

# Enriching Women Enriching Women



## *A Right 'Royale' Margin!*

*In 1952 Ian Fleming, author of the James Bond books, 'penned' or more accurately 'typed', his first ever novel - Casino Royale; he was 43yrs of age and it was completed in a little over 2 months. As a reward to himself, he purchased the exquisite KMM 'Quiet DeLuxe' portable, gold plated typewriter made by the Royal Typewriter Company of Hartford, CT. It marked the company's 50th year anniversary...Golden Jubilee! Fleming's next novel – Goldfinger, was created on this illustrious machine.*

*So, what was so special about the KMM? Apart from wearing the most desirable 'coat', the MM denoted the latest in typewriter 'wizardry' – MAGIC MARGIN. This new device alleviated the bother of setting a margin by hand! The operator merely had to position the carriage, flick the MM lever and hey presto! ...the margin set automatically. It created an open space around the body of text preventing it from spilling over the edge...*

*'He (Isaac) named it, Rehoboth (Open Spaces) saying '...the Lord has made room for us and we will be fruitful in the land' (Genesis 26:22 HSBBC)*

*I well remember as a child having to 'rule a margin' in my exercise book; it sported only fine horizontal lines on which to write my words. It's function was to keep my creative, imaginative writing from straying too close to the edge of the page. More to the point, it was a space to ensure the teacher had freedom in which to write their chosen comments...'room for improvement'!*

*Wouldn't it be great if life had a MM that would automatically set the right amount of needed space or rest? In it's absence, let us make the effort to 'rule our margins' else the 'default mode' – failure to change - will most likely be set to little or no space. Before life spills over, ever pushing us towards the edge, set a limit with a surplus; make 'intentional indents' into your life, schedule margins – surplus space or time – mentally and physically. Let us find our own 'Rehoboth'; room to prosper and profit from a productive life.*

*Affectionately, Judith...pre 'Page Layout'!*