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Regular NSCC/NSAC meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at CTV. The next meetings are March 1 and April 5 at 7 p.m.



CTV volunteer Elizabeth Mulligan demonstrates the use of the Panasonic DVC60 camcorder.

Why two different camcorders?

CTV currently offers volunteers free use of either the Panasonic DVX100 or the Panasonic DVC60 for any CTV production. Both types of cameras use the MiniDV tape format, but each has special applications that might fit your production demands.

The DVX100 has all the bells and whistles and menu driven options that can add to your shooting flexibility, allowing some effects to be added to your shoot. This camera has a great Leica lens with 10X zoom, which is adequate for most situations, but doesn't give much close-up at the distance you might have been used to with our former Sony camcorders. It is a small and handy size to help with portability, but unless you have had a lot of practice, it doesn't lend itself to hand-held situations.

The DVC60 looks entirely different. It is large enough to be easy to use for hand-held and includes a shoulder saddle that allows you to hoist it up to eye level - great for those sports shots. If you like to shoot your daughter's orchestra concert from the balcony, or try to get close-ups of a speaker from the back of the hall, this camera has a 16X zoom that will give you much better shots. It is simpler to operate, and we have two of them - just tell the person making your reservation that you want the 16X camera.

The "Volunteer" link at www.ctv15.org has the full manuals for you. Both have tips for shooting and editing, so feel free to do a little checking around and make sure you've got the camcorder that fits your needs.

- Maureen Anderson



Legislative update

Good news: Congress adjourned in 2006 without adopting telecom reform that would have affected local franchising authority and cut CTV's funding. Bad news:

On December 20, the FCC adopted - on a 3-2 vote - an order that gives the telephone companies almost everything they were trying to get in legislation. At this point, the order does not affect current franchises, but, as part of the order, the FCC initiated a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

suggesting to extend the new telephone rules to the incumbent cable operators. If they do that, it would wipe out all of CTV's funding because the new rules would allow the operator to deduct any funding for Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Access from the 5% franchise fee.

I expect our national local government associations to take legal action, but we are waiting for the order to be released by the FCC. Further, it will not go into effect until it is printed in the Federal Register, although the lawsuit may involve a request for an injunction.

- *Coralie Wilson*

Hometown Video Festival Reminder

Entries for the annual Hometown Video Festival are due at CTV by March 1, 2007, so please be prepared to submit your programs on VHS or DVD. For more information, visit www.alliancecm.org. If you intend to enter a program through CTV, please contact **Shannon** at shannon.hunter@ctv15.org.

@tv15 CTV Channels

On January 14, 2007, our channel lineup changed. Specifically, changes occurred to channels 14 and 98. The following is a list of our current channels along with a description of the programming found on each.

14 - Local government and sports

Monday - Wednesday: city and government meetings

Thursday - Sunday: local sports, primarily from the local schools

15 - Local programming

Programs produced with CTV equipment or facilities or produced within our ten cities

16 - City programming

City council meetings and city commission meetings

18 - Roseville Area School District 623

19 - St. Anthony - New Brighton School District 282

20 - Mounds View School District 621

21 - Satellite programming

Programming often includes NASA satellite feed

98 - Non-local programming

Programs produced outside of our ten cities

Loss of longtime CTV volunteer

Our sympathies go out to the family of **Harold Anderson**, who passed away on January 19, 2007. Harold was a familiar face here at CTV. Since 2001, he produced 27.5 shows and 5 shorts. In addition, he volunteered 782 hours. Much of his time here at CTV was spent beside his wife **Maureen**, daughter **Ellen** and son **Colin**. The Andersons have been the heart of CTV for the past several years. Harold will be missed by CTV volunteers, staff and the many friends he made throughout the community.



@tv15 NSAC special programming grants

The North Suburban Access Corporation/CTV15 is making available special programming grants in an effort to encourage the production of local cable programs of interest to subscribers in its member cities - Arden Hills, Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, Little Canada, Mounds View, New Brighton, North Oaks, Roseville, St. Anthony and Shoreview. Grant applications are now available at the CTV15 office, 950 Woodhill Drive, Roseville, or call 651-792-7515. You can also go to CTV's website at: www.ctv15.org and click on NSAC Grants. There, you will find access to the grant application, which you can print out.

CTV will be accepting applications through March 29, 2007. An informational meeting will be held on March 6

at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will provide you with answers to questions you may have regarding your project. Your questions may also be answered if you check out the sample form that will soon be available on our website. As always, you can call me at 651-792-7513 if you have questions.

This is the North Suburban Access Corporation's third go-around with their grant program, and it is a great opportunity for individuals and organizations to produce a program that they feel will benefit their community and get their message across. So come on aboard and produce!

- *Tim Domke*

@tv15 Help grant recipients

Come one, come all! Experienced producers, scriptwriters, camera operators, and editors! If you are interested in helping out with any of the 2007 grant projects, please let **Donna Schaefer** know. Donna and I

will compile the names and have them ready if the grant producers need help. This is your chance to make a difference in your community.

- *Tim Domke*

@tv15 Informational meeting

Do you want your voice to be heard? Do you have a really good idea for a program but could use some funding to help facilitate the production? CTV will be providing an opportunity to apply for a grant. I know what you're thinking. "That's great, but how do you apply? What is needed? Is my program eligible?"

Join us on March 6 at 6:00 p.m. for an informational

meeting/mixer to answer these questions and more. This will be a time to ask questions about the grant and find out what is involved. Perhaps you are interested but are not sure if you are ready. Come to learn more. This would be a time to meet others who are or have been involved in the grant application process. Also, watch the website for more information on the mixer.

- *Staci Skoog-Bownik*



Municipal productions

As you may already know, all of the government programming that was airing on channel 98 has moved over to the new Sports and Government Channel 14. The government programming block runs every Monday through Wednesday. During that time, you will be able to view city council meetings from each of the ten cities, and now you can also catch unique programs with a “government” edge.

The government show lineup includes *Ramsey Talks*, a show highlighting Ramsey County topics, *RamCo on the Go*, from the Ramsey County Police Department and hosted by Ramsey County Sheriff **Bob Fletcher**, and *K-12 TV*, a program from the Minnesota Department of Education that is dedicated to bringing you all of the latest information on Minnesota education. You will find the channel 14 schedule by going to our website at www.ctv15.org and selecting “TV Schedule.”

- *Dave Schulte*



ACM coming to Minneapolis

The Alliance for Community Media is coming to Minneapolis in July for its annual conference and show. This is a terrific opportunity to mix and mingle with other community television aficionados from all over the country - actually from all over the world. The dates are July 26-28. We’ll get you more information on the program and registration as it becomes available, but keep in mind that there will also be lots of opportunities to volunteer.

In addition, if you want to be part of the marketing campaign for the conference, think about producing a 2-3 minute video about what is fun and exciting about the Twin Cities. We want to distribute a series of “viral videos” to get people excited about coming to Minnesota this summer and make this the biggest and best ACM conference yet!

- *Coralie Wilson*



NSCC scholarships

The North Suburban Communications Commission is joining with Comcast in accepting applications for their annual scholarship awards.

This year, at least \$30,000 in scholarships will be awarded to residents of the Comcast viewing area in the communities of Arden Hills, Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, Little Canada, Mounds View, New Brighton, North Oaks, Roseville, St. Anthony and Shoreview. The minimum award will be \$1,000. Applicants must be residents of one of the ten cities listed above.

Applicants must have completed at least one year of college or vocational training, with a primary field of study in Mass Communication, Journalism, Television Production, Video Engineering, or similar course of study. Completed applications are due at CTV by April 13, 2007.

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Must "C" TV

Channel 98

Here we are in 2007. I sure hope everyone has taken note of our new channel lineup!

Since January 14, non-local productions are now on channel 98. The show schedule remains the same as it was on channel 14. The transition appears to be going smoothly. After a few frantic phone calls from people who wanted to know what happened to *Democracy Now* and who were relieved to learn it had just been moved to a new channel, everything has returned to normal.

In a notice to outside producers about the channel lineup change, I also informed them that we accept DVDs. I have been receiving several more shows in DVD format. I hope to be all digital by the end of 2007.

That is all for now. Please always keep channel 98 in mind if you see productions outside of our community that you think people would like. We can always use more shows!

- Terri Schultz

Channel 15

Programming has seen a major change lately. In case you have not noticed, channel 14 is now our sports and government channel. Tune in Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for city meetings and municipal productions. Tune in Thursday through Sunday for sports programming. People seem to enjoy the many opportunities to see their favorite local sports teams. Our three school districts have a regular 4:00 p.m. time slot. District 623 is on Friday, District 282 is on Saturday, and District 621 is on Sunday. The complete schedule is available at www.ctv15.org.

Speaking of sports, the fall sports went well. We are now in the middle of winter sports, and spring is coming. If you would like to help on a truck shoot, contact CTV. We would love to show you how to volunteer!

What if sports are not your thing? Do you have something to say? Do you have an idea you want to convey? Do you feel like producing a show? Come to CTV to learn how. Since sports have their own channel, there is more room on channel 15 for additional programming. Join the ranks of our great volunteer producers. Perhaps you don't want to create your own show, but would like to volunteer on someone else's show. We can help you with that! Call CTV at 651-792-7515. We look forward to hearing from you.

- Staci Skoog-Bownik

The class schedule for 2007 is on our website at www.ctv15.org. Check it out!

District 282 School Board meetings now televised

On Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m., the St. Anthony - New Brighton School District 282 Board televised their first meeting ever live on channel 15. Their meetings are also available at www.ctv15.org by selecting the "View School District Meetings" link, then the "Independent School District 282" link.

New e-newsletter

Did you know that we now have an e-newsletter? Because we want to ensure that you receive timely updates, the e-newsletter will be sent in between our printed newsletters. The articles will be short, while the printed version will continue to carry more in-depth articles. This new e-newsletter will complement the printed version. The first e-newsletter was sent in January. If you'd like your email address to be added to the list, please contact **Lori** at lori.pulkrabek@ctv15.org.

@tv|5 Volunteer Networking

For 2007, we will highlight one volunteer in each newsletter. We hope to get you better acquainted with some of the friendly faces you might see here at CTV on a regular basis. And you may find out some interesting things about the lives of our volunteers outside of CTV!

Teresa Renneke will interview each volunteer and provide their answers in our "Volunteer Spotlight." We hope you enjoy this special segment about our amazing volunteers. Our first volunteer is profiled below.

- Lori Pulkrabek

Volunteer Spotlight

Do you know me?

I am at CTV a lot, mostly in the edit suites.

I have been around a long time - my first class was with Gene Jaberg at Irondale High School and it was called "Intro to Studio."

Our first class project was a religious program.

One of my first shoots was a bus safety promo with Fred Haider.

I was a Marine and served in Vietnam.

I work as a Health Unit Coordinator at Fairview University.

Some of my hobbies are scuba diving, biking and running.

I have been in some triathlons, and my goal is always just to finish.



Mike Haglund

Mark your calendar

Grant informational meeting/mixer will be held on Tuesday, March 6, 2007.

NSAC special programming grant applications are due to CTV by Thursday, March 29, 2007.

NSCC scholarship applications are due to CTV by Friday, April 13, 2007.

CTV Volunteer Banquet will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2007.

CTV will be closed Wednesday, July 25 - Saturday, July 28, 2007 for the ACM Conference.

Volunteer Hours for Programs Submitted in November & December

Christ the King	(10.5 Shows, 1 Short)	Steve Goeritz	(2 Shows)	Greg Opstad	(71 Hours, 1 Short)
Timothy Abel	(8 Hours)	Norm Good	(21 Hours)	Zak Orcutt	(5.5 Hours)
Andrew Albing	(14.5 Hours)	Doug Gray	(4 Hours)	Ryan Orvis	(5 Hours)
Ethan Allen	(26 Hours)	Brian Greer	(5 Hours)	Jerry Otto	(38 Hours)
Dennis Alm	(20 Hours)	David Greer	(26 Hours)	John Peterson	(8 Hours)
Colin Anderson	(1 Show, 27.5 Hours)	Nellie Greer	(1 Short)	Lilia Peterson	(2 Hours)
Ellen Anderson	(26 Hours)	Barbara Haake	(10 Hours)	Ian Pirner	(9 Hours)
Jessie Anderson	(6.5 Hours)	Michael Haglund	(1 Show, 1 Short)	Chiquita Plowman	(5 Hours)
Maureen Anderson	(8 Hours)	Jaclyn Hallstrom	(5 Hours)	Wayne Powers (12 Shows, 3 Hrs, 2.5 Shorts)	
Ted Aspnes (4 Shows, 43 Hours, 1 Short)		Jim Hanson	(2 Hours)	Tim Pratt	(3 Hours)
M. John Azar	(15 Shows, 25 Hours)	John Hanton	(8 Hours)	Lynn Redlinger	(4 Shows, 70 Hours)
Dan Backlund	(.5 Short)	Carol Ann Hart	(4 Shows, 75 Hours)	Leslie Reindl	(1 Show)
Jack Barlow	(21 Hours)	James Hart	(20 Hours)	Wilhelm Reindl	(3 Shows)
Andre Barte	(1 Hour)	Kyle Hasse	(16 Hours)	Teresa Renneke	(17 Hours)
Margaretha Beach	(20 Hours)	Cindy Heitman	(4.5 Hours)	D.J. Rhode	(42.5 Hours)
David Beaulieu	(17 Hours)	Jeff Helmeke	(5 Hours)	Lucy Riethmiller	(2 Hours)
Nathan Beaulieu	(17 Hours)	Mike Hermes	(5 Hours)	Duane Rivard	(5 Shows, 45 Hours)
Carla Beaurline	(14 Hours)	Linda Hildebrant	(4 Hours)	Mike Robinson	(4 Hours)
Priscilla Berg	(3 Hours)	Matt Hildreth	(4 Hours)	Mesah Rodriguez	(25.5 Hours)
Jarame Berneche	(136 Hours)	Paul Hoffman	(4 Hours)	Charlie Romnes	(1 Show)
Mary Berneche	(8 Hours)	Conor Holt	(5 Hours)	Joseph Romnes	(30 Hours)
Scott Black	(1 Hour)	Mark Hughes	(1 Show)	Nate Rowekamp	(14.5 Hours)
Kimberly Blackford (1 Show, 39 Hrs, 1 Short)		Dale Irving	(5 Hours)	Dan Ruettimann	(4 Hours)
Dan Blageo	(25.5 Hours)	Douglas Isiminger	(1 Show, 6 Hours)	John Rusterholz	(1 Show, 115 Hours)
Neil Blageo	(79.5 Hours)	David Israel	(4 Hours)	Jason Schneider	(39 Hours)
Jim Blood	(1 Hour)	Al Jansen	(1 Hour)	Randolph Schoonover	(4 Hours)
Billy Bollensen	(36 Hours)	Brian Jansen	(6 Hours)	Ryan Schott	(9 Hours)
Eric Bollensen	(59 Hours)	Andy Johnson	(6 Hours)	Dave Schulte	(1 Show, 1 Short)
Maria Bollensen	(9 Hours)	Daniel Johnson	(1 Show)	Bob Schultz	(4 Shows, 25 Hours)
Victoria Bollensen	(10 Hours)	Ken Kaffine	(4 Hours)	Doug Setley	(2 Shows, 10 Hours)
Bill Booth	(3 Hours)	Mkamiti Kibayasi	(10 Hours)	Erica Sigauke	(1 Show)
Matthew Boris	(8 Hours)	Jacci Krebsbach	(8 Hours)	Ken Simonson	(10 Hours)
Brian Brady (7 Shows, 9 Hours, 3 Shorts)		Kurt Krinke	(20 Hours)	Jason Skoby	(12 Hours)
Dennis Brady	(7 Hours)	Ryan Kroll	(42.5 Hours)	John Sommer	(15 Hours)
Pat Brady	(13 Hours)	Brandon Kronwell	(4 Hours)	Jake Sorensen	(5 Hours)
John Buenger	(98.5 Hours)	Aaron Larson	(1 Hour)	Scott Staples	(.5 Short)
Ashley Burton	(17 Hours)	Brent Larson	(1 Hour)	Aria Steele	(5.5 Hours)
Chelsie Buske	(21 Hours)	Dave Larson	(8 Hours)	Joey Stepnick	(54 Hours)
John Bussjaeger	(5 Hours)	Rick Larson	(9 Shows)	Jim Swanson	(5 Hours)
Paul Carlyon	(5 Hours)	Alexandra Lawlor	(5 Hours)	Nicole Swanson	(4 Hours)
Marcus Champlin	(15 Hours)	Meghan Little	(5 Hours)	Richard Talbot	(5 Hours)
Ian Cobb	(5 Hours)	Duane Lofstad	(5 Hours)	Clayton Tanner	(10 Shows)
Ben Cook	(5 Hours)	Nathan Magoola	(11 Hours)	Susan Tanner	(16 Hours)
Patrick Cook	(25 Hours)	Michael Mangan	(1 Show)	Mark Tarmen	(101 Hours)
Dave Costanzo	(6 Hours)	Jacob Mans	(41 Hours)	Deb Telschow	(4 Hours)
James Craighead	(8 Hours)	Joe Mans	(26 Hours)	T.J. Therrien	(2 Shows)
Eric Crosby	(27.5 Hours)	Jason March	(30 Hours)	Roger Tobolt	(2 Hours)
Stephen Crowley	(4 Hours)	Karen May	(7 Hours)	Emily Tran	(6.5 Hours)
Thomas Day	(10 Hours)	Kenneth McFee	(22 Hours)	Vanessa Van Alstine (23 Shows, 78 Hours)	
Michael Dec	(1 Show, 1 Short)	Mary Jo McGuire	(12 Hours)	David Vandergriff	(9 Hours)
Solange Dias	(4 Hours)	Joe McQuillen	(27 Hours)	James Vanouse-Sheppard	(20 Hours)
Michael Ducharme	(2 Hours)	Heather Minter	(8 Hours)	Curt Wallisch	(10.5 Hours)
Nick Eason	(5 Hours)	Mose Mohamud	(1 Show)	Dean Ward	(1 Show)
Mn Dept of Education	(2 Shows)	Larry Morrisette	(8 Hours)	Rex Warnsholz	(73 Hours, 1 Short)
Dane Emmert	(15 Hours)	Colleen Morse	(25 Hours)	Eric Weisman	(2 Shows)
Paul Enzler	(4 Hours)	Daniel Morstad	(4 Shows)	Dan Wennberg	(3 Hours)
Jo Ann Erbes	(1 Show)	Joseph Mueller	(15.5 Hours)	Barbara Wills	(35 Hours)
Mary Fisher	(3 Hours)	NB Dept of Public Safety	(2 Shorts)	Sid Wolterstorff	(6 Hours)
Keith Flanagan (3 Shows, 52 Hours)		Glen Newton	(30 Hours)	Tom Woods	(8 Hours)
Elaine Flom	(8 Hours)	Thao Nguyen	(3 Hours)	Brian Zbikowski	(9 Hours)
Justin Fredericks	(4 Hours)	Mark Nicklawske	(16 Hours)	Leni Zian	(16 Hours)
Kenneth Gammell	(9 Hours)	Ronald Nolby	(5 Hours)	Mark Zownirolcz	(14 Hours)
Barbara Garrity	(10 Hours)	David L. Norrgard	(12 Hours)	Maya Zuniga	(5 Hours)
Joan Gerten	(19 Hours)	Dan Norrick	(24 Hours)	Robert Zuniga (2 Shows, 15 Hrs, 3 Shorts)	
Dan Gillett	(48 Hours)	Greg Northrop	(3 Hours)		
Sheldon Gitis	(2 Shorts)	Dave Olsen	(19.5 Hours)		



Maya Zuniga (center) helped those at the craft table in making snowflakes and ornaments, while Santa listened to the Christmas wish lists of kids who called CTV's studio. *Santa Call-In* was again a success thanks to the extraordinary efforts of our volunteers and staff.

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