

# *Booster Club membership drive*

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School's out and summer is here . . . time to forget school and its activities for at least two whole months! For most parents and students this is true, but for those people involved in planning and preparing for next year it is a different story. Such is the case when it comes to the Berlin American High School Cubs Athletic Booster Club, better known as "Booster Club." The new officers and chairmen for the '74-75 school year are working this summer preparing for the coming sports year.

The current membership drive for the new year will begin very shortly. During the drive you may purchase a membership card for \$ 1 per membership or \$5 for a family. These cards not only entitle you to entry to any and all sporting events sponsored by Berlin American High School, but you are also then a member of the Booster Club. You can and should attend the membership meetings and you can and should volunteer your service to help with the work involved in all the activities of the Booster Club.

**WHAT IS THE BOOSTER CLUB'S** activities? Many: Volksfest booth, TCA Open House booth, concession stands during games, etc. Just what does the Booster Club do with all that money? It provides special support not otherwise available for the interscholastic athletic programs of the Berlin Cubs, both male and female.

The Booster Club was constituted in 1970 by a group of interested parents and school officials with the expressed purpose and objective of promoting and assisting the Cubs athletic programs. One of its purposes is to encourage family interest in school sports so that parents and students will support the athletic programs of the Cubs either through active participation or as spectators.

What specifically does the Club do to support the Cubs? Well, during the '73-74 sports year as of April 30, a total of \$4,540.98 had been spent on trips, equipment and supplies and the sports year was not over. To be specific, a total of \$603.50 was spent on football, \$1,349.20 for basketball, \$568.17 for golf, \$487.60 for wrestling, \$631.51 for girls basketball. These are just a few of the items the Booster Club did do for the Cubs during the sports year.

Membership in the Club is voluntary and open to any person who is a member of the Berlin Allied (U. S., British, French) community. The administration of the club is the responsibility of the club officers. This year's club officers are President, LTC D. E. Malloy; First Vice-President, Major W. A. Burhans; Second Vice-President, TSgt. M. Weakley; Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Martin, Jr.; and Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Virgilio.

**THE BERLIN AMERICAN HIGH** School Cubs Athletic Booster Club invites you to join with them in supporting the Cubs during the coming year! When you purchase your current membership card there will be space provided for you to fill in if you are interested in volunteering to help. If you will check this space, you will be called. If you are not contacted or if you wish to volunteer prior to the beginning of the membership drive, please contact one of the above officers. Your help will be needed and appreciated during the up-coming Volksfest and the Open House at TCA in September.

Be watching for the beginning of the membership drive for the new year and also for our other activities. By joining and helping out you are serving a good cause and it makes you feel good while doing so.