

Bearin' Down

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Students' Works Are Published

by Kenda Hehn

Nothing can compare with the last product (the 1980 - 81 yearbook, Recollections), but the Berlin American High School's Publications Class has put forth yet another effort to complete a final production for this school year.

Complied of poetic and prose masterpieces from all the grades, as well as a number of beautiful student creations of artwork, the whole school was brought together in a special publication: the 1981 literary magazine entitled Seasons.

Each entry was classified and placed in the according section, and any item not fitting into the category of spring, summer, fall, or winter, was included in the miscellaneous section with the seasonal title of "Leap Year."

An excessive amount of time was put into preparation of the literary magazine; all student works had to be selected, typed, and carefully arranged to complete the 40-page collection.

Editors Kenda Hehn, Robin McDonald, and Susanne Wood expressed their appreciation to all who submitted to the effort, as well as all who helped make it a reality.

bahs students are big winners

by Michael Bowman

Thursday, May 21, was the 1981 Awards Assembly. The awards were as follows: English: Doris Schultz and James Yoon; Social Studies: Don Stovall; Math: James Yoon and Steven Hill; Science: Mike Bowman and Steven Hill; Music: Shawn Vorrath; Art: Candy Edwards; Drama: Robin McDonald; Career Education: Robert Wieland; Publications: Joan Chartier. Following a musical selection by Miss Risner and the Music Department, Mr. Sennett awarded Robert Wieland the Busch and Lomb Science Award. Dr. Jack then awarded the Principal's Award to Robin McDonald following which he introduced the guest speaker, Major General Calvert Benedict's address. Brigadier General John E. Rogers recognized West Point cadet and Army ROTC scholarship winner Don Stovall. Don Stovall was then awarded a NHS scholarship. April Coffin then recieved a scholarship from the NJHS. Following a choral selection by Mrs. Payne and the Chorus, Mr. Wieland recognized the "College Bound" seniors. Mrs. Schubert, Chairperson of the Berlin Scholarship Committee, representing the participation organizations, announced the recipients of the Scholarship Committee awards. Dr. Jack closed the assembly with the Community Service Awards.

CONGRATULATIONS.

SENIORS

FROM

BEARIN' DOWN



"Freebird" 1981

by Tracey Turner

"On Saturday, May 16, at 7:00, the doors to TCA's Columbia House opened for the 1981 Berlin High Junior/Senior Prom.

The theme this year was taken from Lynyrd Skynyrd's song "Freebird."

After a welcome presented by Junior Class president, Mike Short, and a blessing by Chaplain Andrews, dinner was served. Koff provided the evenings entertainment.

Senior Class wills were read by Senior Class Vice-President Dan Short and Nancy Chartier, followed by the coronation by Dr. Jack.

Trish Wilson, and Dan Short were crowned 1981 Prom King and Queen. Kathy Balthasar was crowned Senior Princess, and Sharon Sams was named as Junior Princess.

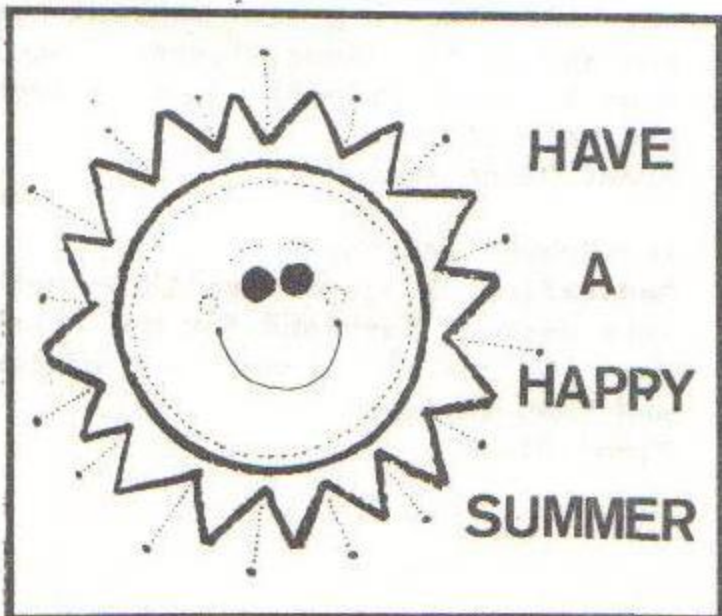
Special thanks to Miss VanGalder, the Junior Class Sponsor, and all others, who made May 16, 1981 a night of remembrance for all those who attended.



Seniors Take Final Step

by Nancy Chartier

This year, on Saturday, June 6, 1981, at 4:00 p.m. the Seniors will be graduating at the Barnack House. The ceremony will take place in the gardens, weather permitting. General Benedict will be the guest speaker and General Rogers will be handing out the diplomas. Also taking part in this ceremony are the Senior High Chorus and Band. Following graduation a reception will be held.



82 Gets New Officers LEWIS ELECTED AS PRES.

by Cliff Jack

The 1981-82 school year will have some excellent class officers as well as an Executive Board with some bright new ideas. Mark Lewis was elected for the office of President of the Student Council. Mark used an inspiring speech as well as his knowledge of public speaking to win by a comfortable margin. Helping Mark on the Executive Board will be Vice-President Shawn Vorrath and Secretary/Treasurer Debbie Stowell.

In charge of next year's Senior class will be Peggy Vine, Tracey Turner, and Carrie Huml, President, Vice-President, and Secretary respectively. When asked how she planned to improve next year's Senior class from that of this year Peggy said "I plan to get our class involved in the school by having more fund raising activities. I would also like to see all of next year's Seniors be involved with inter-class functions."

Mark Millen was uncontested in the voting for Junior President while Larry Speer and Diana Peterson took Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer respectively.

John Bell was victorious in the sophomore election for President. His assistants will be Steve McDonald as Vice-President, and Michelle Barsh Sec./Treas.

STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

by Peggy Vine

This is a letter that was submitted to Bearin' Down by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Horton, the Teen Involvement sponsors. We are printing this letter as recognition of the six students who take up their time to help others. The staff of Bearin' Down would like to say "Thank you for a job well done."

"We are so quick to criticize and so slow to give praise. In our society criticism relieves us of the responsibility for ideas, actions, and events which do not coincide with our and/or society's mores. Praise assigns responsibility and that is, perhaps, why so many are reluctant or embarrassed to receive praise. We wish to lavish praise on certain individuals who have given unselfishly of their time and energies to add a bit of sunshine to lives of others.

Each student gave freely of their time, energy, and imagination on a bi-weekly basis. It meant missing two hours of class time a month and making up the work.

It is with much pride and pleasure we commend the following students for their individual and invaluable contributions to their school and their community: Diana Pederson, Michele Horton, Frank Ambrusco, Marta Stowell, Claudia Bolf, and Penny Morgan."

Features

Summer Horoscope

by Jodie Fullerton

Capricorn: This summer you will meet a short-pale-not-so-good-looking guy. Could be love.

Aquarius: Your plans to attend college will go down the tubes when you discover that the college got your transcripts mixed with someone else's.

Pisces: You will become manic depressive, join the Hari Krishna movement and get a PhD all in two weeks.

Aries: You will go on a pleasure cruise and know you are in trouble when the Captain says "grab an oar!"

Taurus: You will spend a month realizing the seriousness of everything and then two weeks telling yourself it's all unreal.

Gemini: You will be told you are a schizophrenic. Fool your psychiatrist by saying "We are not!"

Cancer: The Surgeon Major will determine that Laetrile causes cancer in laboratory GI's.

Leo: You will have big job opportunities if you take such college

Weds. 3 June-Period 1	8:30-10:10
Break	10:10-10:25
Period 2	10:25-12:05
Thurs. 4 June	
Period 3	8:30-10:10
Break	10:10-10:25
Period 4	10:25-12:05
Friday 5 June	
Period 5	8:30-10:10
Break	10:10-10:25
Period 6	10:25-12:05

courses as underwater basket weaving, deep sea bead threading, and pencil sharpening 1A.

Virgo: There is love in the air for you, Virgo. You will meet your love when the sun shines. (lots of luck!)

Libra: You will be terribly bored all summer. Try stacking raisins, fold a banana, and roll yourself in a rug to break the monotony.

Scorpio: You will go to the zoo in mid-July. You will find you enjoy watching the weird creatures in the Zoo-Bahnhof more than those in the zoo itself!

Sagittarius: You will test your parent's authority by saying "Mom, I'm going to outer Burma to buy some drugs ... see ya in a week." If you fail this minor test ... you will get nowhere with them.

Expressing the Year

by Jeff Alexander

In this final edition of the Berlin American High School newspaper, we got together and decided to give our readers another chance to speak out. To do this the staff of the newspaper decided to formulate another poll. This time our big question was as follows; in one word how do you feel about the past school year?

"learning"
 "sexy"
 "boring"
 "stupid"
 "trashy"
 "hilarious"
 "fantastic"
 "fun"
 "dumb"
 "smashing"
 "exhilarating"
 "intense"
 "great"
 "worthwhile"
 "screwed"
 "interesting"
 "sucked"
 "waste"
 "ridiculous"

In Dedication to a Friend...

To: Monica Park

Dedication: Was it good for you too?

From: Spain

To: John Dillion & Kevin Wilt

Dedication: You have a very slap-

From: Slapper

To: Berlin

Dedication: Farewell, my heart belongs to the USA!

From: Anxious

To: Gina Reick

Dedication: See ya in New Jersey.

From: A friend.

To: Martha, Lola, Judy, Lynn, Debby

Dedication: Thanks for being good friends.

From: Holly

To: Melisse, Barb, Debbie, Jeanne, Liz, Chris, & all the guys I know.

Dedication: It's been great knowing all of you here and I really hope you'll stop by Virginia and see me. KEEP IN TOUCH!

From: Kim Jackson

To: Peggy Vine

Dedication: A great senior year and more telepathic powers.

From: Your mind buddy.

To: Cathy, Kristie, Beate, and last but not least, Claudia.

Dedication: We'll miss you all when you leave. Hope we stay friends.

From: Janet and Liz.

To: Kristi Howell

Dedication: Thanks for helping me in fifth period. I'll miss you.

From: Someone in history & algebra.

To: Vicky Villarreal

Dedication: My eye hurts.

From: A guy with his eye on you.

To: Mike Cummins

Dedication: Season in the sun.

From: Art Turnbull

I dedicate all my memories to my friends, who let me keep searching for tomorrow and never let me forget yesterday.

Sincerely,
 Daniel Short

To: M&M

Dedication: I leave all my love to you.

From: Shelly

To: Kellie

Dedication: It's hard to believe your leaving! We're going to miss you so much! It's going to be hard to say good-bye! Thanks for all the work out better for you when you get home. You're a very special person and we'll never forget you, your a great friend! Best of luck and keep in touch!

From: Diane and Chris

To: Sharon and Kathy

Dedication: I'll miss ya'll so much! Take care of Maryland for me! Thanks for the special times! Best of luck and keep in touch.

From: Diane

Farewell

To: Susan Setzer

Dedication: A friendship that lasts.

From: A good friend

To: Jody Fullerton

Dedication: Good luck in the future, and take care of yourself. Good-bye.

From: A friend.

To: Tracey Renata Turner

Dedication: I sure hope I'll see you again Babe.

From: Bobby Harrell

To: All my teachers, Mary Lenard Jones, Mrs. South, Mrs. Cobb, Mrs. Sams, and most administrators.

Dedication: I've really enjoyed working with you concerning Student Council, Educational Trip Club, and classes- take care and bye!

From: Kim Jackson

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Outlook

DIVIDED

Berlin is an imperious smile in the middle of sullen faces.
Surrounded by nine feet of suppression, freedom subsists.
Berlin is a domicile for virtue,
With one door that saves neither entrance nor exit.
Berlin is a city of impressive archives.
But still I know,
At night in hopes of suffocating us they move the wall in.

by Beth Koon

SAFEKEPT

They kept him hid from the outside world.
They locked him away for protection.
He was innocent;
Not contaminated by worldly pleasures.
They let him out one day.
He died.

by Norman Storer

VERDENT REED

The green blades of grass.
One among many of a kind.
No different.
But wait!
Yes!
It moves in the sun making the light shimmer.
And glisten.
And vibrate with force!
One of a kind has picked up the sun.
Told humans
That spring has come.

by Beate Zander

CHEAP TALK

What can be said.
That hasn't been said before?
Talk is cheap!
When we look back,
It may not have been something we said,
But something we did.

by Glenn Reilly

ABIDING SUMMER

The benches are warm,
The sky is blue,
In the rustling wind,
The birch tree listens
To a birds twitter.
The church bells toll in the evening air
And people stand up and smile
All await summer..

Name withheld

THOUGHT FLOW

Thou canst not order a person
To write a poem abrupt.
A situation could arise
That might be quite corrupt.

Ones ideas must, in fact
Be allowed to roam unrepressed.
The ultimate result, by which
Thou couldst be quite impressed.

by Larry Speer

CITY

FAMILIARIZED

A cooperative bank clerk
Smiles and wishes me a nice day.
My brother
Screams at me go to Hell.

Name Withheld

BUBBLES

Differences between us
Surface without warning
Causing waves of disagreement
And ripples of discount.

Name withheld

PLANTER

A doer of deeds
A soer of seeds
Forever doing
Forever planting
Doing things for no special reasons
Planting deeds in sunny seasons.
And when these good deeds I have done
A busy reaper I'll become.

by Norman Storer

SISTER SEASONS

She wears a dress of pale pink rose.
Her eyes are like the sky so blue.
With budding blossoms, she's known to pose.
She represents the earth anew.

Her hair is fair, her dress is green.
Like grass, wispy in a misty field.
Among flowers, in the sun, she is often seen.
Only at autumn does she yield.

Her hair is a fiery, burning red.
Her dress is a deep orange gold.
Swirling leaves dance on her head.
A symbol of the year getting old.

Dark wavy hair frames her face.
Her mantle of immaculate white
Has an effect of latticed lace:
Adorned, sparkling, cold and bright.

Four sister maidens, change the seasons.
Each waiting for her chance.
Each has her own separate reasons
Of why she does the earth enhance.

by Jeanne A. Dansereau

PERCEPTION

Over there,
In the sun
Sits a child
With a mind.
Thinking what?
Anything...
Saying nothing...
To anyone.
Should one ask?
Better not.
Wouldn't want to disturb the peace of a
Of a child's mind.

by Beate Zander

TRACK RUNS TO FINISH LINE

by Von Johnson

Hey, sports fans. This year's track team had a slow start, but we had some great runners ranging from the Junior High School to the 11th grade with the exception of one Senior (Connie Brininger) there were no Seniors on this year's track team (shocking).

The track team went up against some really tough schools like Heidelberg, an A school, Hannau an A school, Frankfurt a really big A school, Baumholder, a B school, and Osterholz our arch rival and thorn in our side also a B school.

All this competition for the Berlin track team did not stop them. They had a lot of talent and determination that could not be beat.

On this outstanding track team, there were people who stood out the most and they were Carrie Huml, our long distance queen, Trisha Lindsey, outstanding in the high jump, hurdles and sprints, Diana Pederson the only girl to do the

shot putt and discus. Then there is a brother and sister team Scott and Tracey Feldman who does the 400 meters and the sprint medley. Jim Sprague the only pole-vault contestant. Loren Washington our fastest sprinter in the 100, 200 and 400 meters, and to top it all off there are three 8th graders who did a great job against much older runners and they are Sam Anderson, sprinter, Jurgen Chambliss, long distance runner, Mario Lang, long distance runner. Until next year keep on running.



Best Wishes
to
the Seniors
of 1981



TENNIS TEAM LAST SERVE

May 15 marked the end of the regular 1981 tennis season. At this match Berlin traveled to Osterholz. The Bears played well but since they had to forfeit three matches, due to absintees, they lost 7-11. This loss was the only one that the team had.

The tennis team also traveled to Zweibruecken where they tied. This was due to another misfortune, the number one men's and women's players were both left in Berlin because of illness and injury.

On May 2 the Wuerzburg team came to Berlin. The Bears defeated the Wolves 14-4. Another victory for the Bears was in their match against Bitburg. Again the Bears won, 13-5.

All in all the 1981 tennis season was a great success. The only thing left for some of the players is the tournament in Wiesbaden.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

by Clifford Jack

Last week the Berlin American High School J.V. soccer team ended their perfect regular season with a 2 to 1 victory over the Osterholtz Blackhawks. David Guerin single handedly defeated the blackhawks by scoring both of Berlin's goals. He was backed by the fine play of the rest of the J.V. team.

In varsity action the Blackhawks won a closely fought battle 4 to 3. The Blackhawks jumped to an early 4 to 0 lead behind the cheering of over six hundred Osterholtz fans. But in the second half the Bears dominated the home team. Behind the 2 goal scoring of Andy Yoon and the 1 shot of teammate Don Stovall the Berlin team came ever so close to pulling off a big comeback, instead though, time ran out on the Bears and Osterholtz had their victory.

The JV game against Bitburg was a battle of the unbeaten. Bitburg had not allowed a goal all season long, but that along with their unbeaten record went down to defeat against the J.V. Bears. Berlin used goals from Steve McDonald, Mark Nelson, and Tim Paledino to win the game 3 to 1. This win locked up the Silver Division North Championship for the Berlin squad.

The Varsity lost a heartbreaking 1-0 decision to the Barons. Their opponents only goal was scored when it went off one of Berlin's players.



Many of us here at B.A.H.S. have, at sometime, or another, heard, or read about Berlin High's outstanding athletes. But praise should go out to not only those who shine in the sport they've participated in, but also, to those who put out what all true champions do, their best effort. Unfortunately, sometimes effort alone is not enough to raise us to the ranks of the press. That's why "Bearin' Down" has dedicated this column to those who worked hard, so that those, who collected all of the praise they did, received so much glory.

"We, at "Bearin' Down" recognize all of the efforts of the blockers who protected the quarterback so that he could complete so many passes, and to those who cleared the way so the receivers could run through the posts. We recognize the Cross Country runners, who may not have placed, but never quit, not during practice or during the race. What about the setters who set the ball high and close, making the final step, the spike, as close to perfection as possible. What about the team mate who passed all of those balls, and set so many picks, so the superstar could drive in for the score.

We, the editors of "Bearin' Down, sincerely thank and praise every individual who made our 1980---1981 sports year, as successful as it was.

Thank You,
Editor and Chief

**HAVE A GREAT
SUMMER FROM THE
BERLIN BEARING
DOWN SPORTS STAFF**

THE CLASS OF 1981 SENIORS RECOGNIZE SPONSORS

by Monica Park

The senior class of 1981 had two sponsors. To start the year off the first sponsor was Ms. Mary Rekucki. She was the sponsor for the first semester. Under her direction the seniors organized and held a successful homecoming. Ms. Rekucki also helped to make arrangements with the Balfour representative for graduation announcements.

For the second semester the sponsorship changed hands. This was due to the fact that Ms. Rekucki turned over her position to Mr. Don South.

After Mr. South became familiar with the way sponsorships work he set up can and gown fittings for

each senior. He also helped make arrangements for Baccalaureate and the decision of the location of graduation.

When asked for comments of how he felt about being a sponsor, Mr. South replied "It's been a good experience for me because I've never done anything like this before."

Mr. South also added "Good luck to the seniors and best wishes."

As you can see sponsors are necessary to help things be done and to assist in making things run more smoothly.

Thanks should be given to both Ms. Rekucki and Mr. South for their support.

SENIORS GET ACHIEVEMENTS

by Mike Bowman

Some of the seniors and their accomplishments are: C. Adkins: four chorus awards; J. Alexander: student council (SC) vice-pres. (12); K. Balthasar: class rep. (9), two awards: straight A's (12); M. Bowman: computer and expository writing awards (10), NHS, service award: computers (11), two awards: straight A's; C. Bringer: NJHS, NHS; T. Bryant: cum laude award: high score on Nat. Latin Exam; R. McDonald: NHS, award: straight A's (12); A. Muller: two awards: straight A's (12); D. Short: SC; D. Stoval: NHS, SC pres. (12); S. Waldrop: NJHS, student govt. and Society of Distinguished American High School Students (10); R. Wieland: NJHS, NHS, computer science award (10), service award: computers (11), award: straight A's (12); J. Yoon: class pres. (9), (10), (11).

RECAPING 1980/81 HOMECOMING DANCE

by Lynnie Tolbert

This year's Homecoming was a success. Even though Berlin lost their football game against Baumholder, Berlin students' spirits were high at the dance.

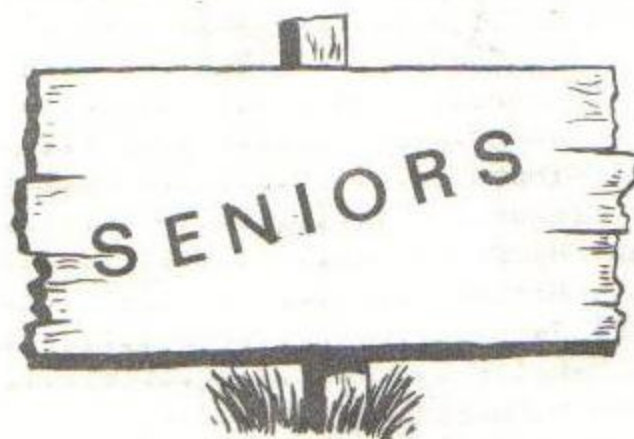
The 1980-81 Homecoming was held at the Checkpoint Charlie NCO Club on October 18. The students assembled at the club at 7:00 to enjoy their dinner with friends and faculty. After dinner, Rik Delisle and Eric Engbretson from AFN provided musical entertainment. At the close of Homecoming, it was evident that the evening's festivities were a success.

The Homecoming was planned and directed by then sponsor of the Senior class, Miss Rekucki.

IT'S BEEN A GOOD YEAR!



CONGRATS!



by Von Johnson

This year's Senior class 81 can be well proud of their class official. President Mike Kurbar, Vice-President Dan Short, and Secretary Lynn Schenkeberger have done an outstanding job this year with their class sponsor Miss Rekucki. They have set up Homecoming, and the crowning of the Homecoming Princess. They also have done other good deeds such as painting the benches at the school. They have planned Senior skin day in which all of the class would not come to school on that day, also the Baccalaureate that is held at the church. Let us not forget the one thing that has been on everybody's mind since the school started "Graduation"

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS NINE NEW MEMBERS

by Joan Chartier

On Wednesday, May 20, the National Honor Society held an induction ceremony to honor those students who have achieved the society's goals. Under the guidance of its sponsor, Mr. Mark Coffin, the group inducted nine new members.

Those candidates who were accepted were Michelle Horton and Diana Pederson of the Sophomore class. Juniors who joined included Carrie Huml and Susan Setzer. Those seniors who took the pledge were Laura Parada, James Yoon, Kathy Balthasar, Patricia Wilson, and Jeri Gibson.

Mr. Bluem, of the SAHS Social Studies Department was the guest speaker. After the ceremony, which took place in the Student Union the members, their parents, the faculty, and honored guests were treated to a reception in the LRC.

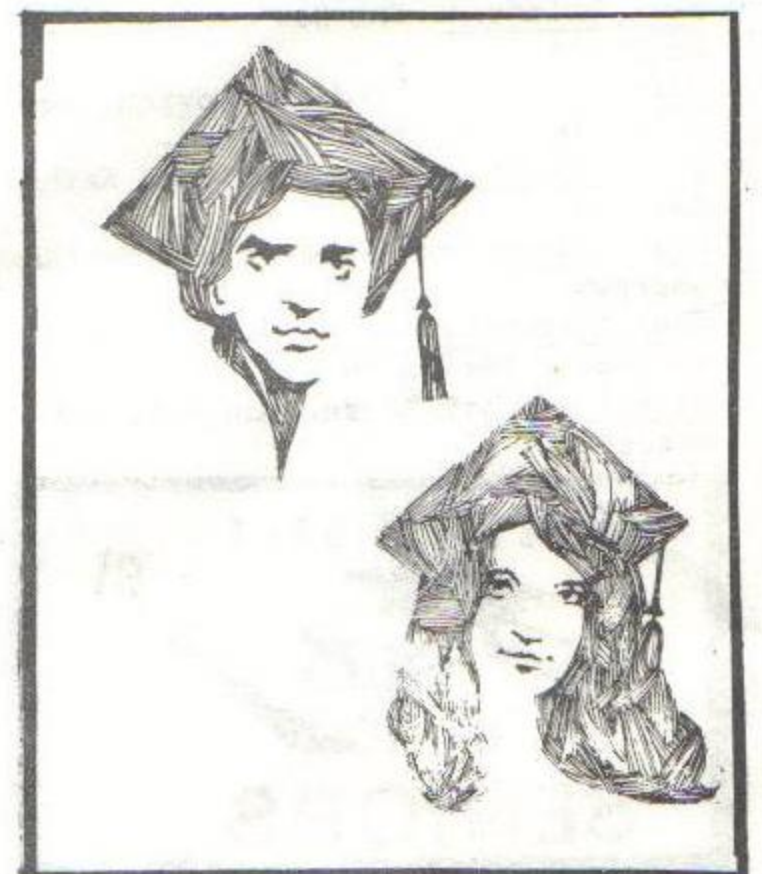
seniors clean!

by Jodie Fullerton

During the first week in April, just before Easter Vacation, Berlin American High School held its annual Spring Clean-Up.

The Senior Class was in charge of re-painting the picnic tables, located behind the Cafeteria. They also managed to paint some trees and autograph the tables!

All-in all, Spring Clean Up was a success!



I, _____ being of sound mind & body, will the following:

Martha Andrews To Mr. Chavies - A big grin, for the days I skipped and he didn't know about it.

To my little sister Amy - To carry on Andrews tradition of raising hell.

Kathy Balthasar: To Tracey Turner - A week of my attention without running after "the guys" and many thanks for being such a trustworthy friend.

Monica Park: To Peggy Vine - The grace and skill to walk with an olive.

To Susan Setzer - A new alarm clock, and a blow dryer with a brush.

To Jodie Fullerton - May no one intrude in your space and disrupt your aura.

Glen Reilly: To Robin McDonald - The height of Kareem Abdul Jabaar.

To Cliff Jack - The skill of Kareem Abdul Jabaar.

To Everyone else - The remembrance, that the class of 1981 was, is and will remain to be the greatest class to emerge from the halls of BHS.

Lynne Schenkelberger: To Debbie Mitzel - Another week in Spain, and the best of luck in the future.

To Tom Graham - A pair of baggies to give him circulation.

Scott Hoefer: To Cliff Jack - The shoes that Dorothy wore in the "Wizard of Oz" so he can be in style at the newest discos.

Robin McDonald: To my brother - the perfect tool to cope with teachers who make fun of our name - a bat.

To Mr. Chavies - A machete to kill that fuzzy monster who has attached itself to his face.

To the class of 1982 - Hope that maybe, just maybe, they'll be just as good as we were.

Debbie Mitzel: To Martha Andrews, Lola Cervantes, and Judy Gamino - 3 free trips and a bottle wine.

To Monica Park - All the guys from Manheim.

Dan Short: To Miss Rekucki - a free one-way plane ticket to anywhere she want to go.

To Mr. Stowell - Lots more friends like Mr. Chavies.

To Mr. Chavies - A rubber room to bounce off the walls.

To Bobby Kransican - A new boyfriend to replace Scott Hoefer after he leaves.

To Mr. Walton - Lots more white teachers to make him feel like a minor itv.

Jim Mahalik: To Dr. Jack - A list of students and teachers spelled phonetically.

To Mr. Chavies - A razor and a John Travolta disco suit.

To Mr. Huffer - An encounter of the 3rd kind and some peace and quiet in his class.

To Mr. Sullivan's Classes - All my HEARTY GUFFAW signs.

Thomas Bregon: All my "unwanted brains, brown and leftover and various neglected teachers, for your enjoyment, until you may as yet pass on this dearly depressing school to others yet to come. Long live Rex Sullivan!

Nancy Chartier: To Kathy Balthasar - a collection of sarcastic remarks.

To Cliff Jack - A pump to keep his head inflated.

To my loving sister Joan - A year's supply of bandages to hand out to people she cuts with her razor tongue.

To Michael Short - A free ten year course on how to speak English without feeling wierd and all my love.

Machelle Conover: To Eric Engbreckson - A friend.

Senior Superlatives

The Senior superlatives are in and the results are as follows:

Best Dressed - Cliff Jack and Trish Wilson.

Most Intelligent - Robert Wieland and April Coffin.

Most Athletic - Tom Graham and Nancy Chartier.

Friendliest - Mika Markovich, Kevin Wilt, Dan Short, Tim McCarter, Tommy Hardison, and Trish Wilson.

Most Talented - Tom Graham and Robin McDonald.

Nicest Smile - Mika Markovich and Jill Nikolaus, Trish Wilson.

Best All Around - Dan Short and Kathy Balthasar.

Class Clown - Scott Hoefer and Martha Andrews.

Most Likely to Succeed - Mike Bowman and April Coffin.

Cutest - Scott Hoefer and Jill Nikolaus.

Jeffrey Alexander.....	The Citadel
Martha Andrews.....	University of Georgia
Kathy Balthasar.....	Southern Illinois University
Mike Bowman.....	Union College
Connie Brininger.....	University of South Florida
Tamara Bryant.....	Indiana University at Kokomo
Kelley Brymer.....	University of Texas
Nancy Chartier.....	Eastern Connecticut State College
Scott Cheetham.....	Northern Virginia Community College
April Coffin.....	Michigan State
Machelle Conover.....	Western Kentucky University
Pam Corder.....	Florida State University
Mark Foster.....	Baptist College at Charleston
Jeri Gibson.....	University of Texas at San Antonio
Tom Graham.....	Slippery Rock State College
Tommy Hardison.....	Fayetteville State University
Scott Hoefer.....	University of Wyoming
Cliff Jack.....	Rutgers University
Jim Mahalik.....	Borromeo College
Robin McDonald.....	University of Maryland
Debbie Mitzel.....	East Texas State University
Alicia Muller.....	Arizona State University
Tony Nelson.....	Randolph-Macon
Laura Parada.....	University of Arizona
Monica Park.....	Illinois State University
Vinnie Pearson.....	University of Maryland
Vicki Pederson.....	University of Texas
Karen Pearcifield.....	Indiana University/Perdue University at Indianapolis
Vaughn Pruess.....	Ft. Lauderdale College
Kathy Sams.....	Frostburg College
Lynne Schenkelburger.....	Central Washington State College
Dan Short.....	St. Bonaventure University
Joel Smith.....	Angelo State University
Norman Storer.....	Riks College
Don Stovall.....	Dickson College
Sandy Waldrop.....	University of California at Davis
Robert Wieland.....	University of Rochester
Trish Wilson.....	University of California at Davis
James Yoon.....	Georgetown University



Beginnings & Ends



As graduation approaches,
We say the end is near.
But with every end,
There is always a beginning.
As we look back on the fun we had,
We're hesitant to begin anew.
But we must,
Or we'll never succeed in life.

Glenn'Reilly

Easy Ways



Instant happiness in a jar
Just try it once, it'll get you far
Synthetic moods like plastic foods
Are fast and cheap and effortless.

They come in all shades and colors
No single one is like all the others
Though not for free, so slight's the fee
They're effective but don't last forever.

For awhile you may find sublime
But you'll run out of them soon and in time
Though nice with cheap price, you must
always look twice
If you don't you won't last without 'em.

Norman Storer

Didn't We Have A Nice Time?



Little freshman in the hall
Don't envy us, yes, we're Seniors
We've served our time and earned our credits
We've grown up and calmed down
Didn't we have a nice time?

We faced authority gone mad
We faced boring classes
We faced the law and the law won
We faced the wall, but the wall didn't fall
Didn't we have a nice time?

There will be no more proms for us
There isn't another homecoming
No more cheering at football games
No cutting classes
No more being in a little clique
Didn't we have a nice time?

But, we had a tragic and amusing time
We've seen faces come
We've seen bodies go
Didn't we have a nice time?

We drank, smoked and cussed
We partied, fought and yelled
We survived mindless submission
We survived being brainwashed
We survived graduation
We survived the classes
We raised hell
We raised our own flag
Didn't we have a nice time?

Joel Smith



What I'd Go Through



Burn my skin with fire.
Drag me in the dirt.
Torture me with needles and pins.
Make my body hurt.

Give my brain a wash it won't stand.
Fill my veins with drugs of command.
Feed me food the rats would turn down.
Bury me will to live six feet underground.

But I think that I would rather die,
Than to my true love cheat or lie.
Perhaps this sounds a bit extreme,
Like something from a romantic dream.

But I'd be willing to make a bet.
That I could suffer and not regret.
While withstanding mere physical pain.
For her I'd do it all over again.

Name Withheld



Time

Sand, falling through the hourglass
Soon will be no more.
We pick it up,
Wipe off the dust,
And turn it upside down
To watch the sand fall again.

Name Withheld

Good as Gold...



The Promise

As long as we both shall live,
We'll be in love, God's greatest gift.
For the love we have in our hearts,
Will never fade away when we're apart.

Ann Jones



Class of 1981



ATHLETIC SENIORS '81

Jeff Alexander.....	Football-9, Wrestling-9, 10, Soccer-9-12
Martha Andrews.....	Volleyball-9
Kathy Balthasar.....	Volleyball-9-11, Basketball-9-11, Track-9, 10
James Batchelder.....	Football-12, Basketball-11, 12
Keith Blake.....	Soccer-9-11, Cross Country-9, 10, Tennis-9, Football-12
Donald Bombard.....	Football Manager-12
Connie Brininger.....	Cross Country-9-12
Lola Cervantes.....	Football Manager-12
Nancy Chartier.....	Basketball-10-12
Scott Cheetham.....	Soccer-9-12, Football-11, 12
April Coffin.....	Cheerleading-9, Volleyball-10
Machelle Conover.....	Tennis-10-12, Basketball Manager-10
Kathy Crawford.....	Track-10
John Dillion.....	Football-9-12, Basketball-9, 10
Mark Foster.....	Football-9
Jody Fullerton.....	Tennis-9-12
Jeri Ginson.....	Volleyball Manager--12
Thomas Graham.....	Soccer-9-12, Football-11, 12, Wrestling-10-12
Tommy Hardison.....	Football-9-12, Basketball--9
Scott Hoefer.....	Football-9-12, Wrestling--9
Nancy Igou.....	Track-10, Gymnastics-10, 11, Cheerleading-11
Clifford Jack.....	Golf-9-12, Basketball-9--12
Michael Kuhlbars.....	Soccer-9-12, Football-11, 12
Andrew Lynch.....	Wrestling-11
Jim Mahalik.....	Football-12
Tim McCarter.....	Football-12
Debra Mitzel.....	Cheerleading-11
Tony Nelson.....	Soccer-9-12, Cross Country--12
Monica Park.....	Tennis-9-12, Volleyball-9-12, Basketball--10
Lavinia Pearson.....	Tennis-10, 12
Vicki Pederson.....	Track-9, 10
Karen Percifield.....	Track-9, Cheerleading-11, 12
Vaughn Pruess.....	Soccer-9, Wrestling--9
Kathy Sams.....	Volleyball-11, 12, Cheerleading-11, B-ball Manager-12
Daniel Short.....	Football-9-12, Wrestling-9-12
Jeannine Smith.....	Cheerleading-12
Joel Smith.....	Cross Country-10
Amanda Steffins.....	Tennis-9
Norman Storer.....	Swim Team-9-12, Wrestling-10, 11, Cross Country-10-12
Sandy Waldron.....	Volleyball-10-12, Track-10, Basketball-11, 12
Samuel Wickline.....	Football-10, 12, Basketball-10
Robert Wieland.....	Soccer-9-12
Trish Wilson.....	Gymnastics-9
Kevin Wilt.....	Football-10-12

Berlin High School Recognizes Six Senior Sports Contributions

by Cliff Jack

Ever since organized sporting events have taken place there has always been some people on team who have the privilege of being singled out and recognized. This doesn't mean, though, that no one else contributed to the team effort. This article is a tribute to six Berlin High seniors who might not have gotten the recognition they deserve.

Jim Batchelder played forward for the Basketball team and played a huge part in the teams 16-0, regular season record. Batch played the valuable role of sixth man and came in to spark the team consistantly.

Jim Mahalik was the number 1 player on the tennis team, he also was, along with a partner, the number 1 doubles team in the school. Mahalik enjoyed a very successful season competing in both singles and doubles play.

Dan Short was one of two Berlin wrestlers to make it all the way to

the Germany finals. Dan competed in the 155 pound weight class and, although he hurt himself, was able to make it to the regionals.

John Dillon was one of the defensive leaders of the team. Dillon played Middle Linebacker and continued to make the spectacular plays that earned him all-star honors earlier in his high school career.

Don Stovall was our schools number one Cross-Country runner, he had many first place finishes and was always near the top of the list of other runners.

Tony Nelson played right halfback on the 3 and 3 soccer team. His job was to play defense as well as passing to his teammates for offense.

Tony made all-conference in his sophomore year and showed why in his senior year.

Congradulations go out to all of these fine athletes, and all others who participated in sports.

AFTER 12 YEARS...
YOU'RE
ON YOUR
WAY!



2 PLAYERS WIN ALL-CONFERENCE

During the past year several Berlin American High School seniors made all conference. Of which included Cliff Jack, and Scott Hoefer

Scott Hoefer won his coveted award playing on the Berlin High School football team. A versatile player with natural ability, Scott sparked in every game in which he played. He has played football a number of years before coming to Berlin, and therefore had a great deal of experience which led to his good play. Scott started every game this year on the Berlin Varsity defensive team. He played the position of outside linebacker. It turned out to be a key position as Scott played it to perfection making several key plays for the defense. As a result of his fine play and good sportsmanship Scott was recommended for all-conference which he did make when the all-conference balloting was concluded. He is an individual which Berlin American High School can be proud.

Another fine individual who sparked for Berlin this year was Cliff Jack. Cliff played on the Berlin American High School conference champions Basketball team. Cliff a Senior at Berlin American High School, played forward on this years championship team. He not only received an all conference award for his brilliant play, he was also named to the all tournament team, at the basketball tournaments which took place in Munich, Germany.

Cliff moved to Berlin as a senior from K-Town West Germany, where he also played High School basketball. Cliff is a team player, who can play almost any position. He has been playing basketball for a number of years and has gained a great deal of experience which has greatly added to his play.