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Mr. Miller, new principal at Berlin American H.S. begins another busy day with the help of Sherry Lamolda.

Photo by Stephanie Fuss

DoDDs APPOINTS MILLER FOR BAHS

Mr. Miller, current principal of Berlin American High School, received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Whittier College and has completed additional graduate work at the University of California at San Diego, San Diego University, and Stanford University. He taught in mainland Japan, Okinawa, and Frankfurt from 1957-1961, prior to serving as an administrator in San Marcos, California. He also coordinated teacher training programs for San Diego State University prior to returning overseas in 1981. He served as principal at Herbornseelback Elementary School and Hahn High School.

Although it was a rather abrupt change from Hahn High School to Berlin, Mr. Miller was willing and happy to come here. He enjoys very much working with the faculty and students at BAHS. He commends the teachers here for their professionalism and dedication, and the students, whom he has found to be "alert and conscientious." Mr. Miller really enjoys working within the DoDDs system.

Mr. Miller has already made some significant changes at BAHS. With his help, the much yearned-for break was reinstalled, and he is planning on rewriting the parent-student handbook; this new edition will hopefully satisfy everyone. Mr. Miller has more hopes for BAHS; when he arrived here, one thing was evident at our school: the vandalism. He counted 450 marked lockers, walls, and doors. Says Mr. Miller: "when a person visits the school, his first impression is centered on appearances. The graffiti written all over the school makes us look very bad." He issued work orders to get the lockers and walls clean; he hopes they stay that way. Students are barred from the school each morning until 8:10 because of lack of supervision. At this time, someone might write on a locker or a wall.

There is one more message Mr. Miller would like to give. If you ever feel an injustice has been done, have any suggestions, complaints, or comments, go to Mr. Miller's office. If his door is open, they go on in. *by Caroline Kelley*

CDU DOMINATES BERLIN ELECTIONS

Election day, March 10, turned out to be quite a day for the Christian Democrats (CDU). Eberhardt Diepgen, the incumbent mayor of Berlin, was successful in his re-election bid. Many other CDU candidates were also successful. As predicted, the CDU pulled 51% of the vote with their major opposition, the Social Democrats (SPD) receiving only 34% of the vote. It was the worst showing by the SPD since 1948. SPD mayoral candidate Hans Apel, the poor showing on the fact that he is not a native Berliner as is Diepgen since the 1950s, Germany to pursue his political career in another city. The AfD (Alternative für Deutschland), ranked in about 10% of the overall vote and the remainder was split between the Green party (SEW) and a few other splinter organizations.

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GUZIK, EATON, GRUDZINSKI ATTEND LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Three students from Berlin American High School attended the International Student Leadership Institute in Oberwesel. Pat Guzik, Elizabeth Eaton, and Walter Grudzinski with their sponsor Mr. Sennett were among the 167 student and teacher participants in the week long event. Representatives were also sent from French, German, and Canadian schools.

The main purpose of this conference was to train future leaders in leadership styles, how to motivate, and other essential qualities for success. A series of lectures, movies, and small group discussions provided the participants with a solid basis in the techniques of leadership. Days typically started at 8:30 AM and ended at 9:30 with a 1 1/2 hour break for lunch and dinner. Accommodations were at a comfortable hostel.

Pat Guzik observed that, "The Leadership Conference was a valuable learning experience. It made me realize that, compared to other schools, our school is very apathetic and unmotivated. We do not try to improve our situation like we should."

By: Tim Murphy

SAC HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Berlin School Advisory Committee met on March 12 in the school cafeteria. This meeting was primarily devoted to the review of the SAC's list of goals and objectives by the newly arrived principal Mr. Miller. Anyone wishing to read the complete minutes can find them in the Principal's office. During the meeting it was decided that the administration will look at the student/teacher ratio in the foreign language classes in an attempt to upgrade the quality of our language program. The seventh period that will be instituted next year could be used to add more instruction in the languages. It will also enable BAHS to offer more specialized courses in most departments, i.e. 20th Century Wars and Russian History under the Social Studies Department.

Mr. Miller explained that all seniors will be required to take seven classes next year. There is also a possibility that the curricular for grades 7 and 8 will be expanded to include a reading program that could raise the reading level to 2 or 3 levels above their age level. He added that course schedule counseling will be available.

Further issues being addressed by the SAC concern such problems as destruction of school property and student conduct on the duty train. In addition Mr. Miller said that he and Mr. Larson are on working on greater recognition for academic achievement. Plans are also being made for more exchanges between BAHS and JFK in the future.

by Tim Murphy

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Calendar of April

2 April-Band and Chorus "End of Winter Concert"
5-12 April-Spring Recess
13 April- SoS Band at B.B. Gym (concert)
16 April-Stress program 9-12 grade pd. 2&3
18-April Stress program 9-12 grade pd. 2&3
19-April-Exchange band to Osterholtz

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SENSITIVE ISSUE IN SCHOOL IS PRAYER

Changes always leave some people displeased, or even angry. There are many areas which change is sometimes strongly opposed, and one of these areas is school policy.

For this any many other reason, a moment of silence in public schools for prayer frightens many people.

Any combination of church and state almost causes a fear among Americans. The paradoxical relationship between church and state has existed since the very beginning of the United States. The founders of the Constitution felt strongly that church and state should be separated. Yet the Constitution itself (as well as the first state constitutions and many other government documents) contains numerous allusions to God; politicians often refer to God in their speeches.

Americans are strong advocates of free thought. Many people are opposed to a moment of silence in school for prayer because they feel that students will be taught about religion, but this is simply not true.

In the proposed moment of silence, students cannot be forced to pray. The proposed moment of silence could be used in diverse ways: prayer, reflection, or even sleep.

Opposition to prayer in schools does not stem solely from a strict belief in separation of religion in any governmental institution. Some people are opposed to any public display of religion because they feel that it is improper, or that prayer should be conducted in the privacy of one's home.

For many people, religion is a 24 hour diet, and they feel that a moment of silence for prayer in school is necessary.

The drive for a moment of silence is strong because of a recent heightened interest in religion in the U.S.. Christian schools have increased from 5000 in 1970 to 12,000 today with an enrollment of over 1 million students, and the number of Orthodox Jewish synagogues has doubled since 1974 in the U.S..

No matter what changes occur regarding school prayer in the future, one thing will remain the same: religion always has and always will be a subject of intense controversy.

by Pat Ell

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The percentage of the vote that each party receives is very important because it determines how many seats in the Berlin Senate each party will occupy. Often, parties with similar ideas and goals will consolidate their seats earned during the election and form a coalition to gain a majority in the Senate. In Berlin's case, the SPD and the Greens often side together giving them the potential to form a coalition. Fortunately for the CDU, the combined voter percentage of the SPD and the Greens does not equal that of the CDU making a coalition useless.

How does the election affect Americans in Berlin? The outcome was favorable to the U.S. because the CDU was victorious. The CDU is basically pro-American and usually supports the U.S. and the allies all the way. This is not to say the SPD is vehemently opposed to the U.S., rather their views are a bit more liberal than the present U.S. policy. As long as the CDU retains the majority of the vote, the American position in Berlin will remain basically the same.

The following are excerpts from German teenagers who were willing to share their opinions with us about the Berlin elections

- At first the SPD is like a horse which wants to turn left with a rider called Spel who wants to turn right. Spel says something and the next day the rest of the SPD says something else. Spel tells always that he doesn't want to work together with the AL but Mr. Brandt in Bonn says that it is not impossible for the SPD Berlin to work with the AL.

The AL shelf doesn't want to take responsibility and the things they say are as crazy as only kids could believe in. For example, "Berlin without cars" or without the Americans."

- I must say that I am content with the end. I wouldn't have chosen the SPD because they are responsible that so many people have no work and for some scandals. But I would not have also the FDP because they don't do anything against the high number of foreigners. Berlin is a German town and many foreigners are criminals because they find no work here, and they get money of the government (socialgeld). You can't say they steal the place of work, because they have jobs if they have one, which are not preferred by Germans.

-In my mind the AL wants to take much more care of the environment than other parties and I think we have to protect the environment because we could not live in a destroyed environment. The other parties, like CDU and SPD, mentioned in their programs that they want to protect the environment. But throughout all the years they took part in the government of West Berlin they don't do anything to protect the environment. I would not have elected CDU because it is a party for employers and most of the citizens of Berlin are employees. Therefore the CDU may not understand the wants and the needs of the employees. This time I would not have voted for the SPD because the politician of that party, who would have become the chief burgermeister is not from Berlin.

I would have chosen the CDU, cause, their first man (Eberhardt Diepgen) seems to be more intelligent than the other. His political activities were very good. He was born in Berlin, and has a great knowledge about it, more than his opponent Spel (SPD). So he could fight against crimes and unemployment. The AL I hate. These are people who are only for environment. They wear strange clothes, so that they seemed to be poor. They brought flowers and other unpolitical things in the house of the government. They have no knowledge about political things. For example, they said that they are for a town without cars, for police without guys, . . . I don't agree with the result of the election cause the FDP has too much %. (The AL too)

Dear Editor,
I AM MAD!!!!

It seems that during this school's recently held jelly-bean contest some slovenly underclassman was munchin' out on the very same jelly-beans we, the people, were trying to count. Though I didn't see the culprit myself, I have spoken with several flawless sources who all say the same thing: SOMETHING IS ROTTEN IN BAHs!

The act occurred just before the remaining jelly-beans were to be counted, thereby throwing off any calculations. There were many serious contenders- guys and gals who worked mathematical formulae in a vain effort to find the exact number of candies, only to be beaten out by some crumb-crusher's empty stomach. What a pity that such names as Guzik and Boinay have no place in the halls of jelly-bean fame.

Sincerely,
Paul Boinay

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WINNERS in competition - Richard Sheridan, Richard McGarvey and Jasper Kump

Photo by Stephanie Fuss

The Berlin American High School Speech Team came home victorious from the Kaiserslautern/Ramstein all DoDDS-Germany Speech Fest. Twelve awards were won in all by the team, an impressive achievement when taken into account that Berlin had one of the smallest representations there. The first, second, and third place honors were designated by SUPERIOR(I), EXCELLENT(II), and OUTSTANDING(III). Berlin had 6 SUPERIORS, 2 EXCELLENTS, and 4 OUTSTANDINGS.

Richard Sheridan headed the list of winners by winning the events "IMPROMPTU SPEAKING" and "ORAL INTERPRETATION of POETRY" with the highest scores of any participants at the competition.

Richard McGarvey was equally impressive scoring the highest marks in "ORIGINAL ORATORY". Teaming up with teammate Jasper Kump, he wrote an original script entitled OUR TOWN: The 1905 Version and the Wilder Version 1985. Jasper and Richard's collaboration not only worked in the writing of the script but also in their interpretation. Their "READER'S THEATER ENTRY" won first place. Lias Begue was the third member of the reader's theater team that was instrumental in achieving the SUPERIOR rating.

In the EXCELLENT category, Rhonda Larson and Jasper Kump took the honors in "DEBATE." Although a new team, they impressed the judges with their solid proposals and tenacious counter attacks.

Cathy Manning and Kelly Willa received honorable mention going against the toughest teams in DoDDS. Speech coach Phillip Schmoll was very impressed with their efforts. In the final honors category, OUTSTANDING, Rhonda Larson was the only one to win recognition on "ORAL INTERPRETATION of PROSE". Jasper Kump and Richard McGarvey rounded out the victory by also winning OUTSTANDING in "IMPROMPTU SPEAKING." Tammy Stoeber went along as a first year participant and helped the team's spirit greatly.

Some observations by the speech participants:

Richard Sheridan- "I enjoyed the chance to speak competitively in this type of festival. The student, judges, teachers, school, and audience made this a totally enjoyable experience for all the participants."

Richard McGarvey- "I had a great time. The people were great, the schools were great. I learned a lot about speaking in front of people and also the importance of being prepared. I wasn't! Also no to put things off until the last minute."

Rhonda Larson- "It was fun, but a lot of work. It was totally different from what I expected, but I learned a lot. I got a lot of criticism in all three of the events I was in, but it was very constructive."

Kelly Willa- "It was fun. There was a lot of hard work involved in getting everything organized. I learned a lot even though I received more criticisms and what to do's from more sponsors, but it was constructive and it did me a lot of good. I wish I would be here next year to participate in it again."

Lisa Begue- "I had a fantastic time! The competition was tough, but friendly. The festival was a great opportunity to brush up on public speaking skills, meet new people and learn to accept constructive criticism with a smile. It was life in the impromptu lane all the way!!"

Tammy Stoeber- "I had a great time! I met a lot of interesting and talented people. I learned to take constructive criticism an also how to speak in front of people without worrying about it. If I did mess up, I learned how to make it look as if I hadn't. Life in the impromptu lane all the way!!"

Jasper Kump- "It was an exciting experience that taught me a lot about myself. It was a lot of fun too! Now I know why people fear public speaking more than death!! There was an esprit de corps between all of us and we proved to everyone that good things do come in small packages."

Mr. Scholl- "The Speech Festival was a wonderful opportunity for some of BAHS's brightest students to show their stuff. Competition was keen and some of the criticism by judges was really stinging. The students rose to the occasion, however, and did their best. It was very gratifying for me to see them bounce back and help each other when they had difficult rounds."

STUDENT CONGRESS TO AID HAITI

This year the Jr High Congress has decided to aid the people of Haiti. And like all who strive to help, they'd like a little encouragement from all of you. They have chosen to submit 20¢ checks, to provide a package of bees that will quickly multiply to 4 hives. This can earn them \$100 in extra income.

Mr. Long is the sponsor along with Erica Christensen, President, and Melissa Kearney, V- President. If you have any questions or you'd like to help, contact Mr. Long, in the annex, room A-8.

The staff commends you. You're doing something very few people have the guts to do,

SHOW COMING TO BAHS

Come and seek the world of fashion! Belin American High School is giving a Fashion/Talent Show on the 22 April 85, 7:00 p.m. at the Starlight Grove, McNair. The event is being sponsored by Mrs Penny Hacker.

The Main Exchange and Pabst are providing the clothing for the models.

The categories that will be modeled are: casual, sports, businessmen/women, fantasy world, and evening wear. There are 4 male and 16 female models.

Mr. Schmoll's talent show will give five performances.

Tickets will be sold at two dollars per student and three dollars per adult, (children under 12 free). Listen for the announcements about where you can buy a ticket. There will be snacks and drinks provided. The world of fashion is waiting for you.

by Rose Lopez

NHS SPONSORS TOY DRIVE

Annually, the National Honor Society is required to do a community service project. This year the Honor Society will be sponsoring a toy drive. The toys will be given to the American hospital in Berlin and will be distributed between the pediatrics and surgical wards for the children to play with. Currently, there are no toys in the surgical ward and few in pediatrics.

On Sunday, the 21st of April, between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., NHS members will be in all housing areas collecting toys or donations for the cause. Any support will be appreciated. If you have any questions or would like to contribute to the cause please contact Ms. Smatlak, Sonya McKnight, Paul Boinay, or Malissa Murray.

by Sonya McKnight



Photo by Andy Jordan

James Sells and Mike Somsan went into the wrestling championships undefeated. James took a 4th and Mike came home an All-European DoDDs Champion.

Sportsman of the Month



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MIKE SOMSAN EUROPE'S BEST WRESTLER

Saturday, March 9, Mike Somsan proved that he was Europe's best 98 lb wrestler. He achieved this crown by defeating four opponents in the European Wrestling Championship held in Heidelberg over the weekend of March 8 and 9.

To be able to even compete for the European Championship, Mike had to put in a great deal of hard work. After an extremely successful 20-0 season, the undefeated wrestler also swept the regional finals with such swiftness that he was named the Most Valuable Wrestler of the meet.

During the season, Mike usually puts in about 20 hours a week on the mat and in the gym lifting weights. He has been wrestling for almost five years and certainly deserves anything he wins.

What's in the future for Mike Somsan? He plans to continue his wrestling next year with the possibility of a scholarship. Regardless of his future in wrestling, he will always be able to remember that he was the best wrestler in Europe.

by Charlie Cleveland

BOYS SOCCER DISPLAYS BRILLIANCE ON FIELD

On Saturday, March 23rd, the Men's Varsity Soccer team came back from a 2-0 deficit at halftime to defeat the Nuernberg Eagles 4-2. The turn-around was sparked when Doug Magruder put in the first Berlin goal on a penalty kick. From then on the Bears dominated. Tres McGibony tied up the game with an assist from Danny Franklin. Jim LeBlanc then scored the go-ahead and what turned out to be the winning goal after a Mike Somsan bicycle kick was deflected by the Nuernberg goalie.

The Eagles attempted to come back but couldn't pierce the "Berlin Wall" of fullbacks Tim Murphy, Charles Cleveland, Pat Ell, and Richard Sheridan. Murphy, especially, played spectacularly. Goalie Pat Guzik also made several fine saves.

The clincher was put in by LeBlanc with a beautiful cross by Franklin, leaving the game's outcome in no doubt.

In JV action, the Eagles were again defeated, this time 1-0. The lone goal was scored by Pat Gueret, with excellent play turned by goalie Andy Babineau, Mick LeBlanc, Sun Morrison, Carl Marvin, and John Hubbard.

The team rosters are as follows:

Varsity--Doug Magruder, Pat Ell, Danny Franklin, Jim LeBlanc, Jim Hays, Matt Austin, Charles Cleveland, Tim Murphy, Tres McGibony, Mike Somsan, Mike Peters, Richard Sheridan, Paul Murphy, Mike Carey, Brian Gueret, Brad Blewett, and Pat Guzik;

Junior Varsity--John Hubbard, Mick LeBlanc, Sun Morrison, Carl Marvin, Pat Gueret, Alex Meden, Jim Long, Mike Wallize, Andy Babineau, Mike James, Anthony Lewis, Tom Carey, Steve Kinsey, Evan Deery, Chris Torgerson, Sean Von Arx, Carl Bentley, and Jen Laursen.

by Jim LeBlanc

BEAR-A-CUDAS ARE CHAMPIONS

ON March 17 the Berlin Bear-A-Cudas won the European Forces Swim League Championships in Munich. 302 swimmers from 15 different teams competed in the Olympic pool.

Berlin brought in 1,334 points, Shape followed with 1,308.5 points, Kaiserslautern with 1,064, Patch with 779, and Munich 567.

The Bear-A-Cudas broke many records. The 15-19 year old mixed medley relay team of Laura Jacoby, Kristi Schake, Todd Walsh, and Knut Asmis swam a 2:08.79, which broke the league record of 2:10.43. Todd Walsh also broke the breaststroke record of 1:14 by two seconds.

Forty six swimmers qualified from the Berlin team; and coincidentally, 2nd place Shape also had 46 qualified swimmers.

Swimmers from BAHS were: Vicki Long, Laura Jacoby, Kelle Smith, Jenni and Robin Hewitt, Bonnie Eschrich, Sara Fitch, Todd and Kirstin Walsh, Eddie and Jimmy Wucher, Alicia Grudzinski, Michelle Kuhn, Mary Coyle, Bethany Ballard, Alison Klukas, John McFarland, Max Miltom, and Chris Minderman.

by Kelle Smith

TRACK SEASON STARTS

Track season has started again and is expected to be an even better team this year. There are approximately 30 members on the team.

Mr. Moeller, the head coach, says there is great potential and speed on the team this year. Paul Boiney, a team member, says Quote: "There are alot more people this year and we might just win something."

Head coaches of the team are Mr. Moeller and Jamahl Mitchell. Assistant coaches are Sgt. Robinson, Sgt. Washington, and Sgt. Womack.

1985's Track Schedule

March 30--Wiesbaden

April 20--HOME

April 27--Manheim

May 4--Ritburg

May 11--HOME

May 17-18-Championships

may 24-25-Central European Finals

Mr. Moeller would like to invite all interested people in our community who would be willing to help in coaching and running

events to please call the high school at 6391 and give your expertise and help the school Track-Field program.

by Linda Bailey

TENNIS BATTLES TO AN 8-8 TIE

Berlin American's Tennis team tightened their rackets and went head-to-head against Nurenburg American High School last weekend. The Bears, who have been practicing for the past month, fought their way to an 8-8 tie against a Nurenburg team that has always been considered a tennis powerhouse. Although the boys made a valient attempt, it was the girls who carried the day, winning seven out of eight girl's matches. Students such as Sally Shoup, Corky LaBeau, Erika DeVries, Debby Lissfelt, and Dusty Marvin turned in fine singles performances, while the Shoup-LaBeau and Keller-DeVries doubles teams assisted in the team effort against the Eagles.

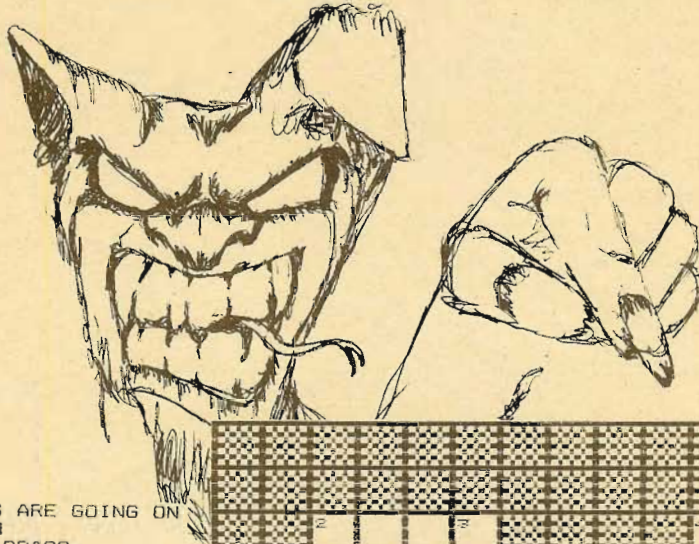
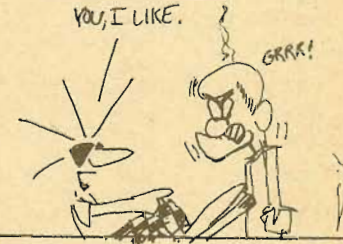
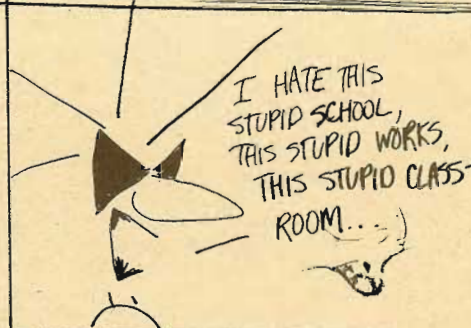
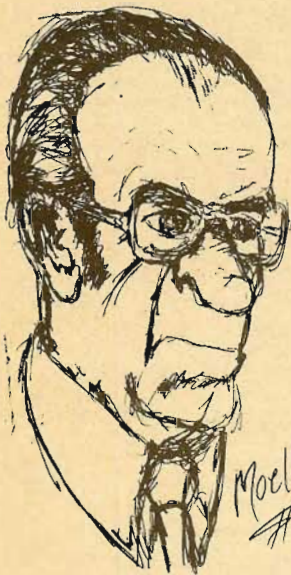
by Richard Sheridan

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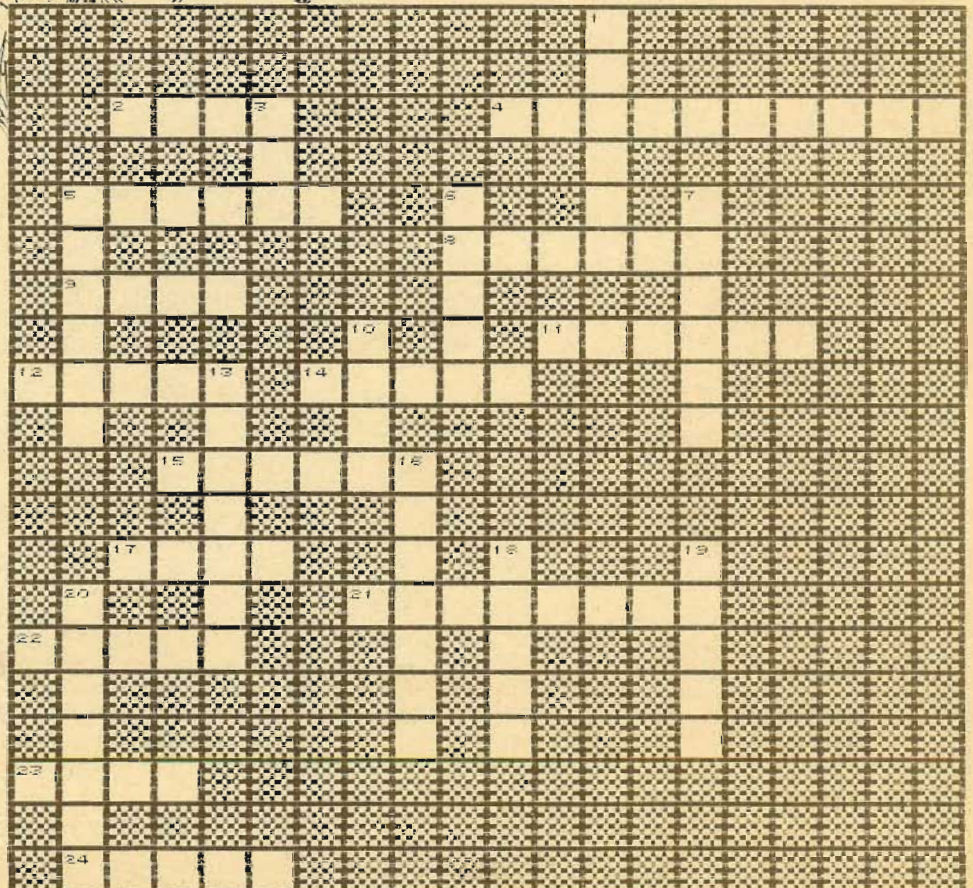
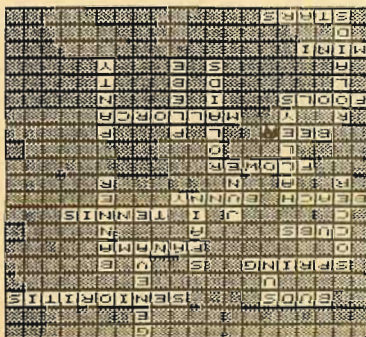
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5. THE RAINY SEASON
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9. CHICAGO - BASEBALL
11. COURT SPORT
12. THE -----BOYS
14. THE EASTER -----
15. A DAISY FOR EXAMPLE
17. BARELY, HOPS, RICE, WATER
21. WHERE SENIOR TRIP GOES
22. APRIL ----- DAYS
23. -----SKIRT
24. -----AND STRIPES

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1. WHERE THE ARMS TALKS ARE GOING ON
3. RARE SIGHT IN BERLIN
5. IT IS A KICK IN THE GRASS
6. WHERE THE SUN IS!
7. STAR SPANGLED -----
10. GRADUATION MONTH
13. -----COMET
16. IT SPELLS RELIEF
18. EMULATE CHARLES CLEVELAND
19. GARMENT
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ROSY RED RAIL RATES

Looking for a way out of Berlin during spring break or summer? If you are the Deutsche Bundesbahn, or German rail, offers the inexpensive way available with its rosy red rail rates.

What is so special about these train tickets is how cheap they are. To travel to anywhere in the FRG and back costs only 99 DM during certain times of the year. Traveling during the peak seasons cost 139 DM, but overall this price is about half of a normal fare. If accompanied by a paying adult, any child under 18 can get a ticket for an unbelievable 10 DM. The rosy red tickets are valid for 12 days. You have a choice of either 1st or 2nd class, 1st class costing about one-third more.

To take advantage of these great prices get in touch with any travel agent. Here Prigge also has more information available for anyone interested. by Matt Austin

CORRIDOR COMMENTS PLANS FOR SPRING BREAK

Kelly Willa- Go to Mallorca
Andy Babineau- Mess around
Susie Beem- Study and get a driver's license.
Leigh Love- Go to Mallorca and party!
Heather Van Gorder- Stay in Berlin
Mr. Schmoll- Go to Russia.
Lisa Weaver and Diane Sams- Party in Berlin.
Rhonda Larson- Go to Austria.
Linda Bailey- Go to Zweibrücken.
Mr. Moeller- Going to the U.S. with my wife.
Lisa Jacoby- Going to Frankfurt to visit Alison.
Jim Long- Go to Norway.
Pat Hines and Sherri Zamoida- Work at B.A.H.S.
Lonnie Spikes- Go to Mallorca.
Tim Murphy- Go to Poland and goof off.
Chandi Peterson- Going to Italy and visit my best friend, April Fletcher.
Rose Lopez- Go to Mallorca.
Cassie Coyle- Go to Mallorca.
Mr. Larson- Work at B.A.H.S.
Mr. Miller- Work at B.A.H.S.
Jolyn Unruh- Go to England.
Caroline Kelly- Go to France.
Malissa Murray- Go to Mallorca.
Ms. Edwards- Hiking in Garmisch and sunning on the French Riviera.
Richard Sheridan- Stay in Berlin and have a party at my house.
Monica Madero- Go to Mallorca.
Becky Hoffman- Nothing
Nicole Fredricks- Nothing.
Maria Millihen- Party!
Dayna Lowery- Party!
Anissa Raley- Party and find a job.
James Davis- Go party!
Jarrel Hollis and Ben Conley- draw cartoons.
Mr. Huffer- Stay in Berlin.
Mrs. Casto- Work at B.A.H.S.
Mr. Wieland- Visit friends.
Mr. Sennett- Go to Garmisch.

STUDENTS TO MALLORCA

Are you tired of Berlin weather? If so you should have been one of the fifty people to sign up for the Spring break trip to Mallorca.

On April 7, 50 people will leave Frankfurt airport and fly to Mallorca where they can enjoy 7 days in the sun and at night, the numerable night clubs.

The total cost of the trip is 619 DM, which included hotel accommodations, breakfast, flight fare, and transportation to and from the airport. A price that can't be beat considering the high mark rate.

Along with every trip there will be chaperones; Mr. and Mrs. Lopez, Mrs. Pettigrew, Peter Heitze, and Scott McAllister. A meeting was held with all the chaperones and a few basic rules were set down. There will be a mandatory meeting every morning and night. The meeting will not be dismissed until all students are present. And as much as the students enjoy the night life, they must be in at 1:00 a.m.. This curfew was set by the command.

The trip should prove to be enjoyable for all and hopefully a bunch of tan bodies will return to B.A.H.S.

by Debbie McAuley

SPRING COMES TO BERLIN

Spring is upon us once again. With this blooming season comes the counting of days til spring break, til prom, and the lucky seniors start the final countdown til grad. Spring is also the season for Soccer, Track, and Tennis. Each team showing much promise for the season at hand. All equally striving to show just who is truly number one. Though we all know each is special in its own way, as their players will agree.

Spring isn't just any season; it's special. In it we all find new hope and promise, knowing that the deadly chill of winter is almost done and that soon the pleasant warmth of spring will slowly awaken the earth back to its ever-green state.

And for the lovers.... Spring holds promise to an ever growing love, with late-night strolls and picnics made for two on warm, sunny beaches. For those of us who prefer a green scenery, like the background of rolling hills with trees to crown them, the Grunewald holds many wonderful places just for you.

You can't sum up spring in a couple of paragraphs, or capture its meaning in a picture. Yet, it's just outside your door. For anyone whose willing to spend a little time just relaxing and taking it in. Enjoy it now; it doesn't last forever and only comes once a year.

by Elisa Weaver



Nancy Tomlinson, Herff Jones Rep, conducts workshop in yearbook computer for journalism staff. Next year, copy and layout could be sent on a disk to the company for printing. Taking part are advisor Ms. Edwards and staff member Heather Van Gorder.

On April 24, 1985 there will be a Journalism workshop concentrating on the yearbook in Brussels, Belgium. Freshman, sophomores, or juniors from B.A.H.S. are going. If you are interested in being on the Publication staff next year and would like to attend the workshop, see Ms. Edwards. We are especially looking for artists, photographers, journalists, typists and students that are good in the business skills.

There are currently 70 yearbooks left for 25.00 each. See Laura Jacoby, Debbie McAuley, or Ms. Edwards. The yearbooks are expected to be in May 15, 1985.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

MR. LONG, SPONSOR OF THE NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY ANNOUNCES MEMBERSHIP

GRADE 9

Marty Batchelor
Kelly Jones
Tammy Kaman
Debbie Lissfelt
Amy Little
Andy McAllister
Chris Minderman
Kathryn Murphy
Christine O'Donnell
Eddie Wucher

GRADE 8

Erica Christensen
Rebecca David
Carolyn Donelson
Kimberly Foreman
Chaene Glisman
Brian Guzik
Robin Hewitt
Melanie Johnson
Linda Kump
Timothy McKnight
Katrina Mercer
Tamala Sinegal
Holly Wind

Seventh grade students are not eligible for membership into the NJHS until the end of the first semester. The next induction will be in May.

by Susie Beem

PRIGGE HOSTS 40 STUDENTS TO ITB

The International Tourism Exchange (ITB) was held in the Exhibition Halls of the Funkturm on Wednesday, 6 March 1985.

Each country represented at the fair sets up a stand where information on tours and traveling was available. People wishing to visit other countries can simply request the proper data needed.

Herr Prigge hosts the students at the ITB every year. When asked how he felt the 40 students attending the ITB this year represented BAHs, he replied, "...very well, well behaved, interested and motivated."

Students who went to the fair collected many of the colorful posters offered.

Countries from all over the world are welcomed. They need to apply at least one year in advance.

Spring

PROM THEME IS "OLD BERLIN"

It's prom time again and the juniors have a great evening planned for this year. The dance will be held in the Intercontinental Hotel with the doors opening at 7:00 p.m. A buffet style dinner will be served at 7:30.

The theme is "Old Berlin", chosen because the juniors felt many of the seniors and juniors would not be returning to Berlin and this would provide special memories.

Live music will be played by the Berlin Brigade Army Band from 8:30-11:30. Music selections will include Top 40 hits from the pop and soul charts.

The evening will be chaperoned by Mr. & Mrs. Schmoll, Mr. & Mrs. Miller, and Mr. & Mrs. Larson.

Those wishing to have photos taken should bring \$12-\$15. The cost of prom, including dinner, is \$15-single and \$30-couple. Tickets will go on sale three weeks prior to prom.

We hope everybody will come to prom and make it a very special evening.

PTSA ELECTIONS HELD

At the PTSA meeting on March 20, elections for the officers of the organization were held. Elected were: President-CMSG John Hamilton, 1st Vice President-Patty Adams, 2nd Vice President-Beth O'Donnell, Treasurer-Maj. Frank Rodriguez, Secretary-Caroline James.

The elections of the student representative will be held in concurrence with that of the student council executive board later in the spring.

At the meeting, issues such as the school's grading system and smoking policy as well as the sports eligibility program and the question of having a closed campus were discussed, however no decisions were made.

by Sara Fitch

CORRIDOR COMMENTS STUDENT BREAK

Kacy Hubbard-I like having the break, but there's barely any time before school.

Mike Somsan-I like it because now I can eat during the break instead of bringing it to Leonard's class and getting in trouble.

Mike Peters-I think it's stupid to make us stand outside for 10 minutes when we could be inside doing our homework, and I think the break is too short to accomplish anything.

Smurf-I think the schedule should have been left as it was at the beginning of the year because now we don't have time to talk with our teachers or fellow students before school.

Paul Murphy-People should be let into school when their school bus arrives.

John Hubbard-It's a bogus deal. I can't get the hang of when to go to class.

Gilbert Barrers-I don't like it because there's nothing to do. I'd rather have the extra 10 minutes at lunch.

GERMAN STUDENTS VISIT BAHs

On Thursday March 14th students from the German schools Eckener and Berlin Tempelhof visited good ole' BAHs and got a taste of American education.

Sitting in on an assortment of classes the students were able to compare their school system to ours. Two students, Engo and Alexander, commented about the discipline-yes, BAHs was much more disciplined than their school.

In school they take courses such as chemistry, biology, physics, P.E., English, French, German, history, and geology, school starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 1:20 p.m., with no lunch.

For extra-curricular activities the students like to play soccer, football, volleyball, dancing, badminton, basketball, and singing in the school choir.

On the weekends they like to go to discos as do their American counterparts.

ERIN FITCH WINS SPELLING BEE CONTEST

March 5, 1985 twenty-four students competed in the fifteenth annual 7th and 8th grade spelling bee.

The contestants were: Suzanne Guerrero, Cleana McKenzie, Alison Klukas, Becki David, Heather Nostrant, Katrina Wilkie, Michelle Davis, Sheila Murdock, Jeanne Londerel, Rennee Spikes, Roxanne Izac, Ben Hunter, Nicole Fredricks, Aysu Helvaciglu, Jennifer Shanks, Andrew Waterman, Merdith Sams, Erin Fitch, Bryan Legitt, Rebecca Peters, Nicole Elliot, Brian Guzik, and Michele Lamb.

Sponsor, Mr. Long, gave all twenty-four students Champion Speller certificates. Mrs. Deery, Mrs. Doty, and Mrs. Nix helped to conduct the 'bee'.

The top four spellers Celena McKenzie, Aysu Helvaciglu (English is her second language), Brian Guzik, and Erin Fitch all received books.

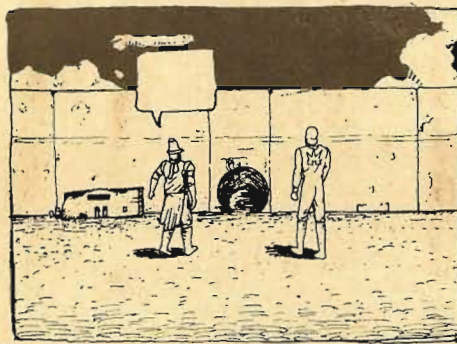
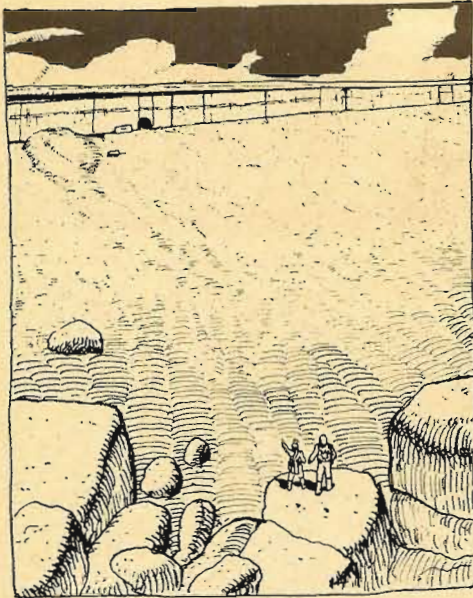
Erin Fitch won the contest by spelling "DETRIMENTAL."

Congratulations to all the spellers who competed on this year's Spelling Bee.

BEAR-A-CUDAS SWIM THE WALL

On Sunday, March 3, the Berlin swim team earned money by "swimming the wall". The swimmers got pledges from sponsors for each lap completed. Bethany Ballard swam the most: 7,200 meters. Together the team earned approximately DM 4,500 which they donated to a German school for the deaf. The check was presented to the school at a small reception held for the students and team members at Andrews Pool. One of the administrators from the school said that the money was much needed and would help considerably.

by Sara Fitch



WE LAST SAW XENON SEARCHING FOR THE PASSAGE TO THE 6TH LEVEL. HE AND HIS TEAM OF RESEARCHERS (GLUCK, ABOARD THE SPACESHIP AND JHIN) FINALLY FIND THE GREAT WALL AND THE SECRET PORTHOLE. THE ONLY WAY TO GO FROM HERE IS DOWN THE SECRET PORTHOLE....

