

VIDEOSYNCRASIES

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A. WORD FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Since the Workshop was founded in 1975, it has gone through a series of changes and growth pains. We have made Fridley's public access channel, ETC. 12 a success because of the people involved in the Workshop. We need your continued support and assistance.

The Workshop is run by volunteers working together and helping each other. We have only one paid employee, Will Loew-Blosser the coordinator. It is Will's job to hold training sessions, coordinate studio activities, be the equipment engineer and supervise the daily business of the Workshop. But, there are many Workshop functions that have to be done by volunteers. The Board of Directors handle the business end of the Workshop, setting policies, handling finances, supervising staff and promoting public access. The four standing committees help run the Workshop and channel. The Board of Directors and committee chairpersons need your assistance, for the Workshop to remain active.

Producing programs is what most people are interested in doing. But, for programs to appear on ETC. 12 many other behind the scenes work needs to be done. Our business office needs people to answer the phones, take cablegrams, update the character generator, type schedules, organize the print and tape libraries and go out in the community to promote public access. Without these functions being done, there will be no programming on the channel.

If you use the channel, then become of member of the Workshop. Membership dues is nominal and the funds are needed. Membership entitles you to reduced training session fees, VIDEOSYNCRASIES is sent to you free, you may take the portapak out free and membership makes you part of the first cable TV public access organization in Minnesota. So, join the Workshop, it is what the members make it. If you don't help today, we may not be here tomorrow.

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NEW MEMBERS ELECTED TO BOARD

EVERYONE IS A WINNER

Three new members were elected to the Workshop Board of Directors, and two current directors were reelected at the September 26th membership meeting. The new members are: Mark Hotchkiss, Larry Davenport and Jim Bauer, while Timm Lovaas and Clyde Moravetz were reelected.

The first three places in the 2nd Annual Film & Video contest have been announced. First place went to the Unknown Bacon Driver for his film "Mr. Potato Head meets R2D2". Second place was taken by the Hellbound Train crew for "Cafe de Hilltop". John Atchley's "D.U.I." documentary took third place. Congradulations to the winners and thanks to the contest coordinator Terry Lovaas and judges Ruth Dunn, Terry O'Connell and David Harvett.

1982 BUDGET REQUEST

Jim Bauer is Director of occupational therapy for Rehabilitation Specialists. Jim has been working on a number of productions during the last year, and is currently a regular on "Fridley Lampoon" and "Downtown Fried-ley Tonite".

The Fridley City Council approved the 1982 Workshop budget request in full. The '82 budget is for \$17,109. This money will be used for the coordinator's salary and other operational expenses. The Workshop must raise additional funds through membership dues, training session fees, grants and donations for equipment, maintenance, printing and postage expenses.

Larry Davenport is one of the smiling faces seen on "Hellbound Train". He is the head writer for the show. Larry is the photo editor for the Post Newspapers.

The City of Fridley receives five percent of the gross revenues collected by Northern CableVision. The City uses this money for the Cable TV commission, city access channel and the Workshop.

Mark Hotchkiss is the classical guitarist seen on a number of shows. Mark is employed by the Anoka County Library in the media department.

Other business at the membership meeting included approval of revised By-laws and Operating rules, reports by the Chairperson, Treasurer and Coordinator, and announcements of training sessions.

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PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Programming committee chairperson Timm Lovaas has announced that regular committee meeting will be held the first Monday of each month. The meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. in the access office. The meeting will look at ways to promote programming and plan the month's work. The following Mondays will be used for scheduling programs. The committee needs your involvement to make channel 12, "Everyone's Television Channel."

Mike Bednarchuk has been appointed chairperson of the Membership functions of the Publicity/Membership committee. Mike is the host of "Fridley Poll" and he can use your help. There are four standing committees: Publicity/Membership, Grants and Funding, Programming, and Education. If you are interested in any of these committees, leave your name and number in the Board of Directors in-basket in the access office.

