

So we're throwbacks in electronic world

A news item and an editorial comment Joe and I read recently have us wondering if we're hopelessly out of step or possible saviors of communications.

The news story noted that the move to electronic communications is so strong that probably no more than 10,000 manual typewriters will be sold in the United States this year. The editorial mused about what might happen if the trend continues and some day somebody pulls the electronic plug. Well if that should come to pass, let me assure all that these retrofits will be right in there communicating. We're getting more into manual typewriters. We now own two of them.

NOT THAT we haven't considered going the electronic route. We both have experienced the advantages of writing on the word processors provided by our former employers.

Back in the days when this newspaper first moved to electric typewriters and then to video-display terminals, I remember having a terrible time making my fingers behave when I tried to use the old Royal standard typewriter.



retirement memos

Margaret Miller

that had been in the family during most of our married days. Joe noticed the same problem when he started handling a sophisticated VDT system during working hours.

So it was a real culture shock to go back to the manual typewriter when we retired, moved and started doing our writing on a freestyle basis. We wondered if we should buy a home computer. A major problem was that we would have to have a good printer, system to go with it.

MY BROTHER HAD purchased a computer system for his business several years ago, and he kept sending us letters to show how well it printed. Then we received another letter, that one from a friend who recently turned self-employed writer. She had not only

taken the plunge with purchase of a computer, but also had managed to put the system together, by herself and in just a couple of days.

Maybe, we thought, we should consider again. We were finding we could schedule time at our typewriter. It sure would be nice not to have to do all those retypes. But did what we were doing warrant either the expense or the space that would be required? We weren't exactly being deluged by freelance business.

A trip to a resale store settled the

Soroptimists call golfers

Soroptimist International of Livonia-Plymouth has scheduled its fourth annual golf outing for Saturday, June 23 at Fellows Creek Golf Club, 2535 Lotz Road, Canton. Participants are asked

matter, at least for the time being. We were pricing a filing cabinet, which had become a dire necessity. Ritting near-by was a big Royal standard, looking as sturdy as our last one. We tried it out, dickered for a deal and brought home both the cabinet and the typewriter.

Note: we're longer, schedule typing time. We have five and here we are and the end of the kitchen has become my office.

Maybe someday we'll be turning out more freelance work; maybe then we'll consider the electronic wonders again. For now, we have the means to keep the copy flowing even if someone pulls the plug.

Margaret Miller was Suburban Life editor for Overton Newspapers for 18 years. She and her husband Joe have retired to Florida, where she writes Retirement Memos.

Jaycees elect officers

Farmington Area Jaycees have elected Ed Matyewicz, president for the 1984-85 term. His vice presidents are Bob Toner, Mike O'Grady and Dan Rose. Richard Headline will serve as treasurer and Bob Coleman as secretary.

Administrative area officers are Bob Spivak, Tom Buck and Larry Irey.

Internal area officers are Joe Weigal, Mark Boyler and Mike Allen.

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FLOYD A. CAIRNS
City Clerk

Public May 17 and 21, 1984

CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on May 7, 1984, by Mayor Yoder in Council Chambers, 23660 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

PRESIDENT: Bennett, Hartsock, Tupper, Walker, Yoder.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager Deadman, Director Billing, Director Selfert, City Clerk Bushby.

Minutes of previous meetings were approved.

Minutes of other Boards were received and/or filed.

Council granted the following requests for sign variances with certain stipulations:

- Benchmark - 32715 Grand River
- Springbrook Gardens - 23614 Power Road

Council denied the following requests for sign variances:

- Herman's Plaza - 30930 Grand River
- Glendale Auto Supply - 23681 Orchard Lake Road

Council received notice of the Michigan Municipal League Annual Conference to be held in September.

Council granted the Farmington Festival Committee a permit for the Festival Parade, July 21, 1984, and authorized the filing of a street closing permit with the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Council agreed that the Liquor Control Commission should have the authority to assess larger fines for violations of the Michigan Liquor Control Laws.

Council issued the following proclamations:

- NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK** May 8-13, 1984
- OAKLAND COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AWARENESS WEEK** May 8-13, 1984
- MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY MONTH** May 11-June 12, 1984

Ordinance C-516-84 was introduced, which would transfer electrical licensing to the State of Michigan effective December 31, 1984.

Council authorized adjustments to amend the 1983-84 Budget.

Council authorized additional funds for the 1978 Detroit Water Rate litigation.

Council was advised that Student Government Day will be May 15 this year.

Council received the General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund and 47th District Court Finance Reports for the nine months ended March 31, 1984.

Council established a Public Hearing for 8:00 p.m., March 21, 1984, to review the 1984-85 proposed budget.

Council appointed William Burke as the second alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Council received the Department of Public Services Quarterly Report for January 1 through March 31, 1984.

The following ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. C-518-84
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDERS

That the Traffic Control Order issued by the Chief of Police of the City of Farmington, dated February 4, 1978, is hereby amended as follows: Chapter 4, Section 4.4 and Chapter 5, Section 5.7 are amended to read as follows: Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages.

CHAPTER 4 "TIMED PARKING" Amend the following:

Section 4.4 - Oakland Street

(a) North side, from Farmington Road to 241st Street, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday.

CHAPTER 5 "PROHIBITED PARKING" Amend the following:

Section 5.7 - Oakland Street

(a) North side, from Grand River to 241st Street.

This ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Farmington City Council on April 12, 1984. It was adopted and passed at the next regular meeting on May 7, 1984, and will become effective 10 days after publication.

AYES: Yoder, Bennett, Hartsock, Tupper, Walker.

ABSENT: None.

Monthly bills were approved for the previous meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

RALPH D. YODER, Mayor
JOSPHINE M. BUSHBY, City Clerk

Public May 17, 1984