

SC Broadcasters Entertain, Dream Of What 'Could Be'

By KATHY MORAN

Radio station WKMX has accumulated so much energy that it could erupt at any moment.

The energy is generated by 11 students who manage and run Schoolcraft College's radio station. All are bursting with ideas on what "could be" but are contained by "what is," at least for the present.

The station will celebrate its fourth anniversary this spring, and staff members are eager to make its next year the beginning of a change in direction.

CURRENTLY THE audience that the closed-circuit station must program for is "captive" in the Waterman Campus Center. Whether students like it or not, the station provides background music for them to eat, play pool, or read by.

So disc jockeys are forced to provide merely entertainment and background music, complains station manager Bob Luonsbury and production director Jim Gilmore.

"I know we could do a lot more with the station," Luonsbury said.

All the possibilities are prefaced on the station getting FCC approval for an FM station, a lengthy process which has yet to begin.

First, the station needs a program faculty advisor to help the students and assure some continuity.

And then a broadcasting curriculum could be developed around the station where students could get at least some credit for the long hours they put in to keep the station alive.

WITH AN FM license and radio curriculum, the station could do special interviews that would be broadcast beyond Waterman into the Schoolcraft community.

Local residents could tune in to campus news and coming activities as well as the most recent speaker to visit the campus.

A millage campaign could be conducted from the station's trailer offices.

500 To Receive S'craft Degrees

Honors, degrees and certificates of completion will be conferred at Schoolcraft College's seventh annual commencement to be held Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the school's main gymnasium.

Some 500 students have been invited to participate in the ceremonies, which will be highlighted by an address by Michigan's Gov. William G. Milliken.

The governor will be making his first visit to the Schoolcraft campus. Dr. R. Robert Geake, chairman of the board of trustees, will introduce the governor.

SCHOOLCRAFT President C. Nelson Grote will present associate degrees and certificates assisted by Deans John P. Adams and Frederick Stefanski. Dr. Robert Keene, vice president for instruction,

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SC Spring Semester To Start

Taking a class or two at Schoolcraft College might be "just the thing for spring" for residents of the college district - persons living in the Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville and Plymouth school districts.

Registrations for Schoolcraft's spring session will be held May 1, but now is the time to see a counselor and decide what to take.

The session is eight weeks long, from May 2 through June 22, and full credit classes are being offered in nearly all subjects.

A three-credit class in English composition, for example, will meet two hours daily, three days a week. The same class at night would meet three hours nightly, twice a week.

Persons wishing registration information should call the Schoolcraft admissions office, and those wishing to consult a counselor should call the counseling office.

For added incentive, persons enrolling in the spring session will beat the recently approved tuition increase. The old rate of \$10 a credit hour will be in effect for residents.



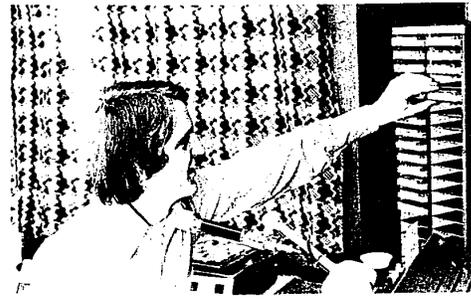
JOE DAVIS shuffles through the station's catalogued albums. Many of the albums come from record companies but many of them are donated by students. Records, tapes and equipment either donated or lent by students helps keep WKMX alive.

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