24, 1987

Margaret Chin and Keith Crandell are endorsed by Borough President David Dinkins, City Councilmembers Ruth Messinger and Miriam Friedlander, and 61st A.D. District Leaders Tony Hoffmann, Katherine Freed and James Stratton, among many other local leaders.

**RE-FLECT MARGARET CHIN and KEITH CRANDELL**

**BILLING**

Endorsed By



# MARGARET CHIN & KEITH CRANDELL

## Democratic State Committee

“Dedicated and progressive community activists”

—Village Voice

“We endorse the Village Independent Democrat’s State Committee candidates **Keith Crandell** and **Margaret Chin**. Chin and Crandell . . . are just the sort of dedicated and progressive community activists who ought to represent the Village on the State Committee. [The opposition’s charges against Chin] are nothing more than an ugly McCarthyite smear.”

—Voice 9/7/88

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Democratic State Committee  
Democratic Primary, Thursday, September 15  
Polls Open 6a.m.—9p.m.



CRANDELL

★ Also Endorsed By ★

City Councilmember  
MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER

Borough President  
DAVID DINKINS

Assemblyman  
FRANK BARBARO

District Leader  
TOM DUANE

District Leader  
JIM STRATTON

City Councilmember  
RUTH MESSINGER

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TONY HOFFMANN

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KATHRYN FREED

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### Village Independent Democrats



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Anthony S. Hoffmann, District Leader

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## RE-ELECT

### **MARGARET CHIN**

Democratic State Committeewoman

### **KEITH CRANDELL**

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#### **About Margaret Chin...**

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#### **About Keith Crandell...**

Keith Crandell, Vice Chair of Community Board 2 and a recognized community leader, is a valuable new addition to the State Democratic Committee, selected by the Committee to fill the vacancy left by David Rothenberg's resignation. No newcomer to progressive causes, he served as liaison between peace demonstrators and the New York delegation at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. He was one of four Village coordinators for the historic anti-nuclear march to Central Park on June 12, 1982.

He and his wife, feminist art historian Annie Shaver-Crandell, have lived for many years in NoHo, where he helped found the NoHo Neighborhood Association. An early loft dweller, he's a long-time advocate of loft tenants' rights.

#### **ENDORSED BY...**

Village Independent Democrats, Downtown Independent Democrats, Gay & Lesbian Independent Democrats, and City Councilmembers Miriam Friedlander and Ruth Messinger.

## Important Message for Voters...

#### **Brace Yourself...**

Voters in our community are about to receive last minute political smear literature in their mailboxes. Usually coming on the eve of a local election, the smear is designed to shock and alarm voters over a scandalous "revelation" about one or more of the candidates in the race.

#### **Voters Beware...**

These last minute smear campaigns are the trademark of the VRDC, Mayor Koch's Greenwich Village political club. The "Koch Club", as they were called by **The New York Times**, has a history of deceptive campaign tactics. In 1987, they were formally censured by the **New York County Democratic Committee** for their smear campaign in a local primary.

The repeated efforts by the "Koch Club" to label candidates from the Village Independent Democrats (VID) as radicals and anti-semites has been the shame of New York City politics. In 1988, **THEY'RE DOING IT AGAIN!**

#### **Look At What Others Have Said About Previous VRDC Campaigns...**

**TED WEISS**, Congressman:  
"Such smear tactics have no place in politics, especially in district contests."

**VILLAGE VOICE**: "Last minute red-baiting from the Village Reform Democratic Club is not surprising."

**DAVID ROTHENBERG**, Human Rights Advocate and former State Committeeman: "The continued attacks...are an embarrassment and an assault on the great tradition of the Village."

**New York Newsday**, Borough President David Dinkins, and City Council Members Miriam Friedlander and Ruth Messinger, have all denounced the deceptive tactics of the VRDC.

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### About Our Opponents: Candidates of the "Koch Club"

In 1983, shortly after the Village Independent Democrats (VID) helped elect Mario Cuomo over Ed Koch in their race for Governor, Koch formed his own club in the Village and called it the Village Reform Democratic Club (VRDC). The "Koch Club", as it was described by **The New York Times**, is hardly a reform minded organization. As documented in the **Village Voice**, many members hold Koch Administration jobs, and the small but well funded group doggedly supports the Mayor.

Aside from their support of Mayor Koch, VRDC has campaigned **against** the elections of two of our community's most respected leaders—Borough President David Dinkins and City Councilwoman Miriam Friedlander. In 1986, the Koch Club refused to endorse David Rothenberg for State Committeeman, even though he was running without opposition.

In their brief existence, VRDC has become notorious for waging campaigns of **deception and misinformation**. Their sleazy tactics in the 1987 Democratic Primary resulted in their being **Censured** by the New York County Democratic Committee.

VRDC also earned the ire of local tenant groups when, in 1987, they campaigned for the election of Howard Buck (one of the **Village Voice's "Ten Worst Landlords"**) for a local Democratic Party post.

#### Here's What Your Neighbors Are Saying About the "Koch Club" Campaign of Deception...

"When Mayor Koch lashes out at his critics, he does so by calling them names—"crazy," "lunatic," "radical." So it is not surprising that Koch's political club, the VRDC, uses the same tactic against one of Koch's main critics, the Village Independent Democrats....If VRDC can't win an election without a smear campaign then their own candidates can't have much merit."

—Mila DeCosta, Sixth Avenue\*

"The stories VRDC comes up with are no less sensational than those in the National Enquirer. And no more believable. I urge my fellow voters to vote smart."

—Roberto Gautier, Thompson Street\*

"I am writing this letter to publicly disassociate myself from the irresponsible McCarthyite tactics of the Village Reform Democratic Club."

—Rhoda Waller, West Village\*\*

\*Excerpted from a letter that appeared in **The Villager** earlier this year.

\*\*Excerpt from a letter distributed to West Village residents in the aftermath of the 1987 VRDC smear campaign. Ms. Waller is a former VRDC candidate for County Committee.

# An Important Message From Democratic District Leader Anthony S. Hoffmann

Dear Neighbor:

In a recent campaign mailing, the VRDC (commonly referred to as the Koch Club), tries to make it appear that I have endorsed their candidate for Democratic State Committeewoman. **Nothing could be further from the truth.** This latest lapse in campaign ethics continues a well established pattern of deception that has come to characterize the Koch Club campaigns.

The Koch Club candidate, over the past two and a half years, has had such a poor voting and attendance record on the community board where she now sits, that I question whether she should be re-appointed to that important body, much less get elected to public office.

Despite what the Koch Club literature would like you to believe, I am enthusiastically and unequivocally supporting the re-election of **Margaret Chin** as our Democratic State Committeewoman. Along with **Keith Crandell**, who is seeking re-election as Democratic State Committeeman, **Margaret Chin** has a solid record of community involvement and allegiance to the principles espoused by the Democratic Party. The work of **Margaret Chin** and **Keith Crandell** on behalf of our community has earned them another term.

I urge you to vote on September 15.

Sincerely,

Anthony S. Hoffmann  
Democratic District Leader, 61st A.D., Part A

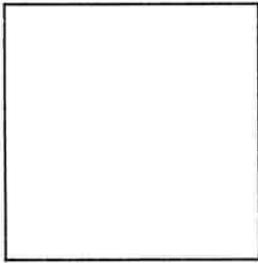
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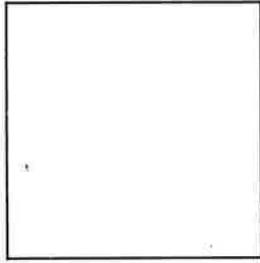
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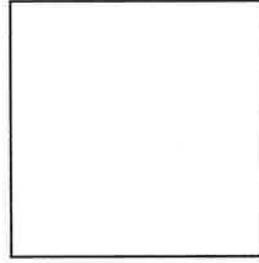
## RE-ELECT



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State Committeewoman



**TED WEISS**  
Congress



**KEITH CRANDELL**  
State Committeeman

## The Village Independent Democrats Supports...

Ted Weiss, Congress (17th C.D.)  
Peter Doukas, Congress (15th C.D.)  
Manfred Ohrenstein (State Senate)  
Bill Passannante, Assembly

## Vote For an Independent Judiciary—

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Alfred E. Schwartz  
Harold Donohue  
Charles Stimson

Candidates for judicial delegate and alternate come from diverse backgrounds, including lawyers, accountants, small business owners, social workers, tenants' rights advocates and human rights activists.

**VILLAGE INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS  
DOWNTOWN INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS  
GAY & LESBIAN INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS**

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**VOTE—Primary Day, Thursday, September 15, 1988**

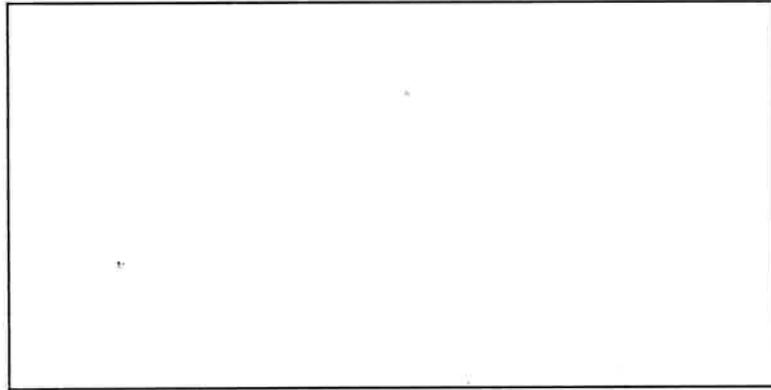
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**Note:** VID also supports the following candidates who will appear on your ballot in the November General Election: Michael Dukakis, President; Lloyd Bentsen, Vice President; Daniel Moynihan, U.S. Senator; Helen Freedman, Civil Court Judge.

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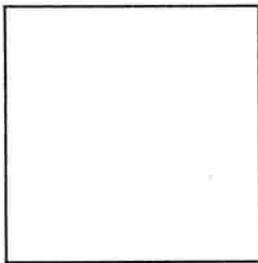
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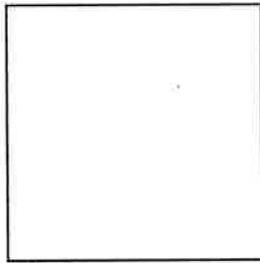
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## Democratic State Committee

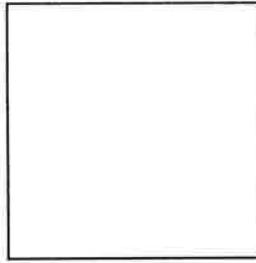
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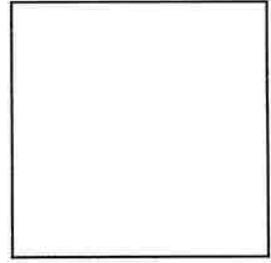
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### About Our Opponents:

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## CAROL REICHMAN THINKS SHE CAN HIDE HER PAST BY SMEARING HER OPPONENT. SHE CAN'T

She's at it again. It's September, and Carol Reichman is up to her old tricks. As noted by the **New York Observer**, "*The unsavory, witch-hunt atmosphere that confronts the Village every time local elections roll around promises this fall to live up to expectations.*" (8/29/88)

The **Village Voice** has already dismissed Reichman's tactics as "Nothing more than an ugly McCarthyite smear." (9/7/88)

**Congressman Ted Weiss** says, "*Such smear tactics have no place in politics, especially in district contests.*"

Voters everywhere are asking...

## WHO IS CAROL REICHMAN AND WHAT IS SHE TRYING TO HIDE?

- As a member of Community Board Two (CB2), Reichman has been absent from 30% of the meetings over the last 3 years alone, missing critical votes on key neighborhood issues.
- Reichman voted against a CB2 request for additional police coverage of Washington Square Park and the surrounding area.
- Abstained on a CB-2 resolution against the use of floating jail barges as a solution to prison overcrowding.
- Supported Howard Buck (one of the Village Voice's "Ten Worst Landlords") in his bid for a local Democratic Party post in 1987.
- Absent from a key CB2 vote on increasing Medicaid allowances for senior citizens in nursing homes.
- Supported construction of a 13-story luxury hi-rise on Hudson and Charles Streets (a project backed by Bronx political "boss" Stanley Friedman that was rejected by the community board).
- Voted against "grandfathering" legislation that would protect loft tenants and artists.
- Opposed CB2 resolution calling for greater community participation in land use policy decisions.
- Helped campaign against the elections of respected leaders such as Borough President David Dinkins and Councilmember Miriam Friedlander.

**CAROL REICHMAN IS TRYING TO FOOL THE VOTERS. BUT SHE CAN'T.  
YOU CAN RUN, CAROL, BUT YOU CAN'T HIDE.**

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## RE-ELECT MARGARET CHIN

### DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN

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**VOTE** Thursday, September 15, 1988

(see other side on why Margaret Chin deserves your vote)

# MARGARET CHIN & KEITH CRANDELL

- Worked with block and tenant associations to **combat drug dealers** and lobbied for **greater police protection** on our streets.
- Actively opposed the city's budget attack on "**Easy Ride**" program serving seniors and the disabled.
- Lobbied to end the "**Notch Gap**" and other threats to Social Security funding.
- Testified against the "**One Way Toll**" policy that led to massive traffic congestion in the Village and Lower Manhattan.
- Led a major petition drive against the Mayor's plan to locate a **floating prison barge** at Pier 40 in the West Village.
- Working for **public esplanade** and greater community input in waterfront development plans.
- Supporters of increased funding for **Gay and Lesbian Community Center**; Advocates of **New York State and Federal Gay and Lesbian Rights Bill**.
- Organized public education forums on **AIDS prevention**.
- Advocates for expanded **day care** facilities.
- Supporters of improved services for victims of **domestic violence**.
- Early opponents of **nuclear navyport** in NY Harbor; Regular participants in local peace movement events.
- Leading Advocates for **loft tentant protection** and **affordable housing** policies.



Councilmember Mirlam Friedlander with Keith Crandell and Margaret Chin.

**OPEN FLAP FOR IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

# SUPPORT THE ENTIRE VID SLATE!

In addition to **Margaret Chin and Keith Crandell**, VID urges your support for these proven candidates:

Ted Weiss	House of Representatives (17th C.D.)
Peter Doukas	House of Representatives (15th C.D.)
Daniel Patrick Moynihan	United States Senate
Bill Passannante	Assembly
Franz Leichter	(28th S.D.)
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## CANDIDATES FOR THE JUDICIAL NOMINATING CONVENTION

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## Village Independent Democrats



244 West 4th Street, New York City 10014  
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**RE-ELECT**



# MARGARET CHIN & KEITH CRANDELL

Democratic State Committee  
**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY  
THURS., SEPT. 15, 1988**

## Village Independent Democrats



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the Lower East Side and Chinatown). She is a graduate from Bronx High School of Science and has a degree in Education from City College. She is married to a New York City public school teacher and has a five year old son who attends public school in Greenwich Village. Margaret Chin formerly served on Community Board Three, where she chaired the Budget Committee, and is presently a member of Community Board One in lower Manhattan. She gives educational and career counselling to parents and young adults at La Guardia Community College.

#### About Keith Crandell...

Keith Crandell, Vice Chair of Community Board 2 and a recognized community leader, is a valuable new addition to the State Democratic Committee, selected by the Committee to fill the vacancy left by David Rothenberg's resignation. No newcomer to progressive causes, he served as liaison between peace demonstrators and the New York delegation at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. He was one of four Village coordinators for the historic anti-nuclear march to Central Park on June 12, 1982.

He and his wife, feminist art historian Annie Shaver-Crandell, have lived for many years in NoHo, where he helped found the NoHo Neighborhood Association. An early loft dweller, he's a long-time advocate of loft tenants' rights.



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Important  
Message for Voters...

#### Brace Yourself...

Voters in our community are about to receive last minute political smear literature in their mailboxes. Usually coming on the eve of a local election, the smear is designed to shock and alarm voters over a scandalous "revelation" about one or more of the candidates in the race.

#### Voters Beware...

These last minute smear campaigns are the trademark of the VRDC, Mayor Koch's Greenwich Village political club. The "Koch Club"; as they were called by **The New York Times**, has a history of **deceptive campaign tactics**. In 1987, they were formally **censured by the New York County Democratic Committee** for their smear campaign in a local primary.

The repeated efforts by the "Koch Club" to label candidates from the Village Independent Democrats (VID) as radicals and anti-semites has been the shame of New York City politics. In 1988, **THEY'RE DOING IT AGAIN!**

#### Look At What Others Have Said About Previous VRDC Campaigns...



**TED WEISS, Congressman:** "Such smear tactics have no place in politics, especially in district contests."

**VILLAGE VOICE:** "Last minute red-baiting from the Village Reform Democratic Club is not surprising."



**DAVID ROTHENBERG, Human Rights Advocate and former State Committeeman:** "The continued attacks...are an embarrassment and an assault on the great tradition of the Village."

**New York Newsday, Borough President David Dinkins, and City Council Members Miriam Friedlander and Ruth Messinger, have all denounced the deceptive tactics of the VRDC.**

#### About Our Opponents: Candidates of the "Koch Club"

In 1983, shortly after the Village Independent Democrats (VID) helped elect Mario Cuomo over Ed Koch in their race for Governor, Koch formed his own club in the Village and called it the Village Reform Democratic Club (VRDC). The "Koch Club", as it was described by **The New York Times**, is hardly a reform minded organization. As documented in the **Village Voice**, many members hold Koch Administration jobs, and the small but well funded group doggedly supports the Mayor.

Aside from their support of Mayor Koch, VRDC has campaigned **against** the elections of two of our community's most respected leaders—Borough President David Dinkins and City Councilwoman Miriam Friedlander. In 1986, the Koch Club refused to endorse David Rothenberg for State Committeeman, even though he was running without opposition.

In their brief existence, VRDC has become notorious for waging campaigns of **deception and misinformation**. Their sleazy tactics in the 1987 Democratic Primary resulted in their being **Censured** by the New York County Democratic Committee.

VRDC also earned the ire of local tenant groups when, in 1987, they campaigned for the election of Howard Buck (one of the **Village Voice's "Ten Worst Landlords"**) for a local Democratic Party post.

#### Here's What Your Neighbors Are Saying About the "Koch Club" Campaign of Deception...

"When Mayor Koch lashes out at his critics, he does so by calling them names—"crazy," "lunatic," "radical." So it is not surprising that Koch's political club, the VRDC, uses the same tactic against one of Koch's main critics, the Village Independent Democrats.... If VRDC can't win an election without a smear campaign then their own candidates can't have much merit."

—Mila DeCosta, Sixth Avenue\*

"The stories VRDC comes up with are no less sensational than those in the National Enquirer. And no more believable. I urge my fellow voters to vote smart."

—Roberto Gautier, Thompson Street\*

"I am writing this letter to publicly disassociate myself from the irresponsible McCarthyite tactics of the Village Reform Democratic Club."

—Rhoda Waller, West Village\*\*

\*Excerpted from a letter that appeared in **The Villager** earlier this year.

\*\*Excerpt from a letter distributed to West Village residents in the aftermath of the 1987 VRDC smear campaign. Ms. Waller is a **former** VRDC candidate for County Committee.

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