

Community service is Cable Commission's goal

CABLE CONNECTION



LARK SAMOUELIAN

As the stirrings about cable television become more prevalent, the consumer will have quite a challenge to decipher at what level the discussions are taking place. The Cable Bill which passed last week will go into effect at the beginning of December. How the cable industry will be regulated will be determined by the Federal Communications Commission. Cities represented by cable commissions will have to be certified by the FCC, demonstrating the process of which they will administer and regulate.

Regulation will only take place in an environment which is not yet competitive. The definition in simple terms of competition is "Another multichannel provider." Several weeks ago I wrote an editorial emphasizing the importance for consumers to have a competitive environment and that the cable industry as a whole needed to be locally accountable. This posture will prevail. It also will open up a challenging position for the consumer, because even at a local level we will have the opportunity to have input of what is actually an international marketplace.

Eventually there will be services provided to each of us in the home, allowing us to stay home without traveling anywhere to do

our daily business. There may be more than one provider offering these conveniences.

The Cable Commission's responsibility is to assure that our residents are provided with the greatest amount of community service for the least cost. On a day-to-day basis, it is therefore even more responsible to develop a positive working relationship with the contractors or companies that are providing our community service. Your input as a consumer will be important for the commission to have, so that we may provide you, along with the existing company, which is MetroVision of Oakland County, the information and service which you need.

CHANNEL 12 MONDAY, OCT. 19

- 10 a.m. — Novi Talkin' History: Ortwin MacDermid
- 11:30 a.m. — Women on the Move: Joyce Picuch/radix teacher
- Noon — Farmington Hills Police Journal
- 12:30 p.m. — Dollars and Sense: annuities/Strasberger
- 1 p.m. — The word of life: the universal language
- 1:30 p.m. — Novi Skits-O-Francis: Its a small world!
- 3 p.m. — Michigan Ballot proposal: auto insurance
- 4 p.m. — Shanrey Zedek Productions
- 5 p.m. — Decorating your home

- 5:30 p.m. — Lansing Connection
- 6 p.m. — Senior Spotlight: prescription awareness
- 6:30 p.m. — Bagels and talk with Tracy and Phil; business and residential news
- 7 p.m. — Jr. Japanese: lesson 23
- 7:30 p.m. — Chi-aerobics internal power: lesson 23
- 8 p.m. — Prescription for your health: helping children cope with divorce
- 8:30 p.m. — Cosmic connection: Halloween
- 9:30 p.m. — Groove Session.

TUESDAY, OCT. 20

- 10 a.m. — Senior adult exercise
- 10:45 a.m. — Reaction News
- 11 a.m. — Valley of Decision
- Noon — Praise, praise, praise
- 12:30 p.m. — The happiest people alive
- 1 p.m. — Positively: positive life-style class
- 2 p.m. — Salon Glamour and etiquette with Gloria
- 3 p.m. — Cosmic connection: Halloween
- 4 p.m. — Clarenceville Schools
- 5 p.m. — Senior Messenger
- 6 p.m. — Seniors on the move: electrician
- 6:30 p.m. — Sharon Stein show: drug abuser
- 7 p.m. — Viewpoint

- 7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal
- 8 p.m. — Salon Glamour and etiquette with Gloria
- 9 p.m. — Candidates night state representatives
- 9:30 p.m. — 47th District court judges Marla Parker/Jack McDonald.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21

- 10 a.m. — Legislative forum
- 10:30 a.m. — The Job Show
- 11 a.m. — Study in scripture
- 11:30 a.m. — Oakland Press perspective
- Noon — The way the truth and the life
- 12:30 p.m. — Abundant life or abie ministries
- 1 p.m. — A powerful path
- 1:30 p.m. — Lives on the line
- 2 p.m. — Michigan ballot proposal: property tax
- 3 p.m. — Crisis in the modern family: recovering alcoholics
- 4 p.m. — Junior Japanese: lesson 32
- 4:30 p.m. — Bring them home America

- 5 p.m. — Bagels and talk with Tracy and Phil; business and residential news
- 5:30 p.m. — Groove session: Chisel Brothers
- 6 p.m. — Founders Festival Pet show
- 6:30 p.m. — Reaction News Proposal D
- 7 p.m. — The word of life: the universal language
- 7:30 p.m. — Farmington prep football
- 8 p.m. — My vote counts
- 9 p.m. — Speakers row.

THURSDAY, OCT. 22

- 10 a.m. — Senior Adult exercise
- 10:45 a.m. — Reaction News
- 11 a.m. — Seniors on the Move: electrician
- 11:30 a.m. — Live and let live: military order of the Purple Heart
- 12:30 p.m. — Senior spotlight: prescription awareness
- 1 p.m. — Prescription for your health: helping children cope with divorce

- 1:30 p.m. — Viewpoint
- 2 p.m. — My vote counts
- 2:30 p.m. — Chi-aerobics internal power: term limitation
- 3 p.m. — Michigan ballot proposal: term limitation
- 4 p.m. — Clarenceville schools
- 5 p.m. — Spontaneous seniors
- 6 p.m. — Novi Chamber of Commerce
- 6:30 p.m. — Dollars and sense: annuities/Strasberger
- 7 p.m. — Crisis in the modern family: recovering alcoholics
- 8 p.m. — John Akouri live

- 8:30 p.m. — Farmington, Farmington Hills Girl Scout fair and history
- 9:30 p.m. — Observer and Eclectic sponsors debate of judicial candidates.

FRIDAY, OCT. 23

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