

# *BAHS scholars excel on test*

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Margo Booth, Marion Borg, Judy Marmor, Martha Winkler and Robert Westerfield are among the top one-half of one percent of the United States high school seniors based on their scores on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

From the more than one million students taking this test in the United States schools or in foreign and territorial schools enrolling United States citizens, these Berlin students join approximately 15,000 others who qualified for the semi-finals.

The Berlin semi-finalists upset the stereotype of the academically talented as bookish, withdrawn and one-dimensional. Martha Winkler, a relative new-comer to the school, was just elected student body president. After graduation, she would like to pursue a pre-med program at Dartmouth.

Margo Booth has a radio show on AFN and has been in

several dramatic productions including **The Boyfried** here in Berlin.

Judy Marmor and Robert Westerfield are senior class representatives to the student council. Judy is intrigued with the idea of becoming an astronaut, while Robert plans to study law.

To advance to finalist status, each of these competitors must receive the endorsement and recommendation of his school principal, submit information about his accomplishments, have attained high academic standing, and substantiate his PSAT/NMSQT scores by an equivalent performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). About 90 per cent of the semi-finalists become finalists.

More than honor awaits the finalists of this nationwide competition. From their ranks, approximately 900 students will be awarded one-time National Merit Scholarships of \$1,000 each, and another 2100 students will receive four-year Merit Scholarships to the colleges of their choices.