

North Metro TV

February 2019 Update

Program Production

In February, a total of 119 **new programs** were produced utilizing the North Metro facilities, funds, and services. This constitutes **78:15:00 hours of new programming**.

- 33 programs were produced by the public
- 63 programs were produced by NMTV staff
- 23 programs were produced by City staff



Van Shoots

The HD truck was used for **66:30:00** hours of production. Events produced live and recorded for additional playbacks include:

- Gymnastics: Andover/Blaine/Centennial
- Boys Basketball: Irondale vs. Spring Lake Park
- Adapted Floor Hockey: Mounds View vs. North Suburban
- Girls Basketball: Maple Grove vs. Centennial
- Girls Hockey: 5AA QF: Maple Grove vs. Blaine
- Girls Hockey: 5AA QF: Centennial vs. Rogers
- Girls Basketball: Spring Lake Park vs. Blaine
- Boys Hockey: 5AA QF: Blaine vs. Osseo
- Boys Hockey: 5AA QF: Centennial vs. Coon Rapids
- Boys Hockey: 5AA SF: Blaine vs. Centennial
- Boys Basketball: Centennial vs. Spring Lake Park
- Boys Hockey: 5AA Championship: Blaine vs. Maple Grove



Workshops

Workshop	Instructor	Organization	Students
Lecture Series - Mary Pickford: The World's First Movie	Eric Houston	General	9
Lecture Series - Early Film Treasures: The Great Train Robbery	Eric Houston	Spring Lake Park City Hall	10
Open Studio Night	Eric Houston	General Public	5
Lecture Series - Jim Henson and the Muppets	Eric Houston	Northtown Library	17
Intro to NMTV/Tour	Eric Houston	Blaine Home School	19
Bad Movie Bros Taping	Eric Houston	Video Club	3
6 Workshops			63 Students

Home Movie Transfers

Home movie transfers have become one of our most popular services. Residents can transfer their family videos themselves for free, or pay NMTV to do it. NMTV can also transfer film, slides, and photos for a fee.

Month	Hours Transferred	Tapes	Film Reels	DVDs	Photos/ Slides	Fees Paid
January	226	64	47	2	702	\$1,305.00
February	302.75	71	91	2	1,277	\$914.00
TOTAL:	528.75	135	138	4	1,979	\$2,219.00

Public Usage Stats

For statistical purposes, the public access department documents total numbers of unique individuals and total hours of usage of the facility by the general public, every month. These numbers include regular users, class participants, individuals transferring videos, people who attend events, and any other public usage of the facility. The numbers do not take into account the many members of the public who work with any other NMTV department, such as news, sports, municipal, or educational.

Month	Unique Individuals	Total Usage Hours
January	144	677.5
February	94	606.5
TOTAL PUBLIC USAGE:		1,284

Production Highlights

NMTV News Highlights

Each week Danika Peterson and Rusty Ray create a news program that highlights events, people, issues, and information important to citizens of our Member Cities. Some February highlights include:

- Blaine Makes All City Spending Easy to See
- SBM Fire Ratings Improve
- Mobile Menders Fix Thousands of Pieces of Clothing Each Year
- Volunteers Protect Lino Lakes Heron Rookery
- Hope's Closet Helps Homeless Youth
- Chomonix Golf Course May Close
- Chomonix Golf Course to Remain Open for at Least Three Years
- Stacy Bauer to Release Second Book
- Fifth Graders Collect Eye Glasses
- Your City Staff: Cathy Sorensen



In addition to daily playbacks of North Metro TV News on the cable systems, there are 545 local stories archived for viewers on the NMTV YouTube page. The page can be accessed through the northmetroTV.com website.

Your City Staff: Cathy Sorensen

It looks like another City staff member got talked into an interview! This time around Blaine's City Clerk, Cathy Sorensen was highlighted. Cathy has served the City of Blaine for over 20 years. She discussed various aspects of the City Clerk position such as answering questions about permits or council business, and making sure the City has what it needs to pull off smooth elections. The interview can be watched on NMTV's YouTube page, and on the Blaine City Channel.



Traveling Lectures

Instructor, Eric Houston, is adding another lecture to his traveling series. This one concerns the evolution of movies and movie theaters and focuses on the introduction of feature length films, widescreen movies, sound, and Technicolor. He has also overhauled the very popular James Bond lecture with new movie clips and photos. Eric has reached out to additional venues for presenting the lectures, including the Ham Lake Senior Center, the Lino Lakes Senior Center, Crest View Senior Housing in Blaine, and the Blaine Parks and Rec department.

Open Studio Night

The first Open Studio Night of the year was held in February. The goal of the event is to encourage people who would like to produce a show, but don't want to go through the classes, or don't have a crew to help them out, to come in and just do it. The NMTV Video Club provides all the crew and assistance anyone would need to produce their program. This time around two new shows were produced. The first, called Kids Cooking School, was produced by a Lino Lakes resident. The second, called Travel Talk, was produced by a member of the local Toastmasters.



Commercial Productions

Special Events Coordinator, T.J. Tronson, has wrapped up a commercial project for the City of Columbia Heights. He has been working with the City's Communications Coordinator on a "Welcome to Columbia Heights" video for the City. Their goal was to have a video to play at their Town Hall meeting in early March. T.J. is also booked to provide drone coverage of the annual Nearly Naked Ruck Sack event. That will be taking place in March.

City Productions

Municipal Producer, Trevor Scholl, has started several major projects that will take some time to complete, including an in-depth piece with the Blaine Police Department regarding training and a new Lino Lakes crime prevention series.

- Blaine's Open Portal
- Shot Lino Lakes Guns and Hoses Charity Hockey Game
- Shot 3 interviews for Chominix Golf piece
- Working on long-form piece with Blaine PD. Shot wardrobe day and scenario training



New and ongoing projects include:

- Met with Northern Force Dance Studio business profile
- Blaine Police Department training series
- Set up meeting for CBD Store piece in Ham Lake
- Met with Lino Lakes Public Safety about crime prevention videos
- Winter restoration in Blaine Wetland Sanctuary
- Ham Lake Senior Center activities
- Chomonix Golf Course Issues

Trevor touches base with contacts on a regular basis and also encourages Cities to contact him whenever they have an idea for a new show.

Production equipment consulting for cities and schools

Blaine

- 2.20.19: Made an appointment with Ben to look into routing some audio into speakers, and checking on chamber cameras that appear too hot on close up shots.
- 2.26.19: Discovered chamber cameras must be adjusted internally through the camera settings and not the LCS settings. Showed Roark and Ben how to do it in case it happens again. Also worked on audio. The staff mics were not coming through the audience monitors. Downloaded a program for the Tesira Bi-amp DSP controller. After working to network laptop to the switch and connect to the IP address, was able to connect mics to the audience speaker output. Then trimmed the audience speakers down 10db to prevent feedback.

Centerville

- 2.4.19: Worked with Jacob at Roseville to figure out if a wireless netgear router belonged to Centerville. Told him to disconnect router and return to Centerville.

Circle Pines

- 2.27.19: Recording device stopped. Went to City Hall. Couldn't find problem with USB recorder. Gave instructions for what to do if it happens again. Checked into low audio issues. Set the DSP computerized audio board to send a much louder signal back to NMTV and adjusted the audio outputs and inputs for everything. All internal settings so will continue to monitor. Installed new software for controlling Sony cameras that Ross created specifically for us. Adjusted all the cameras with a manual setting instead of auto. Fixed the shutter saving ability but the gain is still not saving correctly. Made some adjustments and will monitor next meeting.

Ham Lake

- 2.5.19: Emailed Nicole regarding black signal coming from Ham Lake. She flipped switch to Brightsign and signal came back on.
- 2.5.19: Ham Lake signal back to black. Rebooted all Ham Lake Ross cards. Flex 4.1 being fed into router. Switched to Ham Lake Carousel.

Lexington

- 2.7.19: Emailed Bill Petracek about meeting with Z Systems to discuss equipment upgrade. Set up meeting to discuss mics and to review system one more time before starting project.
- 2.14.19: Walk through at City Hall with Z Systems. Looked at current set-up. Current mics will still work, which will save money. Discovered video over IP network. Will also upgrade that to HD.

Lino Lakes

- 2.5.19: Emailed Jeff Karlson regarding video issue. Frozen video. Went to City Hall and found issue with the Brightsign player. Reset the player, transmission back to normal.
- 2.21.19: Emailed Jeff Karlson to let him know the Lino Lakes livestream would be down for a period of time while some issues are being worked out with integration of the new streaming servers.

Spring Lake Park

- 2.19.19: Trouble with audience monitor in council chambers. Went to City Hall. Did some troubleshooting. Could be HDMI over ethernet 4x4 router. Found replacement on Ebay, as they are no longer being made. Ordered it.

All Cities

- 2.4.19: Emailed Z Systems for ETA update on delivery of livestream servers.
- 2.4.19: Staff meeting regarding server install and integration.
- 2.4.19: Emailed BizzyWeb with preliminary data to get going on project.
- 2.6.19: Contacted Ian to update firewall rules for the livestream servers. Emailed IP addresses to him to use for servers.

- 2.12.19: Ian and Brian updated the firewall configuration for the new servers.
- 2.12.19: Ran and labeled network cable for the livestream servers to the network switch.
- 2.13.19: Emailed Rose the new configuration addresses for the servers.
- 2.14.19: Ran cable for the network monitor for livestream servers.
- 2.18.19: Installed livestream servers. Set up desktop displays and IP network configuration. Servers are tested and running.
- 2.21.19: Work with Ian and Brian to make some changes IP addresses for all servers in the router going out to Tightrope.
- 2.25.19: Changes made to IP addresses allowing servers to get through firewall. Two servers are not functioning properly. Troubleshooting.
- 2.28.19: Updated configuration on servers to get a connection. Firewall will only pass 6 livestream servers. Have checked every possibility. Have contacted Ian and Brian to resolve.

City Channel 16 Playback Stats

City	Number of Times Programs Played	Hours Programmed on Channel
Blaine	165	226:29:36
Centerville	40	43:57:58
Circle Pines	169	96:26:42
Ham Lake	62	75:40:16
Lexington	92	65:18:11
Lino Lakes	54	50:39:20
Spring Lake Park	96	69:24:14
Totals:	678 Program Playbacks	627:56:17 Hours of Video Programming on Channels

Programs Produced by the Public

Title	Producer	Runtime
Nocked & Loaded TV	Dave Perkins	00:27:43
Chit Chat: Jenna Lind	Sharon Carlson	00:25:22
A Fresh New Day	Anita Wardlaw	00:40:35
Every Movie Ever (5 episodes)	Joe Scholz, Rick Bostrom, Ben Daniels/Ryan Frieundschuh, Gavin Van Trease/Brett Wong/Seraiah Brooks/Eric Houston	01:46:18
Cornerstone Church (3 episodes)	Rick Bostrom	01:27:42
Christ Lutheran Church (4 episodes)	Chance Amundson/Jacob Nessman	04:34:39
The Power of Love (6 episodes)	Rick Larson	03:00:00
LovePower (6 episodes)	Rick Larson	06:00:00
Rice Creek Watershed District Meeting	Theresa Stasica	01:15:05
Oak Park Moments (5 episodes)	Dave Turnidge	03:37:22
33 New Programs		23:14:46 New Hours

Programs Produced by NMTV Staff

Title	Producer	Runtime
Anoka County Board Meeting (2/12/19)	T.J. Tronson	01:08:20
NMTV News (5 episodes)	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	01:24:16
Lino Lakes Heron Rookery in Winter	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	00:03:20
Your City Staff: Cathy Sorensen	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	00:02:53
Lexington Liquor Builds on Success	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	00:02:32
Blaine Shares Community and Finance Data Online	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	00:02:31
SBM Fire Ratings Improve	Danika Peterson/Rusty Ray	00:01:36
Adapted Floor Hockey: North Suburban/Anoka Hennepin	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:25:39
Gymnastics: Andover/Blaine/Centennial	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	02:26:07
Wrestling: Chisago Lakes/Spring Lake Park/St. Anthony	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	00:41:40
Boys Basketball: Irondale/Spring Lake Park	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:35:41
Wrestling: Mounds View/Spring Lake Park/Irondale/St. Anthony	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	00:57:10
Wrestling: Osseo/Spring Lake Park/Irondale/St. Anthony	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	00:59:13
Adapted Floor Hockey: Mounds View/North Suburban	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:12:41
Girls Hockey: Blaine/Anoka	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:16:33
Girls Hockey: Centennial/Spring Lake Park	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:22:20
Girls Basketball: Maple Grove/Centennial	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:24:22
Girls Hockey: Maple Grove/Blaine	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:30:35
Girls Hockey: Centennial/Rogers	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:33:15
Girls Basketball: Spring Lake Park/Blaine	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:56:26
Boys Hockey: Blaine/Osseo	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:45:35
Boys Hockey: Centennial/Coon Rapids	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:46:49
Boys Basketball: Blaine/Centennial	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	00:56:21
Boys Hockey: Blaine/Centennial	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:45:04
Boys Basketball: Centennial/Spring Lake Park	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:34:48
Girls Basketball: Champlin Park/Spring Lake Park	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:22:20
Boys Hockey: Blaine/Maple Grove	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	02:23:02
Sports Den (4 episodes)	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:55:23
Game Summaries (28 episodes)	Kenton Kipp/J. Millington	01:04:37
63 New Programs		35:41:09 New Hours

Programs Produced by City Staff

Title	Producer	Runtime
Blaine City Council Meeting (2/7/19)	Blaine Staff	01:09:26
Blaine Planning Commission Meeting (2/12/19)	Blaine Staff	01:14:32
Blaine Natural Resources Conservation Board Meeting (2/19/19)	Blaine Staff	01:00:58
Blaine City Council Meeting (2/21/19)	Blaine Staff	01:38:43
Blaine Park Board Meeting (2/26/19)	Blaine Staff	00:58:58
Centerville City Council Meeting (2/13/19)	Centerville Staff	00:55:45
Centerville City Council Meeting (2/27/19)	Centerville Staff	00:47:54
Circle Pines Park Board Meeting (2/5/19)	Circle Pines Staff	00:12:23

Title cont.	Producer cont.	Runtime cont.
Circle Pines City Council Meeting (2/12/19)	Circle Pines Staff	00:34:02
Circle Pines Utility Commission Meeting (2/20/19)	Circle Pines Staff	00:12:32
Circle Pines City Council Meeting (2/26/19)	Circle Pines Staff	00:43:44
Ham Lake City Council Meeting (2/4/19)	Ham Lake Staff	00:18:52
Ham Lake Planning Commission Meeting (2/11/19)	Ham Lake Staff	01:47:11
Ham Lake City Council Meeting (2/19/19)	Ham Lake Staff	00:56:43
Ham Lake Planning Commission Meeting (2/25/19)	Ham Lake Staff	00:10:49
Ham Lake Park & Tree Meeting (2/27/19)	Ham Lake Staff	01:31:31
Lexington City Council Meeting (2/21/19)	Lexington Staff	00:27:10
Lino Lakes City Council Meeting (2/11/19)	Lino Lakes Staff	00:19:29
Lino Lakes Planning & Zoning Meeting (2/13/19)	Lino Lakes Staff	01:59:43
Lino Lakes City Council Meeting (2/25/19)	Lino Lakes Staff	00:20:06
Spring Lake Park City Council Meeting (2/4/19)	Spring Lake Park Staff	00:36:37
Spring Lake Park City Council Meeting (2/19/19)	Spring Lake Park Staff	00:29:25
Spring Lake Park Planning Commission Meeting (1/22/19)	Spring Lake Park Staff	00:25:06
23 New Programs		18:51:39 New Hours

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