

BERLIN BEAR FACTS

Gala Parties Herald Spring Holidays

Fasching Party Moved To TAR Gym

by **Gerry Griffin**
Cowpokes, bums, flappers, senoritas and many other strangely dressed people streamed into the TAR Gym. Why? Because on Friday, the 18th of February, the senior German-American club sponsored its Annual Fasching Party. Fasching is the gay celebration before Lent and this party was an American version of this German carnival. The party, for which a costume was necessary, continued from 7:30 to 11:30 P.M. The music was supplied by a German group, the Rolling Coins, who played all evening with a break around 9:30 and another at 10:30. They did a good job as pinch-hitters for the New Generation who



Behind the make-up are some familiar faces around BHS. Do you recognize them?
—Photos by Craig Anderson

Seniors Win Privileges At Last

by **Lynn Horner**
Senior privileges have been in effect long enough now for most people to have formed an opinion on this subject. There is at least one underclassman who would want even more privileges if she were a

Jackson Defends Student Council

"Let Facts Speak For Themselves"

by **the President of the Student Council**
It was recently advocated that a good deal of strife exists between the classes in the Student Council. Arguments pro and con have been flying back and forth ever since the accusation was made. The time has come to let the facts speak for themselves. The following notes are reproduced from the minutes of a recent Student Council business meeting:
NEW BUSINESS:
1. The sophomore class has a total of \$9.40 in their treasury. In April they must sponsor a dance. It was moved and seconded that the Sophomore class charge fifty cents

AYA: Teen Talk

by **Carroll Thebaud**

Now that all the work has been completed, the AYA really looks nice. The recently rebuilt snack bar and bigger coathroom will be a great help when all the new members start pouring in during the AYA's annual membership drive. If the good weather keeps up, hopes are high that construction on the patio will get under way. Soon there'll have been so many you won't recognize the AYA.
The Garmisch trip is over (and was a great success, by the way) so now you can look forward to the Barcelona trip during the

A Bit O' Blarney

Natalie Winter

Just what is Saint Patrick's Day? A lot of people don't really know what it is or why it is celebrated. Saint Patrick was born in England in the early fifth century. Even though his father was well off and in good-standing with the government, Patrick was sold into slavery at the age of sixteen. He lived in Ireland and finally, with the help of a ship's crew, he escaped. During his stay in Ireland, Patrick turned more and more toward God and this enabled him to perform his first miracle during the escape. Legends say that he made a herd of wild boar appear out of nowhere to save a crew from starvation. Others say that Patrick drove out all the snakes in Ireland which is why there are none there today. Whether Patrick converted all of Ireland, a pagan island, to Christianity in thirty-five years, is debatable. He was not crowned the first bishop of Ireland, even though he was alive at the time, which was 431. Patrick, his color being green, is the patron saint of Ireland and a feast in his honor is celebrated on March 17.
Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Dress Up Day Planned In Honor Of Scholars

On March 31 during 6th period, the Berlin American Community Chapel will be the site of an assembly for nearly six hundred well-dressed students from Berlin-American High School, the faculty, and many dignitaries from the American Community in Berlin. They will be gathered for the purpose of honoring the highest scholars in their midst and seeing them inducted into the National Honor Society. Membership in the National Honor Society is the highest honor that can be bestowed on a high school student. Admission into this elite group is based on areas of accomplishment which encompass every facet of a student's life. A list of students eligible on the basis of grades is compiled by the counselors. Getting on this preliminary list is a formidable task for it entails being named to the honor roll consistently or having a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 for one full year. Since freshmen have not

Class Of 1966 Plans Copenhagen Visit

by **Florine Lyons**

This year the mighty Seniors of '66 are really going to get away from it all after their grinding exams! The alumni have planned a four-day trip, not sponsored by the school, to Copenhagen. We hope to go the Thursday after Memorial Day when senior exams are over and have found the least expensive and most fun-filled way to spend our hard-earned money. The trip will cost approximately \$20. Plans are to leave Berlin on the duty train to Bremen and there, catch the train to Copenhagen. Fourteen hours later we will catch our first glimpse of the scenic city, Copenhagen.
All look forward to visiting the castle Elsinore, the unhappy home of Hamlet, and Tivoli, the famous amusement park situated in the middle of the city. The park offers a wide assortment of rides, a small lake in which one can sail (BRRR), restaurants and beautiful gardens. In the evening there is a large firework display. We plan to stay overnight in youth hostels at 1 DM per day.
On Sunday afternoon, we leave Copenhagen and arrive in Berlin Monday morning.

Levi Day Postponed Until April 1st

Plans for the second annual Levi-Day Dance have been postponed this week for reasons well known to everyone. The long-awaited opening of the new cafeteria, originally slated for January 1, has been delayed again. The latest date set by the engineers is March 28 and the Levi committee is being optimistic and plans to move in on April 1 with decorations for the Levi Dance. Rather than postpone the dance again if the deadline is not met this time, they are considering the possibility of inviting the workmen to the party!
Tickets for the dance will go on sale Monday, March 28, during first period and will be sold every day during the week at this time. Students who purchase tickets prior to Friday, April 1, have been granted the privilege of casual dress in class on Levi Day.
The temptation to misinterpret the word "casual" is always present in a large student body and all who plan to take part in Levi Day are asked to play the game according to the rules. Permission to wear casual clothes to school is not a license to dress sloppily or relax standards of behavior.
Participating students should remember the following when dressing on the morning of April 1: The official Levi Day ticket-tag must be worn in a conspicuous place on the person upon entering school. Boys



Debbie Casburn models the "neat but casual" attire proscribed for the Second Annual Levi-Dance and invites you all to join in the fun for April 1st.

may wear dungarees or blue-jeans but they must be full length. No shorts for boys will be tolerated. Girls may wear any form of pants which are at least as long as Bermuda shorts (not Jamaica shorts and not short shorts). No torn, writ-

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Berlin Weather Disgusts Everyone

Meteorologists Say, 'Could Be Worse'

by **Don Drach**
Weather in Berlin is an often talked about subject, mainly because it is not conducive to the tanned faces we would all like to sport. But few people realize why the weather here is as it is, and that it is supposedly beneficial to health. Oceanic influences on temperature here are especially effective in winter. One reason that Berlin winters are not as cold as those in southern Germany is that Berlin is much closer to the sea, and its altitude is lower. The average temperature in January is 30° F., which is much milder than might be expected at this northern latitude, and in July it is 65°. Of

course, there are extremes in temperature, as most of us know. The recorded high for July is 98°, and the record low in January is -13°.

Berlin has an average rainfall



The sun caught our cameraman without a filter on his camera but he never got the chance to try again as Bear Facts went to press before the sun came out again! This "unfiltered" candid is offered for those who have forgotten what sunshine looks like.

—Photo by Micky Graziano

Groundhog Catches Cold In Dahlem!

by **Doris Kuhlmeier**

For those of you who are still in the dark as to what Ground Hog's Day really is, I hope that this article will be able to clear up any questions you might have.
Ground Hogs Day is based on a custom brought to America from Great Britain and Germany. People believed that this was a time for forecasting weather for the next six weeks. According to legend, the ground hog awakens from his long winter sleep on February 2. If the sun is shining and the ground hog can see his shadow, he is frightened and crawls back into his burrow. This is supposed to mean that there will be six more weeks of winter weather. But if the sky is cloudy and the ground hog cannot see his shadow, he stays out of his burrow, confident of continuing mild weather and an early arrival of Spring!



Sorry kids, but I'm not too impressed with the Berliner Luft.
—Cartoon by Doris Kuhlmeier

of between 600-800 mm. per year (24 in.-32 in.). Approximately 40% of the days are rainy with an average of 15 days in both January and July. About 200 days every year are overcast in Berlin. In January, 73% of the month is cloudy, and every other day in July is usually cloudy. These wet and overcast conditions are due to the deep-spread oceanic influences from the North Sea and the Baltic Sea.
Snow cover is more a function of temperature than of precipitation. It decreases towards the oceanic northwest, and increases towards the continental east. For about 30 days, Berlin is covered with the white stuff. But as everything else here, it too, is subject to unexpected and violent change.

Tempelhof
NCO Wives' Club
Business Luncheon
March 15, at 1300 hrs
Club Silverwings
Closed Meeting for Election of Officers
Permanent Hostess, Mrs. Paul Toupin
telephone 76 28 69
Installation of Officers on March 22

Gullible Parents Unwittingly Encourage Truancy

by Laura Newby

As a result of quite a lengthy list of questions directed toward Mr. Straight, several interesting facts concerning absenteeism and truancy at BHS have come to light!

On an average, 35 students, or roughly 7 percent of the entire student body, are absent during one complete school day. Of these, 1-2 percent are habitually absent. Approximately 15-20 percent of those absent neglect to bring in a note from parents or guardians. From those who do, the typical excuse is, for an all day or several day absence, illness such as a virus, flu, common cold, or sore throat; for 1-2 period or half-day absences, dental appointments, hospital appointments, upset stomachs, baby-sitting for younger children while parents keep appointments, etc.

As far as can be ascertained, these excuses are genuine. However, mothers tend to overprotect children by writing excuses for trivia, while fathers are generally less suspicious of their children's excuses. When fathers are informed, they are far more cooperative with the administration, although some fathers are worse than the most flagrant over-protective mother.

On an average, 9 percent of the students are tardy or excused each day. Usual excuses for tardiness include oversleeping, missing the buses, not walking fast enough, or not waking up in time, etc. These are usually labeled inadequate excuses, as are talking in the halls, taking too long at lockers, fooling in the halls, or arriving late from lunch. Approximately 12-14 students receive inadequate excuses daily. It requires consideration on the part of the administration to decide what constitutes an adequate excuse.

The number of absences is recorded on school transcripts and it may have an effect on the individual's

record. For example, excessive absences may indicate either a chronically ill person or only a constant anti-school violator. As college admissions procedures become increasingly strict, absence rates may be used as another variable in the prediction of student reliability.

Without a careful review of last year's records, Mr. Straight cannot say definitely whether absence rates have decreased or increased. However, it is generally conceded that they remain uniform, with the usual increase during winter months and at the beginning and end of vacation periods due to prolonged vacations. Skippers on guard! Trips are not encouraged, only authorized for educational purposes. Group trips are seriously frowned upon when they entail an absence from school time.

Flagrant truants are in the minority—only 1 percent of the entire student body ever cut classes (and get caught). According to statistics, skippers take either 5th and 6th periods off, or the entire afternoon when a study hall is involved. Reasons for skipping are supposedly boredom with classes or just conformity with a particular crowd. However, in the face of a 2 to 3 day suspension from school a relapse of 2 or 3 hours from school hardly seems worth the 72 hours spent at home with irate parents! The AYA, sports center, and snack bar are the places most frequented by skippers—but beware class cutters—these are the places to avoid! With a combination of community informers, rumors among students, cross-checking of records, phone calls, and teacher curiosity, approximately 20 people have been caught so far this year.

In an understaffed school such as BHS, it is impossible to check up on each absence every day by telephone as many stateside schools do.

There is no true truant officer to handle this job. It may be that some truants exist and get away with it with forged notes, parents who cover up, etc. But they are the losers in the long run: statistics show that students with the highest record of absenteeism have the lowest grades. Teachers agree that their absences are the biggest factor in their low academic achievement. If such people get caught, which has been the case, the work missed during a suspension cannot be made up for credit.

Senior Standouts

by Gloria Saltzberg

The president of the National Honor Society is this issue's male Senior Standout. Stan Fedyszyn comes from Ft. Riley, Kansas and was born August 1, 1948. He spent his first two years of high school in Florida and then came to Berlin.

Stan plans to attend the University of Florida upon graduation. He would like to study in the field of mathematics and is interested in Oceanography as a career. Stan has a sister, Susan, whom you may know from last year, who is attending Stetson University in Florida. His younger brother, Jim, is a freshman.

Stan's favorite music is jazz and his favorite musician is Stan Getz.

by Donna D'Amore

The female Senior Standout for this issue is Florine Lyons, known to most of us as Dee Dee.

Dee Dee was born in New Jersey, and she has lived in New Jersey, Bonn, and California. Dee Dee likes the new High School but thinks the Senior Class should have more privileges like a coke machine in their lounge and a couple of new staircases "to rid ourselves of the underclassman rush." When asked about current fads, she says she likes them all but thinks beetle boots are silly.

Throughout her high school years, Dee Dee has been in many clubs and organizations. She is a member of the BEAR FACTS staff this year and she was also on a newspaper staff in her Freshman year. In her sophomore year she was a member of the Book discussion group Annual and Chorus. Dee Dee is also a member of the Student Council this year.

As a favorite pastime Dee Dee enjoys playing the cello and piano. Dee Dee will be leaving this August for the States and her freshmen year of college.

Winners: Longest Hair



Donnie Hulms, Barbara Martin, seventh grade; Steve Chittum, Cindy Latham, eighth grade; Linda Smith, freshman; Peter Hughes, Suzie Wing, sophomores; Peter Munoz, Terri Rice, seniors. Not pictured: Terry Latham, freshman; Gary Terwilliger, Esther Garcia, Juniors.

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Mrs. Lydon



Mr. Bates

Mrs. Lydon, our teacher of shorthand, typing, bookkeeping, and general business, was born in Gary, Indiana. Before joining the faculty at B.H.S., she taught at Rubidoux High School in Riverside, California.

During September of '65, she drove through Germany and Belgium on the way to England and Scotland. Until December, 1965, when Mrs. Lydon joined B.H.S., she spent her time getting settled in her new apartment and sight-seeing around Berlin.

"I like living in Berlin because I can observe and associate with people of completely different backgrounds from mine, and thus develop a better understanding of people."

"Also I like teaching at B.H.S. I'm able to associate with good, wholesome, young people and help and work with them."

Because of Mrs. Lydon's great knowledge in Business Education, we hope her stay at B.H.S. will be long.

by Rachel Brown

Do you know what Mr. Bates' favorite time of day is? It's when everyone is working on his projects in the shop. And do you know what he likes to do in his spare time? He enjoys camping and surfing at the beach in the summer and skiing in the winter.

Mr. Bates, who comes from Placentia, California, was educated at Anaheim High School, Fullerton Junior College and Long Beach State College. He thought about becoming an electrical engineer but decided to become a teacher because he likes working with young people. He has also taught at Frankfurt High School, Rancho Acamitos High (near Disneyland) and in a comprehensive high school in London, England as a Fulbright Exchange teacher.

He likes Berlin and thinks we are very fortunate to have such a nice new school. He feels that students here have a better chance to take part in activities than students in a big school.

Mr. Bates has two daughters, Mimi and Tommie. Mrs. Bates is a first grade teacher at the TAR School. The Bates family plans to return to southern California next year.

by Maria Bare

We Dedicate This Movie To...

- by Sandy Read
- No Show—for Steve McElmury
 - Bachelor in Paradise—for Mr. Rice
 - The Wonderful World of the Brothers Grimm—for the Junior High
 - Where the Boys Are—in the United States
 - The Greatest Story Ever Told—for the Junior Class play
 - It's a Mad, Mad, Mad World—for the BHS Faculty
 - Gentlemen Prefer Blondes—for Chynneen Mitchell
 - Marriage on the Rocks—Little Linda and Surfer Greg
 - Dear Heart—Esther and John
 - Take Her, She's Mine—Don Minium
 - That Funny Feeling—Steve Hoover
 - The Brigand of Kandahar—Tony Morasco
 - A Boy Ten Feet Tall—Speedy Gonzales
 - When the Boys Meet the Girls—Gary Terwilliger
 - Call of the Wild—Ed Posey
 - Hercules and the 3 Stooges—Wrestling Team
 - Tarzan's 3 Challenges—Jerry D'Amore
 - Cat On a Hot Tin Roof—Rubina Stiles
 - Situation Serious, But Not Hopeless—Carl Dolmetsch
 - Baby, the Rain Must Fall—for all former residents of Florida and California
- How the West Was Won—for Miss Rekucki
 - The Great Escape—Graduation
 - Some Like it Hot—for those who eat in the cafeteria
 - Ski Party—Ginny, Laura, Michelle, Don, Tom and Steve
 - The Birds—Tony Bates
 - The Absent Minded Professor—Miss White
 - Goldfinger—Jimmy Carter
 - From Russia With Love—for Sally, Kathy and Beth Jones
 - My Fair Lady—Billie Cook
 - Breakfast at Tiffanys—Virginia Ashcraft
 - I'd Rather Be Rich—Mr. Straight
 - Mary Poppins—Mrs. Chafin
 - A Shot in the Dark—Basketball Team
 - How to Stuff a Wild Bikini—Alex Neeb
 - Help—for the "New Generations"
 - Lover Come Back—for Steve Denton
 - Love and Kisses—for Judy Brown and Dave Riggs
 - Girl Happy—Skip Brissette
 - Same Show as Above—Randy Mitchell

Lovelorn Advice

Dear Arden Jaine,
Beatrice took Cyril away from me. I'm so mad—how can I get even?

Prudence

Dear Prud,
Don't get even, don't be mad. Don't do anything but find a new boyfriend and let Cyril know the fun he's been missing.

Arden Jaine

Dear Arden Jaine,
My parents go out a lot and leave me to babysit for my little brother. This sort of kills romance. How can I ditch him and get with the BIG BOYS?

Emily

Dear Emily,
This is a question I've been dreading. There's NO solution!

Arden Jaine

P.S. If you ever do figure something out, let me know. I have a little brother too!

A. J.

Levi Day...

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ten-on sweatshirts will be tolerated for members of either sex.

Girls riding American, German, or school buses may not (for reasons beyond the control of the administration) wear their Levi-Day attire on these vehicles. There is no point in griping about this. Nothing can be done. These girls can change in the lavatories before and after school. Changing should be done quickly as tardiness will not be excused if this is given as the reason and the usual consequences of an "inadequate" will result.

Tickets will be sold at the door for 75 cents. The Levi Dance begins at 7:30 p.m. in the new cafeteria and all attending will be treated to the music of the New Generations, free sandwiches and coke, a floor show featuring acts from each class, and a faculty skit. The party is open to any student in grades 7-12 and is sponsored by the Junior Class.

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Former WAVE Teaching At BHS

by Pat May

Miss Rekucki, who was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, has led an adventurous life.

She decided upon teaching as her college major, and went to the State Teacher's College in St. Cloud, Minnesota. She received her degree in education at the University of Minnesota. Prior to World War II, our history teacher was a scholarship student at the University of Warsaw in Warsaw, Poland.

Because the war broke out and she thought it was her duty to serve her country, Miss Rekucki served in the United States Navy as a commissioned officer in the WAVES. After her experience in the Navy, she took up teaching again. Fifteen of her teaching years have been in Overseas schools (since 1950).

As to what kind of person Miss Rekucki is when classes are over—she loves music . . . especially classical. Often, she listens to Chopin, her favorite composer. Along with being an ardent music fan, she also enjoys playing bridge with some friends. Companionship of friends is very dear to her.

Her main interest is trying to better teachers' salaries and overseas

schools. As vice-president of the Overseas Teachers Association, she



Miss Rekucki

devotes much time and energy to the achievement of these goals. With much determination, Miss Rekucki has made something of her life.

Pats 'n Pans For Our Unrecognized Heroes and Villains

by Pam Michaels

Every now and then there are a few unsung heroes or otherwise infamous people who somehow always seem to miss the spotlight. This article is dedicated to those people.

—A pat on the back to Mr. Ward for not cracking down at the Frankfurt RTO.

—A begrudged pat on the back to the Junior Class for getting their play going.

—Pans to the Senior Class for not having teachers half the time.

—A pat on the back to survivors of US History and Biology.

—A pan to the person that threw Charley Brown's pillow out of the window on the duty train.

—A pat on the back to Bob Stull for keeping his ankle unsprained for more than a week.

—A pat on the back to the mad bomber for not stinking up our school for the past week or two.

—Pans to the workers for not finishing the cafeteria and the gym.

Yakity Yak - All The Latest, Hottest Gossip!

Hello Seniors,

The time is here for all good faithful Seniors to read some of the yummiest gossip even in BHS!!!

If you all remember; Ninnie and Ollie had a "drunkard of a hamster", well it seems he is now the "father of six baby drunks." Congratulations!! Here's something for you to digest, "Charlie Brown's hobby is writing 'Charlie' on J.C.'s hands to let everyone know who's property she is!! Prepare yourselves for a shock. It seems like our R.C. ("the best of the ex-basketball players") has a dream girl!! Now are you good and SHOCKED? D.F. where did you get that "beautiful pale face" of yours!!!! Guess what, J.S. and D.M. broke up. J.S., all of your "fellow Senior's" hearts are pumping peanut butter and jelly, just for you!!!! It's been heard that a certain Junior by the name of S.B. has passed the remark,

"I hate all Seniors!" Let's kill him!!! The trip last week and this week caused many break-ups so "Me Big Gossiper" says for everyone here to give up trips!! TAKE MY ADVICE!!

Auf-Wiedersehn,
"Me Big Gossiper"

Hello There, Fellow Juniors!

Well, looks like D.M. got tired of his senior-steady J.S. . . . or was it because of the Garmisch trip? Guess what girls!?! We, in the Junior Class are very fortunate because we have a real, live "Romeo." Better known as J.C., he's actually going steady, but when his girl isn't around (which is often), he pretends he's single! If you don't believe me, ask underclassman J.K.! Is the "cutest" guy in the Junior Class shy or stuck-up? That's what many Junior girls are wondering. The girl chosen "most likely to succeed" says, "what a waste! He really can be friendly, when he wants to be."

Chapel Sponsors Teen Activities

by Dana Sears

Have you participated in the church activities available for teens in Berlin? If not, here are some of the opportunities for social and religious activity available to you.

The junior high PYOC (Protestant Youth of the Chapel) is for teens in grades seven through nine and meets every Sunday evening from six to seven at the TAR School. On Saturday mornings this group frequently goes ice-skating at the Europa Center. On Tuesday afternoon from four to five they gather to have Junior Bible Study.

The senior high PYOC meets on Sunday evening also—from six to seven at the American Community Chapel Fellowship Hall. They have sponsored dances and a Christmas Pageant.

Many students who belong to these organizations enjoy these activities. If you have not yet attended, why not give it a try?

How Washington Earned His Own Holiday

by Cherry Wyman

On February 22, 1732, in a home- stead in Westmoreland County, Virginia, a boy who was to alter history and become the first president of the United States was born. George Washington, the eldest of Augustine and Mary Ball Washington's six children, received most of his rudimentary education from his half-brother Lawrence after his father died when George was eleven.

At the age of sixteen, he became a surveyor for Lawrence's wife's land. After Lawrence's death, George inherited Mount Vernon and became a tobacco planter.

In 1753, Governor Dinwiddie dispatched George to warn the French against further trespassing on Bri-

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

Sweater Hop Sponsor Organizes COOBFPRBOMAC Club At BHS

On F., the 11th of M., the JHGAC sponsored a SH in the TAR cafeteria. Under the expert guidance of pretty D.S. (relax, Mr. Straight, I don't mean you!) all members of the club helped to make this dance a success. S.M. won the book prize, and TNG played. A certain principal by the name of BHC helped chaperoning while listening to his favorite radio show G.S. on AFN. A.B. danced with C.D., while P.Q. stood in a corner quarreling with X.Y. Did you like all 73 H.D., B.R.? C.M.'s heart broke over P., and E.F. danced with a record total of 82 girls, among them G.H., I.J., K.L., M.N. and O.P. One of them turned out to be a guy.

You recognized everyone, didn't you? If you did not, join the club!

I have decided to start it. It is called the COOBFPRBOMAC (Cheated - Out - Of - Bear - Facts - Reading Pleasure - Because - Of - Many - Abbreviation - Club). So far I am the only member (A.L. is my name, I am G.T.). When I subscribed to Bear Facts I did not know that I had to learn a new language to be able to read it. But I understand that our school will offer a new language course called BFI next year, that should help.

In closing, here is some S.I. (straight information). All together, 279 tickets were sold. The club would like to thank again all those people who came and helped by wearing really expensive sweaters. Of the many quizzes turned into the contest,

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France against England in 1793 which made Jefferson, his Secretary of State, resign. Winning a second term in 1793, he sponsored Jay's Treaty with England in 1794, and Pinckney's Treaty with Spain, 1795. He refused to run for a third term and retired to Mount Vernon in 1797 until his death in 1799.

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March 1966

Club "50"

Dance Orchestra
Happy Hour
Floor Shows
Chicken and Schnitzel
Night
Bingo: All Cash prizes
SUNDAY SPECIALS:
0900-1100 hrs
Pizza and Wine Night
Managers' Night

25 March, \$1.00
2000 hrs, Wednesdays

Breakfast 40 cents
15 March
26 March, 1900 hrs, \$2.00

Gator Club (closed Wednesdays)

Dance Orchestra
Happy Hour
Chicken and Schnitzel
Night
Floor Show
Managers' Night

25 March
5 March
26 March, \$2.00

Eloso Club (closed Mondays)

Dance Orchestra
Floor Show
Happy Hour
Chicken and Schnitzel
Night
Pizza and Wine Night

25 March
15 March

Looks like Mimi will be singing "Navy Blue" 'cause her steady boy said "ship ahoy!" and joined the Navy. Lucky ones!! A.D. checked up on her steady in Stuttgart while her brother and senior friend, J.M., just goofed around (?) over Washington's Birthday. Just out of boredom, and to be different, I decided to catch pneumonia.

Bye for Now,
Your Friend!?!

Hello again all you Sophomores! What gives with T.W. and W.S.? They seem to be having a lot of love quarrels lately. At any rate N.W. and B.G. are hitting it off really well. We hope it keeps up that way. G.D. is doing fine with a junior, S.H. Good luck! You need it. Beware P.C., B.B. has an eye out for you! B.S. says he likes a D!.

Bye Bye,
R.K.

Hi ya Freshmen!

How are things progressing in our class? Its size is increasing. Lately P.B. has enrolled. J.S. did you know you had a secret admirer? Our Freshmen Class steadies are still B.C. and K.S., L.S. and S.K., M.C. and C.T., R.C. and M.S., J.M. and S.H., and J.L. and P.B. are still undecided. Guess who L.L. has her eyes on—a great big ole Junior. Y.J. also has a secret admirer. Why don't those people come forward? Hey, J.S., I hope you had fun getting M.C. all wet at the Car Wash. Soon to depart are K.B., J.B., J.H., L.T., and I.M. (J.B. and L.T. are leaving on the same plane).

S.J. and Y.J.

Hi Junior High!

Well, we've found out that S.W. and R.M. see something in each other. L.S. and B.M. are really hitting it off together. S.B. and J.F. are going steady. L.B. is going with Clark. Lucky!!! Did you know that J.P. really likes C.L.?

Boys watch out! A certain boy is getting all the attention from the girls. We would like to welcome Mary, Sharon, and Frank to the Jr. High School. L.C. has a new list of idols, namely R.A. with whom she is going steady. T.C. really likes S.P. and is very obvious about it. C.L. likes Steve who is going steady with her. Too bad for J.P. What a surprise: D.T. likes a 7th grade boy, M.W.

Bye, Bye
Mee Mee

Spring Sports Begin Practice First Track Meet Next Weekend

by Jim Van Dyne

No matter what the team might be like this year, from what we've heard there will be a good turnout for tryouts. The beginners of last year will be the backbone of a good team this year. Veterans from last year include: for the sprints, Herby Long, Ed Posey, Buzz Coleman and Phil Metzger. Herb will probably run the mile and a relay, too! Ed will probably run the mile and will pole vault. Buzz Coleman has a well established reputation for being Berlin's best mile and he will probably also broad jump. Phil looks like a pole vault man. There are big openings for any

freshman who wants to get started in sports. There is also plenty of room for two-milers, hurdlers, disk thrower, sprinters and jumpers. For shot put we have two pretty successful boys throwing this year—Jerry D'Amore, who threw in his freshman year, and Bill Trujillo, who will probably find a shot very light. These boys need plenty of support to back them up and you Freshman, Sophomores, and "new" guys will be expected to do your part. Some of that push will be the coaches. Coach Kronenberg coached last year and did a good job; and Coach Rice has already established himself as a good coach. The first meet was held March 26.

OFFICIAL TRACK SCHEDULE

26 Mar Karlsruhe (away)	Berlin, Bitburg, Bad Kreuznach and Karlsruhe
2 Apr Bad Kreuznach (home)	Dual meet
23 Apr Frankfurt (away)	Berlin, Bitburg, Karlsruhe, Wuerzburg, Frankfurt "B"
30 Apr Karlsruhe, Bitburg (home)	Bitburg, Karlsruhe, Berlin
7 May Regional Meet at Frankfurt	
14 May USDESEA Final Meet	

Rugged Men Needed For Soccer

Are you going out for soccer? Various students have done so for three years now and already it is a tradition. Most of can remember the immortal names of Johnny Booth, Kent Kay, Lee Angel, and Bob Watkins. Tradition has established the Berlin team as a rough group, one to be reckoned with. There are plenty of spots for prospects and if a sufficient number turn out, there could also be a J. V. team. The boys you see playing soccer come in all shapes and sizes, but they are all rugged; for example, Tom Mize, Gary Terwilliger, Jerry D'Amore, Harry Calvert and Steve Denton.

Soccer is a tough sport. It takes gumption to stand in the way of 200 pounds of muscle or a soccer ball hurling toward the goal. The soccer team this year will probably have a lot of Sophomores and

Freshman. This certainly won't be any hindrance to the team—they might even form the backbone of the team. No team is possible without a coach but at BHS that is certainly no problem. Herr Longolius proved himself a fine coach last year by making good use of the material he had. We can be pretty sure of another winning team this season.

Sweater Hop...

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were completely correct. One name was drawn, and Sam Massenberg turned out to be the lucky winner. Door prizes and booby prizes (among them a 14-carrot necklace) were also given away. In spite of heavy investments, the organizers managed to make a net profit! See you at the L. D. (Levi Dance)!

Winners: Wittiest Students



They say a single picture is worth a thousand words—in this case the picture is worth millions of WITTY words! In the picture above you see the wittiest members of our student body, elected by vote of their classmates. Left to right: Tony Chunik, seventh grade; Greg Michaels, Megan Standard, eighth grade; Takashi Jones, Kathy Hawkins, freshmen; Jean Kunzig, Wimp Moore, sophomores; Ginny Ashcraft, Don Drach, juniors; Pat Sapanos, Tony Bates, seniors. Not pictured: Gabby Talkington, seventh grade.

Suppressed Desires Haunt Some

by Pat Geaney

BEAR FACTS returns this month with another of its infamous polls. Following are a few of the suppressed desires of the students of BHS.

Florine Lyons wants to throw rocks at the owls outside her window. Dan Rau has obviously been reading the comic strips. He wants to be a World War I fighter pilot. Angie Alsop is not so particular; she simply wants to be a pilot. Skip

Jiru, football player at BHS, aspires to be a ballet dancer. Peggy Smith is getting restless and wants to hitch-hike through Europe. Barbara Stout should write to her Congressman; she wants to change the American School System.

Karen Kuhnke and Carl Dolmetsch show their sadistic natures with similar desires. Karen wants to beat up G.I. because he's so mean. Carl must not like good grades; he wants to use the heads of certain teachers as bowling balls.

Lynn Horner has an aversion to pregnant oysters; she wants to attend a prom in the cafeteria. Daphne Dragisity dislikes partiality; she would like to have a "SCHOOL" newspaper. Glenn Schneider unfortunately desires an impossibility; he wants to pass Miss White's math class. Tony Bates, an avid bird-watcher, wishes he were John James Audubon. Tom Kunzig must be getting tired of his long, curly locks; he wants to chop them off. Gloria Chittum would like to see freezing rain every day and to have an umbrella like M. G. Jeannie Kunzig has a height problem; she would like to be tall enough to reach the floor when she sits in a desk.

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Wrestlers Take

by Murrell Shields

The Berlin Cubs won the Class B section of the 1966 USDESEA Northern Regionals, held at Baumholder, Germany. This meet was held on the weekend of the 11th and 12th of February. Participating schools included Bad Kreuznach, Berlin, Bremerhaven, Baumholder, Kaiserslautern, Frankfurt, and Wiesbaden. Wiesbaden took the tournament honors by a good margin.

The Regionals are held as a tournament to find individual skills rather than team standings. Upon the arrival of the teams, wrestlers are seeded according to their experience and season's record. The best seeding granted is first.

After the seeding is arranged, the participants wrestle tournament style against boys in their own weight divisions. The tournament advances until there is a winner and 3 runners-up in each category. The wrestlers who place 1st, 2nd or 3rd advance to the finals which were held in Frankfurt on February 18th and 19th.

The team receives 10 points for each first place, 7 points for second place, 4 points for 3rd, 2 points for fourth and 1 point for a pin or an advancement in the standings.

Our team scored a total of 48 points. From BHS, Buzz Coleman placed 2nd in the 127 lb. group, unlimited—Frank Harris placed 2nd 145—Skip Jiru placed 3rd, 180—

What's Your Hobby?

by Gloria Saltzburg

What's your favorite hobby? We thought we'd get all kinds of different answers to this question (like studying, doing homework, etc.). Our results were not quite so drastic but some of the better ones include: (Authors comments in italics).

Tommy Davis: Playing drums and

Senior Privileges...

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not have these "privileges" as well. But since it was a school policy that no one could park their cars in the parking lot except the teachers and that everybody had to wait outside in the morning and at lunch, the fact that seniors have been exempt from these regulations is quite a breakthrough and may eventually lead to abolishment of them.

As most of you know, these two are the only privileges accorded seniors at the moment. However, we are supposed to have a senior lounge if a room is found for our use and also a senior section in the cafeteria as soon as it is open for lunch.

If you are wondering why seniors should get privileges, think of it this way: after working all through school to keep your grades up high enough to finally make it to the top, would not you like to have something special that you could do and no one else could? Seniors who are not deserving of these privileges for any reason do not get them. Several seniors have already had these revoked.

Candy Strippers Give Up Weekends To Help

by Pam Michaels

If you have had the opportunity to visit the Berlin Army Hospital, you have no doubt noticed several blue-and-white-striped clad personnel scurrying around. These figures are volunteers or candy strippers. You may have also caught a glimpse of one or two of the more rare volunteers, the boys. There are boy volunteers and they wear a Dr. Kildare type shirt bearing a red cross to designate their position.

When the briefing classes which last for two days, begin during the summer, there are about 40 volunteers, most of whom will work one day a week during the summer. This number dwindles down to a mere 8 or 10 during the winter since volunteers can only work on Saturday mornings.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, it doesn't take much talent and it helps the staff by eliminating their little but important jobs. If your typing isn't up to par, or you don't like sitting in Pediatrics listening to a crowd of kids, or you think that you would get nervous and drop a sheet while draping someone for surgery, you can always sneak into the pharmacy and spend a quiet day pouring syrup or counting pills! So, re-up!

Class-B Title At The Regionals

Jerry D'Amore placed 3rd, 120—Jim Collins placed 4th, 154—Harry Calvert placed 4th. We would like to

congratulate Mr. Glauner and M. Bates for their part in coaching the team.

Jones, Davis High Scorers At B-haven

by Richard Price

On the eleventh and twelfth of February, the Berlin Cubs played their last set of basketball games for the season at Bremerhaven, losing the first and winning the second. The statistics for the Friday game are as follows: Tuc Jones, 7 points and 4 fouls; Tony Morasco, 12 points and one foul; Tom Waggoner, 2 points and 2 fouls; Ray Cook, 13 points and one foul; Mike Davis, 14 points and one foul; Bernie Wickenhofer no points and one foul; and Pat Davis, 4 points and 5 fouls. On the Bremerhaven team, Peele

sank 26 points. The final score was 52-60, Bremerhaven's favor.

Saturday's statistics are: Tuc Jones 24 points and one foul; Ray Cook 20 points and 5 fouls; Mike Davis 8 points and 4 fouls; Pat Davis, 8 points and 4 fouls; Tony Morasco 5 points and no fouls; and Tom Waggoner, 2 points and 4 foul.

Final score: 64:56, Berlin.

The basketball team worked very hard this year, and special recognition belongs to their able and patient coach, Mr. James Rice. The should be given credit for their efforts, so smile when you see one of the players in the hall!!

J. Varsity Wins; Slater Nets 14

by Carl Dolmetsch

The Berlin Junior Varsity swept a pair of basketball victories from Bremerhaven in two away-tilts on the eleventh and twelfth of February. Sparked by guard Larry McCalley, the J.V. romped over

Bremerhaven Friday night with a score of 31-21, and again on Saturday they beat the Blackhawks, 36-3. The Berliners were never behind and set a fast, high scoring pace which the Bremerhaven five couldn't keep up with. Walter Slater took the scoring honors in Friday's game with fourteen points. Other scorers were Larry McCalley with eight points and Bob Edwards with four. Saturday morning it was almost the same as the Berliners opened up a large lead early in the game and kept it through to the end. In the morning game, Larry McCalley was the high scorer with 15 points while Bob Edwards sank 7; Walter Slater sank 6, and Phil Metzger sank 5 points for the winning team.

Honor Society...

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completed a full year on the high school level, none can be named to the National Honor Society.

This preliminary list is then given to the faculty who rate all students on it in character, service and leadership. Only those scholars who contribute to the school unselfishly in a capacity of leadership are finally admitted. Many who are eligible on the basis of scholarship are passed by because they fail to meet the other requirements.

The final list is kept a secret until the time of the ceremony itself and those admitted know nothing of the honor they have earned until their name is called from the stage. This year, Stanley Fedysyn, president of the organization, will announce the names of the inductees.

In honor of the new member, March 31 has been designated as dress-up day and all students will be required to wear coats and ties (if boys) and dress neatly and conservatively (if girls). Dress-up day at school are rare occasions and are asked to cooperate. Berlin American High will be on display at this assembly. In addition to the military dignitaries present press photographers, parents and reporters will be in attendance attending the student body as a group together for the first time. Let's put our best foot forward!

3 Berliners Make Finals

On February 19th, four Berlin wrestling finalists left for Frankfurt to compete in the 1966 European Wrestling Finals.

Buzz Coleman, Frank Harris, Skip Jiru, and Jerry D'Amore all lost their first matches by heart-breaking decisions to champions from France or Southern Germany which retired them from the first day of competition and automatically put them down in the running for third or fourth place.

The beginning matches on the second day eliminated Frank and Buzz from competition altogether when they each lost their second match.

Skip and Jerry each beat a first place winner from France in their next match, automatically gaining a fifth place position and a possible fourth or third. In the semi-finals, Jerry lost his match to the Northern region's first-place winner which put him out of competition in fifth place.

Skip went on to win his next match and brought back the only significant title to Berlin—fourth place. He had a chance for third but lost in the final round by two points.

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