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Mendon Minstrels Bring Song and Cheer to Senior Center



The Mendon Minstrels is a group of seniors who have been performing for years in the local area. The Minstrels' latest production on ABMI was recorded Nov. 21 at the Mendon Senior Center, accompanied by drums and piano. The show debuted in early December and has been cablecast on the ABMI Public Channel periodically since then. The Nov. 21 production can be viewed every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday in February at 2 p.m. daily.



Three New Shows Slated for ABMI-TV Schedule This Spring

At the Jan. 7 meeting of the ABMI Board of Directors, Station Manager Patrick Fleming reported that three new shows will soon be appearing on ABMI-TV.

One show will feature Amy Wilson Kent of the Mendon Senior Center, focussing on senior issues and events.

Another show will be produced by ABMI sports-caster Pete Royce. He plans to interview sports celebrities and have ABMI Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman edit the footage for presentation on the Public Channel.

The third new show will focus on the Environment. It is to be produced by Nina Boucher.

In other business, Board Treasurer Jereme Cooper asked McMinniman how the new drone camera is working out. McMinniman said it was a good piece of equipment. Cooper suggested that the drone camera might help to create new openings for shows. Board Member Earl Pearlman



asked how big it was. Fleming said it is small but folds out.

Cooper asked McMinniman how the Illumination Parade went. McMinniman said it was really cold so they moved the Santa line quickly.

Cooper said it was nice that the high school allowed the van to go inside the garage for the Bellingham Town Meeting. Fleming said it helped to protect the equipment from the cold temperatures that night.

Cooper said the sign by Rt. 140 was not lit. Fleming said it will probably take another two weeks for them to fix it.

Cooper asked how coverage of the Wall That Heals went. McMinniman said vet Jim Hastings was very helpful and sent material to include in the productions. McMinniman said that the presentation was awesome.

Cooper asked if the I.R.A. was all set. Fleming said the I.R.A. work is finished and the paperwork to Laura started on Jan. 1.



REGULAR SHOWS

ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

10:30am
Train Time

11:30am & 5:30pm
Local Winter Sports

9pm - Mendon Board
of Selectmen

TUESDAY

1:30pm & 6pm - Local
High School Sports

WEDNESDAY

Noon & 6pm
Winter Sports Coverage

1pm & 7pm - Local
General Coverage

THURSDAY

10am & 9pm
Local Sports

2pm & 8pm
Real Estate & Beyond

FRIDAY-SUNDAY

11am & 5pm - Some-
thing Special

1pm & 7pm -
Local Winter Sports

10pm - The Dun-
geon of Dr. Dreck

ABMI BELLINGHAM CHANNELS

Public Channel Verizon 47

Public Channel Comcast 8

Education Channel Verizon 43

Education Channel Comcast 98

Government Channel Verizon 45

Government Channel Comcast 11



Lights, Camera, and Action at ABMI-TV

Host Mike Shain poses with Jeffrey Mushnik of Medway Oil and Propane after the Nov. 18 shoot of *Real Estate and Beyond*.



ABMI-TV Sportscaster Pete Royce chats with sportswriter Rick Smith and Bellingham basketball coach Kevin Grupposo Nov. 18 during a special on the BHS Hall of Fame.

Mendon Senior Center Director Amy Kent Wilson (2nd from left) chats with Station Manager Pat Fleming (center) and Jennifer Talamini (far right) about proposed new show on Jan. 17



Realtor Leo Fantini speaks before green screen at the Nov. 18 shoot of *Real Estate and Beyond*.



The BHS Hall of Fame induction week featured cablecasts of several key football games of the 1990s culled from the ABMI-TV Archives.

ABMI-TV Offering Two Scholarships For 2020 Graduates

ABMI is offering two \$1,000 scholarships for 2020. One will be awarded to a Mendon resident and one to a Bellingham resident.

Scholarship applicants must reside in either Bellingham or Mendon. The only other requirement is a demonstrated interest in Mass Communications.

Applications are available at local schools and online. Deadline for submission is May 15, 2020. Winners will be announced following a vote by the ABMI Board.

ABMI MENDON

PUBLIC CHANNEL COMCAST 8

PUBLIC CHANNEL VERIZON 47

EDUCATION CHANNEL COMCAST 98

EDUCATION CHANNEL VERIZON 42

GOVERNMENT CHANNEL COMCAST 11

GOVERNMENT CHANNEL VERIZON 41



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*Next Meeting
Tue. March 3, 2020
6:15 p.m.*

directions to studio

Seven things to know about ABMI

1. You can post free notices for your non-profit organization or activity on our video bulletin board. Best way is to email us at abmi8@comcast.net. You can also phone at 508-966-3234. Or send a fax at 508-966-2321.
2. All our public channel cablecasts stream live at the same time from our website at abmi8.org. Recorded public meetings and special events are also available for viewing in the Archive section at our site.
3. DVD copies of ABMI shows are available for \$15.75 per copy. We have shows going back as far as 1985, so if there's a blast from the past you'd like to see again, call us at 508-966-3234.
4. ABMI encourages interested volunteers. Our staff is available to teach basic camera technique and non-linear editing on a one-to-one basis.
5. Station Manager Patrick Fleming, Publicity Director Steve Saraceno, and Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman are generally available weekdays by calling 508-966-3234.
6. The ABMI public channel is Channel 8 for Comcast subscribers and Channel 47 for Verizon folks.

