Memorial Library now offers students and faculty easy access to hundreds of online streaming videos through four Alexander Street Press databases. Alexander Street is an electronic publisher of humanities and social sciences online collections. The databases include Counseling and Therapy in Video, Ethnographic Video Online, Dance in Video, and Theatre in Video. Individual video titles can also be found in the Library catalog. The location for the video titles will be designated as “Electronic Media (Remote Access).” Users will be able to view the films by clicking on the “Access this streaming video” link. To use the collections as a whole visit the Article Databases A-Z web page (http://eresources.lib.mnsu.edu/page.phtml?page_id=21) which can be found as a link on the Library’s home page. For questions about using the Alexander Street collections contact Barb Bergman at 507-389-5945 or Reference Services at 507-389-5958.

COUNSELING AND THERAPY IN VIDEO
With more than 330 titles offering 400 hours of streaming online video, Counseling and Therapy in Video is the largest online collection for the study of social work, psychotherapy, psychology, and psychiatric counseling currently available. The videos in this collection have been created by a variety of professional organizations and individuals. They allow students and scholars to see, experience, and study counseling from a wide array of perspectives. The variety of video types include: counseling sessions and demonstrations; lectures, presentations, and interviews; teaching and discussion guides; and consultations. The database’s searching tools help researchers find relevant footage in the hundreds of hours of video.

ETHNOGRAPHIC VIDEO ONLINE
At the core of this Alexander Street collection are hundreds of the most frequently assigned films in anthropology, ethnography, and social psychology courses. With over 750 hours of streaming video and 1,000 films Ethnographic Video Online provides a comprehensive resource for the study of human culture and behavior. Global in scope, Ethnographic Video Online includes footage from every continent. Thematic areas include language and culture, food and foraging, economic systems, social stratification and status, male and female roles, kinship and families, political organization, religion, and the arts.

DANCE IN VIDEO
From the ballets of Stravinsky to documentaries on William Forsythe and Merce Cunningham, Dance in Video offers more than 500 hours of streaming video. The collection, which spans the 1950’s to today, includes ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, experimental, and improvisational dance, as well as forerunners of the forms and the pioneers of modern concert dance. Included in the database are classic performances from top ballet companies, experimental works from up-and-coming dance troupes, documentaries by and about leading choreographers, videos on dance training, and other items covering a wide range of 20th century dance styles. Users can browse by genre, performer, choreographer, company, and other combinable fields.

THEATRE IN VIDEO
From the most important productions of Shakespeare to rare, in-depth footage focusing on the work of Samuel Beckett, Theater in Video provides more than 500 hours of online streaming video. Users can see interviews with directors, designers, writers, and actors as well as documentary histories examining subjects from The Globe Theatre to The Federal Theatre Project to The Royal Shakespeare Company. Among the productions included in this collection are The Iceman Cometh, by Eugene O’Neill (1960); Master Builder, by Henrik Ibsen (1960); Much Ado About Nothing, by William Shakespeare (1973); and Six Characters in Search of an Author, by Luigi Pirandello (1976).
The first hour will be a presentation by Minnesota State Mankato professors Susan Burum and Georgia Holmes who will explore issues surrounding this new technology. From 10:00 to 11:00 A.M., the program will showcase various e-book readers such as the Kindle, Nook, Sony Reader, and many more. The E-Books Reader Forum is part of the spring Technology Fair, a three day event, being held in the Centennial Student Union on February 9 and 10 from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and February 11 from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. For more information contact Lisa Baures, Reference/Instruction Librarian at (507) 389-2255 or lisa.baures@mnsu.edu.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN DELIVERY OPTIONS CHANGE

Changes in intracampus mail services have resulted in delayed delivery of interlibrary loans sent from the Library to campus offices. Therefore, Library Services is making an important change in the default delivery option to speed up faculty and staff access to ILL materials. You will still have the option to request campus delivery, but it will no longer be the default setting. Starting on March 14, the Monday after spring break, the default for all interlibrary loans received will be set to pickup at the Library. You, or a designee bearing your MavCard, will be able to check out ILL materials within an hour of receiving the e-mailed Arrival Notice. Alternatively, the Arrival Notice will prompt you to reply with a request for campus delivery if that is your preference at the time. If you would like to change your account to Library pickup starting immediately, please send a message to msuill@mnsu.edu. Journal articles will continue to be sent to you electronically through e-mail. We hope this change in routine procedure will improve access to ILL materials.

DONATIONS EXPAND AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION

Thanks to generous donations from the Minnesota Department of Transportation Mankato office, Blue Earth County, and the University of Minnesota Borchert Map Library, Memorial Library has doubled its collection of aerial photographs. The aerial photograph collection now includes 50,000 images from the 1930s to the present and covers most of the state with an emphasis on south central Minnesota. Aerial photography is particularly useful in studying land use changes. The collection has been used for courses studying urban expansion in the state, the environmental impacts of various projects such as the proposed DM&E railroad expansion, mineral extraction on the iron range, and similar topics. The collection has also received significant use from community members seeking to establish old property lines, identify potential underground hazards before digging and conduct research on their family heritage. The Department of Transportation also donated a high quality stereoscope which provides users 3D views of the landscape from pairs of aerial photographs. We encourage anyone interested in this collection to visit the Map and Atlas area on the first floor of the Library. For more information contact Government Documents Librarian, Evan Rusch at (507) 389-2460 or evan.rusch@mnsu.edu or contact Map Technician Harry Perkins at (507) 389-1288 or harold.perkins@mnsu.edu.