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Fool-a-thon '89



*Was Fridley Fooled??
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Well the world didn't change, but there are some indications that Fridley may have changed...and for the better!

From 6:00pm March 31st until 4:00am April 3rd, Everyone's Television Channel 33 went with a predominantly live format to promote it's cable public access center. And we helped celebrate our 14th year in operation!

Friday's programming kicked off the entire weekend event. Local wit and creative guy Jim Andrews hosted a live call-in program that focused mainly on

what public access television is and how we operate in the community's best interest. The return of VIDEOSYNC followed with Bill Feeney back in the reins. MORNING COFFEE BREAK also made its comeback. Hosted by the popular duo of Michelle K. Glynn and Jeff Dehler, MCB welcomed in the new year (April Fool's!)

Saturday's programming was picked up by Steve Herrig. Early morning programs consisted of public domain films and cartoons for viewers with more traditional viewing tastes.

Saturday's "Fool-a-thon" presented a variety of programs that have been featured on the channel since it first began in 1975. At 8:00pm, the sights and sounds of live music filled the studio and Fridley. The ever lovable Dana Bailey hosted, and tried to set Fridley afire with his wit and wisdom by engaging in light banter with the cable community.

The studio audience, which packed the building, was treated to live music from eight local bands. The bands were The John Sims Group, Enemies of Rhythm, Easter Island, E.X.P., Billy Club, The Magnetics, John Fenner & Strange Friends, and The Plain White Rappers.

Everyone was exhausted by 5:30am Sunday when ETC 33 began programming more public domain films and ETC classics.

Sunday's activities were devoted to the Best of Access. Old favorites like 3 IN 1, HELLBOUND TRAIN and THE PROJECTIONIST REVIEW were replayed for Fridley to enjoy. Current favorites such as QUIZ BOWL '89 and HIGH OUTPUT were also a part of the action.

VIDEOSYNC returned for three hours in the afternoon and gave young viewers a chance to participate in community television. THE FIRST SHOW OF THE WEEK also made a long awaited comeback as Joel and T.J. Larson made their return as hosts. No stone was left unturned during the time they entertained an appreciative Fridley.

At 4:00am Monday morning, the Access-a-thon/Fool-a-thon ended with our national anthem. And in the spirit of Glasnost, the Russian national anthem was played to emphasize the fact that ETC 33 is an OPEN ACCESS CENTER! That means that anyone (yes, even you!!) can have your programs played on the public access channel here in Fridley, Minnesota, U.S.A.!

To have your programs played and gain a new audience, contact Michelle at:

ETC 33
350 63rd Ave. N.E.
Fridley, MN 55432
612-571-9144

Remember to sign a compliance form (we will send one to you) and if you live outside Fridley, you need to have your programs "sponsored by someone who works, lives, or goes to school her

The future means more Access-athons for Fridley and we hope that you are a part of the action. Contact us for more information on classes, volunteer opportunities and programming.

We hope to hear from you soon.



From the Director...

Warm, sunny days...the sand, sun, and beach. Aahhh...San Diego! OK, back to reality. Vacation was great folks. I even got the chance to watch a little public access television between watching beach activities. Cox Cable Channel 24 is pretty much like our own ETC 33.

But now, back to the business at hand. Did you get the chance to participate in or watch Access-a-thon '89? If not, go back to page one and read the article by Steve Herrig. If you did participate or donate to the Workshop...THANK YOU!!! You know we can't do it without your support...you make us #1!

For the next month or so, we are looking to finishing out the school year. Hey kids, don't forget that you can still produce programming during the summer. During the summer our programming traditionally slows down. We want to remind you of all the wonderful summer activities that can be taped. 49er Days is just a jump away.

For now, summer looks bright and sunny. Here's to seeing you on the beach, and watching your programs on Channel 33.

From the Coordinator...

Hi there! My name is T.J. Larson and I am the new Access Coordinator here at E.T.C. 33. By day, I am a student at the University of MN where I am studying film and broadcast television. I am very excited to work with the members of the channel as well as others in the community. I would really like to see a wide variety of programs aired on Channel 33. I am here working at the Workshop during the evenings, Monday - Thursday as well as Friday afternoons (starting in June.) Please feel free to give me a call at 571-9144 with any questions, concerns, or comments that you might have.



INTERNS



I am very excited about working at the station as I know how much I enjoy and appreciate public access television. In the coming weeks and months as I become more familiar with the station, I hope that you will become more familiar with me.

As Humphrey Bogart said at the end of Casablanca "I think this is the start of a beautiful relationship!" It is my hope that we can all work together to make E.T.C. 33 the best darn access channel in the nation. Remember, it all starts with you!!



My name is Brian Chesborough. I am 28 years old and live in Blaine with my wife Karen and our 5 year old daughter Sarah. I am presently employed at Leroy Inc., a company that specializes in passenger and freight elevators. My internship with the Workshop is taught through Anoka Ramsey Community College. I am hoping to eventually pursue a career in the TV/Cable industry. My last time in school was five years ago when I was majoring in Theatre Arts at the University of MN. I really enjoyed that experience, and so far, I have found that my experience here has been just as enjoyable as I continue my education and hopefully a new career in the future.



Hi, I am Jim Morrissette and I am also an intern at the Workshop. I am a high school senior at Moundsview High School and am currently attending classes at Anoka Ramsey Community College. I am taking the internship because video production is a new challenge for me and something I knew I would enjoy. I am certainly learning more about a cable studio than I ever knew before. I think that ETC 33 is an interesting place with some really friendly people. Internships are a great idea for people to become involved with a project that they are interested in. I am glad to be involved.

Some things come and go just like the wind. Employees are the same way. After only a short time, Tony has left the Workshop. But his influence has touched many of our access users and members. We wish Tony the best of luck in all his future endeavors.

GOOD-BYE TONY

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Thanks are in order to the businesses and friends who supplied the Workshop with prizes to give or auction away during the Telethon. Your generous support was welcome and added much to our Telethon activities. Again, from all of us...THANK YOU!!

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 AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO LENDED THEIR SUPPORT!

A very special THANK YOU must go out to all the people who donated their hard earned money to help support the Nation's #1 Public Access Center. Your generous contributions have made us who we are today.

And thank you to the FMC Corporation for their continuous support during our Telethons. As always, your contribution is welcome. From the Board, staff, and members...THANK YOU!!

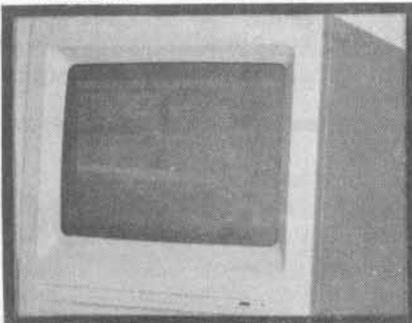
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 JOEL LARSON JOHN FENNER & STRANGE FRIENDS
 T.J. LARSON THE PLAIN WHITE RAPPERS
 AND ALL THE OTHERS, TOO MANY TO MENTION
 THANK YOU ALL!!!!

Thanks must also go to the people behind the scenes...THE CREW, TALENT, VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF. These dedicated people lent their time and talent to our cause. Listed here are just a few of their names...but know that there were many more people that were involved in every aspect of the Telethon. A very special THANK YOU goes to the Local Origination Department and to Steve Herrig and his crew of Fool-a-thoners!

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Thanks must also go to the providers and builders of our new studio platforms. The old ones were caving in and falling apart when Steve Billings came to the rescue. By securing the materials, and teaching us how to build them, Steve came up with the best looking platforms we've had in years. Thank you all for the materials, your talents, and the time that you spent on our organization!!

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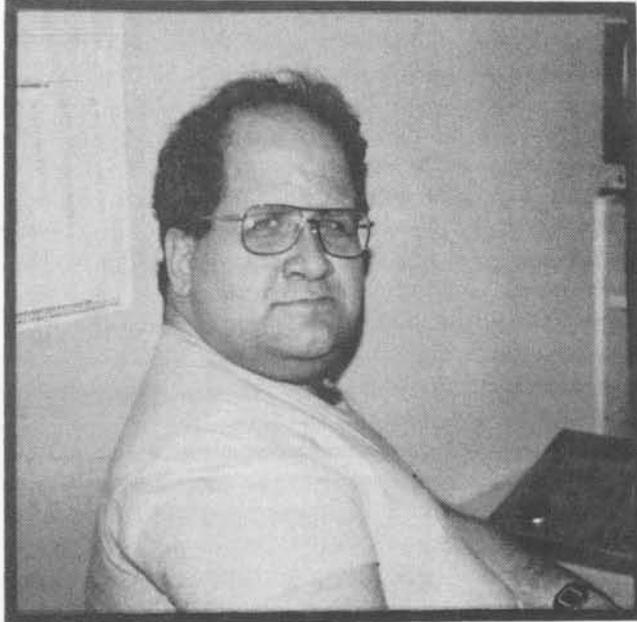


Here it is folks! What we have been waiting for...THE COMPUTER!! It's been a long wait, but it was worth it. A special THANK YOU must go to everyone who supported the effort and especially to the LIONS CLUB OF FRIDLEY for their generous donation of \$500 to purchase the computer. And a special THANK YOU to Dave Harvet who helped program the computer and played teacher to the rest of us computer illiterates.

Now for the fun of it...Check out the back page to enter the NAME THE COMPUTER CONTEST. All the details are there.

Feature Access User

DAVID BURSCH



David Bursch was introduced to Everyone's Television Channel 33 by his stepmother, Mavis Vitums. David became a member of the Workshop in October of last year and has been producing fine programming ever since. He started out by taking one of the first courses to offer the camcorders, and prefers that as his favorite camera. David's favorite programs that he has produced so far are his Civil War Soldier presentation and a presentation that he did on the Fire Department.

David thinks that ETC 33 is a great place to learn video production. And he feels that public access is a great way to get out information to the public. David feels that he has grown more confident and is better able to socialize with a variety of people through his camera work.

For the future, David would like to learn to use the studio cameras. Already a master at the camcorder, David has just learned editing. We would like to thank David for being a member of the Workshop. Keep up the great work!

DICK WELSHONS



Dick Welshons is the Access Producer who is responsible for all the FRIDLEY HOCKEY ACTION that you see on Channel 33 during the winter. Dick and his friends, Pete Schweppe (also a member) and Jack McCarthy go to Columbia Ice Arena to tape the games. All games are covered by the crew, may they be PeeWees, Bantams, High School, or anything in between. Taping is done by Dick, with announcing being handled by Pete and Jack.

Dick is a Fridley resident who was introduced to ETC 33 when we were still known as Channel 12. Dick would like to encourage everyone to get involved in public access for the fun of it. Dick has done just that and donates his time to cover the hockey games so that others may enjoy them. Dick says that his interests lie in sports, but you can go out and tape anything be it a car show, spelling bee or whatever you take interest in.

For the future Dick is working on more sports and is taping a fishing derby on Lake Michigan. He will also be editing a wedding for showing on the channel and doing a Disney special. Thank you Dick for the fine programming you do and for being a member of ETC 33!!



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NAME THE COMPUTER CONTEST
ETC 33
350 63rd Avenue N.E.
Fridley, MN 55432
No later than June 13th

The winning name will be drawn on the afternoon of June 14th as we get ready to launch our float for 49er Days. Everyone is eligible to win an official ETC 33 tee-shirt if your name for the computer is drawn. Winner will be notified by phone and must pick up prize in person. No names with profanity will be accepted.

Enter today to NAME THE COMPUTER!!



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