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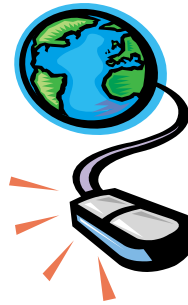
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ACCESSVISION GOES ONLINE

@ Welcome to AccessVision.TV

by Jason Augenstein

AccessVision is on the World Wide Web!
<http://accessvision.tv> went online last month in order to better serve our community.



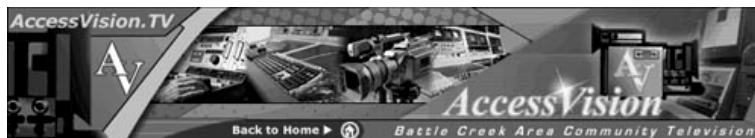
The new Web site offers answers to common questions about the facility, a program guide, schedule for workshops and much more.

Why a Web site? Some people may wonder why a public access television facility would need a Web site; after all, our business is to provide the community with access to resources for *television production*, so what does that have to do with the internet?

The reason is simple. The internet is here to stay. The World Wide Web is not a passing fad for a small group of computer users. It is a mainstream form of mass communication for *everyone*. As such, it allows AccessVision to communicate with a larger group of people more rapidly.



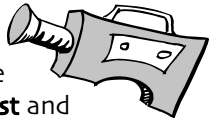
Feedback. One of the biggest advantages of a Web site for us is the ability to receive comments from viewers and producers. On our site you'll find e-mail links for all full-time staff. Also, if you produce a show on AccessVision and have a Web site or an e-mail address, just send us an e-mail with the name of your show and your web or e-mail address to jason@accessvision.tv and we'll post it, so you can hear directly from viewers as well.



More to come. Keep an "eye" out for future developments. We plan to keep expanding and improving the site in the future.

Recent Productions

- AccessVision was proud to be a part of the **Prayer Breakfast and Excellence in Education Day**, held on May 8th and 9th. Both events were covered and shown on AccessVision. Copies are available for purchase.

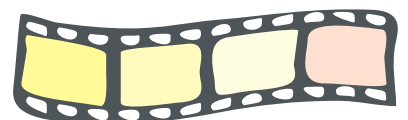


- **Battle Creek Central High School's graduation ceremony** was covered on June 1st, and aired on channel 12. If you missed it, copies can be purchased for \$15.



- **The 8th Annual AccessVision Golf Outing** was held on June 8th at Cedar Creek Golf Club. The ninth hole at the event was videotaped and aired on channel 12. Money raised goes toward the upgrade of equipment and the formation of new programming on AccessVision.

- AccessVision is proud to be producing this year's Campaign Video for **United Way of Greater Battle Creek**. The video is used to spread the word and help raise money for United Way's annual campaign, which officially kicks off in September.



Third Quarter 2001 Workshops

July 5th & 6th, 2 - 5 pm **Camcorder**
July 7th, 10 am - 2 pm **Studio**
July 9th & 10th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Non-Linear Editing***
July 16th & 17th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Camcorder**
July 19th & 20th, 2 - 5 pm **Graphics**
July 23rd & 24th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Editing**
July 30th & July 31st, 6 - 8:30 pm **Graphics**

August 6th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Portable Studio**
August 9th & 10th, 2 - 5 pm **Editing**
August 11th, 10 am - 2 pm **Graphics**
August 13th & 14th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Camcorder**
August 20th & 21st, 6 - 8:30 pm **Editing**
August 23rd & 24th, 2 - 5 pm **Non-Linear Editing***
August 27th & 28th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Studio**

September 4th & 5th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Non-Linear Editing***
September 10th & 11th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Camcorder**
September 13th, 2 - 5 pm **Portable Studio***
September 15th, 10 am - 2 pm **Editing**
September 17th & 18th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Graphics**
September 24th & 25th, 6 - 8:30 pm **Studio**
September 27th & 28th, 2 - 5 pm **Camcorder**

All classes are \$20 per person, due upon enrollment. If the classes are two sessions in length, you must complete **both** days to be certified to use the equipment. *Some classes must have prerequisites met before enrolling.

Welcome, New Members!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members of AccessVision. The more new members we have, the more new shows are produced. And the more shows that air, the richer our community becomes.

Patty Styer
Wesley Griffin
Coriena Haynes
Maurice Fitzpatrick
John Craig
Michael Earl
Odell Miller
Art Heagney

Brian Drag
Debbie Lucas
Brandon Bond
Connie Clifton
Kenya Clifton
Tim Jones
Max Rambow

New members, we hope that you have felt at home here at AccessVision. If you ever have questions or need help, please ask any one of the staff. We are here for YOU.



Classes for the Final Cut Pro non-linear editing system are now underway. As the staff learns more about the system, we continue to make changes in how to teach new users, as well as changes in rules for using the system that affect everyone.

Also, we've added **more sessions** for ALL of the classes, in order to accommodate more people at more flexible times.

Attention TEACHERS!

If you want to involve **television production** in your curriculum, now is a great time to be trained on our equipment. Get the training this summer, so when Fall comes you'll be ready to cover school plays and other events. Also, AccessVision's coverage of High School Sports will be starting again in August, and we can always use help covering these events.



If you have any questions about the classes or the schedule, please contact **Jason Augenstein** at **968-3633**, or e-mail **jason@accessvision.tv**

Volunteers NEEDED!

It takes more than one person to air a show. We want to have more people trained. We want to see more volunteers. Let's make our community television grow and expand.



Are you willing to help? Are you looking for a way to give back to your community? If so, please contact **Greg Mason** at **968-3633**, or e-mail **greg@accessvision.tv**

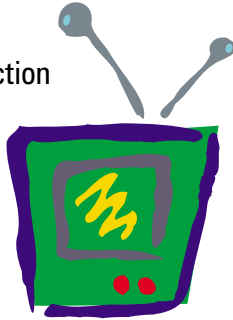
The **Community Bulletin Board** airs on channels 11 and 12 between programs. It features announcements by non-profit organizations about upcoming events and programs.

Postings are **FREE** to non-profit groups. To have your bulletin posted, bring the information to our offices at 67 West Michigan Avenue, or fax to **968-2924**.

Program Showcase

By Greg Mason

The **Program Showcase** is a new section of the newsletter devoted to highlighting programs produced using the AccessVision facilities. This segment will show the diversity of programming on AccessVision.



Access to Bluegrass is this quarter's program on display in the Showcase. If you want to hear good bluegrass music, watch Deja and Bonnie Davenport's show.


The Davenports have been producing **Access to Bluegrass** for five years. Their program airs not only on AccessVision, but also at 26 other community stations covering four other states (Massachusetts, Missouri, Indiana and Ohio).



The crew of *Access to Bluegrass*

"The only pure music is Bluegrass" according to Deja. The Davenports bring many bluegrass bands to the area, and record their program on Sunday afternoons in the studio.

People are welcome to come watch them tape their program at AccessVision. If you can't be here, watch **Access to Bluegrass** on channel 11 Saturdays at 8pm, or Mondays at 11am. To find out more about the program, contact the Davenports by email at: Deja@net-link.net.

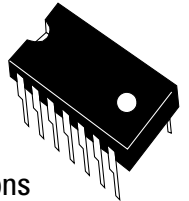
 Log on to <http://accessvision.tv> for program listings and more!

From the Executive Director

By Dale Geminder

THE TECHNOLOGY OF THE FUTURE is beginning to invade AccessVision. As you may be aware, AccessVision has delved into the digital age of television. Our new cameras, new computers and a new non-linear edit system all utilize this digital technology.

Along with the new equipment, AccessVision has also created its own Web site. Now anyone can learn when classes are offered, what program is airing and get answers to the most frequently asked questions about AccessVision, all with just the click of a mouse.



This is only the beginning of AccessVision's advancement into digital technology. In the coming year, area municipalities will be signing a new franchise agreement with the local cable company, which should provide for an upgrade of our existing equipment. Our goal is to be completely digital within the next three years.

Equipment Update

If you haven't edited anything on S-VHS in a while, you may not have noticed that Edit Room A has been significantly improved. We recently acquired a second Sony FXE-100 editor (identical to the one used in Edit Room D) and have added it to the VHS Edit Room.



The Sony FXE-100 editor is now available for 1/2" editing

The new editor allows you to do all of the same effects that are available in Edit Room D. Also, the graphics system in Edit A has been upgraded to the SCALA.

Additionally, we overhauled the whole room to convert all of the wiring to S-Video, which offers better image quality and reduces generation loss inherent to the tape editing process.

So if you've been avoiding using the S-VHS equipment just because you didn't like the edit room, give it a try now. We think you'll find the new system to be a big improvement over the old one.

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AccessVision's Purpose

AccessVision has been established to provide the citizens of the community with production equipment, training and support services for the creation of locally produced, non-commercial television programs to be cablecast on cable channels 11 and 12. Public access television is a unique, volunteer-based communications tool, providing an opportunity for individuals, groups, and organizations to exercise their First Amendment rights in the electronic information age.



HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Friday: 8am to 9pm

Saturday - Sunday: 9am to 9pm

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 4th: Closed for Independence Day

Monday, September 3rd: Closed for Labor Day

- AccessVision goes online with new Web site!
- Workshop sessions expanded for summer
- New column features local productions, and more!

What's Inside:

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