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## Santa's Elves Telethon Slated for Tuesday, Dec. 3



*Local Scouts will be just one of the many community groups and individuals appearing on camera this year to deliver holiday greetings and drop off gifts and other donations for needy area families.*

## Women of Today organize their 27th 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 telethon hosted at the studio Dec. 3. Presented by co-hosts Linda Trudeau and Lynn Ulsh (who also organizes the telethon) the event features three hours worth of greetings from area schoolchildren, on-air donations from local community figures, holiday videos, live performances, and a special appearance by the big man, Santa Claus.

**"Always a fun show,"** notes ABMI Publicity Director Steve Saraceno. **"Lynn does a great job interviewing the kids and getting out to the schools to collect all the greetings -- she's been on-air host for over 10 years now. Linda has hosted for even longer -- it's a wonderful service to the community and really helps out a lot of families at an important time."**



# ABMI Board Approves New Membership For Upton Resident Theresa Sannicandro

At their Sept. 10 meeting, the ABMI Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve membership for Upton resident Theresa Sannicandro.

Because Sannicandro does not reside in Bellingham or Mendon, her membership was sponsored by Mike Shain, producer of *Real Estate Roundtable*.

Sannicandro told the board of her plans to host a new show on the topic of real estate. Board member Brian Sutherland asked if the show would be generic in nature. Sannicandro said it would be.

Sutherland and Station Manager Patrick Fleming told Sannicandro the show would have to be informational. They presented some examples of real estate situations she could use for her show.

In other business, Board Secretary Earl Pearlman asked Fleming whether *Veterans Oral History Project* producer Marjorie Turner Hollman knew about the budget available for the show. Fleming said he had already informed Hollman.

Board Vice-President Jereme Cooper asked about the two bills for landscaping services. Fleming said one bill was for mulch. The other bill was for trimming



the bushes around the building.

Board President Tracy Aicardi asked how the Oral History Project was coming along. Fleming reported two shows completed and that things were going well.

Sutherland said he plans to tape a public service announcement soon. He will come in to shoot that with Production Coordinator Erik Fischer.

Pearlman asked about the 1-800-GOT-JUNK service that came down to pick up items from the equipment room. Fleming said he cleaned out most of the junk from the room, including the old cabinets and an old EQ. Fleming said he also painted the room.

Fleming informed the board that the ABMI web service Lightway had been hacked, but Nick Russell quickly installed some new security to address the problem.

Cooper told Fischer that he should continue the Red Sox coverage. Fischer confirmed that he would.

In New Business, the real estate show to be produced by Sannicandro was discussed.

Fischer told the board the station website will gain new capabilities just as soon as Lightway finishes its upgrade.

The date for the next meeting was set for Nov. 12 at 6:15 p.m.



## REGULAR SHOWS

### ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

#### MONDAY

Noon & 8pm  
Theresa's Real Estate Review  
3pm & 7pm Talent Call USA

9pm - Mendon Board of Selectmen

#### TUESDAY

12:30pm & 6:30pm - Victory Assembly of God

1:30pm & 9pm - Bellingham-Mendon Veterans Oral History Project

3pm & 8pm - 30 Odd Minutes [8pm LIVE!]

#### WEDNESDAY

1pm & 7pm - In the Spotlight

4pm & 8pm  
The Garage

#### THURSDAY

1pm & 7pm  
Strictly Business

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY

11am & 5pm - Something Special

Noon & 6:pm - Real Estate Roundtable

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

# ABMI-TV on Location and In the Studio

**New England Patriots safety Devin McCourty visited Clough Elementary School in Mendon Sept. 17 to promote the 'Fuel Up to Play 60' challenge.**



**Over 500 kids listened to McCourty speak about the importance of eating nutrient-rich foods such as low-fat and fat-free dairy, fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. The goal of the 'Fuel Up to Play 60' program is to encourage youth to eat more healthily and achieve at least 60 minutes of exercise per day.**

**For the Sept. 26 taping of *People, Places, and Things*, Brian Sutherland (far right) interviews Vincent Hayes (far left), Mary Chaves (next to Hayes), and Jeanne Donnelly on the subject of the Hartford Ave. Adaptive Use Overlay District.**



**Right, a milk-moustached McCourty high-fives the Clough students after leading them in a walk around the school grounds.**



**Below left, Marjorie Turner Hollman (seated far right) chats with Bellingham Public Library Director Bernadette Rivard (far left) and Gopi Patel of ALOHA during an Oct. 30 taping of *Strictly Business*.**



### **Theresa's Real Estate Review Debuts on ABMI-TV**

A half-hour talk show exploring the ins-and-out of real estate and property management premiered in October, hosted by Upton resident Theresa Sannicandro. The show's first guest was attorney Thomas McLaughlin. *Theresa's Real Estate Review* is cablecast every Monday at noon and 8 p.m.

## **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  
Tues. Nov. 12 2013  
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). 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 the town government channels.



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