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TLAPPY NEW YEAR!!

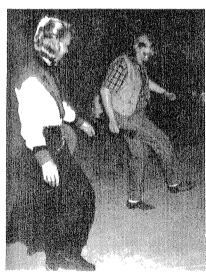
We welcome in 1997 and hope the year is a good one for you and yours. To start off the year...we felt a brand new newsletter. given our new editorial staff, was appropriate. At present we have two permanent staff members and several contributing "guest" writers. Also, since we have recently become aware of two classmates who reside in Germany we will be asking them to contribute articles that you may find very interesting.

First let us bring you up to date on the recent reunion, OSB, AOSHS, class contacts, frequency of newsletters, dues, etc.

\* JUNE 1996 - Dallas, TX.

An all class reunion was held June 14-16th. Numbers weren't as large as we hoped but we had alot of competition this year. Alumni had to choose between three major events, i.e. Berlin Brats Reunion 6/14-16 in Dallas, TX; Grand Reunion 8/1-4 in Washington, D.C.; and Overseas Brat Gathering 10/17-20 in Breckenridge, CO. At OUR reunion a few people arrived the night before and met for dinner to

reminisce on "old times". Friday saw the arrival of most of the attendees and most of the day was spent tracking down old friends and classmates. That evening we had a dinner/dance at the Austin Ranch (adjoining property to the hotel) Dinner was lively and then we moved out under the stars where the DI played our old tunes. We sang along and then attempted linedancing. After we made some valiant efforts at doing the "electric slide" and the "scootin' boogie", a line-dancing instructor amongst us, Pat (Martel) Little, class of '72, stepped forward and brought us all into line. You'll have to ask her for the rest of the details.....



Laura Coats Thornton Pat Martel Little

On Saturday we headed for the hotel's outdoor volleyball court.

HE VOLLEYBALL GAME as told by Pat( Martel) Little, class of '72

It was a cloudy, hot Saturday

afternoon. A few of us

decided to go out and play a game. First we had to round up some more players. We found them swimming and laving around the pool, enjoying themselves way too much, (I felt bad dragging them away) but I knew they needed the exercise! The drinking and dancing the night before just didn't qualify as exercise. So off we went to the courts. We divided into two teams. On one side was Jim Wright, Randy Lewis, Cal Bloebaum, Sandy McCuskey and myself. On the other was Marvin Lindroth, Bonnie (Bates) Everett, Bernard Beausoleil, Jeri (Polansky) Glass and Wayne Bloebaum. No volleyball game is ever complete without cheerleaders so Katrin (Lindroth) Planz, Debbie Beausoleil and Amy Jo Wright stepped in. Having picked the two teams, we tried to figure out where to stand they, its been a long time)! We began to play, I could see right away that none of us were going to make the Olympics that summer in Atlanta or for



(LtoR)Jim Wright,Jeri Polansky Glass,Bernard Beausoleil,Cal Bloebaum,Bonnie Bates Everett Pat Martel Little,Randy Lewis,Marvin Lindroth

that matter ANY Olympics! After a few misses, chasing the ball, hits in the head, and me hoping no nails would break, we (my team) won the first game. We changed sides; with my serve, my team's great playing, and the other team's missing, we won the 2nd game too! Since it was starting to rain we were kind and put the other team out of their misery and ended the match. (Rematch to continue at the '99 reunion)

Saturday night was the big banquet...by this time the class of '71 and class of '72 (the two largest in attendance) were dueling it out on every subject imaginable. Hence, we wanted to know which class had the most cheerleaders in attendance, the most athletes, the most school spirit - judged by class rings worn, letter jackets, etc. Photos were being taken in each category. When it became apparent that the class of '72 was winning, certain classmates in the class of '71 took action into their own hands....

lass of '71 photo as told by Sam McCuskey:

It was our understanding that the class with the largest number in attendance, based upon the class photo, would win a significant prize, for example the Class of '72 would have to take us out for a night on the town at their expense. So Bill Planz and I, being slightly competitive types, decided that perhaps some of our long lost classmates were in the hotel bars or perhaps they were at a wedding reception going on on the same floor of the hotel. We also decided that these individuals were probably too intoxicated to remember they had graduated from Berlin American High School, So. we set out to find our lost classmates. We knew we needed to find our classmates fast so we shouted out our class battle cry "FREE BEER"!!! and out of nowhere our classmates showed up. In fact, there were so many people claiming to be our long lost classmates that we



were a little suspicious, so Bill and I had to screen them. "Name your favorite German Beer?". Say at least two words in German such as "Bier Bitte" or "Noch eine". With such an elaborate screening process we were able to weed out the impostors. One of our classmates not only made it through the screening process but starting speaking German and gussling German beer. He was so drunk that he thought he had gone to Wiesbaden High School and he recalled Berlin High School kicking his butt in football. We assured him that it was just a bad dream and that he had really gone to Berlin American High School and that he should come join us for our reunion especially since he was from the class of '71. And so Bill and I rounded up our lost classmates and brought them in for the official class photo.

But the PCL (poor crummy losers) from the class of '72 protested. The Class of '72 were upset because as usual the class of '71 had out performed and out classed them. The class of '72 would not let our official photo be submitted because our long lost classmates had not paid to attend the reunion. Class of '72 always hung up on material things; where as the class of '71 was more interested in bringing about world peace.

I'm told that this true and accurate account of how the class of '71 had more in attendance than any other class will now be edited by an unqualified person from the class of '72.

Editor's note: As this editor deemed the class of '71s screening procedure totally unscientific...we thought we would let you be the judge and printed their story in its entirety.

Official photos being taken (will the photographer ever forgive us - we were doing "lean to the left", "lean to the right" "stand up, sit down" everything but holding still for a group photo) we proceeded to dinner. After dinner, just as we were to begin dancing, we saw classmates sneaking out the side door.....

fello, why aren't you here?" by Renee (Shipley)
Knowles class of

There I was ... just sat down for a minute to relax and sip my wine after a good meal, chit-chat and laughter with old high school friends. I was just thinking how glad I was to be here. This was my first high school reunion and I was impressed with the friendliness and camaradene.

(Left to Right) Front Row Seated Cathy(Coats)Kelton, Renee'(Shipley)Knowles, Laura(Coats)Thornton, Kimesa(Shipley) Lindner, Bonnie(Bates)Everett, Steve Brown, Bill Bourbo, Diane(Shaw)Orozco

(Left to Right) Back Row Standing Randy Lewis, James Wright, Beverly(LaCour) Whatley, Katrin(Lindroth)Planz,Bill Planz, Cal Bloebaum, Sandy McCuskey, Jeri(Polansky)Glass, Marvin Lindroth, Sam McCuskey, Pat (Martel)Little, Bernard Beausoleil, Wayne Bloebaum.

Not Pictured Gladys Haynie, Gregory and Myrna Orbock

Everyone seemed to be having a wonderful time. About that moment Sam McCuskey is tapping me on the shoulder and speaking in a whisper. "Renee, follow me. You're going to love this!" I followed Sam from the banquet room, down the corridor and around the corner to a wall of pay phones. All the while grinning from ear to ear Sam picked up a phone receiver and began dialing, "What are you doing Sam?", I asked. With a twinkle in his eve and a snicker across his lips he looked at me and said, "There are some people who should be here but aren't. I think we should call them." A smile spread across my face. Oh...I could tell this was going to be fun. "So, who are you calling", I asked. "Ron Rathnow", was Sam's reply. I thought for a moment then asked, "Doesn't Ron live in New York? And

isn't it about one o'clock in the morning there?" With a devilish look in his eyes Sam chuckled and said, "Exactly!" Needless to say the phone call did awaken Ron but he was a good sport about it. Even though his alarm was set to go off in just a few hours. Lenjoyed a brief conversation with Ron then handed the phone back to Sam. I quickly returned to the banquet room and asked a few people if they wanted to say hello to Ron over the phone. They did. "Why aren't you here?" was the most commonly asked question. It didn't take long before there was a large gathering in the phone lobby and others were being called as well; Richard Black, Mr. lames Rice, Mr. Lou Moreno and others. I don't remember how many phone calls were made or how long this activity continued. When your having this much fun, you tend to lose track of time.

It was a mischievous deed I admit. But it was also alot of fun to talk to old classmates and faculty.

There is a moral to this story: you may have been spared this time, but be sure you are at the next Berlin High School reunion or you could be the next victim to get a phone call from possibly, partially intoxicated Berlin alumni in the middle of the night! After all, you did give us your phone number!



(LtoR)Kimesa Shipley Lindner, Jeri Polansky Glass, Sam McCuskey

With all the telephone calling in the lobby of the hotel....three phones going at once...very little dancing (if any) took place that night.

Sunday morning saw us at our good-bye/business breakfast. Here we designated class contacts and decided when and where the next reunion would be located.

It was decided that five years was too long a gap in-

between reunions so we have decided to meet every three years. The place tentatively set for Breckenridge, Colorado, the summer of '99.

Classinates who stepped forward to represent their class and assume the duties of class contact were:

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Cal Bloebaum - class of '68 802 E. Monroe Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641 (h) (319) 385-9330 (w) (319) 385-8001 X221 fax (319) 385-2627

Renee (Shipley) Knowles - class of '71 142 Crystal Park Rd. Manitou Springs, CO 80829 (h) 719-685-4166

Pat (Martel) Little - class of `72 1663 Arthur Ave. Melbourne, FL 32935 (h) (407) 255-5155 email: pat.little@juno.com

Steve Brown
- class of '73
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Their purpose will be to help facilitate reunions, communicate with and locate missing classmates and submit little bios on classmates to the newsletter.

NO CONTACT FOR YOUR CLASS? WHY DON'T YOU VOLUNTEER?

\* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CLASS CONTACTS....

We need dedicated volunteers who are serious about becoming a Class Contact. You say what is a Class Contact? Class contacts are people who have volunteered to make themselves available to help update and process information concerning their classmates. This relieves the bottle neck effect of data into the Berlin Brats Association and gets those more likely to be in communication with their classmates working to find them. Duties include: \*encouraging classmate involvement. \*gathering information for submission to newsletter (birth and wedding announcements, promotions, congratulations, etc.) Now is the time to get involved. If you feel worthy of the challenge of becoming a Class Contact you can sign up and get information by contacting:

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Class of '68

He found us. Robert Gardner. Actually this was a double find as Robert married his high school sweetheart, Birgit Stohr. Robert and Birgit live in Diamond Bar, Čalifornia and Robert is a high school English teacher (a frightening prospect at the time of graduation - his words, not mine) They have one daughter who is attending college at the University of San Diego. Robert would be very interested an e-mailing classmates who attended BAHS from '67 - '71. If you're interested get in touch with us.

Class of '71

Do you need an updated address of a long lost classmate? Are you moving? Ferhaps you have information on a fellow classmates' whereabouts? Been promoted lately? Is your family growing? If you are from the class of '71 send your questions and information to me. I will make sure your information is updated and processed. This is my debut as a Class Contact. With your input and involvement I believe this article can be tailored to meet our class needs. Let me hear your ideas.

The first announcement I would like to make is a CONGRATULATIONS to Sam and Andy McCuskey. They are the proud parents of Sammy, born 1/3/96. I talked to Sam a few weeks

ago and concluded that little Sammy has big Sam wrapped around his finger and big Sam is loving every minute of it.

A hardy CONGRATULATIONS to John Freeman. He spent eight weeks last summer working in the offices of National Geographic magazine in Washington, D.C. We are proud of you John! Keep up the good work. Iim Stottle just started a new iob. We're still waiting to see if he'll be traveling ... and visiting us all. That's all the news I have for now. If you have information you would like to share please forward to me at: Renee (Shipley) Knowles 142 Crystal Park Road Manitou Springs, CO 80829

Class of '72

Classmate Randy Lewis who presently lives in Burbank, California has recently accepted a new position with the YMCA - he will be the new CEO of the Salem. Oregon YMCA effective February 1st. Congratulations Randy!!! Classmate Pat (Martel) Little has recently gone high-tech and got herself a computer. Cyperspace will never be the same. Watch out everyone! lim Wright and daughter Amy Jo just returned from a whirlwind trip to England where they met all their ancestors. Jeri (Folansky) Glass just returned from an exciting trip to Bangkok....where she totaled her car on the way to the airport...but is doing fine.

Bernard Beausoleil and his

wife Debbie, (who live in

Ieri (Polansky) Glass

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Houston) were recently in Dallas and had a lovely dinner with Laura (Coats) Thornton. Renate (Kowalski) Stehr and Nancy (Leipmann) VanDuzer had a scrumptious Vietnamese dinner with Jeri (Polansky) Glass in Washington D.C./prior to the Bangkok trip. Jim Wright will be organizing the Arizona alumni for a regional get together the second week in March when Ieri will be out west visiting AOSHS headquarters. Diana (Kempton) Green will be there from our class.

#### DID YOU KNOW??????

Based on the experience of Overseas Brats and the many other alumni groups that: 32% of all alumni can be found in Texas and California? ...add in Virginia, Maryland and Florida and that number increases to 44%.

That Norman Schwarzkopf is an overseas brat? Went to Tehran and Heidelberg American High Schools?

Elizabeth Vargas, of Good Morning America, is a brat tool

That a "Brat Tree" was planted and dedicated by those attending Grand Reunion (in Washington, D.C. in August, 1996) at the site of the Vietnam Memorial?

That DoDDS (Department of Defense Dependent Schools) is now DoDEA (Department of Defense Education Activity)?

That Berlin American High School closed its doors in 1994?

That University of Maryland -Munich Campus closed in 1992? That they operated from 1950 to 1992? That Munich alumni dedicated a statue at Maryland's home campus in College Park, Maryland?

That Frankfurt, Karlsruhe, and Nurnberg High Schools closed in 1995?

WELL...DID YOU?

AOSHS (American Overseas Schools Historical Society)

Extracted from their preamble:

The origin, evolution and development of American education abroad is a remarkable human and educational success story that spans 150 years. This history of educating American youth and children overseas, is a rich heritage of which coming generations should not be deprived. How rich, few now fully realize; but a history which goes back to the mid 1850's and includes stories of schools, students, parents, teachers, school administrators and support personnel worldwide should be recorded and preserved.

Early students and teachers are gone....It was to prevent. in some measure, this irreparable loss that The American Overseas Schools Historical Society was founded in July of 1995. The overseas education of more than two million American children and youth is an important, as yet unwritten chapter in the history of American Education. These students, their parents, teachers, ..... have lived on the edge of history-in-the-making in view of the Berlin Wall going up and coming down...they have studied in the shadows of historic eastles, near battlegrounds and famous landmarks....they have been evacuated from installations worldwide...this represents the schooling of several generations of American children and youth under circumstances unique to human history. To collect, record and preserve the histories and memorabilia of these overseas schools, The American Overseas Schools Archives was established in November of 1989. (since then thousands of items, video and audio tapes, photos, yearbooks, scrapbooks, newspapers, expired documents, files and records have been donated) With the establishment now of the Historical Society, which will own, govern and operate the Archives this important work will be guaranteed and carried on in perpetuity.

### AOSHS shares a VISION:

At the Overseas Brats Gathering in Oct. 1996, Dr.

Tom Drysdale shared a vision of a brat historical park to include a visitor's center. archive, museum and statue. The park would be located somewhere in the contagious 48 states and dedicated by the year 2000. Funding would be by tax exempt donations. To help with this process a student committee has been appointed to work with the Board. Berlin Brats are fortunate in that leri (Polansky) Glass was selected to serve. One of our own. will have direct input.

We hope you will give your support to AOSHS.

Tax exempt donations may be mailed to:

AOSHS, Inc. P.O. Box 777 Litchfield Park, AZ 85340 (602) 935-3939 overseasschools@juno.com

Also, alumni need to register with the Archives.
Registration is free. Please contact the address above for the proper form.

Watch this newsletter for further information on this subject.

#### **OVERSEAS BRATS**

OSB (Overseas Brats) celebrated their 10th Anniversary Gathering in Breckenridge, Colorado, October 17-20, 1996. For those of you who aren't aware of OSB, it was started in 1986 by Joe Condrill an alumna from Tehran and Bangkok American Schools. OSB is both a magazine and an organization designed to serve the needs of brats. OSB

meets annually (usually in October) for what they call their "Gathering". Alumni from all schools, all classes attend what is essentially a reunion together. This is an especially neat opportunity for those who attended more than one school to attend one event and see all their classmates. In addition to the partying, seminars are taught on how to find classmates. how to start an alumni association, how to keep the spirit alive between reunions, etc. You have a question OSB can answer it for you. Joe runs ads in his magazine, coordinates finding lost friends, and will direct any lost brat to his respective alumni group. The group meets again, October 23-26 in Covington, Kentucky. I encourage you to join them. Contact: OSB

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#### **CONTRIBUTORS**

The following people made contributions to the Assn. and we would like to recognize them, they are:

Jim Stottle, Class of 71 Bill Planz, Class of 71



ROSEANN (TERRY) PHILLIPS 1954 - 1995

Roseann attended BAHS from 1966 - 1969. For her this was seventh through a portion of her sophomore vear. Her most joyful memories, as were many of ours, were the years she spent in Berlin (she was so looking forward to this past reunion - she had attended the previous two). Whether it was the pep club. away games on the duty train, the Volkfest, the AYA and Wannsee boat dances, or the many slumber parties....remember "Bull"?, many of us will remember special moments we shared with her. Roseann passed away on February 22, 1995 from heart failure. She left behind a wonderful husband. Fred

and two beautiful children,

(10), in Miami, Florida. She

Christine (16), and Chip

touched many lives, her fifth grade class, the girl scouts, the boy scouts and her Berlin alumni. We will surely miss her!

### ROOTS composed 9/3/93 by: Diane (Shaw) Orozco class of '66

My roots are from south central Kansas-- a land of rolling flint hills, grazing cattle and large fields, handsome children, weather-beaten women and time-worn men.

The work is hard and long-unkind to the weak and fatal to the frail.

Young spirits are worn down by the relentless heat and unrelenting social strictures. Those who accept the climate of their life flourish. They can still laugh at the elements which have eroded

elements which have eroded their youth.

Those who cannot accept the hard conditions either seek a more temperate climate or remain to die or to become bitter--

their souls as hard and dry as their skin.

My mother tried to escape she didn't marry a local boy but one from southeastern Colorado who promised her the world.

He gave her the world and five children but the same unrelenting social strictures. She got out of Egypt but not into the promised land. I was born in the wilderness, moving place to place, never rooted to one spot, feeling bad because I didn't have a place to be "from" and to return "to".

I brought the soil of the world to Austin and planted my south central Kansas roots in it.

My life has been aided and hindered by the unrealized dreams of my mother.

It has been watered by the bountiful love of my husband and friends and of God.

I have grown tall and flourished and I have learned the importance of the permanence of love over the permanence of place.

# A THING OR TWO ABOUT DUES....by Renee

During the Sunday breakfast meeting in Dallas a vote was taken to increase the membership dues to \$20.00 annually to keep up with growing costs of mailing, copying services, database and archival maintenance. We believe this is twenty dollars well spent. With your paid membership you will receive a quarterly newsletter, an updated roster and have opportunities to vote on association decisions. The Berlin Brats Association was formed for you. It is about you. Without your input, your support, there can be no association. So mail your check today. And of course financial donations are always welcomed and very appreciated. Unless otherwise requested, all contributions will receive honorable mention in the newsletter. Send your check or money order payable to:

Berlin Brats Assn. P.O. Box 6100 Breckenridge, CO 80424

Thank you for your support!

### QUICK NOTES

- \* Moving? Send in your new address.
- \* Laura (Coats) Thornton, is researching the implementation of our own homepage.
  Bob Wyman, class of '68 has offered his assistance on this. Thank you, Bob!
- Have any info on our teachers?...please contact us.
- \* The complete roster (for those paid up on their dues) will be mailed out in 2 weeks.

# MILITARY BRATS OF AMERICA

A new tv show called "The Military Brats" begins taping this summer. The television network....known as The NME (News & Military Entertainment network) are looking for military brats all over the world who want to host a TV show. NME wants to educate the civilian American public on what it means to be a military brat in today's society. The show is meant to be funny and fast paced with an MTV flair. If you're interested email Hunterhamm@aol.com. (Lauren Kelly, CEO, President NME Network) They would love to hear from you.

# YOUR TALENTS ARE NEEDED...by Renee

The Berlin Brats Newsletter is looking for volunteers to join our staff. Do you like to write? Are you good at gathering facts and information? Are you creative? Do you have a positive attitude? Ok, even if you don't have any of these qualities we still want and need your help. We believe that the more people that are involved the better the quality, versatility and interest of the newsletter. We need staff writers, guest editorials, part-time and various article contributors. We need people with artwork and production experience. Perhaps you would like to donate photos or stories of Berlin or you may want to gather current information of interest to fellow alumni. We welcome your input. Of course we would be extremely thrilled if you owned your own printing/copying business and wanted to DONATE your livelihood to our every whim! All right, how about at a reduced cost? To get more information on joining the newsletter staff contact: Jeri (Polansky) Glass or myself, Renee (Shipley) Knowles -- our addresses and phone numbers appeared earlier in this letter. P.S. No spelling test required!

As part of my job with a Dallas based company I visit Berlin four to five times per year. During these visits I would occasionally stop by the high school to pay my regards to some of the teachers still around from the days Katrin (Katrin Lindroth Planz) and I were students there. It was a treat to walk the halls, looking at the lockers (they're still the same), looking into the rooms (ahhh...the sunny afternoons we stared out the windows), the gym (remembering the Sock Hop I first asked Katrin to dance at ... remembering Sam McCuskey playing the drums, Steve Reisler and John Freeman on guitar), the football field and viewing the new additions (ie media center) to the school. It was during one of these visits that I asked what would happen to the trophies and yearbooks once the school closed as part of the U.S. military drawdown. The BAHS principal told me they would be packed up and shipped to Wiesbaden and placed in storage. What would happen after that was anyone's guess. I asked if I could take these items with me and insure that they wouldn't be destroyed and that they would find a "HOME" where Brats could revisit old memories. I was told I could not as this was against official DoDDS policy and that the high school could not support me in this endeavor, no matter how well intentioned, unless......

The unless was all I needed. I talked to a few people, (names withheld to protect the innocent) and requested their help in organizing the pickup of our trophies and vearbooks. (I wish to personally thank these individuals again for their help in ensuring that "our memories" weren't just doomed to a warehouse in Wiesbaden. I know their names and would be more than happy to acknowledge them publicly should they so wish. I just did not wish them any harm due to their wonderful efforts). So, during my next visit to Berlin I picked up the yearbooks (some dating back to 1948) and all the trophies I could get. Fortunately, I drive an old Mercedes stationwagon with some new shock absorbers, as the weight of all this did not leave much clearance. I then started mailing the boxes (via APO) back to Laura (Coats) Thornton. Many of the items I hand-carried back during my business trips to Dallas. Those at the reunion in Dallas (June 1996) were able to view these items....going back in time to old victories and leafing through old memories. A lovely time.

Editor's note: I know you all join me in giving a very heartfelt thanks to Bill for his outstanding efforts and persistence here. Because of Bill we will now have these treasures to view at each of our reunions.

In an upcoming newsletter we will ask our membership whether they would like to donate some of these items to the American Overseas School Historical Society to be entered in the archives. But first an inventory must be taken, which we will publish, then ask for your opinion.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Due to various reasons our treasury has been depleted ...this was mainly do to "no shows" at our recent reunion this past June. We are happy to say that as a result of the flyer going out we have had a new infusion of funds which will allow us to produce this newsletter and the upcoming ones for the calendar year. A detailed report of incoming dues and publishing expenses WILL BE outlined in the next newsletter.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February...(2/21) The class of '48 will be having a luncheon in Longbeach, CA. Contact Jean (Crews) Derry at (561)746-3913 for more details.

March... (3/13-16) Jeri will be visiting AOSHS headquarters in Arizona. Regional dinner with alumni. Contact Jim Wright at (602) 842-2599 for more details on the dinner.

March.... Ski weekend/minigathering.(3/28-3/31) in Breckenridge, CO. All are welcomed!!!!! Contact Jeri at (970) 453-9273 if you wish to attend.

April....next newsletter.

July....DoDDS IX ANNUAL REUNION (7/7-11) in San Antonio, TX. Call Dr. Tom Drysdale at (602) 935-3939 for more details.

October....Overseas Brats Annual Gathering (10/23-26) in Covington, KY. Call Joe Condrill at (210) 349-1394 for more details. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*THANKS\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The editor wishes to thank Pat (Martel) Little, Sam McCuskey, Diane (Shaw) Orozco, Bill Planz and Laura (Coats) Thornton for their contributions to this newsletter. Also a "special thanks" to Renee (Shipley) Knowles, without whom this newsletter would not have been possible.

