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Dedication

We dedicate this 10th Anniversary edition
Of our yearbook, ERINNERUNGEN,
To the spirit of science and invention,
To the great adventure,
To the terrific excitement
That shall, God willing,
Send man voyaging to the stars.
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The Berlin American School, called the Thomas A. Roberts School, was opened to American children on September 12, 1946. Until 1953, when the present building was opened, the students met in a German girls' school called Gertrauden Schule. Then there were 400 students in the whole school. The Berlin American School was one of the first American organizations in operation after the war. It has weathered everything from a polio epidemic, during which time the school was conducted over radio by AFN, to the historic Berlin blockade and the East Sector riots of June, 1953. After the opening of the new American community chapel late last year, which will be used by people of all faiths, the school followed suit by opening its new wing early this year to accommodate the growing student body, now totaling 660. The wing houses the seventh and eighth graders, a home economics room, and a shop. It will be a great asset in future years, not to mention this year.

We feel fortunate to have our school situated in today's Berlin, a city long noted for its contributions to culture, thought, and education. We are grateful for the many avenues of experience which this city has given to us.
General Duncan cuts the ribbon at the opening ceremony of the new annex as Captain Chambers and Mr. Fay look on.

A dissection is taking place in biology.

A Freshman lectures on anatomy. The cheerleaders are out of uniform.
This is the Berlin American School in the old days. It is now bigger and better.
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From our classroom windows, early in May we could watch the ground being broken for the new wing. The construction took a good nine months, but it was worth it, as Berlin welcomes its new addition.
The new Benjamin Franklin Congress Hall in the Tiergarten, Berlin
As the gateway to the world opens before us, we look back on our high school years with a certain sadness. They have been four good years, climaxed by our senior year. It has been an enjoyable and constructive year, and we worked and played hard to make it a memorable one.

We were joined by two new members at the beginning of the year: Bob Anderson and Monika Shell, making our class of eight Berlin’s largest graduating class in history.

Heading the tribe is Ron Rainville as president, assisted by Sigrid Bistany as vice-president, Monika Shell as secretary, and Bob Anderson as treasurer. The class is represented in the Student Council by Peg Kitterman as vice-president, and Rosanne Forame as treasurer. All three of our seniors — Dave Pugh, Bob Anderson, and Ron Rainville — are athletes, and Ron presides over the Lettermen’s Club. Rosanne Forame and Sigrid Bistany are on the cheerleading squad with Peg Kitterman as captain. Kitty Donahue puts forth her effort at editing our school paper. Monika Shell also does her share in spreading senior prestige by being an active member of the German-American Club and the Drama Club. Both Rosanne and Kitty are doing a fine job of representing us at the AFN radio station.

We all remember the unfortunate event during football season when our senior halfback, Bob Anderson, received an injury in the first play against Mannheim. He had to wear a cast for three months.

Highlighting our year was the class trip to Paris. Discussion of the trip and planning dominated senior conversation for months. While the boys talked of Paris nightlife, the girls were enthusiastic over Paris fashions. The result was that both were enjoyed immensely on our “Continental Escapade”.

We look forward to graduation with a certain eagerness, but we realize that in accepting our diplomas we leave a very important part of our lives behind.

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Bob
Senior Class Treasurer
Football 2, 3; Track 2
Junior Red Cross 4
German-American Club 4
Newspaper 4
Ambition: Air Force Academy
Rochester, New York

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Senior Class Vice-president
Student Council 1
Newspaper 1; Chorus 3, 4
Clay Treasurer 3
GAA 1, 2, 3, 4
Ambition: Psychologist
Wantagh, New York

ROSEMARY J. DONOVIE
Kitty
Drum 1, 2, 3; Secretary 2
GAA 1, 2, 3; Art Club 1, 2, 3
Bowling 2, 3; 4
Newspaper 2, 3; 4
Editor 3
Bowling Club 2, 3; 4
Student Council 2, 3, 4
APHN Radio Representative 4
Ambition: Secretary
East Paterson, New Jersey

ROSANNE J. FORAME
Rosy
Chorus 2, 3, 4; Athletic Association 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 2, 3, 4
Editor 3
Drum 2, 3, 4; Red Cross 3, 4
Annual Art Editor 2, 3, 4
Student Council 2, 3, 4
Art Club President 3
APHN Radio Representative 4
Ambition: Interior Decoration
New York, New York

MARGARET L. KETTERTAN
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Athletic Annotatation 1, 4
Mozart Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Novette 3, 4; Art Club 1
Newspaper 2; Pep Club 2
Cheerleader Captains 3, 4
Class Vice-president 3
Basketball 2, 3, 4
GAA 2, 3, 4
Band 2, 3; Student Council 3
Ambition: Veterinary; Medicine
Silver Spring, Maryland

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Dave
Football 4
Lettermen’s Club 4
Chorus 4; Annual 4
Ambition: Agricultural
Washington, D. C.

RONALD DAVID PHILLIP RAINVILLE
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Senior Class President
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Lettermen’s Club 2, 3, 4
Lettermen’s Club President 4
Student Council 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 4
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual 4
Ambition: Sports Car Driver
Saint Paul, Minnesota

MONIKA SHELL
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Senior Class Secretary
Student Council 1; Art Club 2
Library Staff 1; Annual 4
Athletic Association 1, 2, 3, 4
Drama Club 4
Red Key Society 1; 2
German-American Club 4
Ambition: Aeronautical Engineer
Le Roy, New York

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We walk down the wide corridors proudly this year because one of our members, Walt Davis, is president of the Student Council, and is also president of our senior American Youth Association. This is the first year a junior has had that double privilege. Walt and Tom Rainville are both football and basketball lettermen, are active in Junior Red Cross, and make up one fourth of the Boys’ Octet.

Tom Rainville is president of the junior class; Barbara O’Brien is the vice-president, and Danny Alley is the secretary-treasurer. When Dave Davis left for the States in the early part of the year, we were left with a class of two boys and four girls. We may be small, but we’re not unknown.

The juniors figured prominently in several other activities: Ingrid Geigk is president of the German-American club, which had its start this year and has been notably successful. Pat McMorrow is a member of this club. Both she and Ingrid are members of the Girls’ Athletic Association.

Barbara, in addition to being class vice-president, is the junior representative to the annual staff and is a reporter-typist for the school newspaper, Bear Facts. Not included as an activity, but a well-known function around school, is the Girls’ Nineteen to which Barb contributes her alto singing ability.

The juniors joined the rest of the school on a field trip to the Karl Friedrich von Siemens Schule in the early part of February. We attended classes with German students in our own age group and realized that we have much in common with the German schools. The juniors have enjoyed the activities, sports, and everyday routines, and are looking forward to next year when the door opens and they enter as seniors at last.

Upon the completion of the roof, our school had a “Richtfest”, an old custom dating back to the Middle Ages. This custom is to thank God for no accidents during the construction and to wish luck to those who will work in the new building. We consider ourselves lucky to have such a beautiful new addition to our school.
Thoughts of summer quickly flew from our minds when the breeze brought the fluttering autumn leaves to the ground. We heard the familiar old sound of a school bell ringing and again the doors of B.H.S. swung open for another year.

We sophomores took our places in class rooms and various activities. If you had happened to look through our homeroom you would have found three out of the six cheerleaders, Sue Davis, Sue Gunderson, and Ann Connor. We supplied three athletes: Bruce Beach, Charles Ehrman, and Tony Munero. At the head of our class officer roster was Ann Connor as president; Betty O'Brien was the secretary-treasurer. In the Student Council the sophomore class was represented by Bruce Beach and Juli Jarrett.

At the Student Council Dance, known as the "Night of the Bells", it was our combo that won second place in the talent show. The stars were John Corris at the drums, Bruce Beach at the piano and Charles Ehrman on the trumpet. They rocked the gym with "Honkey Tonk" and "When the Saints Go Marching In". Ellen Shelton, Sue Gunderson, Sue Davis, and Linda Byers enhanced the Ninette by the contribution of their talented voices throughout the year.

The biology class, exclusively sophomore, took a most exciting trip to the Botanical Garden in Berlin. There we became lost in the fascinating beauty of tropical plants and visiting many outdoor gardens from foreign countries as well. We are sad to relate that during the year we lost Wayne Roumsaville and Sue Gunderson, two well-known members of our class. Remembering all these things going on through the year, we won't neglect to take this opportunity to express our thanks to Miss McKenzie, who not only made this year enjoyable by being our homeroom teacher, but also taught the sophomores English II and typing.

So we end this year that has brought us half way through high school, aware of the two wonderful years ahead of us and the one most unforgettable year behind us.

SOPHOMORES
FRESHMEN  
Starting off the school year with a bang, we managed to get our own column in the school newspaper, which enabled us to record our laurels in neat print for all to see. One of our triumphs was the winning of the Christmas door-decoration contest prize, a huge box of delicious candy and a signed scroll from Santa himself. We ushered in the New Year by holding an election to choose class officers. The chief executive post was awarded to Jim Bochnowski, who entered our school earlier in the year. The office of veep went to Glenn Walker. Delegated to record the class proceedings was Merilyn Wise, who was elected secretary; and meeting the need for a chancellor of the exchequer, they elected Merilyn Wise treasurer. When the Student Council election was held, Anita Gibbs and Jon Tiverson were chosen to carry the Freshman banner to the meetings. We have learned: we have developed poise, assurance. We are looking forward to next year, to the future.
SCHOOL LIFE

Skeletal steeple of the new Kaiser Friedrich Gedächtnis Kirche and the Chairlift in the Hansaviertel, Berlin
Students absorb Mr. Petrovich's lecture on geometry.

Miss Pietsch's students do firework in crafts class.

They develop speed and accuracy in a speed trial.

Sophomores try to unlock the mysteries of English.

Mr. Hamm's students learn about our American past.

The French class learn that the French "u" is similar to the German "ü".

"Just apply the thread that runs so true."

Specialist Smith and his crew feed the hungry at noon.
Mr. Scheverle directs the high school chorus.

These girls in gym class change the pace with a hot game of volleyball.

ACTIVITIES

STUDENT COUNCIL

Back row: William Damron, Hugo Cevals, Carolyn Unwin, Barbara O'Brien, Bruce Beck, Julianne Juster, John Trivets, Thomas Rainville, Reynold Rainville, Mr. Peters

Front row: Rosanne Forans, Treasurer; Walt Davis, President; Margaret Ketterson, Vice-president

ANNUAL

Back row: Annice Katinek, Sigrid Basany, Kathy Sipos, Ann Conner, Margaret Fleming, Donna Skid, Charles Fleming, Nikolai Uretn, Bruce Beck, Ellen Sheldon, Linda Byers, Linda Davis

Front row: Jonathan Teckers, Enidre Fontenot, David Pugh, Leslee Pate, Barbara O'Brien, Rosemary Donahoe, Marilyn Wise, Mr. Bond, Rosanne Forans, Miss Faland

JUNIOR RED CROSS

Back row: Miss Hove, William West, Robert Ehrman, Antonio Moneta

Front row: Rosanne Forans, Julie Juster, Peggy Ketterson, Thomas Rainville, Linda Davis, Walt Davis, Kathy McCunnay, Diane Sawyer, Judith Marcell

NEWSPAPER

Standing: Pamela Lowe, Judith Merrill, Marilyn Wise, Mary Sipos, Frank Humen, Julie Juster, David Pugh, Richard Sobieski, Miss McKenzie

Back desk: Celeste Delgatto

Second table: Larry Hudson, Sue Gondonsen, Ann Conner

Front table: John Trivets, Ellen Sheldon, Rosemary Donahoe, Barbara O'Brien

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After many weeks of grueling practice, the Cubs played their first football game against Augsburg. The odds were against them in size and weight; Berlin had been hampered with injuries and illness, but their spirit was undaunted as they came onto the field. Augsburg took an early lead and kept it until the gun sounded at the end of the game. This seemed to be the pattern of the rest of the games which the Cubs played. Although the scores weren't very inspiring, the Cubs' sportsmanship was evident in every game. At left, Walt is on guard; Tommy tumbles, ball in hand. At right, Smith, Green, and Pugh run the ball for another T. D. The captain this year was Walter Davis, who played quarterback. The M. V. P. award was given to Tommy Rainville for his outstanding running on the gridiron.
BASKETBALL

The Wolves are in a pack, and Walt has the ball.

Coach gives advice to his players as Cubettes cheer.

All is done; pray for luck.
Ann leads a cheer for the "Beams."

CBIER

LEADERS

We have a team that's really supreme.

Berlin's Cubetter — Sigrid, Sue, Peg, Ann, Sue, and Rosanne — refine their form for Saturday's game.

Silent coach — noisy cheerleader

Yell a little louder.

Berlin makes a basket!
BERLIN SNAPS
Miss Pitzel's diligent efforts provide spirit for today's game.

Trudi feeds a wiener to a Berlin athlete at a Berlin track meet.

At the Student Council Dance we swing and sway.

Anita Gilib, Diane Hart, Carla Church, and Gill Faulkner pose for the Fresh picture.

High school girls looking over the new kitchen.

On the sidelines during a tense moment of the game are John, Jerry, Walt, Tommy, Bruce, and Dave.

Man, dig that spirit.

Waiting to award the dance contest winners.

Jane Hundertmark and her winning meter dash to victory.