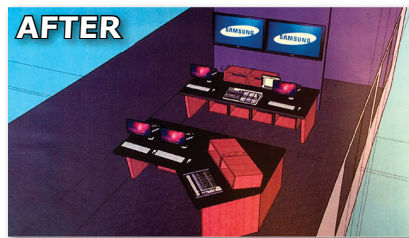


# SPOTLIGHT

march • april 2016

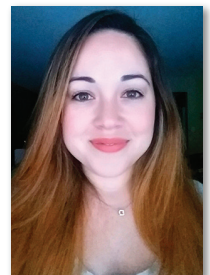
## Open house March 11

We're SUPER excited about the control room's HD upgrade and re-model—so excited, in fact, that we're hosting an open house Friday, March 11, 4-8pm. We're inviting all our NWCT members, along with the general public in the nine northwest suburbs, to come and get a sneak peek. Not only will you get to check out the new Compix graphics in the control room, you'll be able to view all the new sets that have been under construction the last couple months. And, that's not all! We're planning a couple HD makeup demonstrations (Nikki has more to say about that). There will be A LOT of new to preview so drop by March 11 between 4pm and 8pm and take a gander! **TT**

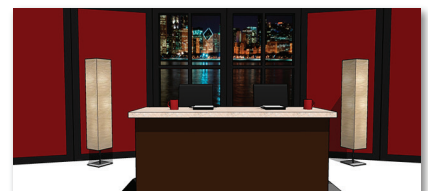
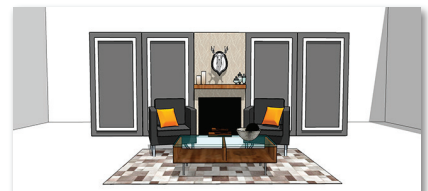


## New sets preview

Along with a new control room, new sets are rolling your way, literally! Dunwoody Institute design students, Alyx Paschke and Angelica Sedano (left to right below), took on the task



of designing new sets for you, including a brand new kitchen, and picking out new furniture pieces. They did an outstanding job and we can't wait to see them in use! Join us at our open house, Friday, March 11, 4pm to 8pm, to see the sets on display! **NJ**



MacKenzie Fortier  
Professional Makeup Artist

## Models needed for HD makeup demo

Professional makeup artist, MacKenzie Fortier, is joining us at our open house, Friday, March 11, to demonstrate how to best apply makeup for high definition television, what types of products to use and where to buy them.

Two demonstrations will be held, both the same, one at 5:30pm and one at 7pm. MacKenzie is looking for two volunteers, one for each half-hour demonstration—if you are interested, email [info@nwct.org](mailto:info@nwct.org) or call 763.278.4330 by **Friday, March 4**. If more than two volunteers are interested, we will do a drawing March 4 at 4:30pm. **NJ**

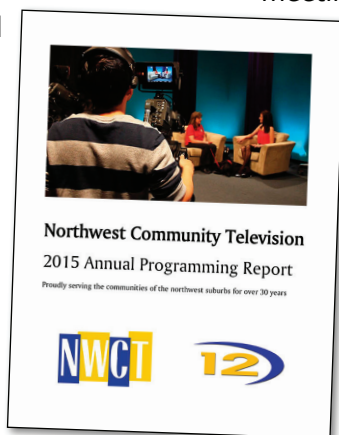
# From the desk of Executive Director Mike Johnson

## BOARD AND CABLE COMMISSION RECAP

**Sue Ellen Zagrabelny** was introduced to the full board as the newest elected member. Various committee vacancies were filled on the board. Municipal Media Services Manager, Tim Gaffron, gave an update on Closed Captioning. We presented the 2015 Annual Programming Report at the February Commission and Board meeting. The report is an excellent year in review to see all the activity that took place with Community Access, Channel 12 and all the programming that appears on the municipal channels. I encourage all Community Access Producers to view the report on the Cable Commission web-

site at [nwsgcc.org](http://nwsgcc.org). Click on **Meetings/Reports**. Previous years' reports are also posted. In addition to these agenda items, we also have time each meeting for staff reports.

The Cable Commission agenda included a brief update on CenturyLink. As of the February meeting, the Cable Commission was still waiting for CenturyLink to find time to resume working on a competitive franchise for the northwest suburbs. There was also a brief update from Comcast and we talked briefly about an FCC proposal to enable more consumer choice in set-top boxes.



## NEXT COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING

Our next Northwest Suburbs Cable Communications Commission and Northwest Community Television Board



of Directors meeting is on Thursday, May 19, at 7:30am, in the Studio. I want to remind everyone that you can watch a replay of our meetings on the web at [nwsgcc.org](http://nwsgcc.org).

## MEETING COMMUNITY PRODUCERS

One of my favorite things to do when I am in the community access section of our building is to meet and greet community producers. Without question, my number one takeaway from these impromptu introductions is the **passion** that each of you have for what you are doing. Keep up the great work! **MJ**



## Link your YouTube channel to NWCT's website

Wow, did we have a GREAT turnout for the "Creating a YouTube channel" class on January 7! So, what's next? When you have your YouTube channel ready (or if you already have a YouTube channel for your show), let us know—we'd like to link to your channel.

NWCT has created a link on our website's WATCH page at [www.nwct.org/youtube\\_links.aspx](http://www.nwct.org/youtube_links.aspx).

**Chekanaeh Glory Ministries, Gospel Safari, NW City Politics, Phirst Contention and Raihana's Cuisines** are currently listed. If you'd like to join them, please forward your YouTube link to [ttouray@nwct.org](mailto:ttouray@nwct.org) or call Tamisha at 763.278.4323. **TT**



## We're ba-ack! Javie's Late Show returns March 28



The new season of Javie's Late Show is coming back! And, it's going to be bigger, brighter and a whole lot crazier. With a whole new control room with brand new props for sets, we are looking for people to be a part of history . . . again. If you want to be part of Season 2 of Javie's Late Show, please call or email us anytime at 763.278.4330 or [info@nwct.org](mailto:info@nwct.org). We'll be recording Episodes 1 through 4 Monday, March 28, 6:30pm-9:30pm. **JC**

## National Volunteer Week April 10-16

National Volunteer Week kicks off April 10 and this year it's all about encouraging and recognizing individuals who engage in their communities. National Volunteer Week is sponsored by the nonprofit Points of Light—it is the world's largest organization dedicated to volunteer service.



Here at NWCT, we will recognize our volunteers' contributions to the community in a variety of ways. We will use social media to highlight our members and will also have daily prize drawings. And did I say, popcorn each day?!

Most importantly, we will kick off our **#teamnwct** social media campaign. All week long we ask that you upload and hashtag examples of your "NWCT team spirit" to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. All volunteers who do will be entered in a drawing for **#teamnwct** t-shirts! We'll have more information about Volunteer Week posted at the studio—get ready to celebrate YOU! **BNC**



# #teamnwct

## Welcome Sue Ellen!

**Sue Ellen Zagrabelny** attended her first Board of Directors meeting February 18. She won the Board election held last November. Sue Ellen has been a volunteer at NWCT since 2012. She produces Book Beat and also assists fellow volunteers as a crew member on a variety of programs. She looks forward to serving as a volunteer advocate on the Board—welcome, Sue Ellen! **BNC**



Current volunteer reps on the NWCT Board of Directors, Zipporah Mesesi and Scott Burdette, welcome Sue Ellen Zagrabelny to the team.

## CREW FOR COINS

Stockpiling your Crew Coins waiting for new items? You won't have to wait much longer! To kick off National Volunteer Week in April, we're adding new items (yet to be determined). Remember, all crew members get one Crew Coin for every half hour show volunteered on; hour shows are worth two Crew Coins. Producers with crew are also eligible. **NJ**

## SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

[www.nwct.org](http://www.nwct.org)

[nwctv](https://www.facebook.com/nwctv)

[@NWCTACCESS](https://twitter.com/NWCTACCESS)

[nwct18](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwct18)

[nwctaccess](https://www.instagram.com/nwctaccess)

# Studio notes

## CLOSED APRIL 25-27

NWCT is closing for the Easter holiday Friday, March 25, through Sunday, March 27. **TT**

## SUPER SATURDAY APRIL 30

Psst . . . have you heard? Super Saturday will be back and bigger than before! Super Saturday is a wonderful opportunity for anyone and any age to learn and experience NWCT! Take all our classes from orientation, portable camera, editing and studio—and become certified on the same day! Super Saturday will take place Saturday, April 30, from 8am to 5pm. This is a fantastic way to get to know the staff, the volunteers and our equipment!

Tell your friends and family about this super day! Have them schedule by calling our main line at 763.278.4330 or emailing [info@nwct.org](mailto:info@nwct.org) for more information. **DC**

## 2016 NEW MEMBERS

Welcome the following new members to the NWCT family:

**Oscar Ademuyiwa, Ali Ahmed, Samir Ahmed, Greg Benecke, Mona Benecke, Enock Bigogo, Bonnie Bolash, David Borel, Sterling Brown, John Edwards, Casey Flesch, Felix Harcourt, Hadisa Kadi, Lorenzo Kwiagaye, Prince Nteere, Leslie Sackor Settro, Buster Stubblefield and Lewis Tombri. TT**

## POLKA IN PLYMOUTH

**Dan and Yvonne Viehman**, producer/hosts of Polka Spotlight and Plymouth residents, were featured in lifestyle publication, *Plymouth* magazine, in their February 2016 edition. Nice! **TT**



**Northwest Community Television**  
6900 Winnetka Avenue North  
Brooklyn Park MN 55428