



**ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER**  
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*June 2009*

*Notes from the Administrator....*

June Dates  
To Remember

6/3 - MS Awards/8th  
Grade Promotion  
1 pm

6/4 - Last Day Of  
School,  
Early Release  
Elementary Awards  
Grades 3-5 10 am

6/8 - 1st Day Of  
Summer School

6/17 - Board Of  
Education Meeting  
6:30 pm



**ATTENTION:**

Parents that intend to send their children to the 4 Year-Old Kindergarten, or 5 Year-Old Kindergarten, that have not registered, please call Sandy Barden at 366-2941 ext 329 as soon as possible.

As I complete my second year in the Almond-Bancroft School District I am already anxious to get things started for next year. We will be looking to expand class offerings, strengthen our reading program, and continue to work toward meeting the needs of our students. One of our goals will be to provide the "Complete Education" for our students. Recently I had the opportunity to attend an educational conference in Appleton. I would like to share the information that was presented and discussed. The presenter was Ian Jukes, Director of The InfoSavvy Group of British Columbia, Canada. Mr. Jukes specializes in curriculum development. He works closely with Ted McCain who is Coordinator of Instructional Technology for Maple Ridge Secondary School in Vancouver, B.C. The question that was asked is "What is a Complete Education?". First is the acculturation of an individual, which simply means passing on the accumulated knowledge and wisdom of our society to the next generation. Students begin by learning basic skills, such as reading, so they explore and comprehend the wealth of materials and literature. Examples of a complete education would include:

- An understanding of history, geography, local as well as global.
- Exposure to the languages, customs, and beliefs of cultures around the world.
- An understanding of how government functions at all levels.
- An understanding of the environment.
- Skill in mathematical calculations.
- The ability to express one's ideas clearly in written and spoken form.
- Reading for reflection and personal enjoyment.
- Exposure to the creative expression of ideas through the visual and performing arts.
- Knowledge of how to take care of the body and having an appreciation for the concepts of healthy living and lifelong activity

This has been the focus of traditional education. This is not and cannot be the only essential component of a complete education. ***Acquisition of practical problem-solving skills*** is equally important to a complete education. This component will enable students to successfully apply their learning to real-life situations in the workplace and in their personal lives. We have not done a good job of addressing the second component of a complete education. We need to restructure instruction in such a way that traditional content in all subject areas can be delivered in such a way that students develop the practical problem-solving skills they need. We will be introducing this concept to our staff and community during the 2009-10 school year.

**The 2009 Community Survey** is a tool that will provide us with data that will assist us in making our district one that is better understood and will meet the needs of our students and community. I encourage you to take a moment and complete the survey which can be found on our school's website [www.abschools.k12.wi.us](http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us) or simply call Trina at 366.2941 extension 422 and request a copy be mailed to your attention. Please keep in mind that the survey is completely anonymous.

**Summer School 2009**

Hopefully you have signed up your child for the summer school program. If not make sure you call Trina and register your child.

Thank you,

Dan Boxx

**High School Student of the Week**

April 20 - 24



**Chad Hawk is my student-of-the-week because he is so willing to help, whether myself or other students. He always has a ready smile and really makes my day seem brighter. He has proven himself to be a hard worker and has shown self-discipline.**

**– Allison Huebner**

**High School Student of the Week**

April 27 – May 1, 2009



**My choice for student of the week is Trent Sullivan. Trent is a very polite student. Even though he is a little quiet, he is very nice and respectful to me and everyone in my classroom. He is very hard-working and very smart. He helps others when they struggle with a math problem and is willing to participate in class at any time. Trent is very deserving of this award.**

**– Sandy Karpen**

**High School Student of the Week**

May 4 – 8, 2009



**Tim Schafer is a super student with a pleasant personality. He consistently does well on his assignments and is willing to help other students in class when necessary. Tim is a pleasure to have in the classroom. Congratulations Tim and keep up the good work!**

**– Todd Knepfel**

**High School Student of the Week**

May 11 – 15, 2009



**Steven Swan is a pleasure to have in class. He is an excellent student and works very hard to accomplish his work. He is willing to ask questions when physics concepts are difficult and he is always willing to help other students understand concepts as well. Congrats Steven! - Pat Krueger**



The Sixth graders enrolled in Mr. Knepfel's Family and Consumer Education class are learning about the health risks associated with the use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs.

Students recently wrote letters to the editor of the school newsletter to help others become aware of the dangers of smoking.

Dear Editor,

In middle school we recently learned about the health risks and dangers of tobacco use. I want your readers to understand how dangerous tobacco really is, and if someone does smoke, I am including some tips to help them quit smoking.

1. You can get many kinds of cancer if you don't stop smoking.
2. Use Nicorette gum to stop smoking.
3. Work with a friend or other people to help each other stop smoking

Please don't smoke. If you don't smoke now, don't start. If you do smoke, please quit. Here are some ways you can quit using tobacco.

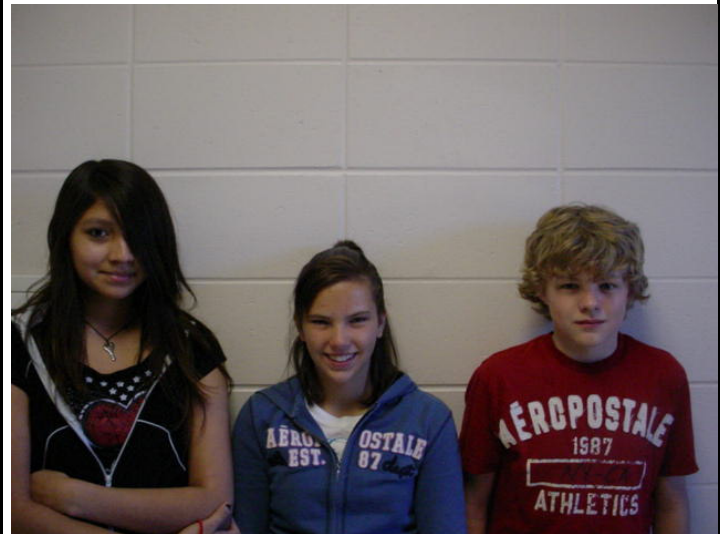
1. Think about what it will do to your body if you don't quit.
2. Have someone help or encourage you to quit.
3. Think about your friends and the people around you. Do they like you when you use tobacco?

Thank you for allowing me to share this information with your readers.

Sincerely,  
Teagan Heck  
6<sup>th</sup> grader at Almond-Bancroft School

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

### April Students of the Month



Students were honored in May for being selected as Student of the Month. From sixth grade, we honored Reegan Anderson. Reegan is a great student. He tries his best in all his classes and is willing to help other students. He always has a smile on his face. Reegan pays attention in class and is a pleasure to have in class. From seventh grade, we honored Carissa Perzinski. Carissa has an upbeat attitude and a smile on her face. She is willing to help other students when they seem to be struggling. Carissa works very hard and always tries her best. She has a good work ethic and she is a pleasure to have in class. From eighth grade, we honored Patricia Ramirez. Patricia is a very intelligent girl who works **really** hard. She is fun to be around. Patricia is a wonderful student to have in class.

CONGRATULATIONS

**You make us Proud!**

### Almond-Bancroft Youth Football & Cheerleading

Attention All Hawks.....

The first practice of the season  
will be on  
Monday, August 3rd!

Can't wait to see you there!



**It's not to late to sign up  
and join the fun!**

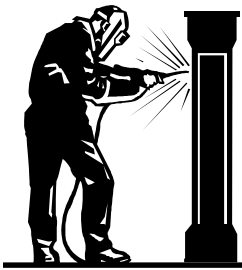
If you are entering grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>  
for the 2009-2010 school year,  
**you can still become a Hawk!**

If you would like to join contact  
Spence Bunders 366-4028, Scott Kollock 335-6631, or  
Brad Baumgartner 366-4900.

Football fees \$65.00 & Cheerleading Fees \$45.00

## A Really Cool Trip From the First Graders

Towards the end of the last few years, the first graders have taken a walking trip to Almond's Historical Building located on Main Street. This opportunity allows them to witness items and pictures from the past as it is related to our local area and ties it into the topics we have covered throughout the year in Social Studies. We would like to encourage everyone from the area to check out this wonderful local historical site during the upcoming summer, and witness it first hand. A huge thank you to all of the wonderful ladies, who have taken time out of their busy schedules to open up the building and provide us with a very informative tour. Your patience and support has been greatly appreciated.



### Job Sharing!

For the last month the first grade class has been learning about jobs in Social Studies. So we invited some great people to come in and share about all the different tasks they perform while working.

Our guests told the students what type of education, skills and how much responsibility they need to perform their job. We later went on a walking field trip to some of Almond's local businesses. On our field trip we stopped by Union Telephone Company, Almond Post Office, Premier Overhead Door, and Swan Oil. The first graders found that there are many different jobs that they can do when they grow up. The students would like to give a special thanks to all of the businesses they visited. A special thanks also goes out to the adults that came in to share about their jobs!

Thanks,  
The First Grade Teachers



### Bicycle Safety Rodeo

During the afternoon on May 19th the Portage County Sheriff's Department presented a Bicycle Safety Rodeo for 2nd through 4th grade students. The purpose of the rodeo was to promote and present bicycle safety to our children. Students learned how to tell if their bikes are the correct size for them and they had their helmets adjusted to fit them correctly. They learned hand signals and how to control their bikes. They practiced these skills on a simulated road course. Thank you to the Portage County Sheriff's Department and parent volunteers for this fun and educational safety presentation.



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### Safety Cadet News

By: Mrs. Upton, Safety Coordinator

May is a very busy month for the Safety Cadet Program. There are always two trips that happen this month. The first one is the Top Cadet trip which was on May 15th. Our top 12 cadets that were able to tour Wisconsin Dells were Macy Baird, Austin Bunders, Janessa Cisewski, Deana Clark, Joey Crahan, Kaitlynn Lehman, Kyle Merila, Christian Noth, Edgar Ramirez, Johl Turzinski, Blake Voss, and Kyle Warzynski. We all had a great time!

The other trip is also to Wisconsin Dells, but that one includes all Safety Cadets that are still in good standing. That trip is to the Riverview Water Park and every year it turns out to be a really fun time for the kids. This trip will take place on May 26th.

Both of these trips and all the activities that the Safety Cadets do are sponsored by the Portage County Sheriff's Department. A huge "Thank You" goes out to Sargeant Mike Lucas for all of your help and generosity with the Safety Cadet Program.

I hope that everyone has a very fun, relaxing, and safe summer. Enjoy your time off!

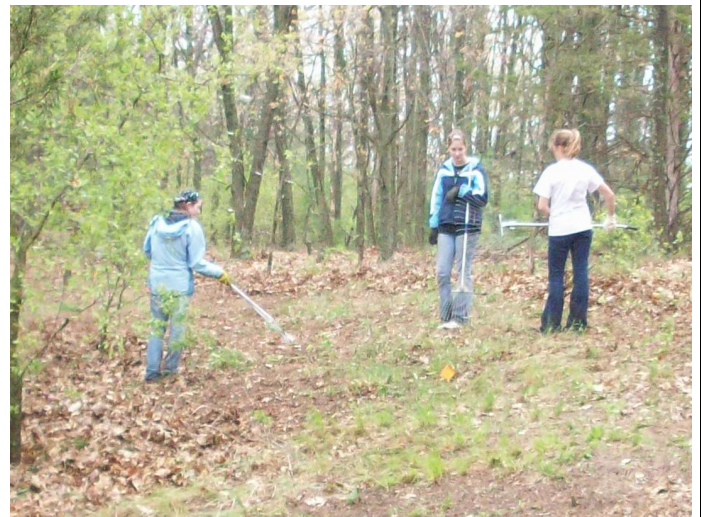


## A.C.E.S Club Helps Clear a Portion of the Ice Age Trail for People with Disabilities

On May 13th the Almond Bancroft Adventure Club with Environmental Services (A.C.E.S) started a community service project with the State Ice Age Trail Organization. The club spent the day clearing a trail near Bohn Lake in preparation for construction equipment to make more accessibility for nature lovers with a disability. **Six A.C.E.S members (Jeanette Colombe, Amber Hintz, Sorcia Rock, Sierra Stucker, Dominique Miner, Kevin Buckenberger, and the two advisors Mrs. Ramczyk and Mrs. Negro) along with the Ice Age Trail chapter**

**coordinator, Randy Lennartz raked leaves, moved woody debris and logs and pruned dead limbs on the new part of the trail.** During the day, Jenny Addis, an organizer of the project stopped by to see how the trail was coming along. The students worked very hard and had a wonderful day doing a service for others. At the end of the workday, they had a chance to walk the trail and enjoy the other side of the lake.

**If you are interested in helping with donations or providing future activities for the club, please contact advisors Mrs. Brenda Ramczyk or Mrs. Amanda Negro.**



### Thank You – Thank You – Thank You, From The Class of 2012

The Freshman Class would like to thank: those who helped grill the potatoes and chicken and make the coleslaw, the American Legion for allowing us to assemble our dinners in their building, parents and students who sold tickets and to those who helped assemble the dinners, and a big thank you to the community for supporting this fundraiser. We hope to see you again for another delicious chicken dinner next fall.

The Freshman Class would also like to thank all the people who came out on a very windy day to purchase plants at our May plant sale fundraiser.

The class of 2012 greatly appreciates your support!

Almond-Bancroft  
School District  
would like to thank  
Scott and Diane Kollock  
of Vista Royale Campground

Who made a generous  
donation to the  
Almond-Bancroft  
weight training facility.

Your donation will be greatly appreciated by the students at Almond-Bancroft.





Almond-Bancroft Athletic  
Award Winners

Three Sport Award

Graham Barden  
Cameron Olson  
Chelsea Gendusa  
Matt Wiesner  
Marrissa Meddaugh  
Camile Crahan  
Cassandra Kollock

Gannett Central WI Media HS  
Sports Awards

Graham Barden  
Chelsea Gendusa

American Legion Awards

Male Senior Athlete -  
Graham Barden  
Female Senior Athlete -  
Chelsea Gendusa  
Male Scholar Athlete -  
Cameron Olson  
Female Scholar Athlete -  
Brandi Romo

High School Athletics  
Parents Meeting for the  
2009-10 Season

**High School Football &  
Volleyball Parents Meetings  
will be held on  
August 10th at 6:30 p.m.**

The first day of high school  
football practice will be  
August 11th.

The first day of high school  
volleyball practice will be  
August 17th and the first day of  
middle school volleyball practice  
will be August 24th.



**Reminder to all Fall Sports Athletes**– Athletic physicals need to be scheduled and completed before August 10th! You will need either a green WIAA physical exam card or a buff WIAA card completed before the first practice. If you had a green physical card for this year, you need a buff colored alternate year card for 09-10. .

**Support Almond-Bancroft Athletics by attending “special” physical nights on July 21st and August 4th!**

Point Sports Medicine and Ministry Medical Group, Ministry Health Care will offer “special” sports physicals on two evenings, **July 21st and August 4th!**

**The two locations for physicals this year are  
SPASH and Plover Family Medical Clinic.**

Any athlete from any school can obtain their physical at either site.

The cost will be \$25 cash, **with \$20 of that being donated back to the school which the athlete attends.**

Call 343-3261 for more information.

If you have any questions about these physicals, please do not hesitate to contact, A-B’s athletic trainer, Kris Ficken, at 715-346-5530

Saint Michael’s Hospital, Ministry Health Care will also be holding regular Sports Physicals during the months of June, July, & August.

Call (715) 342-7655 to find out the dates and times offered for regular Sports Physicals or to schedule an appointment.

**Volleyball News**

Volleyball camp for in coming Almond-Bancroft 7th through 9th graders will be held June 22nd to June 25th at 1 to 3 pm, in the West Gym at the Almond School. There is no cost to participate.

Summer volleyball league for Almond-Bancroft varsity players will be held on Tuesdays, June 16th through July 28th.

If you need more information you can contact Coach Roy Danforth

**Boys High School Summer Basketball News**

Open gym will be held on Sunday and Monday nights from 6:30 pm until 9:00 pm for high school boys basketball.

The Varsity boys will play in Wausau on Wednesday nights and the JV boys will play in Wautoma on Sunday nights. More information will be sent with home with the boys basketball athletes.

If you have any questions contact Coach Curt Lamb or Coach Spence Bunders

# Almond-Bancroft Spring Sports

Photos provided by Lynn Hintz Photography!  
Thank You, Lynn!

Top (R to L): A.J. Ellie, Jon Pieters  
Middle row: Coach Negro, Levi Milanowski, Skylar Milanowski, Codey Partridge, Chris Roeske, Ray Pieters, Brad Mannock, Coach Gerlach  
Front row: Cody Leonardt, Deanna Felella, Katie Schude, Sierra Stucker, Nicole Stricker, Brandon Lehman



**A-B HS Track Team**

**A-B HS JV Softball Team**



Back row (R to L): Dayton Ammel, Brianna Kwlewski, Coach Weis, Danielle Dykes, Coach Yonke, Danielle Dahms, Amy Stricker  
Front row: Allison Evilsizor-Siem, Brittany Degler, Kristie Felella, Mercedes Wagner

**A-B HS Varsity Softball Team**



Back row (R to L): Coach Weis, Jessica Dorgan, Emily Schude, Marissa Meddaugh, Brooke Yonke, Brianna Cummings, Chelsea Gendusa  
Front row: Brandi Romo, Morgan Beigel, Camille Crahan, Mandi Crahan, Danielle Yonke, Rachel Penza

**A-B HS JV Baseball Team**



Back row (R to L): Richard Domenget, Jeff Fletcher, Coach Dernbach, Tyler Meddaugh, Mason Sigourney  
Front row: Garret Warzynski, Tyler Bunders, Nick Burns, Kevin Buckenberger

**A-B HS Varsity Baseball Team**



Back row (R to L) Coach Bradley, Lucas Meddaugh, Luke Zelinski, Budd Gutke, Daniel Davenport, Braiden Hunkins, Celso Rodriguez, Graham Barden  
Front row: Kenneth Smith, Brandt Bickford, Matt Wiesner, Cameron Olson, Steven Swan

## End of Year Donations to the LMC

The LMC would like to extend another big "THANKS" to all the generous library benefactors who have donated resources to the LMC over this school year. This past month we received items from the following people: **Leslie Burns** (food & women's magazines), **The Buckenberger family** (paperback books for the elementary and secondary libraries), **Lisa Vann** (Spanish books), **Brandon Eastman** (hunting magazines), **The Heck family** (a wonderful assortment of magazines, paperbacks, and hardcovers including many classic titles and authors such as Ernest Hemingway, Edgar Allen Poe, Jean Craighead George, Richard Peck, and Frances Hodgson Burnett), **Brenda Ramczyk** (magazines for the LMC and the troops overseas), and **Rochelle Schultz** (a variety of magazines for leisure reading and/or class projects). These are all great additions to our LMC collection! Thanks so much to everyone, and have a spectacular summer!

## LMC Awards

The Schleizer Awards are given annually in the memory of **Paul and Matt Schleizer**, two brothers who were responsible and hardworking members of the Library Club and Sound Team.

This year's Paul Schleizer Sound Team Award went to **Jacob Clark**. Although he ranked as a sophomore, Jacob displayed maturity beyond his years and he possessed great responsibility. He was a true asset to the LMC - working on AV equipment, laminating, shelving books, doing errands - whatever library task there was to be done, Jacob would tackle it. We thank him for having such a positive attitude about helping others and also for volunteering so much of his free time to help!

This year's Matt Schleizer LMC Award went to **Cheyenna Schober**. Chey was a conscientious and responsible LMC Science student who served as this year's President of Library Club. She checked out books to elementary students and worked in the LMC for several years. Compiling the school scrapbook was her special project. As a graduating senior, her reliable and excellent service will be missed.

These two Schleizer honorees, Jacob & Chey, now have their names placed on the two special Plaques of Honor which are located in the LMC. They also received certificates, medals, and small gifts of appreciation.

Also, there were two additional students recognized for their Outstanding Service to the LMC this past school year. These Library Science students were: **Audrey Sanders** and **Amy Stricker**.

Both of these fine young women, who were juniors this year, received a medal and a "Certificate of Award for LMC Excellence" for their exemplary assistance in the library. Over this past year they helped students and staff check out library resources, shelved and organized books, and creatively decorated the LMC bulletin boards and windows. Amy served as the Treasurer of Library Club, and Audrey was the Secretary of Library Club. Both were always polite and did consistently excellent work. All of their efforts are greatly appreciated. Congratulations to these fine students!



## Supporting the Troops

As the school year ends, we will not end our support of the troops. Through the summer months, volunteers will meet at **Danielle Manock's** home to fill boxes and do mailings. Funds are needed to mail boxes (postal charges just went up), and more supplies are also needed. Call **Esther Whitman** at 366-2174 to check on what types of things are needed for the troops stationed in the Middle East and when the boxes will be sent. Also, please call her with any other military/soldier names and news - especially as local people serving in the armed forces return home or leave for duty. And, thanks to everyone who gave items to include in the school care packages we sent to the men and women serving our country!

The A-B Troop Committee:

Missy Henske, Karin Mather, Mickey Van Ert, & Esther Whitman





## A MESSAGE OF MUSIC FOR OUR GRADUATES



*Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.  
~Berthold Auerbach (German Poet)*

*Music is what feelings sound like.  
~Author Unknown*

*A painter paints pictures on canvas. But musicians paint their pictures on silence. ~Leopold Stokowski (famous English-born orchestra conductor)*

The Almond-Bancroft Middle School and High School just performed their spring concerts. The skill of the students and their teachers, and the beauty of their music was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. Possibly what could be considered the most important concert, the elementary concert, is this week. I say that this concert is important, because it is for our youngest musicians who are now being influenced by music, many for the first time, some possibly for the rest of their lives.

As you can see from just a few of the hundreds of quotes about music that I found (listed above), music is probably one universal art that touches just about everyone in as many different personal ways. It does not matter whether you are like my husband and I, who follow the Blues circuit; or if you are like my sister-in-law, Lori, who is a true fan of Wynona and Trace Atkins; or whether you are like Levi, Ray, Richard, and John, who attend Slipknot and Disturbed concerts; all music is an important spiritual life expression that creates a bond between us.

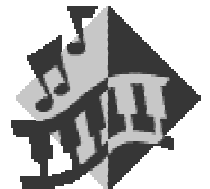
If you are fortunate enough to create music or reap the benefits from listening to music, it enriches our lives and soothes our souls. The world, in general, and our communities, in particular, are in agreement on this. So, I take this time to, once again, thank Colligan's Bakery for their generous donation of 21 dozen cookies for our spring concerts and Guth Farms for their valued donations to our bake sales. Thank you to everyone who prepared or purchased our bake goods and attended our concerts to show their support for our children and for their music.

My message to all of our Almond-Bancroft 2009 graduating seniors, whether you are currently a member of our music program or not, is to keep music in your lives. Join or start a band, join your community or church orchestras or choirs. Listen to music often and attend concerts whenever you can. When you become parents or as contributing adults of our society, no matter where life takes you, encourage and assist young people in their exposure to music. You will not be sorry.

Good luck to everyone. We are very proud of you all!  
Renie Milanowski  
Co-Chair, Friends of Music

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A huge Thank You to the members of our community that have purchased a piano key to support the Almond-Bancroft Music Department in our efforts to buy a new piano! We have sold **34 keys** so far and have **54 keys remaining**. Your support of this endeavor supports all of the Almond-Bancroft students and is greatly appreciated!



**Jackie Lemke**  
**Paige Lemke**  
**Gabrielle Gendusa**  
**Katrina Gendusa**  
**Braden Potts**  
**Madalyn Potts**  
**Dorothy Helmrick in memory of daughter**  
**Karen Lee Helmrick**  
**Kalata/Spohn/Burling**  
**George Waggoner**  
**Ken, Beth, Kenny & Maryah Cook**

**Gary Rast**  
**SuAnn Pagel-Rast**  
**Carly Rast**  
**Lorraine Pagel**  
**Jeff & Dawn Lytle**  
**Reba Lytle**  
**Ron & Bernita**  
**Schmidt**  
**Mary Renfrew**  
**Evonne Pagel**

**Colton, Emmett &**  
**Garrett Stanislawski**  
**Hunter & Forest Laska**  
**Jane Thomas**  
**Brian Mallon**  
**John & Darlene Laska**  
**Catie Schmidt**  
**Russ Frank**  
**Crystal Frank**  
**Robby Frank**

## Thank You From the Almond Post Office

Every second Saturday in May letter carriers across America deliver much more than mail when they walk and drive along their postal routes. They also collect the goodness and compassion of their United States Postal Service customers who participate in the National Association of letter Carriers (NALC) Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive—the largest one-day food drive in the nation, and probably the world.

Some 35.5 million people face hunger every day in America, including 13 million children. Food banks are seeing an unprecedented crisis as requests have risen 20-25% for each of the past six months while donations continue to decrease. This drive is one way people can help those right here in the Portage County area.

On May 9th, carriers collected non-perishable food donations left by mailboxes and delivered them to local community food banks, pantries and shelters. We would like to thank the Almond community for their continued support of this important event.

Thank you for helping the Postal Service stamp out hunger!

Cheri Wiczek  
Officer in Charge



### PIE Highlights

Thank you to all the wonderful families who supplied delicious items for staff at Almond-Bancroft on Staff Appreciation Day! P.I.E. greatly appreciates your time and donations. **A Pink Serving Plate was left after Staff Appreciation Day, if it is yours please call Trina 366-2941 ext 422 and we will return it to you!**

Many thanks also need to be expressed to the following generous people for their participation and donations for the 2009 Senior Tea Spa Night, Rochelle Schultz and Dana Folan of Heavenly Hair, Jamie Winn and Tina Kurkowski for donating their time and products, Premier Overhead Door Company for donation of paraffin wax, Renie Milanowski for donations of bars and punch, Cheese Pleasers for donation of cheese trays, Micki Pagel for use of candles and various other people who supplied wax dips and foot baths. Also thank you to Sandra Ciula for all her efforts for P.I.E. on behalf of the Almond-Bancroft Schools. Thank you, without your help and donations this wonderful event could not take place! The next P.I.E. meeting will take place on June 8th at 5:30 pm. Open House will be discussed!

## 2009 Senior Tea “Spa Night” Sponsored by P.I.E.

The Senior Tea “Spa Night” was held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. The library, FACE room and hallway were trance formed into a “Spa” like atmosphere. Ten out of fifteen senior girls were able to attend. They, along with a female guest, enjoyed stations that included; **“Hot Wax” by Rochelle Schultz and Dana Folan of Heavenly Hair**, who provided lip or eyebrow waxing, **“Home Spa 101” by Tina Kurkowski**, who taught how to make spa products from household ingredients, **“Mighty Massage” by four massage artists**, who gave the ladies a 10 minute chair massage, **“Pampered Hands & Feet” by P .I.E. members; Trina Warzynski, Leslie Burns, Bettony Treziatowski, Kathy Miner, and volunteers, Marguerite Baumgartner & Cindy Brandl**, who applied Satin hands, paraffin wax dips on hands, ring cleaning, foot baths, foot massages, and finger nail painting. **Michelle Warzynski** guided the ladies to each of the stations and **Sandy Cuila** helped with set up and take down. A relaxing and indulging time was had by all guests.



Back row: Mom’s of senior girls

Front row seniors(L to R): Cheyenna Schober, Carly Rast, Tiffany Gumney, Morgan Beigel, Chelsea Gendusa, Cassie Kollock, Marissa Meddaugh, Camielle Crahan, Brandi Romo, Ariel Avery

**You are all invited to join the *Eat Better & Move More* program!**

This simple nutrition and walking program will teach you how to eat healthier, exercise safely, and stay motivated! It has been designed especially for YOU! *Eat Better & Move More* is being offered for all adults age 50 and older who want to maintain their quality of life and independence and live a longer and better life.

This 10-week class is being offered in your hometown this summer! It meets once a week on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. Every class will have one mini-lesson on physical activity. You will learn how to set goals overcome barriers, and get the right information on healthy eating and physical activity. All you need to do is follow a few simple steps each day. Let's take the first step together at the *Eat Better & Move More* program!

**Date: June 17th—August 19th, 2009**

**Time: Wednesdays at 10 a.m.**

**Cost: \$5 registration fee**

**Location: Almond United Methodist Church, 98 County J Almond, WI 54909**

**Special Offer: Register before June 3rd and receive \$2 off your registration fee!**

**Register before June 10th by calling the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Portage County at 346-1401.**

**We Need Your Help...**

The Almond-Bancroft School Music program needs your help. Our black concert piano is in a state of disrepair and we desperately need to purchase a new piano. Our students here at Almond-Bancroft frequently rely on this instrument for music throughout the day, to perform at concerts and in general enjoy music.

**How can you help support your school music program?**

A new piano can be very costly and with today's budget crunch it is difficult for the school district to just purchase a new piano. ***So help our students continue to enjoy music by purchasing a PIANO KEY!***

**By donating just \$35 you can purchase one key** on the new piano and by doing so get the talented students of Almond-Bancroft one key closer to a brand new piano. With your donation of \$35 you will be actively participating in each music class and every concert. In addition to supporting your local music department **you will be placed on a large banner with your name placed on your key.**

If you would like to support the Almond-Bancroft Music program please fill out the form below and send it in with your donation to Almond-Bancroft Schools,  
Attn: Crystal Frank, 1336 Elm Street, Almond, WI 54909

**Almond-Bancroft Piano Key Sale**

**Yes I would like to purchase a piano key and support the Almond-Bancroft Music Program.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) (Please print clearly):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Keys Purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of donation: \$\_\_\_\_\_



## 2009-10 Elementary School Supply Lists



The district is supplying bottled glue, glue sticks, pens, pencils, erasers, folders, crayons, and colored pencils. The following lists are items that the district is not providing for the students.

### Kindergarten

- 2 small spiral notebooks
- 1 box of fat washable markers (basic colors)
- 1 pair of children's scissors
- 2 wide -lined spiral notebooks
- 2 small supply boxes - cigar size
- 1 school bag or backpack

### First Grade

- Backpack or school bag
- 1 Art box
- 1 box of basic colored Markers
- 1 pair of scissors
- 200 3x5 index cards
- It would be appreciated if you could also choose two or more of the following items:
  - Cotton balls
  - Cups (variety of sizes)
  - Paper/plastic bowls
  - Zip-lock baggies—any size
  - Play-doh—any colors
  - Clorox or Lysol wipes
  - 2 boxes of snacks (Ambrose Only)

### Second Grade

- Colored pencil pouch
- 1 wide lined spiral notebook
- Scissors
- 3 dry erase markers ~ dark colors
- 1 art box (cigar box size only)
- Backpack
- 2 heavy-duty plastic folders (bottom pockets)
- It would be appreciated if you could also choose two or more of the following items:***
  - Glass and surface cleaner (such as 409 sanitizer)
  - Anti-bacterial bottled hand sanitizer
  - Baby wipes
  - large zip bags
  - small zip bags
  - Play dough
  - Bag of large plastic cups
  - large bag of M-n-M's
  - large bag of Skittles
  - Sidewalk chalk
  - Shaving cream

### Third Grade

- 1 box of washable markers
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 highlighter - any color
- 1 pencil pouch
- 1 art supply box (cigar box size - larger won't fit in desks)
- 4 wide lined notebooks
- addition and subtraction flashcards
- 1 school bag or back pack

### Fourth Grade

- Pencil Pouch
- Art Supply Box (cigar box sized only)
- highlighter
- pair of scissors
- book bag
- washable markers
- handheld pencil sharpener with cover
- 3 wide lined spiral notebooks
- multiplication flashcards

### Fifth Grade

- No Trapper Keepers please!
- Book bag
- 2 yellow plastic folders (two pocket)
- Pencil sharpener
- 1 flexible plastic ruler
- 3 differently-colored highlighters
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 black fine-tip permanent marker
- 1 box facial tissue
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- 1 pack of dry erasers
- 6 wide lined notebooks



# 2009-10 Middle and High School Supply Lists



## 6th, 7th and 8th Grade

Note card box  
1 package of note cards  
Two notebooks  
Ruler, protractor, and compass  
calculator  
Loose-leaf paper  
6 spiral notebooks

## 8th Grade Math

Scientific calculator TI - 30Xa

## Middle School Spanish Classes

1 Notebook. (Any size or color, but not bound with a metal spiral.)  
1 Package of fine-tipped markers.  
1 2-3 inch 3-ring binder to hold worksheets and notes and notebook.  
1 large pair of scissors.  
\$5.00 Fiesta/Food supplies  
2 9-inch balloons of any color or 1 shoebox for a piñata.  
1 salt shaker container. (Morton's or generic)

## Spanish I 1 Package Colored Pencils.

1 pair gardening gloves for community service learning project.  
1 Medium sized paintbrush for posters/etc.  
\$10.00 for Fiesta/Food Supplies all year.  
1 Journal Notebook any size or color. (Not bound with metal spiral. College or wide ruled.)  
1 2-3 inch 3-ring binder to hold all worksheets and notes and notebook or a trapper keeper and folder. Any color.  
1 Spanish/English Dictionary.  
1 black, red, or blue fine point overhead projector marker

## Spanish II and Advanced Spanish Classes

1 Package Colored Pencils.  
1 pair gardening gloves for community service learning project.  
1 medium sized paintbrush for poster details.  
1 Journal Notebook any size or color. Not bound with metal spiral. College ruled preferred.  
\$10.00 for Fiesta/Food Supplies all year.  
1 2-3 inch 3-ring binder to hold all worksheets and notes and notebook. Any color.  
1 Spanish/English Dictionary

## Business Education Classes

Accounting - calculator  
Advanced Accounting - calculator  
Personal Finance - calculator, notebook  
Introduction to Business - notebook  
Business Law - notebook

## Geometry

Notebook  
Calculator

## Algebra 1, 2/Pre-Calculus/Calculus

Notebook  
Scientific calculator

## All 9-12 Science

Calculator  
Spiral Notebook

## Biology

1 package of 3x5 note cards

## Physics/Chemistry

Scientific Calculator

## High School Ceramics

5 qt ice cream pail with lid  
1" soft paint brush  
Set detail paintbrushes  
Sponge  
Binder

## Art Textile Design

2 yards Bleached muslin  
3 yards Dark colored cotton  
Plastic bin or box to hold sewing needs  
White t-shirt  
Spool of white and dark thread  
Sewing shears  
1 bag of fiber fill

## English 9

Notebook  
200 3x5 notebooks  
Note card holder

## English 10, Applied Eng. 11 and 12

Journal or medium sized notebook  
College lined loose leaf paper

## Tech Ed

Safety glasses (may be purchased from the school for \$3)  
Tape measure

## Transportation

Safety glasses  
Feeler gauge  
Small tool set-helpful but not required  
Coveralls-recommended

## ALMOND/BANCROFT FAMILY RESOURCE CTR. NEWSLETTER

Room S325 Almond High School (enter Almond Elementary)

715.366.2882 or 715.421.4635 (for Pre-Registering)

June 2009

### **DROP IN PLAY GROUP: June: Held on Fridays / July and August: Held on Wednesdays**

Hello everybody, and where did the school year go? Drop-in Play Group has been growing, but very slowly. Please come and visit your Family Resource Center in Almond Elementary. We offered Drop-In Play Groups on Fridays and starting in July of 2009, I will be returning to Wednesdays for the summer. I have a lot of Special Play Groups planned and the schedule will follow...please save for future reference. Come and check us out. We are free of charge and it is a great place to visit with our neighbors, especially with the nicer weather. We offer a story, a snack, and try to make a craft. Hope to see many of you soon.

Remember, summer lunch at Almond School will be offered to the area children for no charge starting at 11:30 a.m. Monday -Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>- July 2<sup>nd</sup> & July 6<sup>th</sup> - July 30<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you Bancroft teachers for hosting a wonderful puppet show on Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you Custodians at Almond Elementary. Thank you T. Warzinski for typing this newsletter. Thank you M. Chappa for all of your interpreting. Thank you S. Barden for allowing all of my interruptions. Thank you K. Mather for helping with visual aids. Thank you J. Rykal for your wonderful snacks. Thank you ladies for bringing snacks to Cinco de Mayo and to the Easter Egg Hunt. And last but not least, thank you Mr. Rykal for the use of room S325 for our Family Resource Center Play Room.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12<sup>th</sup>

FRIDAY, JUNE 26<sup>th</sup>

Chalk drawing day. We'll draw on the black top. Bring a chair.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>

Red, White and Blue day.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15<sup>th</sup>

Christmas in July. We will make an ornament.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29<sup>th</sup>

Teddy Bear Picnic. Bring your favorite stuffed animal.

AT BANCROFT PARK

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>

Sea Shell Day. If sunny we will play outside...maybe with water.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12<sup>th</sup>

P.J. Day. Wear your pajamas

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>th</sup>

Ice Cream Social. We all know what that means.

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS WORKSHOP

Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Almond Elementary Room S325

Bring you children to this Healthy Habits for a Lifetime workshop.

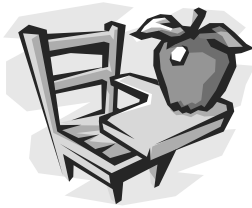
Jan Roth, Fit Families Counselor at WIC, will be showing a short movie about eating smart, and will follow with a discussion as to how Parent's Habits influence their child's habits for a lifetime.

Please Pre-register by calling 366-2882 or 421-4635.

SEE YOU ALL AT THE TATOR TOOT

IF YOU WANT A FAMILY CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER WITH ALL THE SEMESTER'S EVENTS, PLEASE CALL 715-341-3609

e-mail: [almondbancroftfr@gmail.com](mailto:almondbancroftfr@gmail.com)



From the desk of Pat Leary

Dear Parents,

This is the last week of the school year 2009. You as parents have done a great job in taking care of your lunch accounts. I really appreciate it so very much. I have been sending notices home and will continue until the end of the year. In this notice, I will tell you the amount to cover the rest of the days your child eats. I rounded it off to the nearest dollar. After my books have been audited, if you have \$10 or more in your account I will send you a letter stating the exact amount you have to be applied towards 2009-10 school year. It is very important to have your bill paid for student clearance. Thanks again to all of you for keeping your bills paid up. Have a great summer!

Respectfully Yours,  
Patricia Leary  
Food Service Director



**Food for Kids**

**All Children 18 years and under are eligible to receive FREE meals.**

Almond-Bancroft will be serving breakfast from 8:00 to 8:30 AM and lunch will be served from 11:30 to 12:30 PM, Monday –Thursday, June 8th—July 30th.

For more information contact Trina Warzynski, 366-2941 ext 422.



**Comida para Ninos**

**Todos los ninos de 18 anos de edad y menores son elegibles para recibir comida GRATIS.**

Local y Horario(s) de Servicio de Comida:  
Almond school 8:00 to 8:30 AM and 11:30 to 12:30 PM,

Monday –Thursday, June 8th—July 30th.

Para mayor informacion, comunicarse con:  
Trina Warzynski, 366-2941 ext 422.



Thank You,  
to those of you who recognized the school zones posted in front of the school.

They drove the posted speed of 15 MPH and were considerate of the students.

A-B Students and staff thank you!



**PARENTS.....**

**IF YOUR CHILD HAS MEDICINE AT THE SCHOOL, PLEASE PICK IT UP BEFORE THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.**

**IT WILL NOT BE SENT HOME WITH YOUR CHILD!**

**IF THE MEDICINE IS NOT PICKED UP BY THE END OF JUNE IT WILL BE DESTROYED.**

**Bancroft Village Rummage Sale  
And Flea Market**

**June 20, 2009**

**If you have any questions call  
Jeanette Wilson at 335-6581**

Almond-Bancroft School  
Calendars -  
2009-10, 2010-11, & 2011-12,  
Are now posted on the  
Almond-Bancroft School web page  
[www.abschools.k12.wi.us](http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us)

**Reminder To Almond-Bancroft Community and Class Of 2007 Graduates.....**

We have received 18 Community Surveys and 2 2007 Alumni Surveys. In order to make the survey more meaningful and beneficial for our school, we need more community and alumni participation.

Almond-Bancroft Community Survey may be taken by going to our school website [www.abschools.k12.wi.us](http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us) and clicking on the take 2009 Community Survey link or simply clicking on the URL address: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB2294L2V3GCZ>

Class of 2007 graduates may take the Alumni Survey by clicking on the Alumni Survey link on our school website [www.abschools.k12.wi.us](http://www.abschools.k12.wi.us) or simply clicking on the URL address: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB2294L3Z3H2Y>

Copies can also be sent home, or may be downloaded from our website, if you are interested in having the survey sent to your home, please call Trina at 366.2941 extension 422 and leave a message. Completed copies should be returned to the school and placed in the drop boxes located in the secondary, district and Dean of Students offices. All surveys are confidential and anonymous.

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