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## 2109 Concerts on the Grass Series Opens Wed. July 3 with Kids Night



Summer is here and it's once again time for free summer concerts in the Bellingham and Mendon community.

The 29th Annual ABMI Concerts on the Grass Series kicks off Wednesday night July 3 at the Bellingham Town Common with stiltwalker Trevor the Games Man (photo on left) appearing at 5:30 followed by children's songwriter Wayne Potash from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The July 3 show is sponsored by the Bellingham Town Common Trustees.

Three more Wednesday shows take place on the Bellingham Common on July 10, 17, and 24 before the series moves to Mendon for three more shows. The Mendon Cultural Council sponsors July 31 show.

### BELLINGHAM TOWN COMMON

Wed. July 3 - Kids Night 5:30pm Trevor the Games Man; 7pm Wayne Potash

Wed. July 10 6pm-7pm free pony rides; 7pm - Morse Code (classic rock)

Wed. July 17 6pm-7pm free pony rides; 7pm Riverboat Stompers (Dixieland)

Wed. July 24 6pm-7pm free pony rides; 7pm Jesse Liam Band (contemporary)

### MENDON TOWN BEACH

Wed. July 31 6pm- 7pm pony rides; 6:30pm Quintessential Brass

Wed. Aug. 7 - 6pm-7pm free pony rides; 6:30pm Vinyl Echo (classic rock)

Wed. Aug. 14 - 6pm-7pm free pony rides; 6:30pm Ocean State Ramblers (bluegrass)



# Aicardi voted B.O.D. President; Pearlman re-elected to Board

Bellingham resident Tracy Aicardi gained election as President of the ABMI-TV Board of Directors in a unanimous vote June 11. Diane Mela Souvanna was voted in as Board Vice-President. Sue Carlson was elected Board Secretary and Jereme Cooper gained re-election as Board Treasurer.

In other business at the June 11 meeting, Station Manager Patrick Fleming said the staff is working on a montage of past Memorial Day Parades as part of the Bellingham 300th Anniversary celebration.

Publicity Director Steve Saraceno distributed packets of scholarship applications to the Board for their consideration. They must pick one winner from Bellingham and one from Mendon for the \$1,000 awards.

In the April 4 meeting of the ABMI Board, Earl Pearlman gained re-election to his Mendon seat.

The vote by the Board was unanimous.



In other news at the April 4 meeting, Pearlman reported that President Nick Russell had recently moved to Florida.

Regarding the Treasurer's Report for Nov. 2018, Treasurer Jereme Cooper asked where the portable camera setups were. Station Manager Patrick Fleming said there are two in Miscoe School.

Publicity Director Steve Saraceno talked about the press conference held by Sen. Markey concerning the proposed FCC actions that threaten the financing of Public Access. Saraceno said he went to the open discussion prior to the press conference, which was attended by over 150 cable access people from across the state.

Fleming said that the new SCALA video bulletin board maintenance budget item rose to \$8,000 in the past year, but that was a "one-off." This year the item will be budgeted at \$4,000.

Fleming said he increased the Volunteer Night budget to \$800.

Fleming increased the budget item for Sports Announcers and Crew Members to \$5,000.



## REGULAR SHOWS

### ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

#### MONDAY

10:30am  
Train Time

11:30am & 5:30pm  
The D.A. Show

9pm - Mendon Board  
of Selectmen

#### TUESDAY

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

#### WEDNESDAY

Noon & 6pm  
Kev's Korner

1pm & 7pm - Local  
General Coverage

#### THURSDAY

10am & 9pm  
Local Spring Sports

2pm & 8pm  
Real Estate & Beyond

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY

11am & 5pm - Some-  
thing Special

1pm & 7pm - Lo-  
cal Spring 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

Kaela Dunn (left) chats with host Linda Trudeau during the shoot of *Something Special* on May 8. The topic is the Bellingham Community Garden.



Students from Bellingham Middle School came down to the studio May 16 to use the green screen for their project on Egypt. (L-R) Sophie Belanger, MacKenzie Pouliot, and the Mummy (a.k.a. Lily Crawford).

Peach tree, rhododendren, and tulips (at left) flash their colors this spring on the ABMI grounds.



12-year-old Lily Crawford gets “mummified” prior to the shoot May 16 at ABMI. Former *30 Odd Minutes* producer Jeff Belanger helped direct the video, which received an A in his daughter Sophie’s class.



Bellingham Middle School students Lily Crawford, MacKenzie Pouliot, and Sophie Belanger perform the introduction for their Egypt project May 16

## **Board Reviewing 2019 ABMI-TV Scholar Applications**

The ABMI Board of Directors is currently in the process of considering several applications from students in Bellingham and Mendon for the ABMI \$1,000 scholarships for 2019.

One scholarship 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.

### **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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## **ABMI Board of Directors**

### **President**

Tracy Aicardi  
*Bellingham*

### **Vice-President**

Diane Mela Souvanna  
*Mendon*

### **Treasurer**

Jereme Cooper  
*Bellingham*

### **Secretary**

Sue Carlson  
*Bellingham*

### **Member**

Earl Pearlman  
*Mendon*

*Next Meeting  
Mon. Sept. 9, 2019  
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](mailto: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](http://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.

