

Opinion

23352 Farmington Road/Farmington, MI 48024

Glove Barnaby editor/477-5450

BA(F)

O&E Monday, June 11, 1984

A-OK: library video service

This week's Oral Quarrel question asked Farmington and Farmington Hills residents: How do you feel about the library providing video and computer services to the public? How do you feel about censorship of the material provided?

Following are the responses:

I am in favor of the library of providing video and computer services to the public. I am against censorship in any form.

Yes, about libraries providing video and computer services to the public.

I feel that it is great the libraries providing video and computer services. I believe we should be modern. Our library is one of our community's biggest assets and the last thing in the world I want to see is censorship of the materials provided. That's not in the realm of the board or that sort of thing. There shouldn't be censorship.

I am strongly in favor of the library providing video and computer service and I don't think they should censor it. I am in favor of recalling the mayor.

I have used the video services and it's an excellent idea. As for the censorship I am sure that can be provided by only letting the adults check out adult material. It's that simple.

oral quarrel

Using Williams' logic, they shouldn't lease books because books stores sell books. They should also get some Beta video cassettes in because that is what I have.

I agree with Mayor Charles Williams that the library is getting too big and I also think there should be censorship.

I am strongly in favor of the library providing both video and computer services. Censorship, the R should be available for adults, no X material. Good luck to the library and I hope they keep up their leading edge.

I think that Mayor Williams should stay out of it. I think the Farmington Library board should handle it. I think they should be progressive and go with video and anything else that board wants to do that is in the future and today.

Censorship of the materials should not be the council's privilege. Leave that to the experts, the library board. The council should not butt in.

I think the Farmington Library should continue with the video with nothing less than an R rating.

I am very happy with the library providing video and computer services to the public so everyone can at least try them but I don't think they have used their heads very well on censorship of the material provided since I have found it more like an R than a PG.

Computers are going to the downfall of this great nation which is built upon the emotions of man not upon the cold thinking of a machine.

I am glad that the library provides the services for video and computer. I feel that someday there will no such thing as books per se, it will all be recorded on magnetic material. I have always been against censorship of any type.

I think libraries should provide video and computer services to the public because it is good to find these at the library. It is up to us to see what we want to see. It is up to our own judgement and if someone has had morals it is not up to government to tell them what they may or may not see.

Little to cheer about when a cop is pinched

AS CRIMES go, it was strictly two-bit. The guy walked into a Union Lake K mart, did some shopping, picked up four rolls of film, stuck two in a coat pocket and two in a bag containing already purchased items and walked out.

The security man watching followed him to the parking lot. When he put the clamps on the two-bitter, he found the guy had a pistol. Oh, oh. What have we here?

It turns out we have Redford Township Police Chief Michael Manog, a 27-year veteran of the department. He has been pinched for stealing \$9.16 worth of film.

Manog thought he would get mercy. He promised to get psychiatric help. He walked away thinking there would be no prosecution.

NO WAY. If it ever came out that the chief was treated differently from John Q. Citizen, there might be hell to pay. The ever-alert Oakland County prosecutor's office moves ahead. A warrant is issued.

In court, Manog pleads guilty to larceny. Manog asks Redford Township Supervisor James Kelley if he can retire. Kelley says OK. Manog will get sick pay through June 11 and then retire. No departmental action. Nothing else.

A Redford copper, who is also a candidate for township supervisor, complains that Manog got off easy. Other cops also lament the fact that Manog wasn't fired.

What a cheery story. You don't know whether to feel sorry for Manog or angry because he got better treatment than the average copper would have received.

YOU END UP feeling somewhat sorry for Manog, sorry that the man's disgrace becomes a big news item and a political issue, sorry our system of justice has so many ins and outs that we're not sure whether Manog got off easy or not, sorry for Redford Township that it has to go through that kind of publicity, sorry for any cop who feels embarrassed by it and sorry that the dream we have of the good coppers always being alert, vigilant, loyal, trustworthy, strong and in-the-right just took another whack in the gut.

As police chiefs go, Manog was an oddball, even if he was president of the Wayne County



Bob Wisler

chiefs association. He was always yammering about law and order and the need for crackdowns. Yet he resigned from the department, once before, in 1974, after the previous police chief accused him of pilfering pocket money from the office coffee fund.

THE LOCAL civil service commission reinstated him as deputy chief, ruling that two weeks loss of pay was sufficient punishment.

One must feel something for a man who put in 27 years in law enforcement and then ended his career on such a dismal note. It could well be that psychological stresses affected his judgment — perhaps he didn't even realize that he was pocketing film.

If there's any bright spot in the whole thing, it is that Manog is clearly the exception that makes his case noteworthy. For every cop who finally drifts over the line, for every one who does something notorious, there are thousands who spend a lifetime in obscurity working at tedious jobs that offer few opportunities to feel good about their fellow man and one that inflicts psychological scars cops don't like to talk about, even among themselves.

And they do it with dignity, honor and good humor and without ever embarrassing their profession or themselves.

discover Michigan by Bill Stockwell

AN EARLY slogan advertised in Detroit was "Push Along with Pochelon." Using this catchy slogan, Albert Pochelon was one of the founders of the worldwide flower-by-wire idea — and a single room behind his flower shop was headquarters for the florists association that spread through the civilized world.

BACKYARD FUN

We guarantee our products to be the highest quality available at affordable prices. Why settle for less, when you can have the best!

All swing sets are made of pressure treated wood with marine spar varnish finish.

FREE Color Catalog

America's Largest Distributor of Backyard Wooden Playsets

the wooden swingco

4336 N. Woodward Ave. (between 13 & 14 Mile Rds.) Dept. E Royal Oak, MI 48072 549-2828

Major credit cards accepted.

Arthritis Today

Joseph J. Weiss, M.D. Rheumatology 20317 Farmington Road Livonia, Michigan 48152 Phone: 478-7860

THE FOOT IN ARTHRITIS

There are a number of arthritic conditions that present themselves as foot pain and require medical treatment. This column will consider two such conditions: gout and rheumatoid arthritis.

It is thought that gout favors the foot for the following reason. The foot is furthest from the body's core temperature, and the toes are slightly cooler than the rest of the body. The slight decrease in temperature is sufficient, at times, to initiate precipitation of gout crystals, which in turn set off changes that result in an attack of gouty arthritis.

Not widely appreciated is the fact that in rheumatoid arthritis the foot is as involved as the hand. Inflammation occurring at the balls of the feet is particularly difficult to treat medically, and often requires surgery if the individual is to walk without pain.

Therefore, even if your arthritic problem only involves your hands, your doctor, in his evaluation, will may include an examination of your feet.

RICH FURS

Dittrich

Since 1893

Now is the time to clean and store your furs

Detroit Bloomfield Hills

NEW YORK • HOLLYWOOD • ATLANTA • PHILADELPHIA • DETROIT

MORK CAME FROM ORK

MINDY CAME FROM WEIST-BARRON

Whether you come from Earth or Ork, if you're an actor or model who wants to expand your career and make money acting in TV commercials and soap operas, come to Weist-Barron and learn how. TV star Pam Douglas did. The former Weist-Barron graduate, says:

"I highly recommend WEIST-BARRON to actors and models who want to earn money doing TV commercials."

DO OUR GRADUATES WORK? Every 1/2 hour, two W.B. grads appear on any channel throughout the U.S. and Canada.

THE SCHOOL OF TV ACTING

A Weist-Barron Production

20211 Cornell Park Blvd. #107 Southfield, MI 48078 (313) 254-7720

STATE LICENSED • BONDED

NEW YORK • HOLLYWOOD • ATLANTA • PHILADELPHIA • DETROIT

HONOR THY FATHER.

Order his ice cream cake today Father's Day is June 17.

4 Sizes Available: \$6/\$14/\$20/\$28

Häagen-Dazs

Tasty Treat 21008 Orchard Lake Rd. Farmington Hills • 478-8040

Continental Market 210 & Woodward Birmingham • 444-2044

DAD'S CRYSTAL TANKARD

\$19.95

CHARLES CARVING CO.

On Father's Day, June 17th

DAD DESERVES THE BEST ...A GIFT FROM

Country Squire Shop

Sportcoat by Christian Dior \$255

Christian Dior Suits from \$320

Country Squire Shop

Gentlemen's Fine Apparel

75 W. Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills

Daily 10-6 p.m.

JUNE SPECIAL

All-around Arrangement of Sweetheart Roses and Miniature Carnations \$12.99 to \$24.99

Harry Miller

FLORISTS

DEARBORN 14600 E. 14 Mile Rd. 478-1400

FARMINGTON HILLS 27999 Orchard Lake Rd. 478-1400

Monday-Friday 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM Saturday 9:30 to 5 PM