

ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER 1336 ELM ST PHONE 715-366-2941 ALMOND, WI 54909 WWW.ABSCHOOLS.K12.WI.US

January 2013

<u>January</u> <u>Dates To</u> <u>Remember</u>

1/2-Welcome Back, School Resumes

1/16-Board Of Education Meeting, 6:30 PM

1/24-End of Semester

1/25-No School



<u>Almond-Bancroft</u> <u>School District</u> <u>Mission Statement</u>

The Almond-Bancroft School District, with support of families and community members, will provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which challenges and prepares each student for success today and tomorrow.

FREE ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT \equiv

Did you receive some new electronic devices during Winter Break? Are you wondering what to do with your old electronics devices? Good News! Almond-Bancroft Schools will be hosting a **FREE** electronics recycling event at the Almond school.

This event is FREE only for the accepted residential, household, and personal electronics listed below. Businesses wishing to recycle their

electronics can contact Michael Seymour at <u>mseymour@abschools.k12.wi.us</u> or 715-366-2941 x328 to request information regarding an opportunity to recycle their electronic devices.

WHEN AND WHERE?

The event will take place January 2, 2013 through January 12, 2013.

Week/School days (January 2nd – 4th and 7th – 11th):

- 8:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.
- At the Almond School (1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI 54909)
 - ◊ Please do not park directly in front of the Almond school
 - Please check-in at the Almond school office first so someone can assist you

Saturdays (January 5th and 12th):

- 10:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.
- At 824 Hi-School Street, Almond, WI 54909
 - At the two-car garage located behind the Almond school on the corner of Maple Street and Hi-School Street just northwest of the Shop entrance and dumpsters.

Items accepted for recycling at this event include: Computers, Keyboards, Mice, Monitors, Printers, Scanners, Modems, Routers, Firewalls, External/Internal Hard Drives, Memory Cards, Compact Flash Memory, Flash Drives, Digital Cameras, Video Cameras, Video Recorders, Movie Projectors, MP3 Players, Laptops, Tablets, Electronic Notepads, PDAs, Photocopiers, Fax Machines, VHS Players, CD Players, DVD Players, Blu-Ray Players, Stereos, Telephones, Cell Phones, Pagers, and Televisions.

<u>Please do NOT bring the following items to this event</u>: Washers/Dryers, Refrigerators, Freezers, Water Heaters, Ranges, Microwaves, Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Water Coolers, Fluorescent Light Bulbs, Ballasts, etc.

This event supports Wisconsin's Green Initiatives and No Landfill Policy regarding electronics recycling, and is being conducted through <u>Dynamic Recycling</u> from La Crosse, WI. Items recycled at the event are assured Complete Data Destruction compliant with both NIST 800-88 and Department of Defense 5220-22M standards.

All money/donations raised through this event will go towards the district's present IT needs.

Thank you, Michael Seymour Technology Coordinator

Middle School Students Of The Month



One student is honored from each grade within the Middle School for their overall excellence as a student every month. These students are selected based on their academic achievements and exceptional behavior during the school day. Achieving excellent performance for November, the Students of the Month include the following: Yulissa Banda, Maizie Berry, and Dylan Bunders.

From the sixth grade we honored Yulissa Banda. Yulissa is always cheerful, hardworking, and smiling! She is conscientious toward others and consistently participates in class. She is a genuinely nice and respectful individual who exhibits a great deal of talent. Yulissa is respectful and strives to do her best. She is a great kid to have in class!

From the seventh grade we honored Maizie Berry. Maizie always works hard to do her best. She is energetic, cheerful, and always willing to lend a hand. Maizie keeps herself organized and is prepared for the school day. She is fun-loving making her enjoyable to have in class!

From the eighth grade we honored Dylan Bunders. Dylan consistently works well with others, but challenges himself to complete his work on his own! He pushes himself to succeed, making him a wonderful role model for other students. He is respectful and excels in everything that he does. He is very conscientious of his school work and grades. He is dedicated and hardworking and exhibits qualities of a good leader.

> Thank you for your hard work, Congratulations!

ATTENTION

If your child is absent from school, please call the Attendance Office at 366-2941 extension 108 **before 9:00 a.m.**



AUSENCIAS Si su hijo(a) esta ausente usted es responsable de llamar la Escuela de Almond-Bancroft antes de las 9:00 a.m. al 715-366-2941 Ext. 101

High School Student Of The Week November 26-30



Janessa always comes to class with a positive attitude and does what is asked of her. She works to her full potential in all of her course work and participates in class. She completes all of her work on time and asks for clarification when she does not understand. She is a joy to have in class. ~ *Mrs. Gille*

High School Student Of The Week December 3-7



Sam Ristau is my student of the week because she has a great personality and a wonderful sense of humor. She is always there to help me when I ask and even when I don't. This year Sam set certain goals for herself and I am proud to say that she is certainly meeting them. ~ *Mrs. Huebner*

Growing Friendships with Poland

Mrs. Negro's third graders, along with Mrs. Ramczyk's and Mrs. Ambrose's first graders, have been building some new friendships. Through modern technology and live video SKYPE chats, the students have been sharing and interacting with the students in Gulcz. During the month of December, every Monday morning at 8:00 a.m. our time (3:00 p.m. Poland time) we have either shared something about our holiday traditions or they have shared something about theirs. This has been a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn first-hand about the customs that are celebrated by another culture. We look forward to many more sharing and learning opportunities with our new friends.

A second SKYPE video chat, with our friend Dariusz Czapiewski (Darek), has the students learning Polish. Dariusz lives in Warsaw and volunteered during one of our tours to help teach our students some Polish. This is a great opportunity for our students to hear both languages and engage in conversation directly with him. As the year goes on it will be exciting to see how much the students will learn and recall from these lessons!

If you are interested in learning more about Poland or about our SKYPE connections, please contact either Amanda Negro at ext. 111 or Brenda Ramczyk at ext. 118. We'd be more than happy to share with you or have you come in and see first-hand what our technology is allowing us to experience!

Art Department News, Mrs. Lynne Dernbach

Do you love to quilt, sew, knit, paint, etc. Would you be willing to share your interests with some of our high school students? The High School Art Department has a new class, CRAFTS, starting 1st Hour, second semester. We will be exploring and trying all kinds of different art crafts. We are looking for people in the district to come in and share knowledge of their favorite crafts. If you are interested , please give Lynne Dernbach a call, 715-366-2941 ext. 324. Your support would be appreciated.

News From Lisa Vann, Spanish Teacher & English as a Second Language Coordinator

In January parents who's children were selected for our IXL Math lab will receive a letter that includes a website and a login. This website will allow you to see your son's/daughter's progress in Math. Please feel free to dial <u>715-366-3941</u> ext. 310 if you have any questions once you receive the login.

The purpose of the lab is to help students to progress in Math, in their grade level, at home, and at school. This also allows your family to monitor his/her progress and speak with his/her Math teacher about the development of mathematical skills. You may access the login from anywhere that has internet access. Easy to read charts allow for more communication about your child's results to occur during conferences.

Sincerely - Lisa Vann

Hunter Safety Class Offered

The Almond Rod and Gun Club will sponsor a hunter safety education class for area youth and adults.

Classes will be held in the Almond-Bancroft High School auditorium starting at 8:00 am Saturday, March 2nd. The program will run Thursdays and Saturdays for six weeks, ending on Saturday, April 6th.

Registration will begin at 8:00 am <u>sharp</u> on March 2nd. Students under 18 years of age <u>must have</u> a parent or legal guardian with them to register. The cost is \$10 per student. After registration that morning, we will begin teaching the course. Students will be dismissed at about 11:00 am.

Students will be required to have a DNR customer ID number before graduating from the course. Students can obtain a DNR ID# by calling 1-888-936-7463 from 7 am to 10 pm, or they can visit a DNR service center during regularly scheduled hours.

If you have any questions, please call Gene Reineking at 715-366-7863.

Girl Scout News

It's that time of year again! GIRL SCOUT COOKIES! Our initial sale begins January 11th and runs through January 27th. Our troop is small (but mighty) this year, so if you aren't contacted by a Girl Scout and the 27th has come and gone, please let me know and we will get you some cookies! We do have a new flavor this year to try : Mango Creme, YUM!

Each box of cookies is \$3.50 and the money earned by the troop and council goes toward funding our many camps, programs, series, and other educational workshops. Did you know that the cookie program is the world's LARGEST entirely girl-led business? AMAZING! Please support these young ladies in reaching their goals so we can continue to serve our communities and make the world a better place.

Check out next month's newsletter for more Girl Scout News :)

Jaimie Winn **Troup Leader** 715-366-4446



Kindergarten and First grade Daisy troop leader and co-leader needed!

airl scouts Girls are waiting to join a Daisy troop at Almond-Bancroft, we just need volunteers to help make the troop 1912-2012 happen! Your daughter can join a troop and meet regularly with other girls and their parents to participate in exciting activities, make a difference in your community, and have lots of fun. Watch her as she builds self-esteem and begins to realize her full and amazing potential while establishing lasting friendships. Girl Scouts is a unique opportunity to spend time with your daughter and her friends. Volunteer resources and training are provided. It's not too late to get a Daisy troop going and help the girls in your community build their courage, confidence and character!

Contact Rachel Swedberg to learn more 1-888-747-6945 or rswedberg@gsnwgl.org

HELP NEEDED!

The Almond-Bancroft Music Department is in dire need of help from the community! We are hosting the annual WSMA District Solo & Ensemble Festival this academic school year on Saturday February 23, 2013. In order for this festival to run smoothly we need many volunteers to help in the following ways:

Door monitors, Runners, Set up (move pianos, set up performance sites, hang up signs etc.), Take down, Kitchen service, Hospitality room, Headquarters personnel

If you are interested in volunteering your time or have any questions please contact one of the following: Crystal Frank (715-366-2941 x124) or cfrank@abschools.k12.wi.us Mary Nowinski (715-366-2941 x326) or mschmidt@abschools.k12.wi.us



SINGING BIRTHDAY GRAMS

A-B High School will deliver singing Happy Birthday Telegrams to your favorite Student/Staff member on their birthday! Please allow a 24 hour notice before delivery. These are packages you may select from:

Standard: (\$5.00) Happy Birthday balloon on party stick decorated with ribbon, card, and a round lollipop

Extras _____ Stuffed A-B Eagle (\$5.00) Green & White Pom-Pom (\$2.00 each) Birthday Tiara or Hat (\$1.00) Beads (\$1.00/3)

_____ A-B stocking hat (\$5.00) _____ A-B Birthday Pen (\$2.00 each) _____ Extra lollipop (\$1.00 each) Smencil (\$1.00 each)



Student Name:_____ Birthday:_____ Grade:_____ Special Message:





To view order form in color go to www.abschools.k12.wi.us, on left menu under Clubs & Groups, A-B Student Council

*Orders are due by 1/21/13.

January Eagles Athletic Events

1/4-HS Wrestling Multi-Meet @ Manawa, 6:00 pm -HS Boys BB Home vs. Tri-County, JV @ 4:40 pm V @ 8:00 pm -HS Girls BB @ Port Edwards, JV @ 4:40 pm V @ 6:15 pm 1/5-HS Wrestling Tournament @ Manawa 9:00 am -HS Hockey @ Baraboo 1:00 pm 1/7-MS Girls BB @ Westfield, 4:30 pm -HS Hockey @ Rhinelander 7:00 pm 1/8-HS Boys BB Home vs. Bowler, 6:00 pm -HS Girls BB @ Bowler, 6:00 pm 1/10-MS Girls BB Home vs. Amherst, 5:30 pm -HS Wrestling Home vs. Manawa, 7:00 pm 1/11-HS Boys BB Home vs. Marion, 6:00 pm -HS Girls BB @ Marion, 6:00 pm 1/12-HS Wrestling Tournament @ Merrill, 9:00 am -HS Hockey @ Barron 1:00 pm 1/14-MS Girls BB @ Iola, 5:30 pm 1/15-HS Girls BB Home vs. Port Edwards, 6:00 pm -HS Boys BB @ Port Edwards, 6:00 pm -MS Wrestling @ Wild Rose 6:00 pm -HS Wrestling @ Spencer, 7:00 pm -HS Hockey @ Rhinelander 7:00 pm 1/17-MS Girls BB Home vs. Port Edwards, 5:30 pm 1/18-HS Girls BB Home vs. Rosholt, 6:00 pm -HS Boys BB @ Rosholt, 6:00 pm 1/19-HS Wrestling Multi-Meet @ Rosholt, 10:00 am -HS Boys BB @ JustAgame Fieldhouse, 3:00 pm 1/21-MS Girls BB Home vs. Westfield, 5:00 pm 1/22-HS Girls BB Home vs. Gresham, 6:00 pm -HS Boys BB @ Gresham, 6:00 pm 1/24-HS Boys BB Home vs. Wild Rose, 6:00 pm -HS Wrestling @ Amherst, 6:00 pm -HS Hockey @ Tomahawk TBD 1/25-HS Girls BB @ Wild Rose, 6:00 pm 1/28-MS Girls BB Home vs. Rosholt, 5:30 pm 1/29-MS Girls BB @ Tri-County, 5:30 pm -MS Wrestling @ Pacelli 6:00 pm 1/31-MS Girls BB @ Wild Rose, 5:30 pm



200 WINS FOR COACH LAMB!

It was a milestone night for the Almond-Bancroft High School boys basketball program on Friday, December 7th. Playing on our home court against Gresham, the Eagles picked up their fourth win of the season, beating the Wildcats 50-49 in nail biting fashion to give Coach Curt Lamb his 200th career victory. Congratulations to Coach Lamb and the Eagles boys basketball program on your accomplishment.

Engle Booster Club 4th Annual Boliday Invitational

Thursday, December 27-West Gym

2:45 p.m.-Varsity Girls: Manawa vs. Stratford 4:30 p.m.-Varsity Boys: Wisconsin Valley Lutheran vs. Northland Lutheran 6:15 p.m.-Varsity Girls: Almond-Bancroft vs. Wisconsin Valley Lutheran 8:00 p.m.-Varsity Boys: Almond-Bancroft vs. Manawa Thursday, December 27-East Gym 2:45 p.m.-JV Boys: Wisconsin Valley Lutheran vs. Northland Lutheran 4:30 p.m.-JV Girls: Manawa vs. Stratford 6:15 p.m.-JV Boys: Almond-Bancroft vs. Manawa 8:00 p.m.-JV Girls: Almond-Bancroft vs. Princeton/Green Lake Friday, December 28-West Gym 2:45 p.m.-Varsity Girls: Consolation Game 4:30 p.m.-Varsity Boys: Consolation Game All Day Tickets: 6:15 p.m.-Varsity Girls: Championship Game Adults: \$5.00 8:00 p.m.-Varsity Boys: Championship Game Students: \$3.00 Friday, December 28-East Gym Kids 5 and Under Free 2:45 p.m.-JV Boys: Consolation Game Almond-Bancroft 4:30 p.m.-JV Girls: Consolation Game Students Free 6:15 p.m.-JV Boys: Championship Game 8:00 p.m.-JV Girls: Championship Game



January 4, 2013 A-B vs. TC Come support both the Boys and Girls Basketball programs at Almond-Bancroft.

East Gym: JV Girls 4:40 pm - West Gym: JV Boys 4:40 pm West Gym: Varsity Girls 6:15 pm - West Gym: Varsity Boys 8:00 pm

Almond-Bancroft Boys Basketball at JustAgame Fieldhouse in Wisconsin Dells

On January 19th 2013 the Almond-Bancroft boys basketball team will travel to Wisconsin Dells to play Wauzeka-Steuben at JustAgame Fieldhouse in the new Court of Champions.

The Court of Champions is a college length court with seating for 1,700 fans. High school athletes and fans will experience a college environment at JustAgame Fieldhouse located in Downtown Wisconsin Dells.

Entertainment, full concessions, comfortable seating and the Wisconsin Basketball Hall of Fame are just a few of the amenities that fans will enjoy while visiting the Court of Champions.

Boys JV game will start at 3:00 PM followed by the Varsity game at 4:45 PM. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

8th Grade Basketbal





Back (L to R): Coach Baumgartner, Jaime Banda, Wyatt Richtmyre, Dylan Bunders, Gavin Heinz, Miguel Diaz-Barriga, Coach Dernbach Front: Manger Baumgartner, Matt Helmrick, Migurl Velazquez, Joe Dorgan, Carter Newby, Colton Stanislawski,







Back (L to R): Coach Baumgartner, Nate Coon, Emmett Stanislawski, Derek Baumgartner, Garrett Stanislawski, Noah Kollock, Coach Dernbach Front: Cade Lamb, Zachary Bunders, Jon Perrin

Team Photos by Lynn Hintz Photography

End of Season Comments from Middle School Coaching Staff.....

The 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams recently completed a very successful season. The 7th graders, with help from four sixth graders, finished 9-2. Although they were undersized in most games they used their speed, quickness, and shooting ability to dominate most games. The 8th graders finished a perfect 11-0. The combination of size, toughness, and basketball IQ, was too much for all of their opponents this year. Obviously, great coaching at both levels was a major factor as well :-)

Thanks to both teams for their hard work and dedication.

Coach Dernbach and Coach Baumgartner

COMMUNITY NEWS!

More information can be found on the AB website - Family Resources

Community Education Updates

WeightWatchers

ealth Solutions

We will be hosting a Weight Watchers meeting every Thursday in room S325 (by the band room); weigh –in starting at 5:30,

meeting will begin at 6 pm. Receive advice, build a supportive network and find the motivation you need to build a healthy lifestyle in each meeting. You can stop in during a meeting to see what it is all about before signing up for the program. Estimated cost will be \$156 for 3 months of weekly meetings.

Walkers Club: Need a place to walk and someone to walk with this winter? Become apart of the AB Walker Club by walking any time before 6:30 pm Monday-Thursday in the Almond School. Please sign-in outside of the weight room before walking.

Fitness Class: Join free adult fitness class in the choir room! Monday's @ 4 pm will be Zumba with Jamie Winn and Wednesday @ 5:30 will be Tae Bo with Jen Grezenski. If you would like to host a fitness class or place a request for a specific class please contact Jen Grezenski.

Jen Grezenski, AmeriCorps Member for Almond-Bancroft: jgrezenski@abschools.k12.wi.us / 715-366-2941 ext. 323

COMMUNITY CLOSET



The community closet is available again this year. It will be open on the

2nd Tuesday of every month from 5:30-7 pm in the Elementary Library. The community closet is an opportunity for Almond and Bancroft residents to select clothing for all ages for free. Stop in on **January 8**, **2013** to check it out!

*We can no longer accept donated clothing as our closet is full to capacity at this time.



A.C.E.S is sponsoring <u>FOUR</u> ski trips for the month of January!

Contact: Mrs. Ramczyk or Mrs. Negro if interested, 715.366.2941 ext. 118 or 111 bramczyk@abschools.k12.wi.us or anegro@abschools.k12.wi.us

Lift Tickets cost \$32 for <u>ALL</u> 4 trips. Ski and Helmet Rental cost \$44 for <u>ALL</u> 4 trips.

Wednesday's 2 for 1 Tubing Special \$14.00 for two guests per night!

Must provide your own transportation

January 9th January 16th January 23rd January 30th

Ski Wednesdays

COME SNOWBOARD, SKI, OR TUBING!



Almond-Bancroft Menus, Jan					Breakfast Menu
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Th	ursday	Friday
Juice or Fresh Fruit Served Daily with Breakfast		2 Pancake Wra Sausage	opped Bro	eakfast Pizza	4 Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt
7 Ham & Cheese Breakfast Bar	8 Egg Omelet, Toa	9 st Box Breakfas	t fre	ench Toast Sticks	11 Bagel, Yogurt
14 Breakfast Bagel	15 Oatmeal, Toast	16 Pancake Wra Sausage	ipped Bo	x Breakfast	18 Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt
21 Breakfast Pizza	22 Egg Omelet, Toa	23 st Box Breakfas	t Fre	ench Toast Sticks	25 Bagel, Yogurt
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2122Hamburger, FrenchTaco SaladFries		23 Roast Bee Seasoned	ef Sandwich, Rice	24 Chicken Gravy, Mashed Potatoes	25 Chicken Fajita
28 Chicken Nuggets, Wedges	29 Beef Gravy, N Potatoes	30 Aashed Mostaccio Bar	oli, Garden	31 BBQ Pork Riblet, French Fries	
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From the Desk of Pat Leary

Wishing you a very happy holiday season. We all want 2013 to be the healthiest ever, so I thought you might enjoy this recipe for a new healthy winter fruit salad.

Remember it is important to keep your lunch bill paid up, I know everyone is so busy this time of year so it's just a little reminder.

Festive Fruit Salad

2 cans Pineapple Tidbits in juice
1 small package Sugar Free Lemon Pudding
2 cans Tropical Fruit drained
2 large cans Mandarin Oranges
3-4 Apples cored, unpeeled and diced
Pour pineapple and juice in bowl add lemon pudding and mix well. Add the drained tropical fruit, mandarin oranges, and diced apples. Stir and refrigerate until needed.

Enjoy!

Pat Leary, Connie Kaehn, Teresa Gutke, & Trina Warzynski "This institution is an equal opportunity provider"

BAD WEATHER...IS SCHOOL IN SESSION?

This is a question that can be answered by turning on your TV's to channel 9 (WAOW) or channel 7 (WSAW). If you prefer to listen to the radio, it will be broadcast on Y106.5-FM, 96.7-FM, 107.9-FM, WGLX -103.3-FM, 109.7-FM, and WDUX -800-AM / 92.7-FM. Also, Almond-Bancroft Schools has an **Emergency Alert Notification System** in place which will send an automated call, in the event of a school closing, to the phone numbers you provide. **To register log on to the school web-site**, <u>http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us</u> and follow the instructions or call, 715-366-2941 x 422 and provide your name and up to four contact numbers.



YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE!

Only \$42 for a year's worth of memories!

If you would like to purchase a 2012-13 yearbook, send a check written out to *A-B Schools* to Ms. Stiebs, yearbook advisor or order online by using the link on the school's homepage.

Your student will greatly appreciate this book upon delivery this August, and will appreciate it even more years from now.

If you would like to submit any pictures for this year's book, please do so by creating an account and submitting them to <u>www.replayit.com</u>

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