

DOREEN BRAVERMAN (1932-)

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Doreen Braverman was born in Richmond in 1932. She received a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of British Columbia in 1964. After being a teacher for several years, she became involved with the B.C. Liberal Party. She was on the campaign committee backing Garde Gardom and Pat McGeer in Vancouver-Point Grey in 1966 and 1969 respectively. From there, Doreen Braverman's involvement in the party escalated as she became president of the West Point Grey Liberals (1970-1971). Her success at that post allowed her to become treasurer of the B.C. Liberal Party in 1972 and its president in 1973.

Her efforts at promoting the Liberal Party, however, were not limited to provincial politics. In 1975, Doreen Braverman was co-chair of the Federal Liberal Party Convention in Ottawa. For the next ten years, she supported politicians who embodied the Liberal Party traditions. In 1986, Doreen Braverman decided to emerge from the shadows of supporting Liberal candidates and run as the Liberal candidate for Vancouver-Point Grey in the 1986 B.C. provincial election.

Despite her numerous political accomplishments, she was far from being a one-dimensional person. She wrote a thesis entitled Government and Small Business in 1983 as part of a Master of Business Administration degree. It assisted her in the management of several of her businesses. Thus, Doreen Braverman had diverse interests that led her to excel in multiple facets of life. She will always be best known, however, for her efforts in elevating the B.C. Liberal Party from a relatively unknown and indifferent party to a strong party with confidence and well-defined objectives. Any success that the B.C. Liberal Party has in the future could not have been possible without the past dedication of people like Doreen Braverman.

SCOPE/CONTENTS

The fonds consists of reports, memoranda, documents, newsletters, newspaper articles, pamphlets, letters and photographs relating to the activities of the British Columbia Liberal Party, 1966-1988. Although her papers document both B.C. and Federal Liberal Parties, the majority of files deal with the B.C. Liberal Party.

Biographical Information

1-1 Biographical information

Subject Files: Business

1-2 1979 Financial Disclosure Act and Doreen Braverman

1-3 "Government Aid and Small Business" - a copy of Doreen Braverman's MBA dissertation, 1983

1-4 The Flag Shop: receipts and policy, 1987

Correspondence: Doreen Braverman and the B.C. Liberal Party (1972-1991)

1-5 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1972

1-6 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1973

1-7 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1974

1-8 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1975

2-1 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1976

2-2 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1977

2-3 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1978

2-4 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1979

2-5 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1980

2-6 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1982

2-7 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1984

2-8 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1985

2-9 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1986

2-10 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1987

- 2-11 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1988
- 2-12 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1990
- 2-13 Doreen Braverman and B.C. Liberal Party: Letters, 1991
- 2-14 Undated letters to and from Doreen Braverman

Constitution

- 2-15 Constitution
(the file also contains organizational and campaign manuals and related documents, 1968-76, 1986)

Subject Files: B.C. Liberal Party, Provincial Matters

- 2-16 B.C. Liberal Party newsletters, 1973-74, 1988
- 2-17 B.C. Liberal Party reports, 1973, 1976, 1980, 1988
- 2-18 B.C. Liberal Party: financial statements from by-elections, riding trust funds, budgets, reception and hotel reservations, 1973-1974, 1979, 1988
- 2-19 Memoranda involving the B.C. Liberal party, 1973, 1974, 1986
- 2-20 Memoranda and pamphlet concerning B.C.'s Liberal Commission and B.C.'s Federation of Women, 1973
- 2-21 News releases concerning the B.C. Liberal Party, 1973-1974
- 2-22 Newspaper clippings dealing with the B.C. Liberal Party, 1974-1977, 1986, 1989
- 2-23 Minutes, notices, and agendas of the B.C. Executive Liberals, Vancouver-Point Grey Liberals, B.C. Youth Caucus, and Vancouver-Quadra Liberals, 1973-1987
- 2-24 B.C. Liberal fundraising drive papers, 1974, 1976-1977, 1980

- 2-25 Speeches from B.C. Liberals Maxine Gelfant, Doreen Braverman, and Gordon Wilson, 1974, 1988
- 3-1 B.C. Liberal strategy and nomination committee papers, 1976, 1988
- 3-2 Lists of members of the B.C. Liberal Party and papers documenting efforts to get new members and have current members volunteer
- 3-3 Vancouver-Quadra: Liberal campaign information, 1980, and Liberal executive lists, 1987
- 3-4 B.C. Liberal politician Brian Ruhe: biographical information, letters, articles, 1986
- 3-5 A list of B.C. Liberal supporters and a Royal Commission public notice on electoral boundaries, 1986
- 3-6 Endowment Lands Regional Park Committee: history of Endowment Lands and plea to candidates in 1986 provincial election
- 3-7 B.C. Liberals outline of its education policy and Doreen Braverman's letters to Point Grey teachers regarding education, 1985-1986
- 3-8 Documents, canvassing information, news release, election expense, and voting lists concerning Liberal candidate (Vancouver-Point Grey) Doreen Braverman in the 1986 B.C. Provincial Election
- 3-9 List of tax receipts for contributions to the B.C. Liberal Party, 1986

Subject files: B.C. Liberal Party, Federal Matters

- 3-10 Federal Liberal Party's pamphlets dealing with procedures in an election campaign
- 3-11 Notices of meetings of the Vancouver South Federal Liberal Association, South Peace River Federal Liberal Association, and the Federal Liberal Party, 1973-1974
- 3-12 Memorandum, by-laws, and policy report of the Federal Women's Liberal Commission, 1973-1974
- 3-13 Newspaper clippings dealing with Federal Liberals, 1973-1974, 1978, 1982, 1984
- 3-14 Memoranda involving the Federal Liberal Party, 1974

- 3-15 Federal Liberal Party: fundraising and the Election Expenses Act, 1974, 1982
- 3-16 Details about Federal constituencies in B.C., 1975 list of Senators, and a partial list of Members of Parliament (1974)
- 3-17 Federal Liberal Party Convention (1975): resolutions, reports, newspaper articles, minutes, and policy papers
- 3-18 Canadian Liberal Party Dialogue Magazines 1977
- 4-1 Federal Liberal Committees: papers, 1980, 1987

Miscellaneous

- 4-2 Letters concerning land acquisition of part of George Derby Hospital site, 1959-1960
- 4-3 Letters, press release, news report and newspaper article dealing with collision damage to the sailing vessel "Greenpeace III", 1973-1975
- 4-4 Miscellaneous, 1974, 1977, 1986, 1988
- 4-5 Booklet about a proposed resolution to the Canadian Constitution (1980)