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STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

by Tyler Duel and Nick Schelvan

For about the past three weeks here at BAMS, the 6th, 7th and 8th graders casted their ballots for their class presidents and home-room representa-

tives! The president for the 6th grade is Chad Maramonte, the president for the 7th grade is Mitchell Ballwanz, and the president for the 8th grade is Zach



Zander. I asked Mr. Zander how it feels to be president and he responded, "I think it's very exciting and I'll do a very good job as president." Good luck to all 3 presidents!

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Upcoming Events

- 10/2—Pep Assembly
- 10/6—Football and Basketball @ Horicon
- 10/6—Cross Country @ Laconia
- 10/8—Cross Country @ Buttermilk Creek Park
- 10/12—Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:30
- 10/13—Football vs. Mayville
- 10/13—Basketball vs. Brandon
- 10/14—Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:00
- 10/15—Basketball vs. Campbellsport
- 10/15—Cross Country Conference Meet
- 10/20—Basketball vs. Lomira
- 10/21—Early Release
- 10/22—Basketball vs. FACES
- 10/23—PTO Dance

NEW COUNSELOR MRS. STAHL

by Heather Bunkert
I interviewed Mrs. Stahl. She is our new school counselor. Mrs. Stahl started working here in August. This is her very first job as a school

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counselor. Mrs. Stahl just got her master's degree in May of 2009. The reason why she started working here is because she has a passion for working with kids. She enjoys

helping students solve their problems. She started working when she obtained her undergraduate degree in Human Development Family Studies and then went on to get her masters in school counseling.

Pep Assembly--Friday, 10/2

7th Grade Sports

7TH GRADE WINS AT HOME

by Timothy Salera and Dalton Juedes

The amazing game against Wapaun in North Fondy at Humphrey Field was their first game at home. The game started with Mitch Ballwanz scoring the



first touchdown. In the third quarter Jared Roth scored the winning touchdown.

We interviewed Riley Behnke and he said "They played hard but, we played harder and came out with the victory."

The overall feeling of the team was good and they said they played hard and trained hard to win the games they did.

7TH GRADE LADY ORIOLES

by Mackenzie Miller and Kerianna Disterhaft

On Tuesday, September 22, 2009 the 7th grade Lady Orioles went to FACES in Fond du Lac.

The Young Lady Orioles beat the Eagles 16-22, with top scorers Brooke Scott with 14 points, and Megan Andrews

with 4 points. Rachelle Wuest had the most offensive rebounds and Brooke Scott with the most defensive rebounds. Sara Logterman was 2-2 in free throws.

We interviewed Brooke Scott,

she said "We played a good game but it was tough."

"The Young Lady Orioles beat the Eagles 16-22"

The next game [was] at home vs. Oakfield on Tuesday, September 29th, 2009.

Good luck Lady Orioles!!!

7TH GRADE GIRLS PLAY WAUPUN

by Joey Trusk and Becky Podoll

On Thursday September 24th the 7th grade girls looked to go 2-0. At 4:30 P.M they played Waupun. We interviewed Rachelle Wuest before the



game. She was confident they would win, and they came ready to play. The lady Orioles played well, but lost 19-24. They played good defense, but they started off slow on offense. Brooke Scott

scored the only points in the first half. In the second half the girls scoring picked up, but so did Waupun's. Now the lady orioles are preparing to play Oakfield on 10/1/09.

8th Grade Sports

8TH GRADE ORIOLES VS. FACES

by Cynthia Newton and Jessica Benson

On September 22, at FACES Middle School the 8th grade Lady Orioles faced the Eagles. In the 1st half the Orioles were doing well but by 2nd period Orioles were in a struggle to get back the

points. With 3 minutes left they worked hard to get the points back. Orioles scored four more baskets that got them to a 28-16 lose.

Mackenzie Miller said "I wish the floors were dry; I think we did good but I think



we could do better next time." Sami Sharp said "The officials were terrible. I think we need to work on boxing out."

NFDL VS. WAUPUN

by Matt Triatik and Woody Wittlieff

On September 22 the North Fondy Orioles faced the Waupun Warriors at Humphrey Field.



It was a good day for football because it was rainy and muddy. We talked to Colton Krupp and he said "We played well but we made a few mistakes that costed us the game." They

lost 26-20. It was a tough game for them but they gave it their all.

NORTH FONDY LADY ORIOLES VS. WAUPUN WARRIORS

by Tyler Arthur and Colton Krupp

On Thursday, September 24, the 8th grade North Fond du Lac Lady Orioles took on the Waupun Warriors. The Orioles started off slow, but were up by 1 at half time. The second half was pretty much Waupun all the way. North

Fondy suffered a tough loss but had a good game. The leading scorers were Amanda Schneider with 10 and Allie Redeker with 6. They lost 27-33. After the game we asked Abbi Retzleff what she thought about the game. She said,



"It was a hard game but we played well." They are hoping to change the season around and win some games.

CROSS COUNTRY MEET IN HORICON

by Michael Friedel

This year's cross country team traveled to Horicon for their second meet on Thursday September 24th for a two mile run. I interviewed Josh Weimer and he



said, "The leading scores were Josh Weimer (7th grade) got 6th place for boys and 6th overall, Dystiny Helbeg (7th grade) got 4th for girls and 8th overall." Mrs. Jarchow still encourages students to

join the team. Practice starts at 3:15-4:30 every day hope to see you there.

NESTING PERIOD?

by Pa Ying Vang

This year is full of new changes. One of them is Nesting Period.

Well, we, the students and staff at BAMS, have had it already, for starters. It's a 12 minute advisory time between 3rd and 4th period. It's used to develop relationships between students and staff; and, it's held in your assigned homeroom.

You might be wondering *why* we have Nesting Period. Well, a group of teachers visited other middle schools in Wisconsin. They noticed from De Pere West, Garrets MS in Kimberly, to LaFollette MS by Madison that they all had some sort of advisory time. Mr. Paris's school before he came here, Onalaska MS, had one, too. The teachers and staff wanted students to have a time and place to feel safe

and secure at school, therefore doing better at school.

Now, how did they fit the 12 minutes into the seven-hour day? Well, they cut some periods a few minutes shorter, and added five minutes to the school day.

I interviewed some students and staff about their thoughts on Nesting Period.

Some students were a bit unsatisfied about it, such as 8th graders Trevor Leon and Taylor Bowser.

Trevor stated, "I don't like it. What's the

point of it? It's only 12 minutes and it feels like five. And you get out five minutes later. Why not earlier?"

Taylor said, "I think it can be fun, but pretty much point-

less."

On the other hand, some other people thought a bit differently. Eighth grade Social Studies teacher, Mr. Skaar, stated, "I really enjoy it. It's a time when I can talk to students and not just in an academic manner. It is a time for me to get to know the students, their likes/dislikes, and how I can help them to succeed even better. Hopefully it is doing just that."



Eighth grader Micky Olson said, "I think it's really fun. And it's a really good way to get to know the teachers. It's also good for relationships with other students."

Well, this is only the beginning of the school year. I'm sure there'll be more changes happening, too.