

moral perspectives

Rev. Charles Erickson

Cable TV should focus on community

Cable television hasn't come to our community yet. One evening we sampled many channels at the home of a friend. Conversation included the usual efforts to voice prophetic wisdom. One said, "This is so intriguing that regular channels may be gone in a few years."

Easy banter bumped into reality in a few days with news that the U.S. Senate has passed a bill removing most local control over cable TV. A house committee chaired by Michigan's John Dingell is now working on it. The bill deals with relationships between cable companies and program suppliers. Conceivably local TV stations could become victims of cable company policy or even opinion.

The heart of the bill is distrust of local units of governments. To control municipal taxation of cable TV, the legislation restricts local control over many matters. If municipalities have no control, we can predict the programming will be mostly national.

POLITICAL RHETORIC has long touted the virtues of local control of this and that. I have not been much impressed. Reporters and editors see to it that we are much better informed about matters in Washington and Lansing than in city or county government. Millions are spent locally and regionally without scrutiny by experienced sharp-eyed reporters paying attention.

The moral issue is national unity with need for equality across the land. There is virtue in federal laws protecting against selfishness and greed in regional or local provincialism. But the value gives birth to an enormous problem. We are becoming less and less in-

involved in shaping our culture and creating the tone of our lives.

We desperately need to live where we live in neighborhood and community. Focus on national issues and distant events leaves us swamped by massive numbers and dollars. Then we take the next step of not caring about the next step. We need information to share interests and knowledge of events to share experiences.

Cable TV has potential for improving the quality of community life and encouraging pride in the kind of people we are. It can entice us to participate in events and programs. At the same time it saves us from the evils of narrow provincialism.

THE WEATHER is a good example of deeper concerns. Regular weather reporting is careful about state coverage which creates limits at state boundaries. There is also a fascination with reports to make a good show. We know more about a distant spot in our state which is not part of our weather pattern than about Illinois, whose weather we usually get the next day.

Cable TV has a weather channel which lets us see the weather for loved ones in distant places, and it shows the movements which will change our weather. It lets us be intensely local on a broad national scale.

Cable TV is an issue worth a quick note to a representative in Washington. The issue is balancing federal and local control. The need is for us to be involved locally and aware in a truly cosmopolitan citizenship. The desired end is the fragile balance of local uniqueness and national unity.

medical briefs/helpline

DR. KENNETH COOPER, best-selling author of "Aerobics," "The Aerobic Way," and "The New Aerobic" will be the featured speaker at a one-day exercise program presented Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

Dr. Cooper will discuss how to live longer and enjoy it, development of a personal physical conditioning program and exercise as a factor in your coronary risk profile.

Sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, the program called "Getting the Most Out of an Exercise Program - Are You Ready to Exercise?" will include several speakers, an aerobic dance demonstration, exercise breaks, exhibits and lunch.

Millie Cooper, who with her husband co-authored "Aerobics for Women," will be the luncheon speaker, discussing "One Woman's Battle with Fat, Fatigue and Apathy."

There is a registration fee of \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door, both of which include lunch and the booklet "Are You Ready for Exercise."

For more information on the exercise program, contact the American Heart Association of Michigan, 16310 R. 12 Mile Road, P. O. Box 160, LaGrange Village 48076. The phone number is 557-9500.

MERCY COLLEGE OF DETROIT invites medical technologists to review their knowledge and skills by enrolling in a hematology and coagulation update.

The course is designed to reacquaint and refresh both the active and inactive medical technologist with the constantly changing field of clinical laboratory medicine by updating their skills and introducing new procedures, instrumentation and quality control.

The 14-week course runs from Sept. 13 through the week of Dec. 13 and involves 54 hours of classroom instruction, both lecture and laboratory time are included. Lecture sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. Laboratory sessions will be on either Wednesday evening or Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m.

For more information and to register, call 522-6100.

class reunions

As a public service, the Observer will print announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Marie McGee, Observer News-papers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include a first and last name with telephone numbers.

● BENTLEY
The Bentley High School classes of 1955-56 are holding a reunion and barbecue on Saturday, Aug. 20. Call Bob Tate or Helen Goodbold Fuston at 422-8157.

● JOHN GLENN
People interested in working on the organization of a class reunion for the Westland John Glenn High School class of 1974 are asked to contact Becky Leffer Brown at 728-8249.

● LADYWOOD
Ladywood High School class of 1973 will hold a reunion on Sept. 10 at the Plymouth Hilton at 8 p.m. For reservations or more information, call Nancy Brennaman at 591-3967.

● ALLEN PARK
Allen Park High School class of 1953 will hold its 30-year reunion on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Presidential Inn in Southgate. Price is \$20 per person. For more information, contact Don Doty, 684-7752.

● BERKLEY
Berkley High School class of 1958 will hold a reunion on Sept. 10. For more information, call Marsha Zucker, 389-6127.

● PLYMOUTH
The Plymouth High School class of 1968 plans for a 15-year reunion scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 8 have been cancelled because of a poor response.

● CHURCHILL
Churchill High School class of 1973 will hold a 10-year reunion Sept. 30 at Westwood in Westland. Call Robin Anderson at 721-3350 for reservations.

● CHURCHILL High School class of 1978 will hold a five-year reunion on Sept. 17. Cost is \$35 per couple. For more information, call Robin Phisac, 455-4506 or Pete Smith, 397-0174.

● CHURCHILL High School class of 1973 will hold its 10-year reunion Aug. 28 8 p.m. to midnight at Weber's in Ann Arbor. Call Tom Catterall at 455-5747.

● JOHN GLENN
Westland John Glenn High School class of 1974 will hold a five-year reunion Sept. 9. For more information, call 595-0298.

● CENTRAL
Detroit Central High School class of 1941 will hold a reunion on Saturday, Sept. 24. Graduates interested in helping with plans should write: P. O. Box 2945, 14779 Stark Road, Livonia 48150.

● CHADSEY
Chadsey High School class of 1953 will hold a 30-year reunion on Nov. 5 at Roma's of Garden City. Cost is \$25 per person. For more information, call Tom Lazars, 723-9439; Barb Gilroy, 471-1638; or Gerri Brobet, 422-7940.

● MACKENZIE
Mackenzie High School class of 1958 will hold a reunion Nov. 19 at Margyville College. For more information, call Barbara (Cerna) Witte, 645-0194.

● IMMACULATE
THE 1943 graduating class of Immaculate High School is planning a 20-year reunion Sept. 19 at Coventry Park Coudo clubhouse. Classmates are asked to call Betty Ganson Zielenka, 353-3137.

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Bloomfield Hills
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WORSHIP 10 AM
Nursery Provided
Rev. Quentyn C. Brenner

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39200 W. 12 Mile Road
Farmington Hills

WORSHIP 9:30 AM
V.J. Massenberg
Pastor

St. Paul's Lutheran Missouri Synod
20005 Middlebelt at 8 Mile
Farmington Hills - 474-0875
The Rev. Ralph E. Unger, Pastor
SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30-11 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES 10 AM
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Grades 1-6
Wayne C. Berchack Principal
474-2688

Orchard United Methodist
30450 FARMINGTON ROAD
Between 13 and 14 Mile Road
626-3420

MORNING WORSHIP 10 AM
Pre-School Child Care
MINISTERS
Robert L. S. Brown
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2000 W. 13 Mile at Evergreen
• 648-9777
WORSHIP: 10 AM
CHURCH SCHOOL: 10 AM
(Nursery thru High School)
Minister: John W. Bray

FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH
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WORSHIP & PRE-SCHOOL CHILD CARE: 10:00 AM
Dr. Samuel F. Stout, Pastor
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Ecumenical in Spirit

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Church Located in The
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1930 S. Bimley Road at All Ages
10:30 am. Morning Service
Pastor Rex Houtland
334-0216 - (Nursery Provided)

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Farmington Hills 474-6573
WORSHIP: 10:30 AM
CHURCH SCHOOL: 10 AM
Nursery Provided
Rev. Arthur L. Spafford

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474-3444
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Morning Worship: 11 AM
Evening Worship: 6 PM
Pastor: John C. Crumpton

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Woodward at Cranbrook
Bloomfield Hills

Worship and Church School 10:00 AM
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The Rev. Charles C. Erickson
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8:45 am. Morning Service
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1589 West Maple at Pleasant
Ministers Robert P. Ward • Douglas W. Vernon
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WORSHIP SERVICES
8:30 AM and 10:00 AM

Child Care 8:30 and 10:00 AM
No Church School in August

BAPTIST CHURCH
American Baptist
Bates and Willis
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Robert C. Madigan
MINISTER

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:00 AM
WORSHIP: 10:00 AM
544-0550

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2911 W. Big Beaver at Adams Ave.

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:30 AM
WORSHIP: 11:00 AM

Minister: Robert C. Boyte
644-0512

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN ALC • FARMINGTON
22220 Oak Road
3 Blocks S. of Grand River
3 Blocks W. of Farmington Rd
SUNDAY SCHEDULE
WORSHIP (Nursery) 10 AM
Pastor C. Fox

ST. ANDREW
6225 Telegraph • North of Maple
BIRMINGHAM
SUNDAY Church School 10:30
Sunday Worship
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842-5207 • 846-8119

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8:45 a.m.: CHURCH SCHOOL • 11:00 a.m.: WORSHIP SERVICE
6:30 p.m.: EVENING SERVICE

WEDNESDAY
7 PM Prayer & Bible Study
8 PM Adult Choir

THE LORD'S HOUSE
A Full Gospel Church
36924 Ann Arbor Trail
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Pastor Carl J. Forsyth
Sunday School 10:00 am
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Open Every Day 9:00 am
Until 11:00 pm
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PREBYTERIAN
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MINISTERS:
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WORSHIP SERVICE & CHURCH SCHOOL
9:30 and 11:30

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Bloomfield Hills

WORSHIP:
8:15 • 9:45 • 11:15

EDUCATIONAL HOUR: 9:45
Nursery • 8th Grade Junior/Senior High and Adult Bible Classes

Northbrook Presbyterian
14 Mile & Lahser Road
SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 AM
- Nursery Provided -

Pastors:
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EPISCOPAL
LONE PINE AT CRANBROOK
THE REV. ALMUS M. THORP, JR., RECTOR

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist and Sermon
(Church School and Nursery)
(Morning Prayer 2nd and 4th Sundays)

Weekday Eucharist
Tuesday 10:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 AM

NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
25887 West Eleven Mile Road
Just West of Middlebelt
Farmington Hills 478-8860

WORSHIP SERVICE: 10 AM
"AN ELEPHANT'S BALLET"
Dr. William Rittler

Dr. William A. Rittler, Pastor
Rev. Jeffrey Danner, Assoc. Min.
Judy May, Director of C.E.
Mr. Melvin Rookus, Dr. Music

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN
Missouri Synod
12 Mile and Farmington Roads
Behind Crownley's

Worship 8:15 and 10:45
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:30

Pastor: Rev. T. Richard Marcia
Church Phone: 563-3380

DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Pastor James Conner, Youth-Robert Anderson, Music-Rod Barker
Located at 2725 S. 6 Mile with entrance at 21200 Haggerty Road
Church Office 348-7700

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36500 West Eleven Mile
Farmington Hills 477-3033
BIBLE SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP 11 AM and 7 PM
WED. BIBLE CLASS 7:30 PM
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WORSHIP 11 AM and 7 PM
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Last Sunday Each Month

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