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DECEMBER 2007

The performance of **Hello, Dolly!** was a great success. All those long practices paid off! The students did a wonderful job and the audience was treated to a thoroughly enjoyable show. Even though the light board decided to blink out at the last minute, the lighting crew was still able to make all the necessary lighting changes during the production. Great work! The new personal microphones were a definite hit. They helped everyone in the audience hear every funny line and beautiful note. Thanks to the many people who helped make the production possible. So many people donated time, sewing ability, money, and props!

Special thanks to: The Golden Needle Quilters for their generous donation to the drama fund; Melinda Davies, Renee Hunkins, Pat Leary, Mickie Pagel, Joey Rehwinkle, and Carla Turzinski for sewing and/or beading costumes; The auditorium fund committee for their donation toward our new personal mics; Mike Seymour for helping us set up the mic system; Mrs. Dernbach for her supplies and ideas; Lorrie Ammel, Royal Gingery, Pat Leary, John Meyer, Miriam O'Keefe, Mickie Pagel, Tom Pieters, Sarah Pohl, Micki VanErt, Michelle Warzynski, and Esther Whitman for donating or loaning props, and Kim Warzynski.

CAST - In order of appearance

Ernestina - Carly Rast, Dolly Gallagher Levi-Justine Karaba, Ambrose Kemper Friday-Cameron Olson, Saturday - Kyle Bembenek, Horace VanderGelder-Ray Pieters, Ermengarde-Chelsea Gendusa, Cornelius Hackl - Adam Bradley, Barnaby Tucker-Brant Bickford, Minnie Fay-Datonn Ammel, Irene Malloy-Cassy Kollock, Rudolph Reisenweber-Braden Hunkins, Louie-Steven Swan, Hank-Levi Milanowski, Danny-Brian Upton, Manny-Chris Roeske, Stanley-Skylar Milanowski, Judge-Friday-Kyle Bembenek, Saturday-Cameron Olson, Chorus-Morgan Beigel, Camille Crahan, Dani Folan, Maddy Gutke, Jenny Holmes, Kelsey McIntee, Marissa Meddaugh, Naomi Rodriguez, Linsey Rodriquez, Brandi Romo, Cheyeanna Schober, Katie Schude, Dan Davenport, Steven Ellie, Ethan Meddaugh, Ethan Wasserburger, and Matt Weisner CREW

Stage Crew-Kyle Bembenek, Steven Ellie, Clint Fechtner, Chad Hawk, Ethan Meddaugh, Ray Pieters, Flats-Cassy Kollock, Lights and Sound - Chris Cordrey and Richard Domenget, Follow Spot-Jon Pieters, Camera-Andrew Parra, Curtain-Jeff Higgins AWESOME JOB TO ALL!





First Graders Show Compassion for our Community...



The first graders took a walk with their Jack-O-Lanterns in October and left them on doorsteps as a nice surprise when people got home.



we also stopped in to visit the friendly people that live at Sunset Manor. (Pictured with some of our Jack-O-Lanterns we left with them.



We stopped by to see Fireman Steve in the above picture.

A special thank you to Mr. Marchel, who donated over 50 pumpkins, and to the volunteers that came in and helped. We had the great experience of carving, and delivering them throughout the community.

First Graders Bake in the Spirit of Thanksgiving



During the morning of November 20th, the first graders were busy making banana bread from scratch. Thanks to several parent volunteers who either sent in the necessary ingredients or came in to run a group, our experience was a HUGE success. The students measured, mixed, and cleaned up with minimal help from their group leader.

On Wednesday morning, all the students got together to feast on their bread and delivered it to people around the school. What an awesome hands-on learning experience!!



MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

October Students of the Month

Students were honored last week for being selected as Student of the Month. From sixth grade, we honored Gunnar Larsen. He is always on task and exceeds expectations in class. He is a great role model. From seventh grade, we honored Baylee Voss. She does excellent work in class. She works hard and it pays off. From eighth grade, we honored Brady McIntee. He is attentive in class. He is conscious of his work and asks good questions in class. These students were selected by their teachers.



First Quarter Honorees

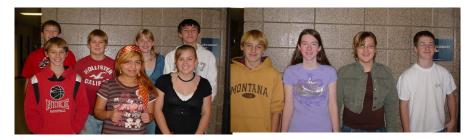
The following students were honored for a "clean" strike card. No strikes all quarter.



From the sixth grade: Kayla Smith, Anna Perin, Abbbigail Karpen, Meghan Varga, Evan Pagel, Ethan Yonbke, Shelby Swan, Tisan Barid, Ramiro Luna, McKenna Heck, Joe Beigel, Jewel Matke, Felicia Penza, and Carissa Perzinski.



Seventh grade above: Hayley Riske, Kristin Haferman, Destiny Dykes, Ashley Lucht, Heather Merila, Colter Stutesman, Kiara Turzinski, Baylee Voss, Avery Faeling and Marissa Warzynski,



8th Grade above: Jeff Kollock, Jerek Dake, Tyler Bunders, Taylor Bunders, Taylor Martines, Yordecy Lopez, Morgan Baar, Brady McIntee, Sorcia Rock, Jeanette Colombe, Brandon Lehman, and Nick Burns.

We're so proud of you fulfilling our student expectations by being responsible and respecting our school and yourself. Congratulations!

THANK YOU FROM THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR-DAN BOXX

As your new district administrator I would like to thank you for your support and interest in our school district. One of our goals remains constant. The Almond-Bancroft School District strives to promote an environment of acceptance, respect, and dignity among all students. I see positive examples of this each and every day in the actions of our students. I can attribute some of that success to our faculty and support staff that is very qualified and experienced at running a proven, successful educational operation. Their mission is clear, procedures are set, and most countless personal interactions run smoothly every day.

Parents and grandparents are another integral member of our team. Have you ever taken the time to think what the responsibilities are for parents who have children in school? From school shopping at the beginning of the school year, to attending all the activities and homework during the school year. The list is endless. For your efforts I thank you.

Another segment of the community I would like to thank is the members of the community who may not have students in school but still support our schools by attending activities and by financial means.

We can all share in the success of the Almond-Bancroft School District, I feel fortunate to serve in a community that is supportive of their schools and the students who attend them. It is only through the collective efforts of staff, faculty, administration, students, parents, the board of education, and community that this success is created.

Should you have any questions regarding our school district, or have suggestions please give me a call at 715.366.2941 extension 418. Thank you!



School Closing/Delay Announcements

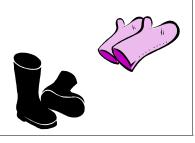
With winter soon to be upon us, we can anticipate the need to be prepared for occasional weather-related school closings or delays. Decisions to delay school will typically be for a twohour time period and will also cause a cancellation of the morning Early

Childhood program. Should school be canceled for the day or early in the afternoon, all extra curricular events/practices will also be canceled. Please tune in to one of the following stations to hear school closing/delay announcements.

<u>TV</u> Channel 7 WSAW Channel 9 WAOW <u>Radio</u> WKQH-FM 104.9, WYTE, WDUX-AM/FM 92.7, WFHR/WGLX-550, WSAU-AM WRIG-AM 1390, WDEZ-101.9, WOFM 94.7, WIZD 99.9, WIFC 95.5



Cold weather has arrived. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately for the cold and snow as they do have recess outside. Coat, hat, gloves, and boots.



FROM THE LIBRARY

A-B School to Receive \$12,457.33 in E-Rate Funds

Each year public schools across the country apply for E-Rate funds. The E-Rate (The Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism) provides discounts to assist public schools in their quest to obtain affordable Telecommunications and Internet Access. The Universal Service Program is administered by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). This corporation was appointed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to ensure that the benefits of telecommunications services reach as many students and communities as possible - especially small and rural schools such as ours. To be eligible, each school must have a Technology Plan in place and meet the requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) as directed by the FCC. Then the school must appoint a person to fill out a series of complex online forms and federal paperwork in order to apply for reimbursements and discounts on behalf of the school. This person may be the Computer/Technology Coordinator, the District Administrator, the Elementary or Secondary Principal, or in my case, the LMC Director. I am pleased to announce that the Almond-Bancroft School District will receive \$12,457.33 in discounts and reimbursements for Telecommunication and Internet bills for the time frame of 7-01-2007 through 6-30-2008.

November Donations

During this season of thanks, we extend our appreciation for the following groups and organizations for their gifts and donations to the LMC : **Rochelle Schultz** (magazines), **Donna McIntee** and **Melissa Vezina** (calendars & magazines), **Dannielle Manock** (art prints), the **Izaak Walton League/Bill Cook Chapter** (conservation & environmental books), **Barb Brehmer** (calendar), the **Reader's Digest Corporation** c/o the **Middle School** Fundraiser and **Bob Rohde** (\$250.00 in free magazine subscriptions for the school), retired **Air Force Colonel Gordon J. Johnson -** valedictorian of the Almond High School Class of 1948 and author at age 77 (for a copy of his book ...And the Stream Ran Dry: War, Immigration & Politics), and Ashley Takacs (*National Geographic: Young Explorer* magazines). Thank you all!

RIF - Reading is Fundamental

The next RIF distribution will be the week of Dec. 17-21st. Please call me at 366-2941, ext. 412, if you can volunteer your time to help distribute books. The Reading Is Fundamental Program prepares and motivates children to read by providing free books and literacy resources. It is the oldest and largest children's and family nonprofit literacy organization in the United States. Through community volunteers in every state, RIF provides 4.5 million children with over 16 million books and literacy resources each year. The Almond-Bancroft School also contributes funds for the students in our district.

All RIF programs combine three essential elements to foster children's literacy: reading motivation, family and community involvement, and the excitement of choosing free books to keep. This year our students have been very excited about their RIF books.



Library News Continued...

Books Are Fun "Win Big! Sweepstakes"

If you enter this contest, it's an opportunity to give your school library a wonderful donation. If you choose the BOOK GROUP PRIZE, you will get \$500.00 in a personal shopping spree and **the Almond-Bancroft School will get 7500 books (approx. retail value of \$150,500.00)** for the school LMC!!!!

TO ENTER: The Books Are Fun "Win Big! Sweepstakes" begins on October 22, 2007 and ends at 11:59:59 PM on December 31, 2007. Go to **The Books Are Fun** website: <u>http://bachj1.bafrep.com</u>, follow the on-screen instructions. Indicate in which Prize Group drawing you wish to participate. There are three Prize Groups available to enter: Travel Group (10 days at your choice of a resort or spa), Vehicle Group (a gas saving hybrid car plus gas for one year), or the Book Group (7500 Books for your local school & a \$500.00 shopping spree for yourself). You will only be entered for the prize drawing in which you have entered each day. You may enter in only one prize group each day. Limit one entry per person, per day. **ELIGIBILITY**: Sweepstakes is open only to legal residents of the 50 United States, 18 years of age or older as of date of entry. Employees of Sponsor, its parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, sales representatives, advertising, promotion, and judging agencies and members of

the immediate families or households of any of the above are NOT eligible to participate. See all the Official Rules at the web-site.

Note: NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE. A PURCHASE WILL NOT IN-CREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. VOID OUTSIDE THE 50 UNITED STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND CANADA. However, if you do order, you will receive a free gift with your first order, and you'll save up to 80% off retail prices.

If you have any questions or need more information, contact me. There's also a poster in my office with some additional info. *Feel free to enter the contest for the travel and/or car prize! You can enter more than once throughout the contest term - but only <u>once each day</u> up until <i>Dec. 31, 2007.* Good luck!

Halloween Contest Winners

The LMC had a coloring contest last month. It was organized by two LMC Science students: **Cassie Thompson** and **Kassandra Sanchez**. The elementary students could choose a picture to color, and each grade had a winner chosen for neatness and creativity. The winner were (left to right in the accompanying photo): **Yanira Carrizosa**/5th Grade, **Mitchell Trzabiatowski**/1st Grade, **Kristin Figueroa**/3rd Grade, **Kaitlynn Lehman**/4th Grade, and **Samantha La-Porte**/2nd Grade. Each winner received a Halloween Bag of Goodies donated by **Mickey Van Ert**, LMC & Secondary Teacher Aide. Their winning coloring pages are in display in the ELMC window. Congratulations to the winning artists!



Karin Mather, LMC Director

Safety Cadet News

By: Mrs. Upton, Safety Coordinator

It's hard to believe that December is right around the corner. We'll all be pulling on our snow boots before you know it! (not to mention our heavy winter coats, hats, gloves, and snow pants.)

I'm sad to say that we will have four less safety cadets out on duty for a short while because of grades, but hopefully with a little more studying and some hard work, they will be back joining us soon!

Our two students who are November's Safety Cadets of the Month are Natalie Romo and Teagan Vezina.

Both students have just been great this past month! Congratulations, Natalie and Teagan! Keep up the great work!

Just a reminder that <u>ALL</u> students, grades kindergarten through fifth grade, need to have a winter coat, hat, gloves, boots, and snow pants while they are out for recess. Please try to have your child bring these necessary clothing items to school before the first snowfall.



P.I.E. Minutes

On Tuesday, October 16, 2007 the PIE organization met and the following are the minutes:

Old Business: Menu for Open House will continue with the outdoor

grilling. The corn on the cob was a big hit and if available we will have it for next year. We will advertise the Open House and hopefully have a date where the volleyball team plays

at home and the pop Warner does not play away. Forty students

participated in the swim program and we will continue to offer the swim program in the fall.

New Business: The organization is looking for a cultural fest to bring to the school. We are also looking to replenish school supplies within the classroom.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 21, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Elementary LMC. Please plan to attend.

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT ON APRIL 1, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election is to be held in the School District of Almond-Bancroft on Tuesday, April 1, 2008. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office for school board members is three years beginning on Monday, April 28, 2008.

OFFICE

INCUMBENT

At Large

Jerry Dernbach

At Large

Gary Smith

Towns of Belmont, Rose, & Oasis Carol Ellie

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy must be filed no later than 5:00 P.M., on January 2, 2008 in the office of the school district or with the school district clerk.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that is a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2008.

Carol Ellie, Clerk

Almond-Bancroft School District 1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education **Meeting held in boardroom Almond School** <u>October 17, 2007 6:30 pm</u>

OPEN MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1) Call Meeting to Order by President

Roy Danforth called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

__Bradley __Danforth __Dernbach __Ellie __Guth __Wilson __Smith

All board members were present except Cathy Guth. Administrators present included Dan Boxx and Jeff Rykal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper was present. Members of the audience included Sandy Ciula, Roger Young, Lisa Vann, Holly Busse, Dana Nelson, Peg Doede, Mike Gerlach, Royal Gingery, SuAnn Pagel-Rast, and Linda McLarnan.

3) Proof of Posting of Meeting Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84

Dan Boxx reported that the meeting was posted according to statute.

4) Approval of Agenda

Number 2 Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum is amended as follows Olson is changed to Wilson. Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Gary Smith to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 5-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

There were no public appearances before the board.

6) Approval of Minutes

6A September 17th, 2007, 6:30 pm-Regular meeting of the Board Open and Closed Session

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Carol Ellie to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 5-0. 6B September 17th, 2007, 6:30 pm-Special Committee Meeting Closed Session (Negotiations Committee) Minutes approved in closed session.

6C August 15th, 2007-Closed Session Minutes

Minutes approved in closed session.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve the current expenses and vouchers. Motion carried 5-0.

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items

8A District Administrator Report

Third Friday count

The district's pupil count is 506. The count was improved this year by the addition of 4-year-old kindergarten.

Legislative updates

Nothing has changed since last meeting. Budget Updates

Currently we are being directed by the state to use last year's numbers for our revenue limit. Using last year's number means that the district would receive more money than what was proposed at the annual meeting.

SAGE

The proposed budget included \$140,000 for SAGE revenue. We now have better numbers and the total is \$146,000. The Governor has recommended changing the per pupil amount from \$2,000 to \$2,250. If the \$2,250 recommended number is passed into law this would create an additional \$24,250 for the school.

Food Service

The food service department has had record numbers this year. Breakfast was served to 148 students and staff. Lunch was served to 403 students, staff, and visitors.

8B PK-12 Principal Report

Report on school activities

There is one more piece of equipment that needs to be put together for the Bancroft playground. The bolts that were sent along with the equipment were too short. One of Bill Wagner's classes will be putting the equipment together when we get the correct bolts. 4 year-old Kindergarten is going very well. The fire department was at Bancroft elementary to teach the students about fire safety. The elementary classes participated in a "Pinwheels for Peace" program. They put 50 of the pinwheels in the ground around our sign. BABES was introduced to the students. BABES is part of the AODA program for young students. Monday Gilbert Brown spoke to grades 1 to 5 and the Middle School and High School football teams. Thanks goes to Kim Weiss's brother for setting up the assembly. At the secondary level Homecoming went well. The pep rally was a lot of fun. The band did well. Thanks go out to Lynne Dernbach, the Student Counsel, and teachers who judged the various competitions.

Updates on programs

Positive Action training for Class Action will start next week. There will also be trainings in December and January. Bob Rohde attended the Middle School math grant meeting. Reach Grant Leadership team in-service is 11-7-07 for half a day. Shane Dornfeld is leading the Middle School Alternative Ed grant-tutoring program and he is tutoring 8 to 15 students a night. Building updates

The concrete will be poured by the tech ed class this fall and the shed at the football field will be built by the tech ed class. Thank you to Pop Warner for donating a brand new paint sprayer to paint the football field. PIE open house went very well and will not be changing the menu for next year. Forty swimmers participated in the swim program. \$125 was donated by the Girl Scouts. PIE is looking to try to bring an assembly to the school involving a cultural fest day. January 21st, 2008 is their next meeting.

Report from Jerry Dernbach on Region 5 meeting

The budget was the biggest part of the discussion. No one really knows what's going to happen. There was a nonprofit program that would involve taping athletic games and then making them available to the public over the Internet. The contract term was very long and the responsibilities were unclear.

9) Policy Development and Review

Second reading of Electronic Surveillance System

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Gary Smith to approve the Electronic Surveillance System policy. Motion carried 5-0.

First reading of Drug-Free Workplace

10) Action Items

10A Approve resignation of Reid Hanson

Reid Hanson accepted a position at the Wausau School District. He would ask the boards approval to resign as of 11-9-07. Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Carol Ellie to approve Reid Hanson's resignation. Motion carried 5-0.

10B Senior Class Trip

The seniors would like to go to either Chicago or Minneapolis/ St. Paul. At the November meeting Mr. Rykal will bring the location and dates for the trip before the board. Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to table until the November board meeting. Motion carried 5-0. 10C Approval of the graduation date

May 25th, 2008 at 2:00 pm is the proposed graduation date and time for the Class of 2008. Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the date and time for graduation. Motion carried 5-0.

10D Recommend the following positions/personnel be approved:

Pom Pon-Edie Anderson, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Polka Band, Solo-Ensemble Band-Royal Gingery, Assistant Musical Director-Crystal Frank, MSBB-Taylor Dernbach, MSBB-Trevor Dernbach Part Time Custodial Position-Vern Le Bouton, Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the above positions/personnel. Motion carried 5-0.

10E Approve Youth Options for student to attend class at UWSP

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Gary Smith to approve youth options student to attend class at UWSP. Motion carried 4-0 with Debbie Bradley abstaining.

10F Discussion regarding changing date for November meeting

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve changing the date of the November board meeting to November 14, 2007. Motion carried 5-0.

11) Items for Signatures

12) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

Possible meeting to set levy on October 31st, 2007 at 6:30 pm Possible Negotiation Committee meeting on October 31st, 2007-prior to regular meeting 5:30 pm Regular Board of Education meeting Wednesday, November 14th, 2007 at 6:30 pm

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13) Roll Call-Adjournment to Closed Session

Consideration for movement into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), (e), and (f) of the Wisconsin Statutes to considering (c) job performance, compensation, and employment of a public employee over which the School Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; (e) competitive bargaining; and (f) to review personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories and data. AAEA and ABESPA negotiations update;

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, second by Jeanette Wilson to adjourn to closed session at 7:05 pm. Roll call vote 6-0.

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

14A Action on items discussed in closed session if necessary.

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, second by Jeanette Wilson to return to open session at 7:31 pm. Roll call vote 6-0.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm. Motion carried 5-0.



SCHOOL FOREST EDUCATION PLAN

The Carrie Frost School Forest Education Plan was presented at the teacher in-service on November 7. The plan must receive teacher and board approval. Teachers must approve the education plan from a grade-level standpoint - activities were selected based on the science curricula for grades K-8. The goal is to get as many students to the school forest as possible, at least once each year for the elementary and middle school grade levels. Once the plan is adopted by staff, we can begin to plan for facility improvements and so forth. If there are any community members who would like to join in and give input and assistance at the school forest, we would welcome any volunteer efforts. Please call Jeff Rykal or Kathie Plaisance at the school (366-2941) for information regarding the Carrie Frost School Forest.

Kathie Plaisance School Forest Coordinator

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

Once again the Booster Club will be hosting the 5th through 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Tournaments in January and February. There will be more information in the December newsletter.

The Booster Club will also be purchasing a large screen TV to be utilized by the coaching staff to review game tapes with the players. This will be an exciting new addition to the weight room.

We will once again be sponsoring the ads in the sports programs. If you have chosen the lucky program you will receive a prize to be announced during half-time of the basketball game.

As always, we would love to hear from the community, if you are interested in joining – we meet the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Board Room or you can contact us through the school web page or by phoning one of our officers: Jeff Yonke, Karen Warner or Renee Hunkins.

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRIC			
GENERAL FUND (FUND 10)	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
Beginning Fund Balance (Account 930 000)	1,397,373.00	1,405,213.00	1,413,235.00
Ending Fund Balance, Reserved (Acct. 931 000)	1,405,213.00	1,413,235.00	1,371,537.00
Ending Fund Balance, Designated (Acct. 932 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance, Unappropriated (Acct. 933 000)	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ENDING FUND BALANCE (ACCT. 930 000)	1,405,213.00	1,413,235.00	1,371,537.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
100 Transfers-in	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00
210 Taxes	894,094.00	972,858.00	986,042.0
240 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.0
260 Non-Capital Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
270 School Activity Income	7,045.00	6,290.00	6,290.0
280 Interest on Investments	16,435.00	34,166.00	35,175.00
290 Other Revenue, Local Sources	11,030.00	19,630.00	18,450.00
Subtotal Local Sources	928,604.00	1,032,944.00	1,045,957.00
Other School Districts Within Wisconsin			
310 Transit of Aids	0.00	0.00	0.00
340 Payments for Services	107,473.00	90,296.00	108,774.00
380 Medical Service Reimbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00
390 Other Inter-district, Within Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other School Districts within Wisconsin	107,473.00	90,296.00	108,774.00
Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin			
440 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
490 Other Inter-district, Outside Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other School Districts Outside Wisconsin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intermediate Sources	0.070.00	0.500.00	5 000 0
510 Transit of Aids	8,979.00	8,503.00	5,200.00
530 Payments for Services from CCDEB	0.00	0.00	0.00
540 Payments for Services from CESA	0.00	0.00	0.00
580 Medical Services Reimbursement 590 Other Intermediate Sources	7,000.00	8,379.00 0.00	7,000.00
Subtotal Intermediate Sources	15,979.00	16,882.00	12,200.00
State Sources	10,070.00	10,002.00	12,200.00
610 State Aid Categorical	46,170.00	53,553.00	51,455.00
620 State Aid General	3,261,232.00	3,266,323.00	3,339,184.00
630 DPI Special Project Grants	0.00	97,325.00	96,575.00
640 Payments for Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
650 Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE			
Grant)	142,000.00	150,000.00	146,000.00
660 Other State Revenue Through Local Units	2,897.00	2,846.00	2,800.00
690 Other Revenue	585.00	1,317.00	491.00
Subtotal State Sources	3,452,884.00	3,571,364.00	3,636,505.00
GENERAL FUND (FUND 10) Continued	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
Federal Sources			
710 Transit of Aids	0.00	0.00	0.00
720 Impact Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
730 DPI Special Project Grants	41,945.00	40,646.00	40,910.0
750 IASA Grants	113,429.00	113,818.00	86,478.00
760 JTPA	0.00	0.00	0.00
770 Other Federal Revenue Through Local Units	0.00	0.00	0.0
780 Other Federal Revenue Through State	0.00	0.00	0.0
790 Other Federal Revenue - Direct	82,465.00	80,899.00	82,334.0
Subtotal Federal Sources	237,839.00	235,363.00	209,722.00
Other Financing Sources			
850 Reorganization Settlement	0.00	0.00	0.0

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0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00
22,471.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	5,331.00
8,891.00	9,168.00	15,105.00
913.00	489.00	475.00
		2,000.00
		22,911.00
4,780,482.00	4,960,041.00	5,036,069.00
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SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDS (FUNDS 21, 23, 27, 29)	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
900 000 Ending Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	509,917.00	554,668.00	487,968.00
100 000 Instruction	314,498.00	330,273.00	275,100.00
200 000 Support Services	121,914.00	117,291.00	
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	73,505.00	107,104.00	91,389.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	509,917.00	554,668.00	487,968.00

DEBT SERVICE FUND (FUNDS 38, 39)	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	161,257.00	160,244.00	162,755.00
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCES	160,244.00	162,755.00	150,085.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	461,738.00	466,787.00	466,981.00
281 000 Long-Term Capital Debt	462,751.00	464,276.00	479,651.00
282 000 Refinancing	0.00	0.00	0.00
283 000 Operational Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
289 000 Other Long-Term General Obligation Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	462,751.00	464,276.00	479,651.00
842 000 INDEBTEDNESS, END OF YEAR	4,235,000.00	3,975,000.00	3,685,000.00

FOOD SERVICE FUND (FUND 50)	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	554.00
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE	0.00	554.00	554.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	202,938.00	202,491.00	217,401.00
200 000 Support Services	202,938.00	201,937.00	217,401.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	202,938.00	201,937.00	217,401.00

TRUST FUND (FUND 72, 73) ***	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008
900 000 Beginning Fund Balance	190,662.00	146,023.00	150,529.00
900 000 ENDING FUND BALANCE	146,023.00	150,529.00	155,729.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	8,377.00	79,598.00	72,525.00
200 000 Support Services	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	53,016.00	75,092.00	67,325.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	53,016.00	75,092.00	67,325.00

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses					
ALL FUNDS	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008		
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL FUNDS	6,001,264.00	6,247,992.00	6,330,112.00		
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	311,326.00	379,613.00	345,991.00		
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00		
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL FUNDS	5,689,938.00	5,868,379.00	5,984,121.00		
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – NET TOTAL FUND					
EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		0.03	0.02		

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY					
FUND	Audited 2005-2006	Unaudited 2006-2007	Budget 2007-2008		
General Fund	893,483.00	971,003.00	985,142.00		
Referendum Debt Service Fund	456,014.00	456,964.00	457,081.00		
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Community Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00		
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	1,349,497.00	1,427,967.00	1,442,223.00		
PERCENTAGE INCREASE					
TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		0.06	0.01		

The below listed new or discontinued programs have a financial impact on the proposed 2007-2008 budget:

DISCONTINUED PROGRAMS	FINANCIAL IMPACT
Matematica Grant	\$15,000.00
NEW PROGRAMS	FINANCIAL IMPACT
Alcohol Awareness Reduction Grant	\$66,634.00
Alternative Education Grant	\$96,200.00

This is the approved budget that was passed by the Board of Education at the October 31, 2007 board meeting . If you have any question s please feel free to call Dan Boxx, District Administrator at 715-366-2941 ext. 418.

ALMOND/BANCROFT FAMILY RESOURCE CTR. NEWSLETTER Centro de Recursos del Familias del condado de Portage

Almond High School Room (Cuarto) S325 Enter through Almond Elementary (Entre por la Escuela Elementaria Numero de telefono) 1-715-366-2882

November

Hello, Bueno, from your Almond/Bancroft Family Resource Center!

Bringing together moms, dads, grandmothers, grandfathers, and anyone else who wants to access "resources to support families" in the area.

Reuniendo madres, padres, abuelas, abuelos y cualquiera que desee obtener acceso sobre recursos para ayudar ha familias enel area.

ONCE, AGAIN...WHAT DO WE HAVE TO OFFER? QUE TENEMOS PARA OFRECER?

YOUR COMING UP EVENTS AND CLASSES PLAY GROUP:

Play Group provides a wonderful opportunity for your child to socialize with other young children and for you to talk with other parents you can relate to. Come as often as you can and relax and enjoy yourself while your child plays, has a snack, makes a craft and usually enjoys a story time. Wednesdays 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. No registration required.

We will be making Holiday decorations and have a holiday party on December 19th. No Play Group on December 26th.

A Special Thank You to Cathy Kunst for all of her Volunteer Hours in opening up the Center when I could not be there.

FAMILY FUN EVENTS:

Merry Masterpieces and Gifts

Join the Family Resource Center at the Bancroft School. Your children will create masterpieces that can be used as gifts or hang up on your holiday tree. You will want to bring pictures of your child/ren. Snack will be served.

Bancroft School

Monday, Dec. 3, 2007 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER BECAUSE OF ORDERING SPECIAL MATERIALS FOR THIS EVENT! Call (715) 366-2882 or after hours (715) 421-4635

Also....We are in great need of volunteers...Students! To help with the children. Remember, your volunteer time can be used as a reference for that important first real job.

Remember: The classes can be counted as continued education and Certificates are provided as needed. Look forward to the next Semester Newsletter with more 'teaching' workshops. One will be on Bullying. We will also be going to the Children's Museum, and be having another Puppet show. (Does the 4-K class want to be included?) Thanks for a great year at the Almond/Bancroft Family Resource. I hope everyone has a wonderful Holiday Season.

Call me at the Almond/Bancroft Family Resource Center at (715)366-2882

Jan Roth....your Family Resource Center Coordinator

Music Department Holiday Concerts

Mark your calendars for the Holiday Concerts of the Almond-Bancroft music department. The High School Band and Choirs will be performing for you on Dec. 6 at 7:30 PM in the Auditorium; and the Middle School Band and Choirs will be performing on Dec. 13 at 7:30 PM. The Elementary Holiday Concert will be Dec. 20 at 2:00 PM.

The High School Band and Choir will also be performing at the Portage County Health Care Center on Monday, Dec. 17, at 1:30 PM.

Almond-Bancroft Goes to Broadway...in Chicago!

On Dec. 15, 2007, 55 students, staff, and community members from the Almond-Bancroft school district will be descending on Chicago to see a performance of the hit Broadway musical WICKED at the Ford Center for Performing Arts. We want to thank everyone that has shown interest in participating in this trip, and apologize that tickets sold out so quickly. We are hoping to make another trip of it in the near future, provided the show is still running.

We do, however, have two other trips on the books for this school year. On February 21, 2008 we will be taking a trip to Wausau, WI to see a performance of the spirited New Orleans Jazz Orchestra. This group, under the leadership of Irvin Mayfield (protégé of Wynton Marsalis) will be performing music steeped in the tradition of New Orleans Jazz, blues, swing, and spirituals. Cost of the trip is \$10.00 and includes ticket and travel.

Our second trip will be on April 17, 2008 to see a performance of the African Children's Choir in Wausau. This wonderfully talented group of 7-11 year olds from Africa will delight the audience with traditional African music and dances steeped in the culture of their homeland. Cost of the trip is \$10.00 and

BOOSTER CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP



The Eagle Booster Club is proud

to announce that in addition to the many positive things that we do for our Student Athletes, we are going to undertake the challenge of raising money for the addition of bleachers to our sports complex. With the installation of permanent bleachers to our football field we would be able to host playoff games. Our current goal is to install one set of permanent bleachers and to purchase several portable sections of bleachers. The softball and baseball fans could then utilize the portable bleachers during the spring season.

We are hoping that community members and area businesses will come forward to help with the planning of the fundraising. We feel that this is a project that will impact not only the school but the community as well. Therefore, we would like as many community members as possible to participate.

If you are interested in helping us or if you have some ideas that you would like to share <u>please</u> contact us at one of the following: Jeff Yonke, President 366-7522, or Renee Hunkins, Secretary 366-2538 or off2ball@yahoo.com.

Thank you for continually supporting our student athletes and our community.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

The Friends of Music would like to thank everyone who attended the Spaghetti Dinner – your support is greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank: Jeanette Wilson; Kayla Smith; Anna Perrin; Mary, John Ross, and Evan Pagel; Pat Leary; and Connie Kaehn for their generous donations of time and supplies, without your help this dinner would not be possible.



HEALTH AND WELLNESS CORNER

We are proud to announce the introduction of the Almond-Bancroft Wellness Committee. Beginning with the '06-'07 school year, all schools who participate in the federally subsidized child nutrition program were required to establish a local wellness policy. The school wellness policy must be developed with involvement from the school board, school administrators, school food service representative, school staff, students, parents, and community members.

This is where we need your help! We are looking for people who would be interested in joining our wellness committee - you can be as involved as you like. Maybe, you can only meet once in awhile or maybe, you have time to commit to a monthly meeting. Yet others may only want to submit ideas or suggestions that could be used. It is completely up to you, but the more people who are involved, the more we can do to help our students, staff, and community.

We will be holding a brief informational meeting on Monday, December 17th, at 6pm in the auditorium. At this time there will be further explanation about the policy and information on the various sub-categories covered in the policy.

There will then be a meeting with Cathy Guth, Debbie Bradley, and Jeanette Wilson - the school board representatives; Connie Kaehn, the food service representative; and Jeff Rykal, the school administration representative on Monday, January 7th, 2008 at 6pm in the Board Room. This meeting is where we will begin to establish sub-committees.

Therefore, it is important that you attend the meeting on Dec. 17th, this will give you time to "digest" the information before the January meeting so we will all be on the same page!

	Calories	Grams of Fat
McDonald's French Fries – small	250	13
McDonald's French Fries – medium	380	20
McDonald's French Fries - large	570	30
Vegetable – Baked Potato (2 to 3 inches long Baked potato with 1 tbsp	i) 161	0.2
of butter (2-3 inches long)	261	12
Vegetable – Carrot (1 cup)	52	0.3
Vegetable – Green Beans (1 cup)	44	0.4
McDonald's side salad w/low-fat Italian dressing (1 cup)	80	2.5

DID YOU KNOW?

HEALTHY RECIPES

Pudding Pumpkin Pie (Prep: 15 minutes + chilling)

1 egg white, beaten

1 reduced-fat graham cracker crust (8 inches)

1 cup cold fat-free milk

1 package (1-1/2 ounce) sugar free instant vanilla pudding mix

1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin

1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice

 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp ground cinnamon

 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp ground nutmeg

1-1/2 cups reduced-fat whipped topping, divided

Brush egg white over crust. Bake at 375 degrees for 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool on wire rack. In a large bowl, whisk milk and pudding mix. Stir in pumpkin, pumpkin pie spice, cinnamon and nutmeg.

Fold in 1 cup whipped topping. Pour into crust. Refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight.

Cut into slices; dollop with remaining whipped topping. Refrigerate leftovers.

Skyward Family Access Update

Almond-Bancroft School's implementation of Skyward's Family Access is accessible by clicking the "Family/Student Access" link near the upper left corner of the school's web page at www.abschools.k12.wi.us.

Those of you with a Family Access Login ID and Password from last school year are still able to use that same Login ID and Password for your access (I have not implemented a mandatory change of either of these items).

If you completed one or more Family Access forms at the beginning of the school year and have a working Family Access Login ID and Password, I apologize for any miscommunication. You did not need to complete the Family Access form if you have a working Login ID and Password. Only **one initial form is needed per family** for gaining access to all of the family's students.

Just as it did last school year, your Family Access Login ID and Password will allow you access to information regarding each student you have enrolled in the District by using the drop menu near the top center of the screen to select your respective student(s).

In order for you to begin using this service, you will need to obtain a login and password. You may also use the "Almond-Bancroft School District" hyperlink on the Family Access Login screen to email a request for your password; however, please include your phone number and the best time to call for authorization purposes.

Each user's login and password is generated by the Skyward software; however, a Parent/ Guardian login and/or Password may be changed at anytime by utilizing the "Account Information" button located in the upper right corner of the Family Access screen, once you have successfully logged in. Please be certain to enter your email address in the Family Access system so you can use the "Forgot your login or password" hyperlink to retrieve your Login and/or Password when necessary. I apologize to those of you with uniontel.net email accounts that were unable to retrieve your login and password. Union Telephone's PostIni Anti-Spam service did not like the way the emails were being sent. The emails were successfully sent from the school, but never delivered to your uniontel.net email account. The problem has been fixed, so you can now successfully use the hyperlink to retrieve your information.

If you have any questions regarding Family Access, please contact Mr. Seymour at (715) 366-2941 x328, or click the "Almond-Bancroft School District" hyperlink on the Family Access web page to send me an email.

Sincerely,

Michael Seymour, Almond-Bancroft District Technology Coordinator

"Food Service Low Balance" Automated Email Notification from Family Access

Would you like to receive Email Notification if your Food Service Account Balance is under \$15.00 (this is \$5.00 prior to receiving letters from the District Food Service Secretary)? If so, please login to your Family Access account and subscribe to the "Food Service Low Balance" Email Notification. It is as easy as checking a box and saving the setting.

To subscribe to this service:

- (1) Login to your Family Access account by click the "Family/Student Access" link near the upper left corner of the school's web page at www.abschools.k12.wi.us.
- (2) Click the "Email Notifications" hyperlink on the left side of the screen,
- (3) Click the "**Change My Notifications**" button near the upper right corner of the screen,
- (4) Click in the "**Receive Notifications when Food Service Balance is under \$15.00**" check-box to select/check the service,
- (5) Click the "Save" button near the upper right corner of the screen.

If you wish to unsubscribe from this service at a later date, simply follow the above procedure, except remove the check from the "**Receive Notifications when Food Service Balance is under \$15.00**" check-box in Step (4).

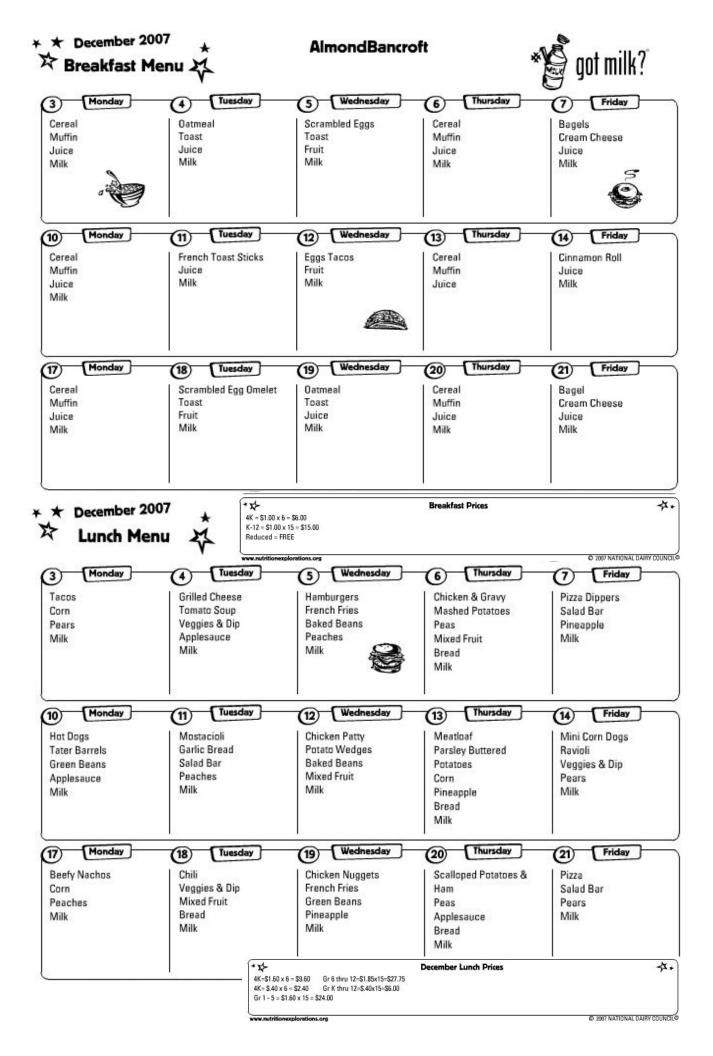
Please be certain to enter your email address in the Family Access system using the "Account Info" button near the upper right corner of the screen so you can: (1) use the "Forgot your login or password" hyperlink to retrieve your Login and/or Password, if necessary; and (2) receive Notifications when your Food Service Balance is under \$15.00, if you subscribe to this service.

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Sincerely, Michael Seymour Almond-Bancroft District Technology Coordinator

Great Drama Donations!

Blazers, suits, pinafores, blouses, fun hats, and a great parasol! Thank you's go out to Mickey VanErt and Esther Whitman for the donations to the drama department. Being able to dress in character really helps the students get into acting. Thank you for thinking of us!



December 2007 Eagle Activity Calendar						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Wrestling @ Necedah 8:30 am
2	3 MSBBB @ ST Pete's	4 BBB vs Wild Rose GBB vs Wild Rose (h)	5	6 MSBBB vs Rosholt Wrestling-Rosholt @ Plainfield 7pm HS Concert 7:30 pm	7 BBB @ Gresham GBB vs Gresham (h)	8 Wrestling @ Pittsville 8:30 am
9	10 MSBBB @ Wild Rose Action Planning Committee 7 pm	II GBB vs. Pacelli (h) Wrestling Poynette @ Plainfield 7 pm	12	13 Wrestling @ Bonduel 7 pm MS Concert 7:30 pm	14 BBB vs Bowler GBB @ Bowler	15 Wrestling @ Appleton West 8 am
16	17	18 BBB @ Tigerton GBB Tigerton (h)	19	20 Elementary Concert 2:00 pm	21 GBB @ Tigerton	22 winter begins
23/30	24/31 Christmas Eve- New Year's Eve	25 Christmas Day NO SC	26 CHOOL WINTE	27 Er break	28	29

If you receive your news- letter with a mailing label, please take a moment to check it for accuracy. If any corrections/changes need to be made please contact Melinda Davies in the District Office at 715-366-2941 ext. 422.	Almond-Bancroft School 1336 Elm St Almond, WI 54909	BOXHOLDE	Non-profit Org. US Postage Paid Almond. WI 54909 Permit #1 "PRSRTSTD." ECRWSS"	
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