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Steve Saraceno**

'Blast from the Past' Legends Show and Dinner

Impersonators of Madonna, James Brown, Tina Turner, Lionel Ritchie and other stars take the stage Friday, May 10 and Saturday, May 11 at the Coachmen's Lodge in Bellingham to help raise money for the Oliva Fund for Milford Regional Hospital Dana-Farber Cancer Center

Tickets for both shows are available at 508-380-5709. \$100 donation includes cocktail hour, dinner, dessert and entertainment.

ANNUAL SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE IN BELLINGHAM

"Cancer patients we will never let you walk alone"- Tony Khoury

Presents

BLAST FROM THE PAST Legends Show and Dinner Dance

Featuring impersonators performing the songs of



Madonna, James Brown, Cher, Tina Turner, Steve Perry, Prince, Lionel Richie

You will dance, you will eat, you will sing!



Jeffrey Thomas
featuring the ultimate band



Friday May 10th and Saturday May 11th

6:00 Cocktails 7:00 Dinner/Show

Coachmens Lodge, Bellingham, Ma

Donation: \$100.00 Includes: Cocktail hour, dinner, dessert, and entertainment.

Tickets available @ Velace Bridal, Bellingham (508)966-0091

Also by contacting Tony Khoury (508)380-5709

"Cancer Does Not Know And Does Not Care Who You Are" -Tony Khoury

All proceeds benefit The Oliva Fund

Board Inquires About Updating ABMI Messageboard at Route 140

At the March 15 meeting of the ABMI Board of Directors, Secretary Earl Pearlman asked about the updating of messages for the sign at the intersection of William Way and Route 140.

Station Manager Patrick Fleming said that Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman has been checking for upcoming events and posting them on the electronic sign. Pearlman suggested that the upcoming Mendon Town Meeting on May 3 might be a good message to post.

In other business, Board President Tracy Aicardi asked about the \$50 per month account protection plan at Rockland Trust. Fleming said that the service has worked well, already alerting him to one incidence of



possible fraud.

Fleming said he repaired some equipment in the Mendon Town Hall that wasn't working. He also replaced a TV monitor.

Pearlman asked about the "Blast from the Past" fundraising event posted on the video bulletin board. McMinniman said ABMI will try to cover the event. The station name will be listed in the program.

Fleming told Aicardi that Mendon does not currently have a video club but ABMI still supplies equipment when needed.

The next board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 9 at 6:15pm via Zoom.

That will also be the day of the Annual Membership Meeting.

The Board convened to Executive Session.



REGULAR SHOWS- ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

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

**BHS SPORTS -
1PM & 8M**

**MENDON SELECTMEN
9PM**

TUESDAY

**LOCAL SCHOOL COVERAGE
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

The BHS Girls Basketball team beat AMSA 36-31 in recent MIAA tournament play.



Mark Moon (left), owner of Sparetime Recreation in Whitinsville, chats with *Bowling for Scholars* producer Pete Royce (far right) and ABMI Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman regarding ways to promote candlepin bowling.



DiPietro School first graders celebrate St. Patrick's Day March 15.

A Q & A session recently took place at the Mendon Senior Center regarding the proposed new Senior and Community Center.



Bellingham Public Library Director Bernadette Rivard (left) helps organize the Eclipse Watch Party at the Middle School fields April 8.



Announcer Pete Royce interviews contestants during the shooting of the Season 2, Episode 2 installment of *Bowling for Scholars*.

BHS Spring Sports Preview on ABMI-TV

Producer Pete Royce interviewed several players from Bellingham High School spring track, baseball and softball teams recently.

The result is the *BHS Spring Sports Preview*, cablecast on the ABMI-TV Public Channel throughout the month of April. Check program listings at abmi8.org for current showtimes.



ABMI MENDON

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PUBLIC CHANNEL VERIZON 47**

**EDUCATION CHANNEL COMCAST 22
EDUCATION CHANNEL VERIZON 42**

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*Next Meeting
to take place
virtually by Zoom
Thurs. May 9*

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.

