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Dear libertarian:

It takes more than money to get votes. Republicans and Democrats have to try to outspend each other because they haven't much else going for them. But Kay Harroff proved last year that if you can "reach out and touch people", you can make a little bit of money go a long, long way.

If you're a convention delegate, you have received a copy of Kay's "THE" Speech--her basic '74 Senate campaign speech. If you haven't heard her give it, as so many of us have, you've missed a warm libertarian happening. It is said that a professional makes their thing look easy. Kay makes everything look easy. Her skillful handling of hostile questions from reporters is an education in itself.

As a few know, Kay had been determined not to seek the LP presidential nomination this year. She needs no ego-trip, and the months of hard work and frustration from the year before are still fresh in her mind. But after observing the national LP Execom meeting in Chicago in May, she reconsidered her decision. If her commitment to the cause was any less, I feel certain she would be proceeding with personal and other political activity she already had planned.

Kay was an early member of the Libertarian Party. After several months of waiting for someone else to come forward, she reluctantly undertook the organizing of the LP in Ohio in 1972. As state chairman she handled all arrangements for the LP national convention held near Cleveland in 1973. Because of her Senate campaign she did not seek re-election as either state chairman or national Excom member in 1974, both of which she held at that time, and both of which she holds today.

Only a very few people in the LP know that when the funds flowed to other campaigns last year, she used up the capital in her own business to pay her living expenses and the expenses to see her campaign through. At the time of the election she had received less than \$700 from LP members outside Ohio. "Gun people" from all over the country had contributed more than that. (Karl Bray told her in Chicago, "The gun people out west sure do love you.")

As some of you have heard, prisoners at the maximum security prison in Lucasville, Ohio collected well over \$100 for her campaign last year, in just a few days, and has received several other individual contributions from men there before and since.

But Kay still has over \$3,700 in loans made to the Senate campaign which remain unpaid. She is committed to exist and campaign vigorously next year, as she did in 1974, with whatever funds are available. She does not expect to ever recover her personal losses from last year, but she has expressed the reasonable desire to have the debt cleared up from the last campaign before she begins another.

Few people have worked as long and as hard, or contributed so much of their financial security to the LP as Kay has. And no one has accomplished so much in libertarian politics--for any amount of money. You aren't asked to contribute to a Harroff campaign on faith or promises. She has already produced an impressive campaign record for us. Surely she deserves libertarian help in wiping out that remaining Senate campaign debt. Won't you please send a contribution now to:

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Kay was persuaded to seek the LP presidential nomination for only one reason: In 1976, the presidential candidate of the Libertarian Party will be the first and most important image millions of Americans will receive of the libertarian philosophy. It will be the one they largely retain for the next four years.

One reporter said after talking with Kay, "Libertarianism sounds like a very humane philosophy." I feel it is her ability to project this aspect of libertarianism, as well as its practical rationality, that has attracted voters to her in such impressive numbers, from every kind and class of people. Linda Jenness, the SWP presidential candidate was on the ballot in 23 states in 1972 and received 97,000 votes. Kay Harroff got 76,822 votes in Ohio last year, and spent just under \$6,000. (The SWP by their own admission always has a comfortable amount of funds with which to work.) This was a record for any libertarian running a state-wide campaign for a national office.

As a not-so-incidental fact, the SWP presidential candidate for 1976 is a former computer programmer from New York City, Peter Camejo. This undoubtedly would mean that Kay would be the only woman presidential candidate in the entire campaign next year.

Apropos of this, Kay spoke at meetings of the Columbus and Cincinnati NOW chapters, and gave a private interview to the secretary of the Cleveland NOW for their newsletter. This woman wrote Kay late in October and said Kay had her vote, and that at their recent Ohio NOW state convention she had heard many remarks about Kay, and all were favorable.

Kay sent me the letter-to-the-editor reprinted below which appeared in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, August 2, 1975. She said that, to her knowledge, she has never met or talked with Mrs. Florian or Todd Simon. The other clipping was received from another source. Kay doesn't believe there was a significant "feminist vote" in her campaign last year. Perhaps the more important consideration is that the woman candidate for president next year would be contrasted automatically with all the "grim mealymouths trying to get themselves elected as Democrats and Republicans."

And this woman would be saying something new, fresh and hopeful.....like no one they've ever heard before!

See you in New York City!

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Special Enquirer Panel Predicts . . .

NATIONAL ENQUIRER

What America Would Be Like With a Woman President

By JACQUELINE HIMELSTEIN

What would America be like if a woman became President? That's a question lots of us are asking now that more and more women are entering politics — and some of the answers are surprising.

Experts believe the divorce rate would go down, there'd be less likelihood of war, the U.S. would adopt a policy of isolationism and more attention would be paid to solving the country's internal problems.

These are some opinions offered by a special ENQUIRER panel of psychological and political experts who were asked to predict what life would be like under a woman President.

"A female President would give less attention to outer space, missiles or what foreign powers think

of us," explained Dr. Shirley Van Ferney, a N.J. psychiatrist. "We'd have better social and medical programs for children and a woman President would be more sensitive to women's issues.

"She'd pay more attention to the domestic crisis — including poverty, ecology and education. There'd be greater respect for women and a feeling of security about the family, so the divorce rate would go down."

Jack Leedy, a psychiatrist from New York, said, "A female President would be much less inclined to declare war. In fact, she'd probably adopt a policy of isolationism. But she'd want to help other nations by feeding their poor and aiding in their medical-care programs.

"She'd probably have a favorable affect on the divorce rate, because she'd be such an influential female she'd generate more respect for women.

"Americans could expect to see many more female politicians on the scene and a woman sitting on the Supreme Court.

"We'd also see women marrying later in life, so they'd have a chance to pursue careers," he said. "And I think a female President would have a great interest in children — she'd push for legislation relating to better education and health care for children."

Congresswoman Martha Keys (D-Kan.) added: "She'd be more interested in areas such as education and health services, rather than industrial or military might. And I agree she'd be less likely to go to war."

Said Congressman Paul Rogers (D-Fla.): "A female President would be more sensitive to women's issues and this would probably encourage more women to go into government."



Look again, Todd

Todd Simon calls for a "strong, heroic leader" for our bicentennial presidential election.

He said, "America needs something new: and majestic and fine." Certainly none of the present presidential aspirants fits that description.

Is there a woman among us . . . ?

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