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BERLIN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL

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## Many Legends Involved In Origin of Cupid's Holiday

by Lynda Standard

Who was St. Valentine and who started valentine sending?

One of the many Roman festivals to pagan gods was called Lupercalia, and it was in honor of Juno and Pan. Roman girls' names were put in a box and each boy chose a name. The girl whose name he chose became the boy's partner for the Lupercalia festival.

When Christianity became the predominant religion, all pagan rites were abolished; but people were so used to having their various festivals and holidays, that the celebrations could not be completely done away with. The Lupercalia Festival was held on February 15th. Pope Galasius of Rome in 496 A.D. decided that instead of having Lupercalia on the 15th they would celebrate February 14th in honor of Bishop Valentine who had been executed 200 years earlier on Pa-

lestine Hill, where the altar of Pan once stood.

Some historians claim that Bishop Valentine has been confused with another St. Valentine who lived in Emperor Claudius' time and was imprisoned for marrying couples secretly when the Emperor had

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## Who's your Valentine?

by Esther Garcia

Not too long ago, in keeping with the "cupid" tradition, BEAR FACTS conducted another of its infamous polls. This time our purpose was to discover the "object of affection" for some of our students. Here are the results:

Pat Blue would like to have the owner of locker no. 425 as her valentine (how convenient), while Doris Kuhlmeier describes her ideal

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## Cast Chosen For Annual Junior Play

Do you like suspense? comedy? drama? or romance? If so, you'll find something suited to your taste in this year's Junior Class play, "The Man Who Came To Dinner."

When Sheridan Whiteside, a well-known radio orator, lecturer, and critic played by Steve Denton, falls on the steps of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stanley—an undistinguished, upper-middle class, status-seeking couple—a very interesting story unfolds. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (Richard Price and Michele Klatt) are forced to keep Mr. Whiteside in their home until he has recovered from his broken hip. So Whiteside and his secretary, Maggie (Chyneen Mitchell), an in-

dependent, single, devoted girl, move in with the Stanleys. When Maggie falls in love with Bert Jefferson (Tom Mize), a young successful newspaper reporter, Sheridan Whiteside interferes. Not wanting to lose his secretary, he calls an old friend, Lorraine Sheldon (Rubina Stiles)—an over-sophisticated, over-dramatic, New York actress, to "distract" Bert Jefferson. Maggie gets wind of the scheme to break up her romance and launches her own plan of revenge on Lorraine with the help of Beverly Carlton (John Latham). Sparks fly on all sides and even the Stanleys become upset. They come close to throwing Whiteside out when their son Richard (Don Drach) runs away on a freighter and their daughter June (Mimi Bates) leaves with a young man Sandy (Perry Shakelford) to get married on the advice of Whiteside.

There are some hilarious, tragic and serious moments in the play. It will be held at the Berlin International Theatre and is sponsored by Mrs. Chafin and Mr. Hawver.

## Fasching Season A Pre-Lenten Fling!

by Pat May

The translation of the word "Fasching" is fasting night, and it describes the period of fasting and merry-making immediately preceding Lent. Fastnacht was, and still is, the time to make up in anticipation of the gloom and abstinence of the forty days of penance following Shrove Tuesday. It is evident that everybody wanted to enjoy his life before he was ready to submit to forty days of deprivation. But this, by no means, provides us with the explanation of the existence of the widespread Fastnacht processions. "Anyone who could take part in the Fastnacht in different villages of the Black Forest (notably Elzach) would be impressed by the manifestations of demonry. The Metzger-Sprung of Nurnberg, another Fastnacht performance, was a leaping serpentine dance of the Butchers' Guild, perhaps dating back to animal sacrifice. Their associated Schembert-Laeufer (runners with bearded masks) equipped with lances, also ran in a serpentine and threw ashes and fire. The Fasching of Muenchen features the Schaeffler-Tanz which goes back to the Middle Ages.

Today, in the dance, the coopers wear a most picturesque costume and perform the dance while trimming hoops of decked

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## Construction Lagging Behind Schedule

by Donna D'Amore

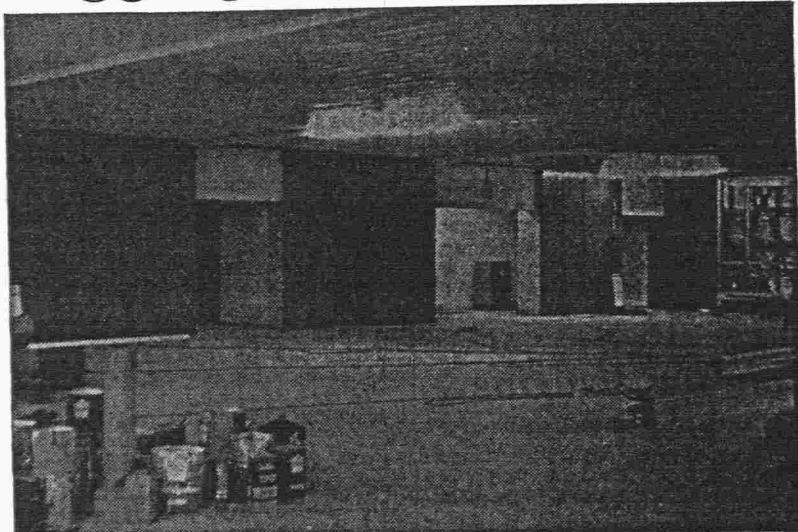
Sometime in May, if all goes well, the seemingly mixed up piles of debris will be transformed into one of the most modern and well planned school gymnasiums in Europe.

The gym floor area, covering 5,500 square feet, will be as large as the Sports Center. It will have a sliding door partition in the center to enable gym classes to be either mixed or separate. The gym will be lighted by natural light from 56 skylights and from electric lights in between the skylights. At either end of the gym there will be basketball goals and there will also be two goals on the remaining sides for use when the sliding door is closed.

While basketball practice is in session, wrestling practice may be held on the stage, which is large enough to accommodate the new mats. The stage has all the necessary lighting for a stage production plus "flyaway" scenery. The scenery will be lifted up into the air above the stage, out of sight, and the next scene will be brought down from above. Under the stage there is storage for folded chairs which will be used in the event of an assembly. The audience may be seated in a large balcony above the dressing rooms. The gym will be connected to the main building by a door near the music and art rooms. There will also be a public entrance from the outside. Directly inside this door there are public bathrooms and two small suites for the male and female instructors, each installed with a shower, sink and furniture.

Both the girls and boys will have large locker rooms. The lockers consist of six small lockers accompanied by one large locker. A student in the first period class will take his P.E. clothes from the small locker and hang his street clothes in the larger locker. The 2nd hour student will do the same with locker number 2 in the group of six.

The girls section on the left includes a shower room, a room for drying off, a bathroom, the locker room, which also has benches, and an equipment room for P.E. supplies. The boys section on the right has the same rooms plus a room for dirty football gear, a training room



Above you see the nearly completed Berlin American High School cafeteria, originally scheduled for opening in early January. Plagued with bad weather and unexpected set-backs like a broken water main which shut off water in the entire school for fifteen hours, construction crews are now working toward a completion date of 20 February. Kitchen equipment for this facility has only been ordered recently and will not be installed at the time of opening. The annual Levi-Day-Dance will be the first school party held in this room and will test its adaptability for social functions.

—Photo by Tom Mize

for injured players, and scales for weighing in wrestlers. And lastly, there is a door leading out to the football field from a team room especially for the players.

It is obvious how much money, time, and effort is being put into this school for our benefit. So, let's be proud of our school and take care of it!

## Junior High Included In Plans For Second Annual Levi Day!

by Don Drach

Hey! Believe it or not, the New Cafeteria is going to open soon! As you can see from the picture above, it is an ideal place for a BHS party—lots of room and easy-to-clean floors! So—o—o, start digging out your levis and cut-offs and prepare for the Second Annual Levi-Day-Dance. It was sponsored by the Class of 1967 last year—and they are now working hard to make success traditional with this event. Tickets cost only 50c and if bought before Thursday, March 17th they will purchase an evening of food, music, entertainment AND the privilege of wearing levis to class

on Levi Day—March 18th. Tickets at the door are 75c, so think ahead and get the early-bird bargain. (On second thought, buy them at the door—heh-heh, no fools we!)

The beat that starts feet tapping and fingers clicking will be supplied by the "New Generation". Highlights of the evening include an original floor show featuring talent recruited from the student body and faculty. (Remember the teachers' skit from last year?)

Make your plans now. All students in grades 7-12 are eligible to attend. There will be plenty of food, room, and fun for all. Tickets go on sale in March.

## Winners: Most Likely To Succeed



Only time will tell if the students of BHS accurately predicted the future of these proud winners of our "Most Likely To Succeed" Contest. Left to right are: Richard Saba, Suzanne Watkins, seventh grade; John Castellot, Katie Schwarz, eighth grade; Robert Edwards, Renée Cooper, freshmen; Bob Gardner, Sally Williams, sophomores; Sandy Read, Steve Denton, juniors; Diane Shaw, senior. Not pictured: Frank Harris, senior.

—Photo by Ed Posey

## Editorial:

### Class Rivalry Stymies Student Council

by Laura Newby

The Student Council's lack of organization and its seeming inability to produce any marked effects on the demands of the students have been the basis of many peppery debates among members of the student body. However, no constructive suggestions have yet come out of these discussions. No one seems able to define the reasons for the Council's ineffectiveness. As a representative to the Student Council, several possible causes for these assumptions have occurred to me.

One contributing factor to the Student Council's ineffectiveness is insufficient time in which to conduct meetings; sessions are restrict-

ed to the one hour activities period every two weeks. The Council consists of 24 members representing 6 grades. A one hour meeting does not allow enough time for complete discussion of the ideas, suggestions, and proposals of these grades, nor does it allow for lengthy discussion on a question of any importance. Weak adherence to and enforcement of strict Parliamentary procedures at every meeting promotes an atmosphere of casual socializing rather than one of business-like brusqueness and efficiency.

Enmity rather than amity prevails at every meeting of the Council. Jealousy between the classes prevents many measures from getting through because each class wants to help itself only. Instead of all classes profiting, no class profits. As policy-maker and trend-setter for the entire school, the Student Council is a poor example. How can the

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AYA:

## Teen Talk

by Virginia Ashcraft

Looming big on this month's social calendar is the Shipwreck Party which will be followed by a hayride on March 5. Also of special interest to the Berlin Community is the AYA stockholders meeting to be held Feb. 28 at the Sports Center. This program is specially designed to show the parents and interested members of the Community typical AYA activities.

The trend of AYA policy is now undergoing a metamorphosis. Members will now earn the privileges and benefits they receive by belonging to the organization. In line with

this new policy, the AYA is sponsoring a series of bakesales and carwashes to earn money for the Garmisch trip (Feb. 18-23), and the Barcelona trip (Easter vacation). Only those members who participate in these activities will be allowed to go on the trips. Also March 1-10 has been designated as the registration and renewal period for members. During this time, the AYA will register new members and renew old memberships. After this time, only registered members will be allowed the privileges of the club.

## Third Music Festival Fills Berlin Homes With Out-of-Town Musicians

by Patricia Geaney

The third annual Music Festival will be hosted by Berlin-American High School on May 20, 21, and 22.

Participating in this year's festival are the Berlin-American High School Band and Chorus, the Paris-American High School Chorus, the Mannheim-American High School Band, the Ludwigsberg-American High School Band and Chorus, the Frankfurt-American High School Band and Chorus, the Wiesbaden-American High School Band and Chorus, and two local German school choral groups.

The festival is scheduled to open

on the evening of May 20th with the Frankfurt-American High School and Berlin-American High School choruses singing Mozart's Requiem Mass. The choruses will be accompanied by the RIAS Youth Orchestra and a soloist selected from the Deutsche Oper.

The weekend will include a tour of Berlin for the visitors and a banquet and dance for the participants in the festival. Again, as in the past, the guest participants will be lodged with American families in Berlin.

This event will be presented in the American Sports Center and is open to both the German and American public.

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# Committee Answers Prom Critics

by the Jr. Prom Committee

Recently, the Jr. Prom Committee has heard some anonymous but disturbingly loud grumblings concerning the cost and other details of the forthcoming prom. We would like to dismiss these complaints as unimportant and childish, but unfortunately these chronic grippers often drum up support for their causes and we cannot afford to run the prom as planned without a good showing from all classes. (Any student in grades 10-12 is eligible to attend and invite anyone he or she pleases). In an effort to stem a rising tide of criticism, we would like to explain some of the details of our 1966 Junior-Senior Prom.

It is being held at the Kongresshalle. In order to secure a booking at this historical Berlin landmark, we must guarantee that two hundred people eat dinner in their restaurant. If less than this quota attend, the Junior Class, as its sponsor, must

absorb the cost. We anticipate that less than two hundred people will attend, and have ordered a dinner which is more elaborate than the minimum required so that those who do attend get to eat what the Junior Class is paying for. We are not trying to skimp or save money—we are just trying to get what we must pay for. Dinner will be served banquet style, and it includes: soup, steak, potatoes, rolls, salad, dessert and one soft drink or coffee.

As we announced before, dance music will be supplied by two bands. This is to avoid those deadly "breaks" and will provide a variety of music not available at previous proms. The Junior Class is paying for this—by hiring only one band the ticket price could not be lowered.

The biggest complaints have been concerning transportation. Boys—relax. Kongresshalle is not farther from the American Community than the Tempelhof D-II Conference room. Buses will be provided if enough couples indicate an interest.

We hope that we get a turnout of at least 180 people. This could be the start of a fine tradition in Junior-Senior Proms at Berlin-American High.

# Can You Imagine...

by Carroll Thebaud

Everybody has his little idiosyncrasies, and we here in Berlin are no different. Sometimes those peculiarities even have a way of growing into habits. That's when we notice them. So instead of just letting those "trademarks" pass by unnoticed, I took them down. Here are a few of the results.

Can you imagine:

Mrs. Chafin or Miss White being on time for first or fourth periods?

Mary Saba without a different pair of shoes every day?

Chyneen Mitchell with short, jet black hair?

Steve O'Neill not going to the library during study hall?

Jim Maloy singing soprano?

Bill Baker talking about anything but cars?

Tony Gonzales on the basketball team?

The music room being warm?

The teachers letting us in a minute early on those cold, wet mornings?

Frau Schirmer not giving a "kleine Diktat" every time we turn around?

Miss Pennington not giving any homework?

Bob Stoll without a cast on his foot?

Don Drach not talking to a total stranger?

Lynda Standard ever coming to school?

Kathy Semsch with just a normal, everyday run in her stockings?

Suzie Wing with curly hair?

The sun shining in Berlin?

Dent White being serious for a whole hour?

Pat Frey having any paper for Geometry class?

Wimpy Moore without a wad of gum in his mouth during Chorus?

Rita Munoz not eating something in French?

Bernie Bennett not opening his mouth during 2nd hour?

Being able to open the door between the Physics and Chemistry rooms without looking like a zombie?

Yourselves imagining all these things? The BEAR FACTS crossword puzzles working out?

# Can You Match The Teacher To The Quote?

by Florine Lyons

This test is to judge how attentive you are in class! If you listen, you are bound to have heard these well-known quotes from some of our Senior High teachers. Or maybe it's because you don't listen in class that you hear these exclamations!

See if you can match the following common quotes to the respective teachers.

1. "Gasp!"
2. "Your assignment must be in on time!"
3. "Ich verstehe gar kein Englisch."
4. "Weeeelllllll..."
5. "What do you think?"
6. "Don't type!"
7. "You're late, you're late!"
8. "Seven out of every ten will flunk."
9. "This is a very interesting test."
10. "Skip, please..."

Answers to Sr. Hi. Teacher Quote Quiz

1. Mrs. Chafin; 2. Miss Francis; 3. Herr Longobius; 4. Miss Fabren-Lydon; 5. Mr. Straight; 6. Mrs. Lydon; 7. Miss Pennington; 8. Mr. Rice; 9. Miss White; 10. Miss Hargrove; 11. Frau Schirmer.

# Feminine "Necessities" Bared When Pocketbooks Searched By Reporter

by Annette Mason

Have you ever wondered just what is kept in the purses of the girls in your life? We'll bet even you girls are curious to know what your fellow females carry in their pocketbooks. Even though curiosity killed the cat, we decided to make a few inquiries and here are our findings:

Maybe you have noticed that the purses are a little smaller this year. We found out that this is true because the girls have discovered that they can carry just as much in a smaller purse! Don't believe us? Well, you can't imagine everything that comes out of Mrs. Chafin's comparatively small purse. Among the items on her long list are a cork, dirty tooth brush (to clean the brass on her boat), 1960 calendar, soap, deodorant, an old P.X. bill, passport, list of juniors interested in the play, a can opener, and a slew of dirty Kleenexes.

A few girls just carry the bare necessities; comb, make-up, wallet, and pens and pencils. Miss Easton is one of these. I think most of us would have expected a pair of sneakers or an extra volleyball net.

Some purses are so packed with things that are "absolutely needed" that when you get to the bottom you find things you thought you lost last year. Natalie Winter, for instance, had a stale candy bar in a crevice of her purse and who knows how old it was?

Many girls keep their purses to store notes, letters, and pictures. Chyneen carries stacks of letters from Jim, Natalie has a special compartment for notes from Bob, and Miss Hargrove has a picture of an

old flame along with bills, a 1957 driver's license, old ration cards, a wash-and-dry from Pan Am, book list, and an appointment card with her poodle's barber.

Some other items uncovered in this search included: batteries, gum wrappers, dissecting scissors, hair spray, glasses, wetting solution for contact lenses, U-Bahn tickets, rubber bands, buttons, ration cards, life savers (we wonder which kind!), cigarette lighters, Don Drach's phone number, flash cards, airplane tickets, report card (someone must be proud of their grades), spoons, baking tins, shaving lotion (yes, really), gym shorts, bundled up blouses, and APC's

# Senior Standouts

by Carl Dolmetsch

In this issue of BEAR FACTS we welcome into the honored realm of Senior Standouts a girl who justly deserves this distinction, Miss Daphne Dragisity. The eldest of a family of politically-minded females (she does have a brother—also a politician), she has been in Berlin since early 1964.

She was born on January 22, 1948 in Toledo Ohio. Since then she has lived everywhere from California to South Carolina and Germany. Previous Deutschland posts include Nürnberg, Augsburg, and finally Berlin.

This year, her main occupations are serving as vice-president of the senior class and holding hands with Tom Jackson.

Upon her graduation, she will enroll in Mary Grove College where she plans to major in education.

by Maria Bare

How many of you have been to England twice, Belgium, Denmark, Spain, France, Switzerland, and Austria? Well, Tom Jackson, the president of our Student Council has. As president of Student Council, he plans a revision of the constitution concerning elections, a Student Council publication, a Powder Puff Basketball game, and a Student-Faculty basketball game.

Tom, who has been in Berlin for three years, was born in Oklahoma but spent most of his life in Virginia so he calls this "state of presidents" his home state—very a propos isn't it?

He was a Student Council representative during his freshman year and attended school in Japan and McLeon High. His hobbies include hunting, tennis, and Daphne.

His advice to underclassmen is "Study now! One grade can ruin you when you try to get into college. Take hard courses in your junior year, then coast in your senior year."

Tom has been accepted by Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia. He will probably go there and get a B.A. and then go on in graduate school to study law.

# MEET THE FACULTY



Mr. Straight



Dr. Schirmer

by Rachel Brown

Mr. Straight, our well-known assistant principal and psychology teacher, was born 20 yards from the Atlantic Ocean on Cape Cod, Mass. He has attended many universities, the last of which was Ohio State University.

Mr. Straight enjoys reading, boating, and most of all, swinging beach parties. The empathetic student populace of BHS is what he likes best about our school. "It's just amazing how students from so many different areas in the U.S. moving from one location to another can be so well adjusted." This reminds him of something a former professor once said: "They learn and grow up in spite of all the obstacles we put in front of them."

His favorite period during the school day is spent with the seniors in psychology. He can leave problems of truancy, tardiness, and discipline behind to accept a challenge of a different sort. He finds the class inquisitive and enjoys applying his "What do you think?" psychology on them. "Only then," says Mr. Straight, "will they learn how to draw conclusions and find solutions for themselves."

Truants and delinquents, beware! Imaginative psychologists, rejoice! Mr. Straight's parting comment was: "I enjoy BHS and its students and have no intention of leaving in the near future, unless it's for Munich or Vienna."

by Natalie Winter

Frau Schirmer, who teaches German and French at our High School, was born here in Berlin. She came from a small family and went to the Goethe Oberschule, where she received her Abitur. In school her best subjects were history and languages, her worst was mathematics. At the Berlin University, she received her Ph.D. in modern history.

When she finished school, Frau Schirmer's wish for the future was to work at a university, in a publishing company, or on a newspaper, where she could meet people from foreign lands. However, due to the war, she decided to start teaching at BHS in 1947. Of her job Frau Schirmer says, "I enjoy teaching American children. They are so very different from German children." She claims that American girls are convinced that they will marry early and that they therefore don't have to worry about school. She says that the general attitude of most of the students is that school is merely a social gathering where one comes to have fun instead of to learn.

Because she is interested in finding a job in which she can make use of her knowledge of foreign languages, Frau Schirmer will remain at BHS for only one more year. We would like to take this opportunity to wish her all the success and happiness in her future position.

# Brain Teaser: Can You Solve It?

by Joy Wyman

A man has two girl friends, one living uptown and the other living downtown. Since he has no special preference for either friend, he takes whichever train gets to his station first. He arrives at random times but finds that he is visiting his uptown friend much more often than the other, despite the fact that both the uptown and downtown trains are on schedules so that both come to his station equally often. Since the same thing has been happening for a very long time, chance is not the reason. Can you explain the frequency of his uptown trips?

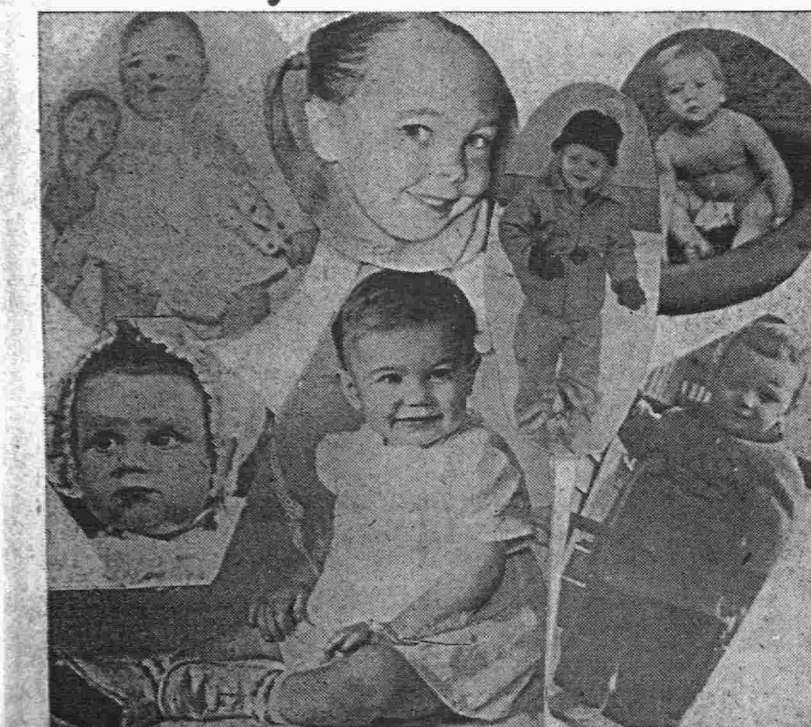
**SOLUTION:** If the train schedule brought the uptown train into the station at 1 p.m. and the downtown train at 1:01 p.m., the uptown train at 1:10, the downtown at 1:11; the uptown at 1:20, the downtown at 1:21 etc., each train would be arriving every ten minutes; but his chances of getting the uptown train would be 9 times as great as getting the downtown train. For example, if he arrives between 1 p.m. and 1:01, he goes downtown, but if he arrives between 1:01 and 1:10, he goes uptown!

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forbidden it for some reason. However, the best authorities say that the real St. Valentine was a churchman who was clubbed and beheaded on February 14, 269 A.D. for curing his jailkeeper's daughter of blindness. His body is buried in the Church of Praxedis in Rome where a gate was named *Porta Valentini* after him and later renamed, *Porta del Popolo*.

# Oh Baby! Who Are You?



Above you see Debbie Casburn, Cathy Bates, Jean Dexter, Mr. Esip, Liliane Meitner, Pat Dexter, and Cynthia Adams—SOMEWHERE! Guess which baby goes with each name. Answers on page 3.

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CLUBLICITY

by Bobby Wyman

The Junior Red Cross, under the sponsorship of Miss White is organizing an Easter Party for some German orphans, but to date, plans are indefinite. They also are talking about a field trip to a hospital. Right now they are learning how to make bandages and administer first aid.

Our Senior High German-American Club is swinging into activity with their Annual Fasching Party this weekend. This party, our version of the traditional German "Mardi Gras" requires a costume for admission and is open to all BHS students in grades 7-12 and to the German High Schools in the vicinity. The New Generation Band will provide music, refreshments are being offered, and we think it sounds like fun.

The Jr. High German-American Club is STILL planning an exclusively Jr. High party to be held whenever the new cafeteria is finished. They are also preparing Berlin kits

to be sent to stateside high schools and working on a new club constitution. The Berlin Kits were a "mid-night inspiration" of Herr Longolius and will contain maps, pictures, and tapes about Berlin to inform stateside students about the uniqueness of this city.

Our BHS Science Club is currently studying light and taking advantage of the PSSC Physics equipment available on the subject. They are using the "ripple tanks" and other apparatus. The Physics class will soon provide guest lecturers for the club members.

Everything is proceeding rather quietly in our Chess Clubs with the exception of an occasional cry of "Checkmate."

In the Senior High Club, games are set up by Carl Pilkington and fortunately, everyone is still friends. In the Junior High Club, the rivalry is a bit more spirited. Steve Gillespie is the best player by far and Kit Frey and Charles Carrol are in a fierce battle for the honor of second place.

Winners: Best Dressed Students



Setting the standards of dress for their classmates are our winners of the "Best Dressed Student" contest. The coats and ties were special for this picture, but their usual school attire is exemplary and local "slobs" should follow suit. Left to right: James Conner, Karen Roselind, seventh grade; Tony Elchers, Janeth Fulton, eighth grade; John Sapanos, Kathy Semsch, freshmen; Walter Slater, Mary Saba, sophomores; Jimmy Carter, Betty Bracey, juniors; Bob Saba, senior. Not pictured: Betsy Nuelson, senior.

—Photo by Paul Cavanaugh

Yakity Yak - All The Latest, Hottest Gossip!

Hi Ya, Seniors,

Back again with yummy gossip! Were you at the basketball game when B. C. was cheering and all of a sudden, she remembered she forgot something? Guess what!!!! I've heard that band leader S. B. is going to play a "two minute tribute" to all seniors at the Fasching Party (well deserved, of course). So attend, one and all!!!

S. S. seems to be really, doing great with R.H. and it seems "Hunk" and her "new love" R. C. are also doing fine!! Glad to hear that everyone is doing so well—wish the weather would follow suit. Hey, Dan. . . the rest of the Seniors would like to know what is "hiding" in the back

of your wallet!!!!. Guess what! Margie has a TERRIBLE habit of telling people what to do (as if you didn't notice) but DON'T listen to her—she's talking through her hat!!!

Ask P.S. the best way to drink 7-up or orange juice. She's really an authority on the subject!!! (In a glass, of course!) The Senior Class would like to welcome Bill and Pearl as members of the Class of '66.

Auf Wiedersehen, D. S.

Hello Juniors!

Hey, G. T., did you enjoy winning? Are you ever going to try it again? If so, try to get table "007." Every-

Top Five Graders' Club

TOP FIVE GRADERS' OPEN MESS BERLIN

Schedule of Events

February 1966

Club "50" (closed Mondays)	
Dance Orchestra	Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat and Sun
Happy Hour	1700—1900 hrs Fri and Tues
Floor Shows	19 Feb
Chicken and Schnitzel	24 Feb, \$1.00
Night	
Bingo: All Cash prizes	2000 hrs, Wednesdays
Free Beer	1800—1900 hrs, 25 Feb
SUNDAY SPECIALS:	
0900-1100 hrs	Breakfast 40 cents
Gator Club (closed Wednesdays)	
Dance Orchestra	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays
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Night	

Very Few Teens Take Advantage Of Scouting Program

by Susan Frey

Did you know that every other school aged girl in Berlin is a Girl Scout? Out of an estimated 755 girls there are 346 registered Girl Scouts! This is the greatest participation Berlin has ever had in the Girl Scouts.

Why should a girl join the Senior Scouts? What does Girl Scouting do to help the modern girl?

By the time girls are of Senior Scout age they possess many strengths that Girl Scouting can help to further. These include: ability to reason well, a sense of civic responsibility, increased poise and equilibrium, and greater selectivity in interests. They become more aware of principles, standards, rules, and religious codes.

Girl Scouting enables a girl to expand her horizons through meeting new and exciting persons, working with and enjoying people, both young and old. It enables a young girl, who is faced with the fast paced age we live in, to find herself—who she really is, what she would like to be and do. How? How can one program do this for a girl? In Senior Scouting the girls work on Aide Bars. These Aide Bars give a quick glimpse of a vocation which she might choose in the future. These aide bars offer every girl a new and interesting field to explore and work in.

The Senior Scouts' handbook best expresses the purpose of Senior Scouting: "There are so many worlds to explore! There is the world of yourself, partly unknown, still full of mysteries and surprises. There is a world of other people, like you and unlike you, girls and boys, men and women, little children. There is the world of the out-of-doors. And there are the worlds of laughter and beauty and work and growing up into a woman."

Baby Quiz Answers

Casurn, Lillian Metner  
Cynthia Adams, Mr. Esp, Debbie  
Dexter, Cathy Bates, Pat Dexter,  
Clockwise from upper left: Jean

Hi there! I'm back again with some gossip items for y'all.

Last issue, I boldly announced that T. W. and W. S. were through for good. Well, much to my surprise they are back together again even though T. W. is on restriction.

Did y'all see newcomer Larry Mc. at the basketball game against Bad Kreuznach? He's a soph!!! AREN'T YOU PROUD? He's just what the JV's needed after Pat Davis went up to varsity status.

Speaking of basketball players, P.M. is practically going with K.D. What happened to J. H. and C.R.?? Are they, or are they not still going together?

Bye for now, Jeannie

Salutations, Freshmen!

Welcome to V. Z. and C. T.—two new members of the Class of 1969. Let this be a warning to you all!! G. S. is getting pretty good at stuffing people into lockers (and he doesn't let you out either!!). K. S. and B. C., M.D. and K. H., J. B. and J. F., S. J. and R. W. and the inseparable R. C. and M.S. still remain the Freshmen Class' steadies. When is that list going to grow?

D. S., have you got your mind on Science yet? K. M., what's this I hear about you wanting to scratch J. A.'s eyes out?? (HINT: she's married to one of those darling Beatles!)

S. H. and J. M., P. D. and G. W., K. D. and P. M. are still uncertain—think they'll ever be sure??

Soon to leave are J.B., K.D., and K.B. We'll miss them.

See ya' Sally

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

Jr-High Teacher - Quote Quiz

by Tony Elchers

This time in BEAR FACTS we thought we'd do something new to test your knowledge of the Junior High teachers. In case you don't know the answers to the questions you may refer to the answers below. However, resort to this only in the time of a real crisis. To play the game, match the column of teachers on the left to his/her typical quote on the right.

TEACHERS	QUOTES
a) Miss Fahrenholtz	1) —"Ruhe Bitte!"
b) Mr. Albright	2) —"Fall in for five laps!"
c) Miss Kilpatrick	3) —"You've missed something for the older generations!"
d) Herr Voigt	4) —"This test is worth one hundred points!"
e) Mr. Glauner	5) —"This room is not for social gatherings!"
f) Miss Leeper	6) —"This is going to be a short and easy test!"
g) Mr. Kronenberg	7) —"Keep your chairs on the floor!"


Answers to Teacher Quote Quiz  
1-3-3 2-3-3 3-3-3 4-3-3 5-3-3 6-3-3 7-3-3

We Dedicate This Song To...

by Sandy Read

Day Tripper for Meg Noland  
Breaking Up Is Hard To Do for Pookie and Surfer  
You Got To Be A Football Hero for Steve McElmury  
Little Grass Shack for Kristin and Donna D'Amore  
Theme from Muscle Beach Party for Jerry D'Amore  
Mrs. Brown, You've Got a Lovely Daughter for guess who?  
Fever for Terry Rice  
You Didn't Have To Be So Nice for the faculty  
Birds and the Bees for Miss Francis  
King of the Road for Tom Waggoner  
Don't Step On My Blue Suede Shoes for Bob Stull  
Everybody Loves A Clown for Dent White  
Playboy for Walter Slater

Moe-Haired Sam for Tom Kunzig  
Star Spangled Banner for Miss Re-kucki  
Little Children for Mrs. Chafin  
Eve of Destruction for Miss White  
You Really Got a Hold on Me for the wrestling team  
Catch Me If You Can for the track team  
High-Heeled Sneakers for the Basketball team  
Sounds of Silence for Miss Leeper  
Walk on the Wild Side for Miss Pennington  
I Hear a Symphony for Mr. Warc  
Jimmy's Girl for Claire Booth  
On Top of Spaghetti for Miss Skaar  
Just Like Romeo and Juliet for Sandy Dragisity and Steve Coleman  
Be True To Your School for the Seniors.



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# Hoopsters Break Losing Streak With Overtime Victory



It's all eyes on the coach during a J-V time-out against Bad Kreuznach. With the score 36-38 for the visitors, Bob Gardner, Walt Slater, Phil Metzger, Larry McCalley, and Bob Edwards try to catch their breath and the few strategic hints which coach Esip maps out to assure a Berlin victory.

—Photo by Tom Mize

## Cook, Davis, Jones Outstanding Against Bad-K

Playing on their home court for the first time since Heidelberg, the varsity basketball team broke its losing streak in overtime play against Bad Kreuznach on Friday, 4 February. Tension mounted in Saturday's game when, late in the last quarter, Bad-K threatened to steal a second win away from the Berlin Cubs. When time ran out the Cubs had a 57-55 victory and the crowd, which was "being true to its school," went wild.

Mark Vega from Bad K has earned a reputation in the league for being a sharp-shooting, fast-moving hoops-ter and a tough man to guard. Tuc Jones, who scored 26 points in Friday's game, kept after Vegas in between his own shots and limited Bad K's star to 40 points. Ray Cook kept after the rebounds and was high scorer with 33 points. At the end of the fourth quarter, Berlin and Bad K went into sudden-death action with the score locked at 68-68. Jones and Davis (Mike) each brought the crowd to a frenzy when they scored four points each. Final score: Berlin, 77; Bad Kreuznach, 72.

Inspired by their victory the night before, the Cubs were ahead of Bad K during the entire game on Saturday. Cook controlled the backboards again despite an injury from the night before. Tony Morasco and Mike Davis scored baskets steadily to keep ahead of Vegas and his teammates but the crowd breathed a sigh of relief when the buzzer sounded to prevent Bad K from stealing this second victory at the last minute.

Final score: Berlin, 55; Bad K, 57. High scorer again was Ray Cook with 19 points. Close behind was Mike Davis with 15.

In Junior Varsity action, our J. V.'s took Friday's game but lost Saturday's.

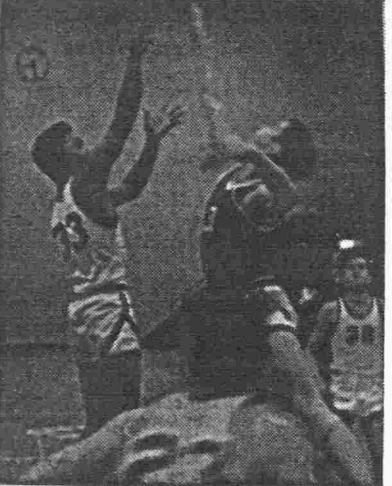


Camera-girl Kathy Jones stopped the action against Bad Kreuznach to reveal Mike Davis in a mid-air jumping for possession of the ball. Tuc Jones 33, and Tom Waggoner, 35 are ready for action but it's Ray Cook who recovers the play for Berlin.

## Double Defeat At Karlsruhe For Cubs

by Richard Price

The basketball games on the 28th and 29th of January were quite memorable and exciting, despite the



That's Tuc Jones against Bad-K's Vegas showing the fast-moving, high-jumping style that has sparked every game this season. Tony Morasco, 38, prepares to take the ball from this jump and Mike Davis, 23, blurs across the floor to back him up.

## BHS Coaches Stiffen Eligibility Standards

by Jim VanDyne

Grades are of primary importance to anyone planning to go out for, or presently participating in inter-scholastic athletics. For a few this year, low grades have meant the difference between going on a trip or being left behind. For others, low grades have precluded any participation at all.

The minimum standards are the same for all USAREUR schools. Eligible students must have passed at least three major courses during the previous academic semester. A boy who does not meet these standards in June cannot even try out for a sport until January when the next semester's grades come out. Students whose grades drop below these standards in the middle of a season must discontinue their participation in athletics or jeopardize the standing of the whole school.

Sometimes coaches have their own requirements. For instance, many schools here put a player on temporary suspension for one "F" in any subject. Lifting of the suspension is done at the discretion of the school.

There are other technicalities which determine eligibility. No student who reaches the age of nineteen before the beginning of the school year may participate. All participants must have a physical examination (and pass it!).

Grades come first! Don't disappoint your team or your supporters. STUDY!

fact that we lost both games. In the Friday Junior Varsity game, the scores were close first quarter, 7-9 (Berlin to Karlsruhe), second 13-15, third 19-20, and final score 28-31 for Karlsruhe. Bob Edwards scored highest with 13, Phil Metzger 6, Bob Dorcik — 4, John Richardson — 3, and Slater — 2. Richardson, Metzger, and Dorcik all fouled out in the fourth quarter.

The Varsity game was even closer. Berlin was far behind in the first three quarters, but came up with 23 points in the fourth to make the loss only one point. Quarter scores were: 4-9, 20-33, 33-43, and 65-57. Tuc Jones was the top scorer with 17 points, even though he fouled out in the fourth quarter. Next highest scorer was Ray Cook with 16, Pat Davis scored 10, and Mike Davis 7, Bernie Wickenhofer 2, and Tom Waggoner, who also fouled out in the fourth, scored 3. The top scorer on the Karlsruhe team was Pearce who made 28 points.

On Saturday the games were resumed. The Junior Varsity lost by one point, and the Varsity by 7. In the Junior Varsity game, John Richardson scored 15 points, but he fouled out in the fourth quarter. Metzger fouled out with 5 points, Edwards fouled with 3, Dorcik made 5 points, Slater 2, and Gardner 2.

The Varsity didn't do quite as well. Ray Cook fouled out in the third quarter but was still the highest scorer with 21 points, Tuc Jones had 13, Waggoner 8, Mike Davis 4, Carl Dolmetsch 2, and Tony Morasco 2. Quarter scores were: 14-13, 26-25, 40-40, 50-57, Berlin to Karlsruhe. Top scorer on the Karlsruhe team was Pearce with 25, and Galtor, who fouled out in the third quarter, with 16.

## Fasching...

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with colored ribbons. This original dance doesn't lack the pranks and jests of a harlequin whose main function seems to blacken those dancers who are getting near to him (the ashes are believed to have magic effects).

The Rhine regions developed Fastnacht to a height of splendor and merrymaking which was never reached by the rest of Germany. Towns on the Rhine have copied the Cologne Fastnacht with more or less sureness. Mainz's Fools' Federation (Narhalla) can recall a glorious tradition and the town has developed its carnival rather independently. Mainz is the second center of German Fastnacht today. On Rosenmontag companies of Mainz's bodyguards pitch camp along the city thoroughfare, especially in the vicinity of the famous cathedral, and act as bodyguards to Prince Carnival. Among the traditional foods eaten at this season are eggs and pretzels, and the famous Berlin pancakes which are popular all over Germany.

## Posey and D'Amore Undefeated At Season's End

by Jerry D'Amore

Two overwhelming, but one-sided victories over Bremerhaven ended the regular 1966 wrestling season for our BHS team. The record stands at 8-3; all losses were close-

## Valentine Poll...

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valentine a bit more precisely—someone "big, cute, and sarcastic." Jerry Soanka's reply was "as soon as D.R. clears the field, I'm going to concentrate on S.R." Frank Harris hasn't got "the slightest idea" and Steve Denton prefers to keep the recipient of his valentine affections "out of print."

Of course, there are always those people who we don't even have to ask, like Tom and Daphne, Jimmy and Claire, Steve C. and Sandy D., Dan R. (with the cute legs) and Sandy R. (who has a secret admirer), Bob G. and Natalie, Bernie and Betty, John and myself, Kathy and Buzz, and lastly, Chyneen and the U.S. Post Office. Jayne's reply was "Charlie had better be!"

Some of our classmates are dreamers. Take Paul Cavanaugh—he asked for Miss U.S.A. and Bob Davis wishes for Elke Sommers (WOW)! Debbie Geiber JUST asks for Ringo Starr (maybe she doesn't know he's already taken) while Trudy Morehead wants the Kinks' drummer. If she can't have him, she'll settle for James Bond (that's not asking for much!!) There's going to be a big fight soon! Both Laura Newby and Michele Klatt want Santa Claus (Gold diggers!). But the field is clear for Meg Noland—no one else asked for Linus.

Then there are those like John McKay whose answer was, "me, myself, and I." Terry Latham's answer was "myself."

Rubina Stiles didn't want an soul, and neither did Tim Hawkins. Lori Trinca wants a Bunny Rabbit (!!!) and Skib Brissette replied, "I plead the 5th amendment. (Watch it Skip, Santa Claus is pretty stiff competition. You'd better speak up!) Steve Hoover asked for "Val Lynn Time"—Whatta Wiseguy!

## Class Rivalry...

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student body be expected to unite and promote school spirit when there is such an evident lack of fellowship in the Student Council?

With these conclusions in mind, the lack of student support for the Student Council does not seem so out of proportion. With the attitude of "each does for itself" that prevents organized efforts and gains in the highest and most 'powerful' body of organization in the school, it is no wonder that fewer and fewer proposals are brought before the Council, and that more, the average student is oblivious to the existence of the Student Council.

to Frankfurt and Wurzburg.

Months of rigorous training paid off for Glauner's men against Bremerhaven. Little Tony Gonzalez racked up five points by taking a B-haven forfeit. His older brother, "Speedy", in the 103 weight class added another five points to Berlin's total. These five points, however, were not earned so easily. It took Mike well into the third period to put his man out of commission. Richard Salzburg our 112 weight man is learning from experience and should bring more second period pins.

Jim Collins, one of the team's promising wrestlers scored 10 points to his opponents three before deciding that another pin would look nice on his record. His pinning time was 5:15.

Buzz Coleman, probably the best first year man the team has had in its brief three-year history, came through with a 31-2 score and later a 5:24 pin. He shows great promise for the regionals and possibly the finals.

The 133 weight class has been a tough challenge for Steve Coleman. He always seems to run into the tall, lanky, three-year men. Steve was pinned by his opponent in 3:22.

Dan Rau, one of Berlin's few remaining three-year veterans worried his team mates and gave himself a workout by going the full six minutes to win by a bare 6-5. Ed Posey at 145 raised the score to 28-5 by taking the second B-haven forfeit.

Harry Calvert, a real all-around athlete, is showing himself to be as handy at wrestling as he is at football and soccer. Previous matches had earned him a 9-1 record; he added another win at this match when he decided his opponent, 7-3.

"Pierre" (Steve McElmury), is another of those football players who have difficulty leaving gridiron techniques out of wrestling. His 11-0

match proved that these methods can come in handy.

Jerry D'Amore, in the 180 weight class took the third and final B-haven forfeit.

Frank Harris earned his "most likely to succeed" title when he pinned a "ten foot giant" from Bremerhaven in the second round. Where did this team at the finish? With a pleasing 46-10 victory!

Saturday's match saw little change except in two weight classes. In the 112 weight class, Mike Gonzalez fell into one of those impossible holds that spell "Katy bar the door." He was pinned in 1:27. Aggressive Ed Posey dropped Steve Coleman's former opponent in the 133 weight class with his gridiron technique and defeated this heretofore undefeated visitor.

Posey and D'Amore both closed the regular season undefeated with 12-0 records. This is the third time in BHS history that this has occurred.

As we go to press the entire wrestling team will travel to Baumholder to compete in the Northern Regionals. Those who win 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in their respective classes will be leaving this weekend to compete in the finals. The finals will include competition from 27 different schools in four different countries.

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