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English Exchange

On November 25, Mrs. Edwards third period senior English class visited a gymnasium in Engels. The German students already have exchange programs with the British and French and are interested in starting on with BAHS.



WELCOME

FRAU STIEGLER!

Berlin American High School would like to welcome Frau Stiegler, our new German teacher. She is taking over for Herr Voigt, who retired at the end of the first grading period. Her first day was 15 Oct. She is originally from Berlin, and was a language assistant at the Public Affairs office. I believe we will have a great year with our new German teacher.

by Don Knowles

NHS: KEEPING BUSY

The National Honor Society would like to present to you this year's NHS officers: President-Diana Bartholomew; Vice-President-Rhonda Larson; and, Secretary/Treasurer-Lora Webbert.

Mr. Miller has asked the NHS is they are willing, as a group project, to keep up a bulletin board of the major announcements for the week to come in the front lobby. The NHS has said that it will take on this weekly task beginning November 22. The purpose of this bulletin board is to inform students ahead of time of what will be happening during the following week.

NHS applications from students were due November 22. The student essays were evaluated by a select group of administrators the next week. The scheduled date for the NHS inductions is December 4th during 6th period.

If you missed applying for the NHS this time, you can apply for the inductions held in the spring.

by, Diana Bartholomew

TEEN COUNCIL SEMI-FORMAL A SUCCESS

The BAHS and JFK semi-formal friendship dance was a success with a total of 80 persons. Dinner was provided for those who were hungry and music for those who wanted to dance the night away. The dance started at 7:00 p.m. and ended at 1:00 a.m. Although there were more BAHS persons than JFK, there were a lot of new friendships established. Sara Fitch, 11th grade representative to the Teen Council, stated, "I was pleasantly surprised at the overwhelming success of the dance. It went off so well that we plan on having other dances."

by, Mike James

JUNIOR HIGH CONGRESS WORKING HARD

The Junior High Congress is very busy this year. The congress is sponsored by Mr. Long, with Annissa Raby as President, and Mike Jordan as Vice-President.

The students are working hard to earn money with bake-sales, dances, and the ACS Car Drive. Another great source of the Congress funds, are the "just for fun", marriage certificates and adoption certificates that are sold for ten cents each. The YA Christmas event is now their biggest project, which is sure to be a success, with the hard working congress sponsoring it.

by Chaene Gusman

HERR VOIGT RETIRES

On October 31, B.A.H.S. said, "Farewell" to one of its most versatile staff members--Herr Voigt. He has taught German here for over 20 years.

All day long, parties were thrown in his favor and students wished him good luck for his retirement.

I asked Michael Mankel, a former student of his, how he felt about Herr Voigt's retirement. Said he, "Herr Voigt is the best teacher I had at B.A.H.S. He is a great loss to this school. He is a great man."

Herr Voigt's replacement is Frau Stiegler. Room 111 will be turned into a computer room, and the classroom itself has been moved to the old health room.

We hope that Frau Stiegler finds her students enjoyable, and that the rest of the year will be as productive as the first 9 weeks were.

by Christine Radzinski



Mrs. McKnight, of the Berlin Wive's Club, hands Ms. Edwards a check for the new Publications computer.

Straight "A" Party: Quarter 1

EDITORIAL

CORRIDOR COMMENTS

This month, we wanted to know what you would like to see in the Bear's Tale. Replies were as follows:

Kathy Young: More pictures, more cheerleading, and more editorials.

Bobby Chartier: I would like to see better cartoons and different lettering, because the computer print is too small.

Lance Srp: I'd like to see my name in it more often.

Dean Heyden: Playboy Playmate of the Year, different comic strips, and more YF football articles.

Nikki Smith: More song dedications and better comics.

Monica George: Better jokes, a list of the top 10 singles, top styles, and quizzes.

by, Chris Radziminski

SAC DISCUSSES SCHOOL ISSUES

On November 12 there was a meeting of the SAC (school advisory committee). Members present at the meeting were: Col. Griffard, Mrs. Spivey, Mr. Finschmidt, Mr. Long, Mr. Schmoll, Mrs. James, Capt. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Von Arx, Mr. Sennett, Mr. Miller, Mr. Larson and Mr. Blake.

At the meeting the committee gave reports on the following:

Mr. Schmoll, Public Relations Committee, reported that he was forming a kids workshop, which will include speech, drama, and debate.

Mrs. Spivey, Student Form Committee, reported that more clubs were needed for students after school. She reported that there is not enough extracurricular activities for students.

Mr. Sennett, Food Services Committee, reported of two new items that might be added to the menu. One is sloppy joes and the other is tuna salad. He then went on to give the pros and cons of the cafeteria situation.

Capt. Cook, a guest speaker, reported on an ROTC program and the Drivers Ed course. By next year there might be a ROTC program offered for all those who are interested in a military career. He then went on to report that the school will go through the Germans for the Drivers Ed program.

This month's SAC meeting accomplished many things such as two new food items added to the school menu, more clubs such as the varsity club and debate club being set up for students, and a possible ROTC program for next year.

by, Mike James

FACULTY QUIZ

Test your knowledge of the faculty around you. Do you know who this is?

1. She was born in Ohio.
2. Her hobby is reading.
3. Her favorite color is purple.
4. She has sandy blond hair.
5. Her favorite type of food is Mexican.
6. She has two children.
7. She has worked at BAHs for 1 year.
8. She graduated from High School in 1964.
9. Her favorite artist is Barbara Striesand.
10. She has lived in Moscow, Germany, Greece and Okinawa.

The answer will appear in the next issue of "The Bear's Tale".

by, Cindy Williams

STRAIGHT A's HONORED

As the end of the first quarter of the 1985/86 school year rolls around, a fury of anticipation overcomes each student as report cards come out.

Those students with either straight A's or 5-A's and 1-B were recognized for their excellent work with a Straight "A" Party on November 14th at 2:45 p.m. Along with this party filled with refreshments and fun, the students were honored with a certificate by Mr. Miller.

For those of you out there who didn't make it to this party, remember that you still have 2 more chances at the end of the 2nd and 3rd quarters.

If you have any questions pertaining to the next upcoming party, please contact Mr. Wieland.

Straight A's

Melissa Gorton
Kathleen Hildenbrand
Andrew Fuetz
Lena Solomon
Katrina Wilkie
Lori Barnett
Tiffany Madden
Christina Yurick
Lora Webbert
Patrick Guzik

5-A's and 1-B

Tim Adams
Joshua Morris
Regina Ann Conway
Margaret Hatten
Alison Klukas
William Lehman
Carroll Pearson
Donna Reilley
Arthur Swanson

DEAR EDITOR

It has been months since school started and the Seniors have yet to receive their Senior Hall. One of my concerns is that if we don't get them soon, there won't be much time to enjoy them.

I know there are more things in the school that have priority but I feel the administration needs to keep their promises. I think this issue needs to be addressed.

Signed:

a promise is a promise
Senior, Don Knowles

Dear Promise:

I asked Mr. Miller about this issue and he referred me to Mr. St. Louis. There is no news on the lockers. The only information I can offer is that the lockers have been ordered and are expected to arrive in December.

Diana Bartholomew, Editor

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY
NEW YEAR !!

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STUDENTS IN ENGLAND IRELAND

On October 31st, 60 students from Berlin American High School, led by Mr. Schmoll and Mr. Pinschmidt, boarded the duty train en route to England and Ireland.

At first, many students found it difficult to obey the seemingly strict rules, such as no walkmans and no alcoholic beverages. As the trip carried on, though, everyone learned to live with them.

After a nine hour bus ride and a two hour ferry ride, everyone was glad to reach London. Besides seeing Westminster Abbey, Trafalgar Square, and other famous sites, the group attended the final showing of *The Seagull*, a Chkov play featuring Vanessa Redgrave. The students left London, stopping to visit a haunted hotel on their way to Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of Shakespeare. There they were treated to a spectacular performance by Ben Kingsley in *Othello*.

Reaching Ireland turned out to be more difficult than expected. The water was too rough to cross at the scheduled time, so the group had to spend the night on the ferry. Seeing the beautiful Irish coastline was worth the wait. In Dublin, the students visited St. Patrick's Cathedral, Trinity College, and many of the famous sites James Joyce mentioned in his books. They also saw a modern Irish play, *The Sanctuary Lamp*.

Next came a night in Chester, a town inhabited by over 50 ghosts; then a short stop in Canterbury and on to Dover and the long ride back to Berlin.

Most of the students that went on this trip to England and Ireland said they had a good time and learned a lot. A special thanks should be extended to Mr. Schmoll, Mr. Pinschmidt, and the other chaperones for making this trip a success.

by Jill DeBerry



Photo by John Pinschmidt

Mr. Schmoll and several other England-Ireland trip participants do their best to hug St. Kevin's cross at Glendalough, Ireland.

YA NEWS & EVENTS

Looking for something to do during the Holiday Season? Well, the YA has a few things planned just for you. For all you Candy Apple freaks, there will be a chance for you to make and pig out on all that yummy stuff on the 10th of December. How about gingerbread? That's right! You can put together a Ginger Bread House on the 20th.

How do you feel about dancing? The YA is holding a Christmas Party/Dance on the 21st from 8:00-11:00. Here's something for all you people with musical interests. On the 19th everyone will have a chance to do some Caroling. Show some of that Christmas Spirit, and show up for this one!

Skating's your pleasure? Well, which one—roller or ice skating? You've got a choice this month! The Rollerskating trip is on December 23rd at 6-10pm, and the Ice skating one is on December 27 from 3:30-6:30. Speaking of winter sports, do you know how to ski? Whether you do or don't there is a cross country skiing activity planned for the 28th (weather permitting, of course).

You see, there is a variety of things to do, so get over to the YA!

by, Chris Radziminski

MERRY
CHRISTMAS !

SEE TURKEY DURING ACTIVITY WEEK

Tour the famous city of Istanbul, the former capital of many empires which possesses numerous monuments, historical sites and points of interest. Then travel the Mediterranean and Aegean coast to such ancient sites as Troy, Ephesus and Aphrodisias. Cost covers round-trip flight, then travel by ferry and by road to cities within Turkey; plus hotel accommodations and meal plans.

Cost: DM1550. (Cost covers round-trip, DM 670, plus airport tax DM 20.)

DEPOSIT: DM200, non-refundable, to be paid at the time of sign-up before 13 December.

Chaperones: Dr. and Mrs. Ulver

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CROSS COUNTRY TRIUMPHS

A great sense of anxiety hung heavy in the chilled Munich air as the runners from 13 different schools warmed up for their race. Forty-three girls and seventy-five guys were competing in the Cross Country Regionals for Single A DODDS schools.

After walking the courses, both girls and guys were a bit apprehensive about the race. The course was fairly flat, but it included two enormous, connected hills that had to be run twice--at the very beginning and at the end of the race.

The girls' race started at 2:45pm. The lead girl runner created an immediate gap between herself and the pack that followed. After a quarter of a mile the gap widened due to the first hill. Tracy Jaster (Baumholder) won the girls' race. The first Berlin girl was Diana Bartholomew, who finished 20th.

In the guys race two Berlin runners placed in the top 20. Carl Marvin and his brother, Chris, placed 11th and 14th, respectively.

Overall, the Berlin guys' team took fourth and the girls' team placed third in Regionals.

by, Tom Carey

BEAR-A-CUDAS SWIM TO VICTORY

The Bear-a-Cuda swim team crushed the Lehr Beavers, a Canadian team, on November 6th, in the European Forces Swim League Competition. In the 100m Butterfly, Alison Klukas scored a victory and Max Milton won the 100m breaststroke. Other victories were gained by Jim Long in the 100m freestyle and Kristine Racek in the 200m individual medly. Danny Kerr and Kelle Smith gained valuable points to ensure a victory for the Bear-a-Cudas. The next swim meet for the team is November 24th against the Hahn Sea hawks. So come out and give them your support.

by, Christine Reilley



BARLOW PRESENTS FITNESS AWARD

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Each year physical fitness classes are tested for fitness. This procedure, instituted by President John F. Kennedy in the '60's, is used widely in schools.

Bridgette Seymour, eighth grader, won the only Presidential Certificate (highest award).

Sophomores merit winners were:

LISA FREEMAN
SHANNON DEBERRY
DARREN HUNT
BRIAN COOPER
RICHARD BEEN
TODD SEFICK
'ATONYA BREWINGTON

Freshman merit winners were:

KIM QUIGLEY
NICOLE ELLIOT
TERRI GEER
JENNIFER CARTERR
AYSU HELCACIOGLU
CELLIA BATCHELOR
TRACY ELLIS
CHANDA THOMPSON
SONJA HICKS

Photo by Kelle Smith



YA BEARS FINISH SEASON

The YA Football Team had a successful season this year. They took third place in the USARE Conference, and their standing is 4-2-1.

Their best game was against Bad Kreuznach. They clobbered Bad Kreuznach, 42-0. Another good game that they played was against Baumholder, 16-0.

The team went on to participate in the semi-finals, but lost to Mannheim. Mannheim had combined their Junior Varsity and Varsity teams to gain the advantage. This killed our team's chance for a crack at the championship.

Some comments about their accomplishments were:

Kicky Hoffman- Our offensive line was very strong against Bad Kreuznach.

Shawn Hickey- It was an alright season. We had our ups and downs. We had an above-average line and backfield.

Scotty Ozbirn- At the beginning we were 0-1, then we pulled together and beat the ---- out of everyone!

Willie Robinson- It was a season to learn from.

Team members elected James Benson and Keoki Ofsonka as MVP's of the season. Congratulations to the team, and let's go for first place next year.

by, Chris Radzinski
Nicole Elliot

DRILL TEAM TRIES OUT

After many rumors and questions, is it possible that this "drill team" can become a reality? According to Mrs. Anderson, the beloved cheerleading sponsor and, hopefully, the drill team sponsor, it seems quite possible. The first pre-tryout practice for the girls will be on November 21. Mrs. Anderson hopes to have the tryouts on the 27th. The tryout groups will consist of groups of 4 or 5, who will make up a routine and perform it for the judges.

VOLLEYBALL STRUGGLES AT TOURNAMENTS

This year's 1985 Volleyball team started off with a great season, until 4 Varsity starters were suspended for the last 3 games, including Tournaments.

On November 5, the remaining 6 Varsity, plus 2 JV left for Patch. Cindy Williams and Laverne Magee were brought up from JV to make up for the 4 lost Varsity.

Tournaments started off Friday morning. The 10 teams who make it to tournaments were split up into 2 pools, pool 1 and pool 2. Berlin's first game was at 10:00 against Patch. According to Coach Dermody, the game was at 2:00 against Shape. This was the toughest game Berlin had to play. Berlin, again, lost. The only chance Berlin had for champions was if one of the other two teams were to beat Patch or Shape.

Berlin's last game for Friday was against Vilseck. They beat them, two straight games.

The next morning, they played Karlsruhe. Berlin just didn't play their best, and so they lost. Although it really didn't matter if they won because neither Vilseck nor Karlsruhe were able to beat Shape or Patch.

The Championship round was the 1st and 2nd place out of each pool. Bonn and Munich made it from Pool 1, and Patch and Shape for Pool 2. The final Championship game was Patch vs. Shape. Shape took first place and put three girls on the All-Tournament Team- one being the MVP.

Mr. Dermody thought it was a well run tournament, and the team got to see how Volleyball was really played. "We played the much stronger teams than those in Pool 1. The teams in Pool 2 were much better. The girls did an excellent job playing against Patch and Shape, even though they knew they wouldn't make it to the Championship."

Congratulations to the hard working volleyball team, and especially to Denise Shoemaker who made the All Conference.

by, Lisa Mrozinski

BAHS NEEDS NEW MASCOT

Our school needs a new mascot. Michelle Virgin, our former bear, rejoined the JV cheerleading squad so a replacement is needed. If you are interested in using your school spirit to earn a Varsity letter and travelling with the basketball team, then contact Mrs. Anderson in room 209.

PAIN EXPRESS STARTS ITS SEASON

As November 18 comes near, expressions such as No Pain, No Gain will be commonly used to refer to the long and hard practices that wrestlers undergo everyday for 3:00 to 5:30.

Mr. Pepoy, sponsor and assistant coach to this year's wrestling team, comments, "There seems to be more enthusiasm for wrestling this year, and a lot of varsity returners from last year will be giving the team a very strong foundation to work with."

What is different about this year's wrestling team, set apart from last year, is the capability of the whole team. Also, there is the difference of attitude; the wrestlers this year really do not just want to participate, but to strive for excellence and to more or less inflict pain on opposition wrestlers and earn a good record on the way to Regional Wrestling Championships.

Analyzing the wrestling team, the strength will definitely be in the lower weight classes, seeing that there are more experienced wrestlers there. The weakness will assumingly be in the upper weight classes as there are more inexperienced wrestlers on the team in those upper weights categories.

The wrestling team, nicknamed the "Pain Express", will have its first match against the tough opposition teams from Baumholder, Munich, and Heidelberg on December 7, at home.

by Mike Somsan

EUROPEAN CC FINALS HELD

The morning of Saturday the 9th of November was filled with nervous excitement. All the top runners who had qualified at Regionals were present at Brunssum, the Netherlands for the European Cross Country Championships.

During the early morning hours rain pelted the land and gale force winds blew furiously. Fortunately, these conditions gave way to blue, sunny skies and a comfortable temperature of 57 degrees with some gusty winds.

The courses were 3.1 miles for the girls and 4.0 miles for the boys. The courses consisted of various terrains ranging from gravel paths to sandy stretches to wooded trails.

The girls' race began at 12:35. Liz Wilson (AFCENT) completed the course with a two minute margin of victory over Tracy Jaster (Baumholder), the 2nd place runner.

Rick Jaster (Baumholder) was triumphant in the boys' race, beating AFCENT's hopeful Sean Hopkins.

Liz and Rick were European Champions last year, as well. Both of the winners set course records at Brunssum.

Representing Berlin were Carl Marvin for the boys and Diana Bartholomew for the girls. Carl placed 59th out of 93 runners and Diana finished 81 out of 88. Both runners agree that it was a tough race. They also felt that they personally could have done much better.

by, Diana Bartholomew



BERLIN FOOTBALL SEASON WRAPS UP

The Berlin Bears wrapped up a very upsetting football season with a 0-6 record, but looks forward to a more successful season next year.

This year's team was made up of mostly Freshmen and Sophomores. It did, however, give players playing for their first time, along with veteran players, more experience and playing time for next year's season.

We hope that with the many players returning from this year's varsity team, along with a few YA boys and new students, that the Berlin Bears will have a more successful season next year.

by, Mike James



Linnell White helps the Berlin Varsity Volleyball team with her excellent serve. Photo by Jim Long

DOG REPORT

Boy, I'll tell ya'. You guys are just a barrel of laughs! Some of you must eat, drink and sleep stupidity. I mean I can't even go through a full day without someone showing me their ignorance. But I don't mind because I tend to make some pretty embarrassing bloopers myself.

My partner and I here have started a snooping report that will be in every issue of our probation passes. This column is not out to embarrass anyone, it's just for a little humor. We will try our best to keep it clean.

Now, on with the show...

JENNIFER QUIGLEY was heard calling Don Knowles a "Bannana Butt" because of his yellow jockeys seen in gym class. Didn't know you were a peeping-tom Jenn! Tssk!!

SHAWN BINGHAM, DARRIN HUNT, LANCE HAMILTON were wearing the same yellow colored polo shirt to school. What's this, a 3 for \$1 sale guy?? Triplets, huh?--- cute!!

SMURFER DURFER AND JIM LONG were seen playing with the green froggy in publications class. Hey, you can do better than that. We know you don't need a green frog!!

JOHN WARREN is always walking around with one hand up his shirt. I thought you had Corky now, John?!

JASPER KUMP has been seen confused or depressed lately. Have you made up your mind yet, Jasper?!

JOHANNA WILLIAMS was seen kissing Rich Beem in Speech and Drama. What does Shawn say about this, Jo?!

KARRIE KOTCHER actually paying attention in Mr. SNYDERS chemistry class. Now, that's a change!

Good-Bye to DIANE SAMS. WE WILL NEVER FORGET OUR LITTLE CHIHUAHAU

I'd like to leave you with a few thoughts before I go. May ye be blessed with brains and adequacy this christmas season and don't think think that I'm not monitoring you and your deranged conversations and actions! In other word, whatever you say and do, can and will be used against you in
THE DOG REPORT

Johanna Williams
Don Knowles

FEATURES

SULTANS ROCK BERLIN

The stage was set at the Deutschlandhalle, November 5, 1985; standing room only.

The excited crowd anxiously awaited the opening of what would be one of the best concerts to arrive in Berlin. As the atmosphere intensified and the lights went out, shouts and whistles echoed throughout the stadium increasing the excitement. Then silence, followed by the sweet melody of a flute, and Dire Straits jumped into their opening number, "Ride Across the River".

The legendary group of young musicians began their world wide tour this year to promote their newly released album, Brothers in Arms, which has been in the top 10 for the last 10 weeks.

As the night went on, Dire Straits did not disappoint the crowd. One number after the other, it got better and better. From the hot lyrics of such notable songs as "Sultans of Swing", a strong autobiographical tune about a band fighting for its existence, making music for music's sake, and dreading better times, to the ever-popular "Money for Nothing", with clever background mixes of "I want my MTV"; this was definitely going to be an unforgettable concert.

Mick LeBlanc, who was lucky enough to get the last few remaining tickets, commented on the concert.

"Dire Straits is the best concert I have seen yet in Berlin. The light show was excellent, and if you tried to choose which song was the best played, you just couldn't decide because all of the songs played were really good."

To put icing on the cake, Dire Straits returned for 3 encores and finally, to end this night of musical and technical perfection, lead singer Mark Knopfer gave a farewell salute to the satisfied crowd.

by Mike Somsan



SONG DEDICATIONS

To: Todd
From: Kristy
Song: One More Night

To: Stephanie F.
From: Kristy
Song: "Legs"

To: Steve Smith
From: ?
Song: One Night Love Affair

To: Joy
From: Kristy
Song: Things Can Only Get Better

To: Steve
From: Karrie
Song: I Miss You

To: Micki
From: Admirer
Song: Hello

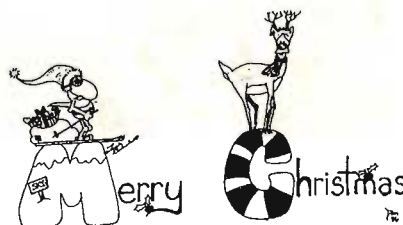
To: Pop Tart
From: Sunrise
Song: Tequila

To: Micki
From: Admirer
Song: I Wanna Get To Know You Well

To: Shawn Steele
From: Diane
Song: I Miss You

To: Epileptic
From: Steph
Song: "HHHoly Moly"

To: Ted
From: One Who Must Watch You From Afar
Song: Every Breath You Take



DEAR SANTA ,

For Christmas I would like:

Marc Abrams: 2 one-way tickets to Mallorca with Micki for companionship.

Ken Magee: my leg, and never break it again.

Nicole Elliot: a life size inflatable Willie Robinson.

Johanna Williams: I want a 5' 11" dark-brown haired, gorgeous, tanned guy laying on the beach waiting for me. He knows who he is.

Rich Beem: a Kewpie Doll, a lifelong supply of Vans, a lot of money, whoopie cushion, giant inflatable Barbie, and voodoo dolls of Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Blum.

Mike Somsan: a plane ticket to the Bahamas, have Christy Brinkley show up at my house wearing nothing but nothing. And have a bright new Candy-Apple Red Porsche in the garage ready to go to Portugal for a weekend of surfing. And, of course, the ever-popular RAMBO Doll!

Kelley Lilly: the most gorgeous guy in the world, or the guy I would like to ask me, my own telephone, \$1 million, and 5 tickets to the States and back. Todd Seifick: for the Berlin Football team to get their act together, and for the school year 85/86 to be the best year ever.

Ricky Hoffman: certain girls! Mike Flores: Tomarah Lynn and a Lamborghini.

"Smurfer Durfer": a 36-24-36 life size Barbie doll with blue eyes, blond hair, nice tan lines, and a polka-dot bikini, sitting in a brand new Ferrari Convertible. But that's not all. I'd like a new apartment building with a Solarium, spa, and pool so I can live happily ever after with my new Barbie doll.

Elric Artis: clothes, and to go back to Baltimore.

Travis Balaskovits: spend 1 night out on the town with Mr. Sullivan, the party-harty dude!

Rhonda Larson: Bryan Adams. No, seriously, a pair of 180 Olin Mark VII's.

Erika DeVries: a red convertible Alfa Romeo Spyder, a flat in Piccadilly Circus, the Godiva chocolate company, my own contempo casuals, and a private jet.

Pablo Perez: I would like to have a dozen packs of batteries for my walkman because it seems when I use it, the batteries die fast. And, I would like to meet Rambo and Luke Skywalker!! I wish.

Dean Heyden: a Vector with Heather Thomas in it, all of the Iron Maiden and Kiss records, go to school 3 days a week, and a party every weekend.

Mike Perez: a distortion pedal for my guitar and a B.C. Rich Warlock and a big party with Metallica, Slayer, and Ratt. No, I didn't forget Stephanie.

Willie Robinson: PEACE in the world.

By Chris Radziminski

SARA FITCH TAKES FIRST



Photo by Kelle Smith

Sarah Fitch won first place in news writing contest at DODDS Germany Journalism workshop in Nuernberg. Students Stephanie Harwick, Michael James, Julia Bartholomew, Chris Mrozinski, Lisa Mrozinski, Kelle Smith, Cindy Williams, Karrie Kotcher, sponsor Ms. Edwards and chaperone Ms. Fitch. Stars and Stripes and Off Duty experts presented information for the students.

SKATE BOARDING

Skateboarding, the craze that has swept the United States, has now arrived in Berlin, in fact, all of Europe. In the early 50's, a surfer devised a method of getting to the beach faster, by screwing metal roller skates to a piece of wood. Now the skateboard is not just a means of transportation, but an outrageous new sport.

Anybody that has been on a skateboard knows of the sense of freedom you get from putting yourself on the line the total feeling of accomplishment or causing yourself some serious injuries. Local skater Marcus Tingle states that skateboarding to him is "the ultimate high for a dreamer. It's addicting, you just can't get enough of it." Another local skater, Lamoin Brevard states that "skateboarding is something you can do anytime, anywhere, whenever you get the urge to 'go for it!'"

In the school handbook, it states that skateboarding is prohibited at BAHS, but that does not mean you can't ride skateboards. It just implies that skateboarding can be a potential accident causing toy if not properly handled.

From Michael J. Fox showing his skating abilities in the movie, BACK TO THE FUTURE to the streets of Berlin, skateboarding is definitely her to stay.

by Michael Somsan

HERR PRIGGE'S PLANS SKI TRIP

Herr Prigge is putting on a Cross Country ski trip again this year to the Harz Mountains. They plan on leaving Berlin on the 18th of February 1986 on the British Duty Train to Braunschweig, and then catch a chartered bus to the Braunlage Youth Hostel. They plan on returning to Berlin the same way on the 21st of February.

The trip will only cost 210 DM or \$79 which includes: transportation, skiing instructions, ski school certificate, lodging at the youth hostel, 3 daily meals, ice skating and "kegling". Bring your own spending money.

If you want to go, rush your 50 DM deposit to Herr Prigge in room A-5. This deposit is not refundable. The last day to sign up will be Friday, 13 December, 1985. So hurry up and get your deposit in.

by Stephanie Harwick

GERMAN MUSEUM CLUB TAKES TRIPS

The German Museum Club, sponsored by Herr Prigge, is a club that any one at all can join. It includes going to one of the two hundred museums in Berlin each month.

These trips take place on the second Thursday of each month. A meeting is held in Herr Prigge's room two weeks prior, to lay out all the details.

Money needed for these trips include the museum's admission fee, money for public transportation, and enough to go out to a restaurant afterwards. Each trip entails going to a restaurant with a certain type of specialty, such as Greek, or Italian.

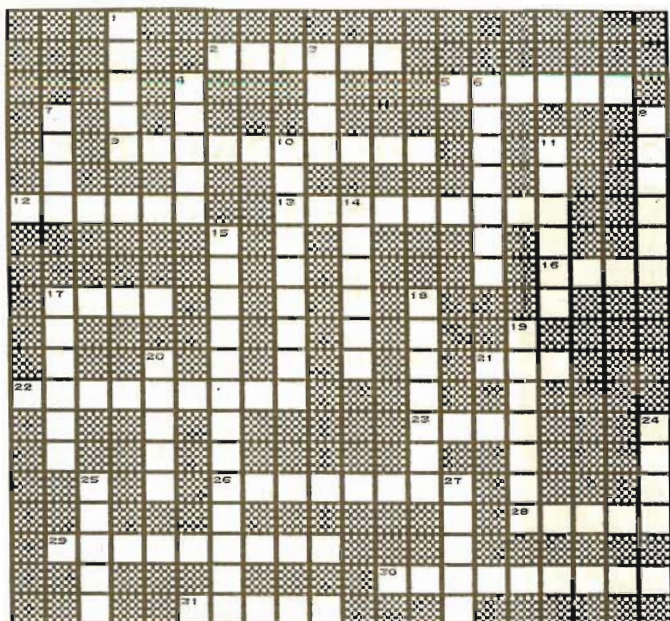
Both the October and the November trips have been a great success. The first went to the Traffic and Science Museum, while the second has gone to Charlottenberg Palace.

The German Museum Club is open to all grades and Herr Prigge hopes more interest will spread to the 9th - 12th grades, seeing how the club mostly contains 7th and 8th graders now. See Herr Prigge for more information.

The next trip will be on December 12th. They will be going to the Electronics and Postal Museum. Afterwards they'll be attending the X-mas market. Go on and check it out!!

*Parents, for more information call Herr Prigge at (mil.) 332-638 during school hours.

by Julia Bartholomew and Chrissy Mrozinski



ACROSS CLUES

2. CHRISTMAS DRINK
5. RUNS ON TRACKS
9. FAT AND JOLLY (MAN)
12. THE SNOWMAN
13. WHERE SANTA LIVES
16. WHAT KIDS GET FOR XMAS
17. A WHITE BLANKET OF.....
21. ... TO THE WORLD
22. SOMETHING YOU KISS UNDER
23. LEAVE FOR SANTA
26. HANGS BY THE FIRE PLACE
28. SOMETHING YOU SING
29. NIPPING AT YOUR NOSE (LINE FROM A SONG)
30. WHERE JESUS WAS BORN
31. THEY JINGLE

DOWN CLUES

1. WHAT LITTLE GIRLS WANT
3. THE FIRST OF MANY (A PERSONS NAME)
4. YOU SPEND AT CHRISTMAS
6. YOU TIE ON GIFTS
7. THE GUIDING LIGHT
8. HARK THE HERALD...
10. SWEET AND STRIPED
11. YOU HANG ON YOUR FRONT DOOR AT CHRISTMAS
14. HE GUIDED SANTA'S SLEIGH
15. SOMETHING YOU DECORATE AT THIS TIME OF YEAR
17. SANTA'S TRANSPORTATION
18. FROSTY THE...
19. YOU LEAVE FOR SANTA
20. SANTA'S HELPERS
24. WHAT YOU DO UNDER THE MISTLETOE
25. WHAT WE ALL WANT FOR THE WORLD
27. WHAT YOU GIVE AT CHRISTMAS

APPLYING FOR COLLEGES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Now is the time that most college-bound Seniors should be applying to colleges and universities. It's not too early for Juniors to start thinking about college, either.

The first thing you should do is decide on three to five schools that you would like to attend. Take a look at your career interests. Which schools offer majors that interest you? Which schools are in your level of competitiveness? Also take note of the size, geographic location, and cost of the college. Both the Media Center and the Guidance Office have college catalogs that contain this information.

Once you've narrowed down your choices, write to those schools for more information or for applications. You should ask about the financial aid that those schools offer. Most

COMPUTER ROOM MOVED

Computer Room Moved

Recently, after the retirement of Herr Voigt, the German room was moved downstairs, and Mr. Babineau's computer room was moved in. The previous room provided the students a very limited amount of room. Moving to the German room gives about three times the amount they previously had. This allows a more comfortable working space, better working conditions, and now, maybe, more people may be allowed to take the class.

by, Karrie Kotcher

colleges will send a financial aid form for you to fill out. Of course, state universities will be less expensive than religiously affiliated or private schools.

For many students, college would be impossible to attend if it weren't for financial aid and scholarships. For information about scholarships and grants, write to the foundations or schools that they're being offered by. Many colleges offer aid to students with certain majors so when writing to schools indicate an interest in the field of your choice and the need for financial aid.

Another important part of getting into a school is the interview. Since you are here in Berlin, it is difficult to visit the colleges or your choice. Many college deans realize that it is impossible to interview all of their future students, so often times there are university representatives in the area that will conduct the interviews. If interviews are still impossible, write to the school's admissions office and let them know.

The most important thing in applying for colleges and scholarships is to send in the applications early, so as not to get caught by the deadline.



X-MAS ARRIVES IN GERMANY

Unlike our American Christmas, the German holiday season begins on December 6th with St. Nicholas Day. On this day the German children put their shoes outside and wait for St. Nicholas to come and fill them with candy and sweets. The bad children, however, receive only switches and rocks.

The Germans don't have a "Santa Claus," instead they have what they call Weihnachts mann. Their "Christmas man" wears a long fur-lined coat and hood and has a long white beard. He is similar in appearance to our good ol' Santa.

During the Christmas season, some of the favorite foods consist of Lebkuchen (a kind of gingerbread cookie) and, of course, Gluhwein!!

by, Michelle Virgin



THERE ARE 32 WORDS HERE - CAN YOU FIND THEM?

HERE ARE THE WORDS TO LOOK FOR:

ANGELS	BELLS
CANDYCANE	CHRISTMASLIGHTS
CHRISTMASSPIRIT	CHRISTMASTREE
DOLLS	EGGNOG
ELVES	FROSTY
GINGERBREAD	HOLLY
HOTCHOCOLATE	JACKFROST
JELLYBEANS	MISTLETOE
MONEY	NATIVITY
NOEL	NORTHPOLE
REINDEERS	RIBBONS
RUDOLF	SANTACLAYS
SLEIGH	SNOW
SNOWMAN	STOCKING
TOYS	TRAINS
WRAPPINGPAPER	WREATH
CHRISTMAS THINGS	

C J A C K F R O S T M O N E Y C F U
H S T O C K I N G F H O L L Y H S L
R J E L L Y B E A N S C H J Z R A Q
I R E I N D E E R S M H G Y W I N V
S R I B O N S G N S R N I R S T F
T R S L E I G H F O U I K R A T A B
M H W R E A T H R W G S E A P M C E
A N V U C M X F O M I M G I P A L L
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If you have any requests see Ms. Nelson or Mr. Wieland in the Guidance Office.

by, Rhonda Larson