

Youngstein for Mayor

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BRIEF CAMPAIGN REPORT

At the time this is being written the campaign is virtually at the end of its petition drive. Pressure of deadlines prevent a more up to the minute report and by the time you receive this report it will be moot, but the information is worth knowing about.

NY election law makes it difficult for an independent party to qualify for the ballot. Space does not permit us to recite all the roadblocks. The minimum required is 7500 signatures of registered voters who did not participate in a primary. Because of the difficulty in sustaining such a burden a standard rule of thumb is to gather more than double the number of signatures needed. We have collected at least 17,000 already and should have no less than 18,000 by filing date. If we are not challenged, then we should qualify for the ballot by Labor Day. If we are challenged, then we can be stuck in a drawn out court battle that could last to at least mid September and longer. It could also cost a couple of thousand dollars to handle the appeals. Since this is the last enclosure in the LP newsletter til the election, we can only tell you our guesses as to the future. We expect to be challenged. Political pros have told us to expect challenges from conservative elements because we represent a challenge to their vote totals. We should also expect challenges from liberals because we represent a threat to their vote totals. We should also expect challenges from the Jewish candidates because Fran's Jewish

name represents a threat to the vote totals of Jewish candidates. This is what the pros have told us. This doesn't mean we will be challenged. But we are expected to be a threat to somebody and they don't know who.

The most heartbreaking thing that can happen is that we won't have enough money to fight our case through the courts.

FRAN TOURS WESTERN STATES

Taking advantage of a business trip Fran was able to do some campaigning in Northern and Southern California and in Denver and Colorado Springs. In addition to appearing on some radio shows and getting some good coverage in the Denver Post, Fran attended several fund raising cocktail parties. In addition to the funds raised, Fran was able to spread the Libertarian message out west even though she is running for NYC Mayor. While she was away, an article about her appeared in the Gramercy Herald, a widely read and circulated community weekly serving Manhattan's influential east side.

GROUND WORK LAID FOR POST PETITION campaign

In anticipation of getting on the ballot, we have mailed campaign literature and other materials to over two hundred media contacts for their research files. In addition over 17,000 people have helped us along by signing our petitions, often with encouraging remarks. Several thousand attractive brochures have been distributed to interested people. Our party name has been getting around and our name is recognised and known about by many in the political and media establishment. Several press contacts said they wanted to give us coverage if we get on the ballot.

**EVERY POLITICIAN'S PLAN
TO RUN THE CITY IS REALLY
A PLAN TO RUN YOU.**

DO YOU FEEL SAFER IN THE STREETS NOW THAT CITY HALL HAS CLOSED DEEP THROAT ?

THE YOUNGSTEIN TICKET

In addition to Fran's race, there are five candidates running with her which will add to her strength as a candidate. Helping give her visibility as a city wide candidate are two other citywide running mates - Bill Lawry, running for President of the City Council, and Tom Avery for Comptroller. In addition, running in the all important media center of Manhattan are three candidates who should be able to give strength to the FLP ticket and make Fran a more credible and realistic candidate. Lou Sicilia is the candidate for Borough President. Lou has vast experience for the position having been a worker in the office. He is the only viable opponent to the incumbent, who has the Dem-Rep-Lib endorsements. Paul Streitz, an advertising executive, will be one of four or five candidates are running, with two to be selected. Last time the Republicans lost out second place to a minority party candidate. And lastly Gary Greenberg will be the only opponent to the nation's most famous District Attorney, Frank Hogan, who is greatly disliked by large segments of the Manhattan population and should be receptive to an opponent campaigning on a promise not to enforce victimless crime laws. This year's campaign should be an extremely attention getting one.

"(Fran Youngstein) says the only reason New York is ungovernable is because there is too much government. She says federal price controls are a perfect example of the way Government involvement in people's lives causes more trouble than it solves."

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WHY WE NEED FINANCIAL HELP NOW

In our last enclosure we told you about our 1/3-2/3 pledge plan. You can still help us out that way but it is no longer relevant. By the time you get this we should either be on the ballot or fighting an expensive court case. We raised all the money we needed for the preliminary stages for every thing but the court case. We have enough to initiate the case but not enough to fight it all the way. Virtually all the money that comes in now will be spent on either the court case or the election campaign if we get on the ballot. If we can't afford to go through the court it doesn't matter how much money we raise because we won't have a campaign to spend it on. Let's not blow our best possible chance to get publicity between now and 1976 because we didn't have the money to spend in court. If you are planning to send any donations, please don't wait to the last minute. We need every penny now. Please send whatever you can spare. Again, any money coming in now will be used on a court fight if necessary or if not necessary then on the campaign itself.

Dear Fran:

I think your campaign is too important for the LP to blow the opportunity, so I am enclosing \$_____ to help you wage whatever fight is necessary to stand up to the powers that be.

Go to it, Fran!!!

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