

The Ketchum case

Judge lifts restraining order

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Less than a week after issuing a temporary restraining order halting the activities of an Oakland County doctor, an Oakland Circuit Court judge has set aside his own order.

During a hearing Monday (May 6) Judge Frederick C. Ziem told defendant Dr. Jesse Ketchum, 920 Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, that the restraining order issued Tuesday (April 30) had been lifted, permitting him to continue practicing medicine at his Huntington Woods office.

The judge heard arguments by Ketchum's attorney and Oakland County Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson Friday (May 3) and took the matter under advisement over the weekend.

ZIEM ADDED, however, that should the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulation's Medical Practices Board fail to make a ruling in the case within 60 days, the case could then return to his court.

The Oakland Circuit Court would also hear any appeals on the board's decision, Ziem said.

Tiger fans go by bus

OAKLAND COUNTY — Area Tiger baseball fans will be able to ride express buses from several suburban parking lots directly to Tiger Stadium for the Sunday (May 12) game with Boston.

The Southeast Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA) Direct Access Shuttle (DASH) buses will leave the parking locations and arrive at the ball park in time for pre-game activities, according to SEMTA officials.

Round-trip fares are \$2. In Troy, baseball fans can leave their cars at the Troy Civic Center, Big Beaver, east of I-75. The bus leaves at noon.

IN SOUTHFIELD, cars may be left at the Travelers' Towers Building, on Evergreen Road at the north of Ten Mile Road. The bus departs from the west parking lot, on the west side of the Central Park Boulevard at noon.

Bus service to the Detroit-Boston game will be the third in the series of DASH services to Tiger baseball offered by SEMTA.

More than 500 people rode to each of the two previous games on the six DASH bus lines. Required reservation may be made by calling SEMTA at 962-5515 or toll free 1-800-462-5161.

O.U. offers Kenya study

Oakland University's School of Education and African Area Studies faculty are sponsoring a July 17-Aug. 21 seminar in African education in Kenya, East Africa.

Students can earn eight undergraduate or graduate credits. Interested persons may contact James Hughes, director of teacher education, at 377-3074.

Participants will share in team teaching assignments with Kenyan elementary and secondary school teachers in both rural and urban areas. They will work with members of the Curriculum Development and Research Center and the Kenya Institute of Education to understand the trends and concerns of African education today.

Seminar students will be given assistance in preparing teaching units and study kits for use in their African studies programs. A variety of hotels, youth hostels, colleges and local homes will be available for housing.

Arthritis class set

The Oakland County Arthritis Volunteer Action Committee, in conjunction with the Michigan Chapter Arthritis Foundation (MCAF), will hold the third in its series of arthritis information classes at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Birmingham Community House.

The program will feature a presentation on quackery in arthritis, which bilks over \$300 million a year from the hapless sufferers of the chronic, painful joint disease. Emory F. Gravelle, an MCAF staff member, will describe the varied appeals of quackery and their effect on legitimate disease management.

In Patterson's 11-page complaint to the court he cited three criminal abortion charges and 10 malpractice suits previously filed against Ketchum.

Ketchum's October, 1973, conviction of "criminal negligent homicide as a result of the abortion" performed in Ketchum's Buffalo, N. Y., office and the April 24, 1974,

conviction in Detroit of the charge of "indecent and obscene conduct in a public place," were also cited in Patterson's civil lawsuit.

PATTERSON charged that Ketchum's "past and present professional and personal policies . . . constitute a hazard to health, welfare and safety of the people of Oakland County."

"The law is that the doctrine of primary jurisdiction applies to this case," Ziem said after the Monday hearing.

The Medical Practices Board must be offered the first opportunity to investigate the case, the judge said.

"The prosecutor acted in good faith, he was right in principle, but the issue is where they should go first," Ziem said.

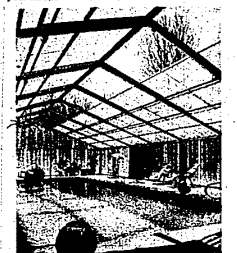


Monster lurks again

Mike Daly puts the finishing touches on Frank N. Stein, the creation of Bingham Farms Elementary School students which will be entered in the Oakland Art Education Association's student art exhibit at the Oakland Mall through Saturday. The monster was suggested by Mike and art teacher Penny Sadowski, and was created by several fourth, fifth and sixth grade students (Photographed by Art Emanuel).

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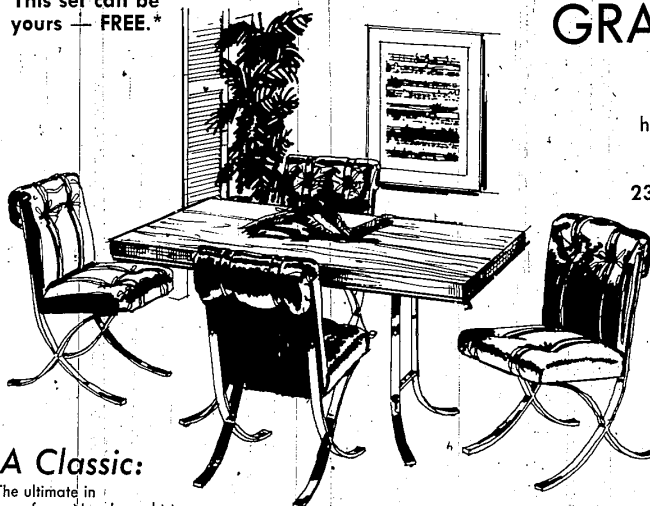
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