

MEMO

I want to locate programmers familiar with ZGRASS for the purpose of providing support to a Bally/Astrocade Arcade unit memory expansion. Dr. De Fanti has licensed the use of his language to Alternative Engineering, a company that has been supporting the arcade unit since 1979. Alternative Engineering is going to produce a 64K memory expansion unit with cassette and disc drive controllers, and a full size keyboard package to surround the ZGRASS, with delivery of units expected in July 1983.

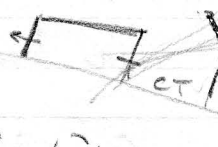
I publish a Newsletter for the Arcade owner, in which we endeavor to help the owner get more out of his Basic cartridge, through programs and tutorials.

ZGRASS programmers are needed on two levels:

1. I want to increase the scope and usability of my Mkr by including coverage of ZGrass and the new machine. I will need programs that entertain and teach, and ~~tutorials~~ ^{articles} to provide ^{expanded} details as to how ^{design} to use it.

Zworks ~~and~~ ^{expanded} by expanding
to obtain special effects.

Our paper is designed for the hobbyist

Our publ is hobby-oriented. We are essentially quite naive
about the total ^{arcade} system - we do not have the "inside story" on
design, features, or tricks - and virtually everything we have
learned of the machine has been discovered. Our contacts therefore
is somewhat ^{however} inconsistent. With the help of talented hackers, we
have been able to present some information data to 
some clear progress. Hopefully we will have more insight
into the Z's operation with assistance from long-time users.

~~Since~~ We have a number of professional programmers on board who cannot sell
their concepts outside of the company they work for, and so we have set a
general policy that all program submitted are donations for the hobby
benefit of us all. We are making a token request for tutorial
articles, currently at a 25¢/page rate

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2. On the second level, programs that are needed that can be sold. Whatever is viable, both amusement and utility. There ~~has been~~ ^{are} lots of people ~~wanting to do~~ with business applications.

The producers of the machine are interested in having programs available in order to enhance their product. Our function would be one of introduction - all arrangements etc. from then on would be up to you.

The Options that may be open would include -

1. Your development of a game, etc., on a free loan basis using your own Zygon's & sale (whatever) to some ^{manufacturing} distribution organization
2. You working for an organization utilizing a provided system & the product program essentially on a fee for order.
3. Some other combination