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Channel Numbers Change August 29

Subscribers to Comcast will see a change in channel numbers starting August 29. The ABMI Government Channel switches from Ch. 11 to Ch. 6. The Education Channel goes from Ch. 98 to Ch. 22. The Public Channel 8 number remains the same. No changes to any of the Verizon channel numbers.





Pete Royce's 'Bowling for Scholars' Tops \$900 in donations for schools

At the ABMI Board Meeting of July 13 Station Manager Patrick Fleming told the Board that Pete Royce's *Bowling for Scholars* show has so far raised \$900 in sponsor donations.

The money has subsequently been awarded to worthy educational causes selected by the winning bowlers.

Fleming told the Board that the next shoot for *Bowling for Scholars* is scheduled for July 19

In other business, Board Secretary Earl Pearlman asked about the insurance for Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman. Fleming explained that McMinniman's plan recently changed.

Pearlman asked how many Concerts on the Grass have





taken place so far this summer. Publicity Director and concert organizer Steve Saraceno said that two of the seven shows have taken place, with the next concert scheduled for July 19 in Bellingham.

Fleming said the Concerts on the Grass series is going good this summer.

Fleming told the Board that Bellingham High School is doing a "re-fit" of the auditorium. They plan to rewire the cable so that ABMI can now just plug in the production van from behind the school. That way we won't have to run the cable for every shoot.

Fleming said BHS will be picking up the tab for this at no charge to ABMI.

Next Board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 7 at 6:15pm via Zoom.



REGULAR SHOWS-ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

AUTO SENSE - 10:30AM & 7PM

BHS SPORTS -1PM & 8M

MENDON SELECTMEN 9PM

TUESDAY

SKYDIVING 10AM

CONCERTS ON THE GRASS 3PM & 9PM

WEDNESDAY

MENDON TOWN EVENTS 7PM & 11PM

THURSDAY

BELLINGHAM TOWN EVENTS 3PM & 8PM

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY

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

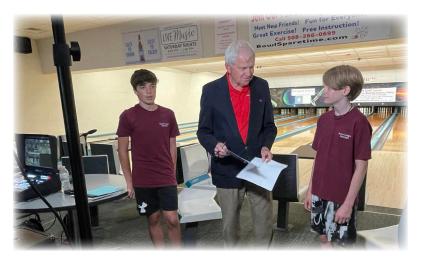
BOWLING FOR SCHOLARS NOON & 9PM

DUNGEON OF DR. DRECK 10 PM

Lights, Camera, and Action at ABMI-TV

Trevor the Games Man opens festivities for Kids Night on June 28, kicking off the 2023 Concerts on the Grass series at Bellingham Common.





Bowling for Scholars producer Pete Royce recently raised \$900 to be donated for educational purposes. *Photo by Diane Mela Souvanna*.

The irrepressible Riverboat Stompers stomped the Bellingham Common July 19, the third show of the year for the ABMI Concerts on the Grass series.



Free pony rides for the kids were a feature at every ABMI Concert on the Grass this year in July and August.





The Spring 2023 Bellingham Middle School Spring Chorus Concert has been showing since May on the ABMI Public Channel.

Producer Pete Royce's Bowling for Scholars Shoots Episode #7

ABMI-TV producer and announcer Pete Royce hosted the seventh installment of *Bowling for Scholars* in early August (see photo p. 3)

Royce recently presented a check for \$500 to Kim Hughes, Director of Good Shepherd Nursery School in Medway. Winners on *Bowling for Scholars* receive a check from ABMI courtesy of the sponsors, which include several area businesses. The money is then donated to the winner's scholarship fund of choice.

Bowling for Scholars plays on the ABMI-TV Public Channel every weekend, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, at Noon & 9pm.

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. Sept. 7 6:15 p.m.

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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.

