

BAHS STUDENTS TAKE SURVEY

by David Paulson

On Friday, March 21st, some of the students from BAHS participated in a student survey conducted by the National Opinion Research Center (NORC). There were 36 seniors and 36 sophomores chosen by random to take the test. Berlin was one of 1,100 high schools selected to participate in "High School and Beyond."

The self-administered questionnaires were completed by the sampled students and some of the members of the faculty and administration.

These included:

- *Sophomore and Senior Student Questionnaires, which asked about students' educational experiences during high school and their plans for the future.

- *Student Identification Pages, which asked for identifying information for the purpose of contacting the students for future follow-up surveys.

- *Senior and Sophomore Cognitive Tests, which measured the students' aptitude and achievement in several different areas.

BAHS WORKING FOR A BETTER EDUCATED YOUTH

By: Julia Howell

Recently a number of Newsletters were sent out to all parents in the community. Enclosed was a request for their support in evaluating the school.

The survey is intended to help the school determine what the parents feel about the high school and the type of education that is offered.

The North Central Accreditation Association visits our school every three years. Again in October of 1980 a team will be sent.

Several questions are asked about the emphasis being put on preparation for college, or employment. Do students look forward to school, or are they often reluctant at the prospect of school? Is drug abuse a critical issue or not? Many of you reading this article are already aware of these problems, if they still exist. If you have received a copy of this questionnaire please return it as soon as possible.

Like always, the results are to be used for the betterment of the school. But only October of 1980 will tell.

CHALLENGE '80 RETURNS TO VICENZA AMERICAN H.S.

by Mark Workman

Challenge '80 is a program designed to enrich the high school sophomore's and junior's curriculum in the areas of science and mathematics. It is sponsored by the Department of Defense Schools-Mediterranean Region and DePauw University. The three weeks of the program involve studies in physics, mathematics, and statistics. The program provides a good balance between the applied and pure aspects of these subjects. In addition, programming skills in BASIC computer language are developed to assist students in their studies.

Challenge '80 will consist of approximately forty-five hours of lecture/demonstrations/discussions and twenty-seven hours of laboratory work. Homework consumes about two hours per day after classes.

The program is instructed by three qualified university professors. The teaching staff from DePauw University includes: Dr. John Anderson, Professor of Mathematics; Dr. Clinton Gass, Professor of Mathematics; and Dr. Paul Kissinger, Professor of Physics.

Facilities of the Vicenza American High School in Vicenza, Italy will be used for the academic portion of

the program. Students not from Vicenza will be housed in the high school dormitory. The dormitory has single and double rooms, as well as a lounge, pool room, and T.V. All base facilities, such as P.X., movie theater, gym, and swimming pool, are within easy walking distance from the dormitory.

How Colleges

use your



Test scores

Many Juniors and Seniors aren't aware of how the colleges use their SAT scores. Many people think that if they don't do good on the SAT then they won't be accepted to a college. This is not true. When college personnel consider your academic record and your SAT scores, they know that a combination of high school grades and tests scores is usually a better indicator of your readiness to do college work than either one alone.

Your SAT scores tell admissions officers something about the extent to which you have developed the verbal and mathematical abilities measured by the test. Some colleges use your SAT scores to place students in courses that fit their academic interests, background, and experiences. Other colleges use them in making admissions decisions. Many colleges use these scores for both purposes.

Because most colleges recognize that your future achievements depend on many factors, one college may weigh heavily your leadership potential, involvement in activities, creativity, or other characteristics it wants represented in their freshman class. Another college may admit students with qualities it seeks, even when their test scores or academic records indicate they will need to work harder in college.

Although colleges vary considerably in the exact way in which they use test scores in admissions decisions, few, if any, make such decisions only by statistics. Therefore, the fact that your scores seem either low or high should not discourage you or make you overconfident.

298th gives bahs a show

On Wednesday, March 19, a select group from the 298th Army Band performed for the sixth period classes of the Berlin American High School.

This ensemble, who called themselves the Ambassadors, played various jazz selections from 2:05 thru 3:00 that afternoon.

They began the concert with, "A Little Minor Boogie". This was followed by a brief introduction of the various instrumentalists, and specifically, the soloists. "Send in the Clowns", was the next jazz selection, which was followed by: "Baretta's Theme", "Brownsville Express", "Boonies Blues", "Super Slick", and "Alone".

The Ambassadors concluded their performance with a piece composed by one of the musicians who also participated as a member of the band. This was called "Purloined Purcell".

Lawrence Welk would have been impressed. All that was missing was the bubble machine.

Features

SEVENTH GRADERS STUDY MID EAST

by Joan Chartier

Since so much news is coming out of the Middle East at this time, Mrs Ayers feels her students should know as much as possible about the area. One way of accomplishing this is by getting the class involved in activities. One of these activities was a field trip which took place last week.

On March 24, Mrs. Ayers took her fourth and fifth hour Seventh Grade Social Studies classes to lunch at Schalom, a Jewish store. The store, located on Kant Strasse and Wieland Strasse sells kosher foods and sandwiches. The food eaten by the students was Fallafel, a sandwich made of Jewish pocket bread stuffed with patties made of chickpeas, spices, red cabbage, red peppers, and a secret sauce. It was served with Coke which came in cans marked with Arabic and Hebrew writing.

This is not the only activity in which the class has participated. They have also tried Turkish food, which was brought in by Mrs. Ayers. The dishes consisted of Pite bread, bizzards, pumpkin seeds, chicken pilaf, stuffed grape leaves, and Turkish cake. Mrs. Ayers said although some of the students were reluctant to try it, most liked the food afterward.

The class is now planning more activities, one of which is getting a belly dancer to come and show the class a demonstration.

JETHRO TULL: On The Road Again

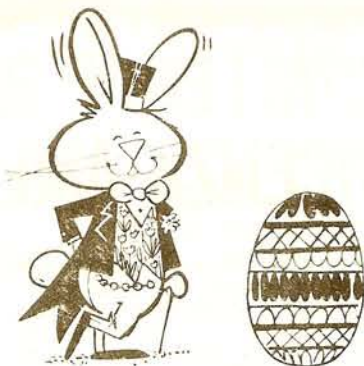
by Joanne Biron

Jethro Tull was in Berlin on March 22 at the Deutschlandhalle. In past appearances, they put on an excellent performance, playing a wide variety of their music.

The group started back in 1968 as the John Evan Band, playing mostly a jazz and blues style. But eventually turned over to the British "progressive" rock style, as with such groups as Fleetwood Mac and Pink Floyd.

The leader, Ian Anderson, is a startlingly eccentric figure, and puts on quite a show with his capes and twirling his flute. The hypnotic sounds that he plays on his flute along with his very original voice comes together to make Jethro Tull's music so unique. Along with Anderson, is Martin Barre on guitar, John Evan on keyboards, Barrie Barlow on drums, and John Glascock on bass.

Jethro Tull is one of the real "survivors" of the rock industry. With the unique style and attraction that the crowds have toward them, you should be seeing even more of the group in the years to come.



HAPPY EASTER

Dracula Nips Berlin !

by Robin McDonald

For all you thrill seekers and horror movie buffs the new remake of Dracula, starring Frank Langella and Laurence Olivier is not for you.

However in a combination of gory scenes and humorous one-liners it proved to be an entertaining movie.

It is set in an insane asylum on the dreary coast of England in the late 1800's. The entire movie is dotted with a peanut gallery of crazies who scream, jump up and down, crawl up walls, and one profound character who eats cockroaches live and talk to spiders. The movie followed the traditional lines of fangs, moldy mansions, crosses, mist, rain, coffins, and mutilated bodies.

It ended on a somewhat unusual note. Dracula is hoisted on a hook from a frigate to age incredibly fast due to the morning sun.

However a goulsh grin from the leading lady leads us to believe he has not totally perished.

OSTERHOLZ IS A SUCCESS

By: Linnie Tolbert

On Tuesday 25, the Chorus and Band returned from participating in the Music Festival at Osterholz. The majority of students who participated felt the festival was a complete success. The Chorus performed songs ranging from classical to modern jazz. The Band also performed selections from various areas in time.

Robert Benson, Band Director, and Paul McKenzie, Chorus Director were presented with books about the history of Osterholz at the close of the performance. The books were presented to express the students gratitude to the directors.

Doodle space courtesy of Carla Sutcliffe

AFN DRUG SPECIAL

by Mike Vine

On Wednesday, 9 April at 7:30 p.m. AFN will air a syndicated special on teenage drug abuse.

The program, "Dinah and Friends", used one of it's episodes to tell what drugs did to the family of television star Carol Burnett, when her daughter Carrie, 15 was hooked on drugs for a year and a half. She has tried drugs such as; Marijuana, Quaaludes, pills and Cocaine.

Having gone through the rehabilitation program at Palmer Drug Abuse Program in Houston, Texas. Carrie is now a counselor, helping other kids her age overcome their problems.

This program should prove to be very interesting, don't miss it.

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Horizons

THE PROCRASTINATOR WE'LL RETURN ONE DAY

Within the dreary classroom,
I sat without a fear,
I knew that the time would come,
I knew it was very near.
But still I went along my way,
Pushing it out of my mind.
Until the final time had come,
And I was really in a bind.
I sat with my hands nicely folded,
Pretending there was nothing to hide,
Until the teacher asked
"Where's your paper?"
And there was nothing I could do
But to sigh.

by: Cathy Jones



Death of a Rose

The wilting rose stands
In a chipped, water-marked vase.
He sits in a faded chair,
Watching rain trickle down the pane.
The room is hot,
Smelling of faded memories,
And old fragrances.
He rises,
Circling the room in a nervous prow.
Sliding his finger over dust-covered furniture,
He approaches the rose slowly.
He begins to pluck the dry,
Fragile petals from the stem.
They drift slowly to the floor,
Blending with the faded patterns of the rug.
Severing the last petal,
He begins to rip at the leaves,
Pulling carelessly.
He cries out,
Stepping back, he inspects his injury.
The crimson liquid drips slowly
From the thorn-pricked wound.

by: Robin McDonald



On a nice winter day, the people all gather,
On the main street of well-known Jawdash.
The children all cheer, and the dogs all bark,
As the float comes down the street, of the Jaws II shark.
Old Granny grins as the parade begins,
And stands there smiling with a 5 foot grin.
The band gets nearer and the people scurry,
As the band leader marches as if in a hurry.
There's a lot to see and a lot to hear.
There's lots of yells and lots of cheers.
The clown appears, what a joyful treat, and,
The candy man begins distributing his sweets.
Then the horses appear with the funny cowboys,
The baton twirlers march, the children dance,
As the ballet dancers jump and prance.
Finally there's Santa with his big fat belly,
That shakes like a bowl full of strawberry jelly.
At last the street sweepers can so their thing.
The people all leave this joyous occasion,
To hurry to McDonald's to begin the invasion.
The large big macs and the nice milkshakes,
Are what the kids eat without style or grace.
We miss America, the home of the free,
The place to be happy and joyful and glee.
We miss all those stores and clothes and shoes,
We even miss all that good old American food.
But we'll return one day to those places we
Remember,
And I'll be back for sure, before this early
September.

by: Toni Hassell



WONDERING...

THOUGHTS...

The little girl ran happily down,
To the stream and she splashed the water,
With a stick.
The water was being chopped up now,
And her reflection was distorted,
By the waves.
She began thinking of her mother,
Who was continuously drinking,
And of her father, whom she had never seen.
She threw the stick into the water,
And tears rolled down her cheeks,
As she watched it float away.

by: Valerie Jackson

While you were here
There was no wondering....
You were mine.
I was yours.
While you're away---
I wonder.
Will I see you again?
While you're away----
I wonder,
If you wonder.
Will you still be mine?
I wonder...
Never mind,
The mailman's here.
I just got your letter...
No more wondering.

by: Karin D. Turner.





TRACK

"80"

By

Cletis Smith



Spring is here, and the arrival of spring comes the beginning of BAHS's track Season. This year's tracksters have been preparing on the football field, due to the Army track team practicing at Andrews. Mr. Conway will be coaching the men's team, while Mrs. Mercer will be coaching the women's team.

Some of the people who look especially promising this year are: Junior Brooks, Orlando Rivera, Troy Mason, Charles Henry, Cletis Smith, Scott Chapman, John Cervantes, Christy Schleifer, Kathy Balthasar, Tena Steiner, Trisha Linsay and, Chanell Hawkins. A lot of first year people that should help bring more points in competition are: Rileta Satterfield, Patrina Smith, Andre Harley, Eric Edwards, Jamie Nordstrom, Bobby Harrell, Shawn Vorrath, Ron Watt, and Joy Smith.

The track team should have a very successful season, and win a number of meets, and a number of people should place in regionals.

The schedule for the 1980 season, is as follows:

19 April	Wuerzburg, Frankfurt, and Berlin at Hanau
26 April	Berlin, and Bonn at Osterholz
3 May	Bad Kreuznach, Berlin and, Ansbach at FIS
10 May	Baumholder at Berlin.
17 May	Qualifying Meets; FIS Frankfurt, Wuerzburg, Baumholder, ISB, Berlin, and Hanau
29-30-31 May	Championships.

TENNIS '80

This year's Varsity tennis team is coached by the very qualified Ms Barlow, the P.E. teacher at B.A.H.S. The team will consist of 14 players, 7boys, 7girls, and the team manager Shelly Branam. The travelling team, however, will consist of 12. Six from each.

The captains of the team are Kay Martinez and Richard Clarke. The first meet will be April 19, Baumholder.

DYA STARS WHO SHINE

By: Joyce Warren

On March 29 and 30 the DYA Junior League All-Star boys participated in the USAREUR Championships held in Giessen.

Members of this year's squad were Brian Peterson, Marcus Lee, Sebastian Brisson, Marcus Fisher, Columbus McGee, Steve Tatum, David Peters, Scott Clark, and Allen Evans.

This year's team, probably one of the tallest in the tournament, had superior height, which aided their rebounding strength.

The Bears short ball handling guard, Columbus McGee, led the team on both offense and defense, and had an excellent outside shot. Center Marcus Fisher, and forwards, Brian Peterson, and Sebastian Brisson dominated the boards and helped out in the scoring department too. Marcus Lee often stood out on offense, and defense. If the first string got into trouble they could always look to Steve Tatum, and David Peters, for excellent backup.

Honorable mentions from the boys team who did not make All-Stars were Doug Kohn, and Benny Brown. The team was coached by Tom Gruber and Henry Allen.

On Saturday, March 29, the Berlin girls DYA All-Stars participated in the two-day USAREUR DYA Junior League Girls Championships held in Giessen.

Members of the Berlin team were Viki Kosevich, Jackie Acosta, Pam Handley, Melanie Hassel, Dee Dee Lee, Melissa Maxfield, Laura Branam Heidi Peltz, and Kim Berg. The team was coached by Tyrone Handley and Paul Acosta.

The Bears best ball handler, Melanie Hassel, led the team at point guard. They received excellent rebounding strength from Pam Handley who also scored well. Viki Kosevich, sister of a well known BAHS basketball star, was expected to shoot good from the outside, and stood out on defense. Jackie Acosta, and Dee Dee Lee, did well on both offense, and defense.

Honorable mentions who did not make All-Stars were Theresa Blandin Michelle Begley, and Maria Ketrrell.

BAHS Soccer Begins



By: Ronald Watt

Spring time is here and spring time is soccer time here at BAHS. This year's soccer team has been practicing in the high school gym. Coaching the team again this year is Mr. George Pepoy. Mr. Pepoy teaches Physical Education here at the high school.

Mr. Pepoy feels that he has more talent on this years squad than any other squad he's coached. Mr. Pepoy also said that there are no super stars on the team. He says that there are 12 or 13 boys on the team that have talent. Mr. Pepoy said that returning starters may have to fight for their jobs because of the abundance of talent on the team.

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Tennis '80 Continued

"This should be a very good season because of time arrangement", said Miss Barlow. "The season seems to be longer than the previous because it will last until the end of May. There also seems to be an easy schedule, competition wise. We have the advantage of practicing on indoor courts." The team practices from 3-5 after school in the tennis bubble. "Later," Miss Barlow continued, as the weather gets warmer, we will be practicing at the Harnack House."

The team is highly competitive because of the ladder challenge. Once a week, the members of the team must challenge each other in order to move up the ladder. They must accept the challenge and arrange it so the time is fair to both competitors.

The team plays by points. There are 18 total. For each game won the team gets a point. The team with the most points wins the meet.

"Berlin has always done well," added Miss Barlow. "They must win 50% of their matches to qualify for a Varsity letter."

The team should do well this year.

By: Tracey Turner