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## Bowling for Scholars"



ABMI-TV Producer Pete Royce is hosting a new show to bring back the nostalgia of candlepin bowling and raise scholarship funds for local private schools.

The show will be called, *Bowling for Scholars*. Royce plans to record two shows per month at Sparetime Recreation in Northbridge. Sparetime has generously agreed to donate its time and lanes free of charge.

Royce created *Bowling for Scholars* for two reasons: "First, to bring back the nostalgic days of the 1960s and 1970s when it seemed that all sports fans in New England were glued to Candlepin Bowling's 'Fun for All Ages' every Saturday at twelve noon on [Boston] Ch. 5 with host Don Gillis. i would love to bring those days back."

Royce adds: "I wanted to use the fun of bowling to support private school education with scholarships for kids who could use the financial support."

ABMI-TV Station Manager Patrick Fleming reports that Royce and ABMI Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman have already shot a dry run of the show at Sparetime. "Everything looks ready to go," Fleming says.

ABMI-TV is the organizing producer and will donate a \$50 check to the geneeral scholarship fund of the winning bowler's choice of private school (limit two scholarship checks per month). Other sponsors are encouraged to join in this worthy cause and raise the level of scholarship funding.

# **Board Okays New Bowling Show Hosted by Announcer Pete Royce**

On March 9 the ABMI-TV Board of Directors approved a new show to be produced by announcer Pete Royce called, *Bowling for Scholars*.

Station Manager Patrick Fleming told the Board that Royce wants to produce the the show two times a month at Sparetime Recreation in Northbridge. Sparetime has generously agreed to donate its time and lanes free of charge.

Fleming said that Royce will serve as announcer, but will not be paid because he is also producer of the show. The Board concurred with this decision.

In other business, Fleming said the installation of the Bellingham Town Hall is finished and he and Tyler will test it out tomorrow. If ev-





erything looks good Fleming will cut the check to pay for it.

The Treasurer's Report for January 2023 was accepted with no discussion.

Fleming said a number of income checks have arrived recently.

The Station Manager's report for January-February 2023 was accepted, motion by Board Vice-President Jereme Cooper, seconded by Board Treasurer Sue Carlson.

The Publicity Director's Report for January-February 2023 was accepted, motion by Cooper seconded by Carlson.

The Production Coordinator's Report for January-February 2023 was accepted, motion by Carlson seconded by Cooper.

Board moved to Eecutive Session.



### REGULAR SHOWS-ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

#### MONDAY

**AUTO SENSE - 10:30AM & 7PM** 

BHS SPORTS -1PM & 8M

MENDON SELECTMEN 9PM

### **TUESDAY**

SKYDIVING 10AM

REAL ESTATE TIPS 3PM & 9PM

### **WEDNESDAY**

MENDON TOWN EVENTS 7PM & 11PM

### **THURSDAY**

BELLINGHAM TOWN EVENTS 3PM & 8PM

### **FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY**

ST. BLAISE SUNDAY MASS 8:30AM & 6PM

SOMETHING SPECIAL 11AM & 5PM

DUNGEON OF DR. DRECK 10 PM

## Lights, Camera, and Action at ABMI-TV

The Bellingham All-Town Chorus performs under the conduction of Marie Forte.





Bellingham Library Director Bernadette Rivard hosts 'Finding Partners for Your New or Growing Business."

BHS Music Teacher Marie Forte (second from left) is honored for her induction into the Mass. Instrumental and Choral Instructors Hall of Fame.



Attorney Chris Ryan appears on the panel for 'Finding Partners for Your New or Growing Business."



The Bellingham All-Town Band under the baton of conductor Marie Forte.



Jean Owen of Owen Financial Services also appeared on the panel.



### 2023 ABMI-TV \$1,000 Scholarship Deadline May 15

The application deadline for the 2023 ABMI-TV Scholarships is May 15 this year.

Three local students recently collected \$1,000 scholarships from ABMI after completing their fall semesters.

Isabella Kelly of Bellingham High School is now attending University of Rhode Island.

Nipmuc High grad Carly O'Connell is now attending Clark University.

And Allison Sawyer of Belligham High is attending Simmons.

The award money is issued upon of successful completion of each student's first semester at college.

### 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 to take place virtually by Zoom Thurs. May 11, 2023 6:15 p.m.

directions to studio

### Seven things to know about ABMI

- You can post free notices for your nonprofit 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.

