

# Vice-President Bush Visits Berlin

by Deb Kottke

On Tuesday, February 1st, Vice President of the United States, George Bush, visited the Berlin American Community and toured the sights of Berlin. Students of Berlin American High School had the privilege of hearing his address presented at the Berlin Brigade Gym at 12:30 p.m.

Preparations for this visit were completed by the Student Council and the Senior Class. They were notified of the Vice President's arrival in Berlin on Thursday, January 27, which left them only a week to prepare. Though the administration was the "communication point", the responsibility of the school's participation was delegated to Mr. Sennett and Miss Geller, Student Council Advisors, Mr. Wieland, and Mr. Lindsey.

The idea of presenting gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Bush was suggested by the military protocol section, but they left the decision of what was to be given up to the Student Council. At the beginning of the assembly, Laura Morgan, Senior Class President, and Mark Millen, Student Council President, were allowed to greet the Vice President prior to his entering the gym and personally presented Bush and his wife with a Berlin Bear and a Booster Club sweater. According to Laura Morgan, the Vice President's reaction to the gifts was "this will be good to wear on the plane home", referring to the sweater.

The introduction of Vice President Bush, after a five to ten minute delay, was made by LTC Robert Ahrens. With the Bushes was the American Ambassador to Germany, Mr. Arthur Burns and his wife Mrs. Burns who were escorted to the platform by Major General and Mrs. James G. Boatner. The band played "Hail Columbia" and "Ruffles and Flourishes" as the Vice President was intro-

duced. Mr. Ray Lindsey, band director, said, "The band played all the songs well. I was honored when the Vice President shook my hand."

The crowd, when Vice President Bush approached the podium, became enthusiastic and gave him a standing ovation. Mr. Sennett felt "the assembly was terrific. BAHS students were good representatives of the community spirit. They received the Vice President well, with respect, and they lived up to their potential."

In his speech, Bush commented on the Berlin Wall. "It is one of the cruelest existing realities of our time." He felt it was the sign of the fight for freedom and said, "Having seen the Berlin Wall, I'll never again take freedom for granted." He also praised the men and women of the armed forces stationed in Berlin. "We have great respect and admiration for the men and women in the armed forces. We're grateful to each and every one of you."

When asked why the Vice President specifically chose Berlin High School and TAR students, Sennett replied, "It seemed he wanted a more personal touch and had a genuine interest in the youth of the country." This was the first time students of the Berlin community were ever specifically invited to an event such as this.

BAHS's Art Department contributed many of the posters that decorated the gym while the other classes were involved in their own banners representing themselves.

After leaving Berlin, Vice President Bush went on to visit the Netherlands and concluded his 13-day tour of Europe with visits to a total of six allied nations.

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### Juniors Plan for Prom

by Didi Stowell

The Junior Class has been working very hard this year to make the Junior-Senior Prom a success.

A great amount of funds is needed to be able to sponsor the Junior-Senior Prom. The Juniors have organized a great number of money-making activities and their first was to sell food at the hut during football games. They followed this up by selling Berlin Bear banners. Other money-making activities have been bakesales, a dance and selling sodas during break at the Bear's Den. They also sold candy grams during the Christmas season and sold candy during first lunch.

The Juniors were very proud when they won the ACS Can Food Drive and because of this they have earned a ACS dance that will be coming up soon. They also have many more activities that will be coming up in the future. Some of them are bake sales and a Walkman raffle.

Although the Juniors have earned quite a bit of money, they still have a long way to go. Any help from the Seniors would be appreciated.

### February 21st President's Day

### Seniors Make Plans For Their Future

by Laurie Barsh

The Senior Class is making many plans for end of the year activities and functions.

The Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church has been selected as the location for the Baccalaureate Services. It is not certain, however, that the church will be obtained. If it happens that it isn't, the services will be held in the American Community Chapel, where it has been held in the past years.

Senior officers and sponsors have also requested the Charlottenburg Palace for the graduation ceremonies, which will be held on June the 11th. The Mayor of Berlin was asked to speak to the graduating class, but he declined due to a previous engagement.

The Seniors also plan to partici-

### Model U.N. Class Goes to the Hague

by David Bryant

On January 24th, 11 M.U.N. students travelled to the Hague, Holland, to take part in the 15th annual Model United Nations.

Students from several countries of the world spent the week acting as representatives of the countries in the United Nations.

This year Berlin represented the United Republic of Cameroon and the Byelorussian SSR.

All Berlin students were required to write resolutions dealing with world problems. Tuesday was spent lobbying for co-sponsors for resolutions and support in debate.

The Queen of Holland was on hand for Wednesday's opening ceremonies. The Prince of Holland was on the delegation representing Spain. Following opening ceremonies, policy statements were given by each delegation.

On Thursday the participants went into their respective committees. Each committee dealt with a certain topic. Resolutions on these topics were debated during this day.

Friday was General Assembly day. Resolutions passed in committee on Thursday were debated during this day.

Saturday was General Assembly and closing ceremonies day. Resolutions were also debated all day.

The week closed with a dance on Saturday night that ended about one in the morning.

All those who participated in



# STUDENTS' COMMENT ON V.P. BUSH'S VISIT

by Deb Kottke and Cheryl Dearing

The majority of students at Berlin American High School were captivated by Vice President George Bush's visit. His speech, being informally presented, held his true feelings of the Wall and of the Americans stationed in Berlin. His words enhanced the pride and dignity of the Berlin American Community.

These are just some of the comments by the leaders of the student body of BAHS:

Laura Morgan, senior class president: At first I was both excited and nervous, but I relaxed after seeing that Mr. Bush was an out-going, friendly guy! His speech made me feel very patriotic and American. Meeting the Vice President of the United States was a privilege and something I will always remember.

Mark Millen, SC President: Even though all the security and the rushing of his visit, I felt that Mr. Bush was a very sincere and outgoing person. I am grateful that I had this chance to welcome him on behalf of the school, and to actually see and talk to a celebrity like him. I thought his speech was excellent, and brought out the best in the Americans here in Berlin.

Tim Felker, SC Vice President: He was not so much a flawless public speaker or a flashy PR man dishing out the party line instead he was an honorable and funny man who happens to hold the official title of Vice President. I thought his informal speech and friendly manner were the marks of a true non-politician.

Elizabeth Waldrop, SC Secretary: At first I wasn't too excited about Vice President Bush's visit but seeing all the security guards, police

and riot vans made me realize the importance of his visit. His speech had warmth and kindness and he didn't seem to push any particular matter. I was honored and thrilled when I heard the applause from the audience and it made me realize just how privileged the Berlin community was.

Laurie Barsh, SC Treasurer: I thoroughly enjoyed VP Bush's speech but would have liked to have heard more on his trip to Europe. I feel he was sincere in his visit to Berlin and will remember it always.

Sylvia Alexander, Junior class president: I thought his speech was exciting, but I feel he should have said a little more about his mission in Europe.

Cheryl Dearing, Sophomore class president: His visit to Berlin was an event I will always remember. In the short time he spoke he combined many topics of concern to the military troops, as well as the entire Berlin American Community. He gave us inspiration, encouragement, and most of all, made us all proud to be Americans.



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## CUPID'S ARROW PIERCES HEARTS

To: "Grandma"

From: the mushroom cloud interpreter of Mexican descent

Message: Thanks for the understanding and caring. I hope that in the future you can "spare" just as much time with me so I don't "strike out" and "split". Happy Valentine's Day!

To: the green TR-7

From: the candy-apple 'Netta

Message: I just might keep my promise to "take ya cruisin'"—just give me a little while longer so I can hire a hit-man! Thanks anyway for just being there! (I really appreciated the B+)

To: Sam L.

From: John W.

Message: I love you. It's not AFN, but it's the next best thing.

To: Trisha

From: ?

Message: Hopefully.

To: Rose, Jessica, Didi, Aimie, Andrea, Kim, and Missy

From: P.V.G. ("V" for Virtuous)

Message: What I want to say can't be printed. The terminology isn't that clean. Go back where your minds usually are, know I mean?

To: Andrea W.

From: Mindy Baldwin

Message: You have a big heart, so Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Teddy Bear

From: Chipmunk

Message: Happy Valentine's Day !! Hope to see you in August!

To: Patty Duffy

From: Barbara Pettulo

Message: Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Jessica

From: Some innocent person in chemistry

Message: You embarrass me.

To: Curly

From: Co-Co

Message: Always try to be Q.C.

To: Tommy

From: Your Muffy

Message: I give you all my love and faith, I know we can make it !!

To: Marcia Spohn

From: Barbara Petullo

Message: Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Rod

From: Guess

Message: In the next car you buy, make sure, there are no armrests.

To: Laurie Barsh

From: Rod Kennard

Message: Would a van be sufficient?

To: Dwayne W.

From: Stephanie Pugh

Message: "My Sweetheart"



# Outlook

## Kisses and Hugs from Cupid to You

Will you still need me after you leave?  
Will I mean that much to you?  
You'll find yourself as time goes on,  
Places change and people do too.

We've shared our thoughts and points of view  
And we'd often disagree,  
But that didn't matter, I didn't care,  
As long as you were with me.

Will you remember things that I've said?  
And sometimes think of me?  
Life won't be the same without you,  
Oh how empty it will be.

You're on your own, I won't be there,  
Do you promise that you'll write?  
I'll always be there to listen  
Your matters to me aren't trite.

From now on, do what you think is right,  
What you feel in your heart.  
I trust you'll never act wrongly,  
And with your values never part.

I may not be wise or experienced,  
I have yet to drink from life's cup.  
You'll always carry my trust with you,  
To you I'll always look up.

Will you let someone take my place?  
Will you always have faith in me?  
You'll be in my thoughts, my heart, my mind,  
And I hope in yours I'll be.

by Peggy Van Gorder  
grade 11



O'dear Mother  
Please don't make me feel wrong.  
You're like no other  
And my love for you is strong.  
I need your love today  
No matter where I may be  
I need your love in every way  
I'll always need you there  
Please while you remember this  
We'll always need each other  
And I'll always welcome a kiss  
After all we are Daughter and Mother  
Your presence is felt in my heart  
Over these countless miles  
We are apart  
Remember me with bright smiles  
Mom, I love you  
And I'll always need you  
No matter what we go through  
We are one, yet we are two.

by Kelly Meister  
grade 11

Candy bars are sweet and pleasing,  
chocolate delights for belly and lips;  
just like your glances, sugared and teasing,  
Chocolate and your love, they both make me flip.

That's why the 14th reminds me of Hershey's  
They're both all packaged: nice, clean and neat;  
But I'd give up candy, forever, for surely  
just one look from you can make me complete.

pepe

## OH NO! MORE DREADED V-DAY DEDICATIONS

To: Kenda  
From "Rat"  
Message: It's time to "cuddle up"  
with "Winning" by Santana. It's  
about time, "chick" -you earned it!

To: K---  
From: "Merlin, Jr."  
Message: I told you all you needed  
was a little faith (and my "good  
luck charm" didn't do so badly,  
either), in my incomparable, insur-  
passable (cough, cough) powers!

To: "Rat" and "Junior"  
From: V.I.P.  
Message: Okay, "guys," the act's  
over- you're breakin' my heart with  
the hilarity of it all; you're a  
riot! -and I love it! -it's been  
fun working with you (such sarcasm)

To: the gorgeous, bright-blue  
Berlinetta I saw Feb. 3rd.  
From: Someone who was held abso-  
lutely spellbound while sitting in  
a boring Mercedes.

To: The Juniors  
From: The Seniors  
Message: Sorry guys, you just don't  
measure up to our standards. We're  
the BEST there is !!!

To: Mrs. Bajr  
From: B.J.  
Message: Roses are Red, Berlin's  
skies are grey, I am giving you  
this Valentine message, so how  
about an "A" ?

To: Missy, Jess, Aimie, Peg, Rose,  
Didi, and Andrea  
From: Kim  
Message: Roses are Red, Violets  
are Blue, It's great getting tight  
with friends like you.

To: Jessica  
From: Didi  
Message: Wild woman ! those were  
the good days huh ? Can't wait !

To: Didi, Jessie, Peg-Bob, Missy,  
Kim, and Andrea  
From: Rosie

To: Cyndie  
From: Your secret valentine (Hush-  
Hush)  
Message: It is only me. Have a  
happy Valentine's Day !!!

To: Jake  
From: Mary  
Message: I'll miss you Happy Val-  
entine's Day !

To: Prince Charming  
From: Sleeping Beauty  
Message: I've already kissed you,  
now wake up !

To: Kim, Missy, Rose, Jessie, Didi,  
Peg-Bob, and Aimie  
From: Andrea  
Message: Let's get "tight"

To: "#1"  
From: "#2 but trying harder"  
Message: Too bad obscenities can't  
be printed, or I'd really tell you  
what I think of you!

To: Marcia Spohn  
From: Betty



# Men's Varsity Takes On Osterholz and Patch Hoopsters

by Tim Felker

Two weeks ago the Bears travelled to Osterholz for a non-conference match up against the Black Hawks. The team came home with what appeared to be possibly one of their worst showings in a while, however, considering the fact that three of the starting five varsity men were excused from play that weekend, the remaining cagers made a highly respectable showing.

On Friday night the decimated ranks of Berlin's team took on the unbeaten hoopsters from Osterholz. John O'Connell had the hot-hand for the Bears with a total of 19 points. Markus Fischler was also a high scorer with 15. Although the Bears out-scored their opponents 22-14 in the fourth quarter in a valiant attempt at a comeback, the Black Hawks prevailed 84-40.

That afternoon the J.V. boys triumphed over Osterholz by a score of 31-29. Malcolm Thompson hit the winning bucket at the buzzer.

Saturday's contest proved no easier for the Bears. Markus Fischler scored 16 points in the losing effort, and John O'Connell chipped in with 7. The J.V. boys turned around with a 30-23 loss.

Three weeks ago Berlin travelled to Patch Barracks for another non-conference game. On Friday night the Panthers stunned the Bears with a 25-5 first quarter tally. However, the Bears snapped back to out-score the Panthers for the next three quarters. Despite this amazing statistic, the Bears were never able to overcome their gaping first quarter deficit and lost by the score of 64-57.

On Saturday Berlin's quest for revenge was squelched and the Bears contented themselves with another moral victory.

## Berlin Team Suffers Defeat

by Sam Anderson

On Saturday, January 29, the BAHS Wrestling Team travelled to Hanau, and unfortunately came up a loser against the host, and Wuerzburg.

Hanau slaughtered the Bears 64-3 and Wuerzburg pinned the team by the score of 59-6.

Steve Seymour pinned his Wuerzburg opponent in 3:45. In the match against Hanau, Marcus Sweeny rallied to a 5-3 victory over the opposition.

The team is still in need of members so, see Mr. Conway or, go down to the gym after school.

## SPORTS EDITORIAL:

Soccer . . . . a Scandal ?

If you're a Soccer fan you may be interested in what's been happening with the Soccer team.

There has been a lot of talk that we may not have a team this year due to the fact that 19 jerseys were stolen and not returned to Mr. Chavies.

It appears that Dr. Jack has 'laid the law': if those jerseys are not returned or paid for than there will be no team.

Who is responsible for them? Technically Mr. Schmoll, the coach did sign for them, but I think we can safely assume Mr. Schmoll did not steel 19 jerseys, but because they were signed out to him he has been tagged the one responsible.

Many of the Seniors and other students who are known to have some of these jerseys, are either gone or have them well hidden. At any rate, the point is that we can not get them back.

Mr. Schmoll said he does not deny his responsibility, but he doesn't feel that he should have to pay for all the jerseys stolen.

So who will? Well the Booster Club is out of the question. Dr. Jack does not feel they should pay for jerseys stolen by students. He feels it is an embarrassment to even ask. He went on to say "We have to responsible for things we're given."

The question of whether or not there will be a team is still up in the air, but I think that the people who really want to have a team will help earn the money to pay for the jerseys, as in the long run it may be the only alternative. The people who stood by last year and watched this all happen, should've thought about the consequences. Although they may not have been involved they cannot deny knowledge of people who were involved.

If you have anything you'd like to say or suggest to us about this, please send them to the publications editor.

## Women's Team Defeated

by Elizabeth Waldrop

On January 28th and 29th the Berlin She-Bear's basketball team challenged their opponents the Osterholz Blackhawks at Osterholz.

Early Friday evening the junior varsity girls started the games off. The Blackhawks overwhelmed the She-Bears throughout the whole game with a devastating end result in which they lost 33-10.

That same evening Berlin varsity girls, losing two of their starters due to behavior problems, lost the Blackhawks 58-24. Berlin's high scorer was Shirley Trotter scoring almost every point with 18 rebounds.

After recovering from defeat of the previous night Berlin JV girls improved a bit but could not hold down the Blackhawks. Osterholz defeated Berlin by ten points winning 18-8.

Once again Shirley Trotter sparked for the She-Bears, but basketball isn't a one man team and Berlin could not handle the Blackhawks quickness and defensive ability. The Bears lost 62-24. Shirley scored 16 out of the 24 points possible and pulled down 14 rebounds.

## Best Wishes

to the

## Bear-a-cudas Against Lahr

## Bear-a-cudas Swim Over Waves and Sea Lions

by Cyndie Duckett

On January 23, the Berlin Bear-a-cudas ventured to Heidelberg, Germany to swim against the Sea Lions. Sunday, January 24, they drove to Mannheim, where the meet was held. The meet consisted of the usual events of medley relay, freestyle, individual medley, breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly and the freestyle relay.

In this meet there were many team records broken. Four team records were broken in the 10 and under age-group. The three 10 and under swimmers joined up with their teammate to break the medley relay team record.

The swimmers who placed in one, two or in all of their events were Chris Minderman, Jenny Hewitt, Lisa Millen, Jeff Edelman, Steve Nezuch, Cathy Speer, Bryan Duckett, Cyndie Duckett, Shelby Crawford, JJ Jones, and Tammy Stoenber.

February 6, the Bear-a-cudas swam against the Wurzburg Waves in Andrews pool. This meet didn't count as an official meet, but the effects of the meet counted as if it were one.

## BEST WISHES

TO THE WRESTLING TEAM

IN THE AA GOLD

WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

