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30th Annual Santa's Elves Telethon



The Bellingham Women of Today will once again team up with ABMI to help raise thousands of dollars in gifts and donations for needy area families during the Santa's Elves Telethon hosted at the studio Tuesday, Dec. 5. Presented by Linda Trudeau, a longtime host of the event, the Telethon features two hours' worth of greetings from area scouting groups, on-air donations from local community figures, holiday videos, and live performances. Photo above from last year's Telethon. Below, the 2006 Telethon.



ABMI Board of Directors Approve Upgrade for Broadcast Pics Unit

The ABMI Board of Directors approved a motion made at the Oct. 30 meeting authorizing the expenditure of up to \$30,000 to upgrade the control room at the studio.

Station Manager Patrick Fleming told the Board that Production Coordinator Jeff Paul recently experienced trouble booting up Broadcast Pics. The unit is 8 years old and its malfunctions have interfered with several shows.

Fleming said he wants to get rid of the old composite monitors, replace the computer, and update the camera monitors in the control room. The replacement of Broadcast Pics, along with the purchase of two Dell monitors, converters, installation, tech support, and warranty would cost approximately \$26,000.

Board Treasurer Jereme Cooper made a motion to authorize the upgrade at a cost not to exceed \$30,000. Motion passed unanimously.

In other business, Fleming said ABMI



will supply the Miscoc Hill MultiMedia Club with a 27" iMac with Final Cut Pro X installed. The station will also provide a camera in the \$200-\$300 range. Custodians at the school are cleaning out the room where the studio will be located.

Fleming told the Board a new bulk copier is needed in Publicity Director Steve Saraceno's office. Fleming has been researching prices for a new copier. He said he saw a used model selling for around \$2,000.

Fleming told the Board he would like to purchase two modulators at approximately \$1,000 apiece. He said modulators can last years but they run "24/7" and may crash at any time. One of the new modulators would be used as a spare.

Board Member Sue Carlson made a motion to purchase the two modulators. Vice-President Earl Pearlman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Fleming asked the Board whether he should stop buying Verizon cards to help with live transmission. Cooper made a motion to table the issue until next meeting. Pearlman seconded. The motion passed.



REGULAR SHOWS

ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

10:30am
Train Time

11:30am & 5pm - Mendon Morsels

9pm - Mendon Board of Selectmen

TUESDAY

10am & 4pm - Physician Focus

1:30pm & 6pm - Cooking with Georgia

7pm & 11pm - Paul in the Pit

WEDNESDAY

Noon & 6pm
Kev's Korner

1pm & 7pm - In the Spotlight

THURSDAY

10am & 9pm
Bellingham Sports Special

2pm & 8pm
Real Estate & Beyond

FRIDAY-SUNDAY

11am & 5pm - Something Special

10pm - The Dungeon of Dr. Dreck

ABMI BELLINGHAM CHANNELS

Public Channel Verizon47

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

ABMI Production Coordinator Jeff Paul checks monitor during Oct. 13 shoot of *Veteran's Oral History* with interviewee Glenn Moody.



Pete Royce hosted BHS Cross Country coach Pete Lacasse Oct. 18 on the *Bellingham Sports Special* after his squad won the championship.



Jeff Paul assists Kevin Gruposso with lavalier mic prior to the shoot of the *Bellingham Sports Special* on Nov. 7. Pete Royce (left) served as host. BHS Hall of Fame board member Aley Thibault sits center.



Host Pete Royce (left) brought in sportswriter Rick Smith (center) and BHS Athletic Director Mike Connor for a segment on the BHS Hall of Fame Committee Nov. 7.

U.S. Army Vietnam vet Glenn Moody sat down for an interview Oct. 13 with Marjorie Turner Hollman, host of *Veterans Oral History*.

ABMI Scholarship Applications Now Available

ABMI is offering two \$1,000 scholarships this year, one to a Mendon resident and one to a Bellingham resident.

Applicants must show a demonstrated interest in Mass Communications but need not plan to major in the subject.

Applications will be available at area schools as well as the ABMI studio at 10 Williams Way. They will also be posted on the Bellingham High School website.

Deadline for submission is May 15.

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
Thurs. Sept. 7, 2017
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. Taped 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 Erik Fischer 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.
7. Live town meetings generally run on



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