



'Gas for Cash' system starting

Berlin Brigade soldiers and their families will find the procedure for purchasing gasoline at Army and Air Force Exchange service stations a little different starting next week.

The AAFES Service Stations at Truman Plaza and Tempelhof Central Airport will begin the "Gas for Cash" program Monday morning.

Customers paying cash for gasoline will now be required to show the station attendant their USAREUR POV registration (white copy) so he can mark off the number of liters purchased. Currently only a valid ID card must be shown.

The total number of liters purchased will be rounded off. For ex-

ample if 23 liters are purchased, 25 liters will be marked off on the form. Customers are reminded that they will not be allowed to purchase more than their monthly allotment of fuel.

Fuel allowances are set by USAREUR Vehicle Registration depending on the size of the car. Once customers reach their limit they will have to wait until the next month before making more gas purchases.

The program will operate under the guidelines outlined in USAREUR Regulation 600-17 and USAFE Regulation 147-10 which takes effect Monday.

Starlight Grove reopens celebration on today

The Starlight Grove will hold a Grand Reopening today according to the club's manager, SSgt. James A. Glesmann. Part of the club has been closed almost six months for renovation.

The festivities start at 5 p.m. with a ribbon cutting ceremony by the members of the enlisted members advisory council. AFN radio will broadcast live from the club, followed by disco music DJs, Prince and Pierre on the Air.

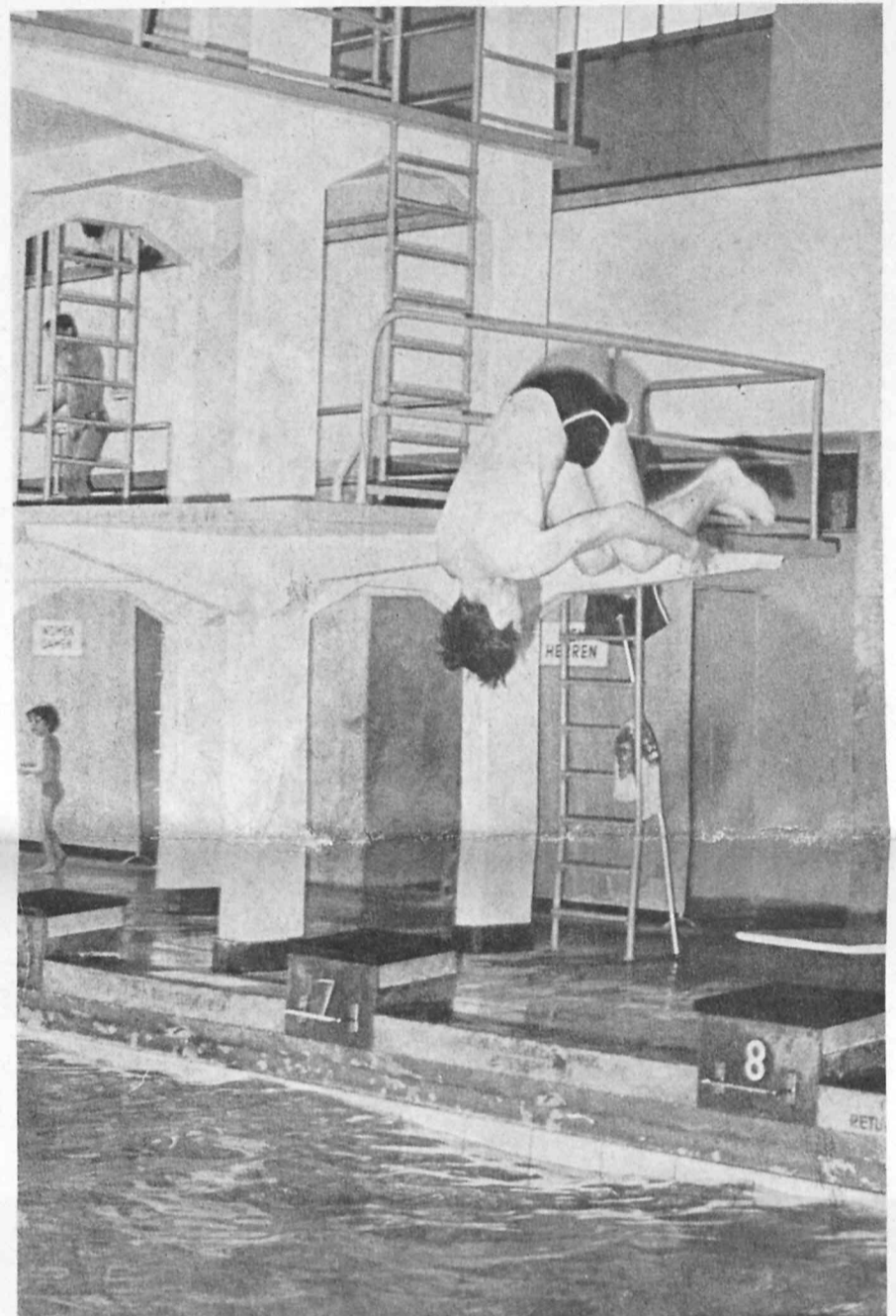
"Highlighting the occasion will be a 30-foot-long hoagie which will set a USAREUR record," said Glesmann. "Frankfurt currently holds the record for the longest sandwich — 27 feet."

Free beer, refreshments, steamship round, fried chicken and of course the hoagie will be provided.

"The renovation cost over DM 700,000," explained Glesmann. "We installed a new bar and enlarged the area around it for more table space. The restroom areas were also renovated. Through the self-help program we fixed up the stage area and painted the interior."

The festivities are open to all E-4's and below and invited guests.

When the club is fully reopened, the club managers plan to provide live-band entertainment on Friday and Saturday nights.



SOMERSAULT — Pvt. 2 Terry Slagle, Combat Support Company, 2nd Battalion, practices his diving during his unit's yellow training block. The battalion has sports activ-

ities two afternoons a week during this block. For more on 2nd Battalion's sports offerings see Pg. 3.

(Photo by Sue Sweeney)

Hospital patient assistance office here to help

by Linda Jach

Ever been to the U. S. Army Hospital and not known where to go? Have you ever been to the hospital and noticed that some service could be improved? Did you have a complaint and not know where to go for help or action?

The Patient Assistance Office is there to help, according to Betty Force, patient assistance representative.

"Mrs. Force works for me directly," said Col. Claude R. White, MEDDAC commander. "She acts as a door to me for the people we support in helping resolve complaints,

suggestions or accept appreciative comments," he continued.

"There are three ways I can help patients," said Force.

First of all, they can talk to Force on a one-to-one basis at the hospital. She is there Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at window 4A

at the hospital. "Any time a patient wishes to see me, all he or she has to do is come to the window. I will drop anything I'm doing at the moment and take time out to listen to them.

"A patient needs someone to listen to them, I think that's very impor-

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Soldier's wife says 'thanks Berlin!'

Dear Editor,

As I prepare to leave Berlin for "The States!", my mind wanders to visions of yellow ribbons, brass bands, Sears, K-Mart, Denney's, McDonalds!

But our tour in Berlin has been the longest stay we have had anywhere, so in many ways we have become attached to Berlin — we have invested more life-time and emotion here than at other duty stations.

Berlin has not been the thrill of my life and a trip to the PX any time will show most others feel the same way. At the same time, however, I am very aware of some very special oppourtunities and care available only to us in the Walled City, and it is on some of these positives that I wish to address myself in great gratitude.

Three years without a car, and may I never ride another bus! But thank you, bus drivers, for stopping to pick up soldiers along the way,

allowing special drop-offs, and especially for waiting for me as I came running — always late — from the hospital just as you were ready to pull off.

They say a tour in Europe means acquisition of either a cuckoo clock or a baby. Cuckoo clocks are not my favorite, so you know what was left! Thank you, Berlin Army Hospital, for all the excellent care you have given my family these three years. The personnel give a high quality of service and ample measure of genuine care and interest. This may seem corny to some, but our experience here (and the hospital staff knows our family well) has been the best, and we are thankful.

Thank you for the duty train. No where else can you travel so far for so little (free!) with no complaint from the children about "when will we get there?!", (they're asleep!). Thank you ITT, for the buses from Frankfurt to Garmisch and Berchtesgaden (only \$10). My memories of Bavaria

will never fade and vacations in the states will never be this affordable.

Thank you Chapels, for keeping us busier than we could handle and feeding our spiritual needs with a vast variety of programs, speakers — and, oh, those great retreats! Thank you PWOC for immeasurable support, teaching — and oh, those retreats; Thank you Chaplains, for guiding our spiritual growth with interest and love, and for your availability in my times of need — especially when I didn't even attend your particular Chapel!

Thank you for buses that enabled es to save money to buy a car stateside. Thank you for all the liason departments, working to unite the local culture with our needs; health care facilities, Herr Most at the TAR school, the yearly Allied Festival of Carols, the annual Volksfest. Thank you, AFN, for commercial-free TV (I have two little ones). Thank you ACS — loan closet, financial counseling, support groups. Thank you,

Red Cross, Kinderkeller, Drop-In Center, Berlin Observer (cover to cover each week!). Thank you for nice quarters (first floor!) and incredible neighbors.

There's a lot I haven't mentioned. I'm sure, none intentional. But here, a special thank you to Mrs. Graf, who works the outbound section of household goods. Due to an appointment mix-up recently, she was forced to drop what she was doing and fit us in. Mrs. Graf could have fumed, griped and slammed around her desk. Instead, she set aside what she was doing and did our paperwork and counseling with a pleasant attitude and great efficiency. Meeting a person such as this a rare pleasure and we thank Mrs. Graf very much for her excellent work.

Again I apologize for anyone I've left out, but as may come as a surprise to many, there is much here for which to be thankful.

Thank you Berlin!

Bonnie L. Robertson

Mistakes: Some errors more visible than others but everybody makes 'em — even critiquers!

by Janet Motto

The Observer staff tries to print a little something for everyone each week — even mistakes for people who like to look for them.

Occasionally an English buff will even take the time to return a critiqued paper to the newsroom with every grammer, word usage and style guide error meticulously circled.

The staff gratefully acknowledges constructive criticism on word usage and punctuation. However, often the word choices and style preferred by

our grader are frowned on by the DA Chief, Office of Public Affairs.

Military journalists are forbidden to use military jargon and are discouraged from using "formal" wording. Instead they're encouraged to "write like a troop talks," and have articles read conversationally rather than like term papers, or Army disposition forms and regulations.

Recently a critiquer, who wished to remain anonymous, returned a well marked-up copy of the Observer. In it, the word "General" was

fully spelled out and neatly printed in front of every usage of "Rogers." All organization and individual titles were capitalized. These corrections are often made by non-journalists.

All Army journalists are under the direction OCPA to follow the Associated Press Style Guide. From the beginning of their training at the Defense Information School they're told: An individual's full name and rank, abbreviated according to the style guide, is used in the first reference only. All following references to that individual are made by last name. All titles are capitalized when given before the name of the individual, lower case is used when used after the name, name then title is the preferred order; Mr., Mrs., Miss, and Ms. are not used in Army newspapers. The first name distinguishes sex, thereafter reference are made by last name only. Not following this guidance results in loss of grade points for students, as well as for newspapers in quarterly OCPA gradings.

Newspapers can fall into one of four categories under OCPA's grading system: A, B, C or Non-rated.

DA critiquers take into consideration photo quality and content, adherence to the style guide, headline and story content, and overall design and layout.

The community representation for each facet of the paper's readership is another major factor.

Army critiquers have placed the Berlin Observer in category B. They feel that on the whole the style guide is followed, the audience is well-defined and addressed, and story content, layout and design are good.

We're not perfect though, staff members do make mistakes. Unfortunately, when we do they're visible mistakes, blazing in 5,000 copies each week. Criticism, when offered constructively, is gratefully accepted and heeded. Staff members don't like to see errors in the paper either, well, maybe one — just to have something for everyone.

'Dependents' banned from newspapers

Dependents won't appear in Army newspapers any more.

The term "dependents" is out, and "family member," or "family members" is in, according to Army Officials. The old terminology has been officially discontinued and commanders have been directed to do away with the term in command information products.

U. S. Commander, Berlin Maj. Gen. Calvert P. Benedict
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March 20 through March 27

OUTPOST — Clayallee (6524)
 Fri Cool Hand Luke (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 Race For Your Life, Charlie Brown (G) at 2 p.m.
 Sat Rocky II (PG), at 6:30 and 8:45 p.m.
 Sun Hopscotch (R), at 2 and 7:30 p.m.
 Mon Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Tue The Electric Horseman (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Wed Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Thu The Godsend (R), at 7:30 p.m.
 Fri Moonraker (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Same show as above, at 6:30 and 8:55 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 Digby, Biggest Dog In The World (G), at 2 p.m.

COLUMBIA — Tempelhof (5522)
 Fri Comes A Horseman (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat The Deadly Angels (R), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sun Cool Hand Luke (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Mon Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Tue Rocky II (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Wed Hopscotch (R), at 7:30 p.m.
 Thu Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Fri The Electric Horseman (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.

COLISEUM — McNair Brks. (3131)
 Fri Being There (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Buck Rogers In The 25th Century (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sun Dressed To Kill (R), at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.
 Mon Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.

Tue Comes A Horseman (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Wed The Deadly Angels (R), at 7:30 p.m.
 Thu Cool Hand Luke (PG), at 7:30 p.m.
 Fri Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Rocky II (PG), at 7:30 p.m.

ANDREWS — Barracks (3538)
 Fri Prophecy (PG), at 6:30 p.m.
 Sat Bruce Lee — His Last Days, His Last Nights (R), at 6:30 p.m.
 Sun Being There (PG), at 6:30 p.m.
 Mon Same show as above, at 6:30 p.m.
 Tue Buck Rogers In The 25th Century (PG), at 6:30 p.m.
 Wed Dressed To Kill (R), at 6:30 p.m.
 Thu Same show as above, at 6:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.
 Fri Comes A Horseman (PG), at 6:30 p.m.
 Sat The Deadly Angels (R), at 6:30 p.m.

JERBOA
 Fri Flash Gordon (A), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 Seal Island (U), at 10 a.m.

Sat Flash Gordon (A), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sun Game Of Death (X), at 7:30 p.m. and Big Boss (X), at 9:05 p.m.
 Mon Same shows as above, at 7:30 and 9:05 p.m.
 Tue The In-Laws (A), at 7:30 p.m.
 Wed Hair (AA), at 7:30 p.m.
 Thu — closed —
 Fri Any Which Way You Can (AA), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 Goliath And The Dragon (U), at 10 a.m.

ASTRA
 Fri Terror Train (X), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 The Copter Kids (U), at 2 p.m.
 Sat Terror Train (X), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sun The Klansman (X), at 7:30 p.m. and Harlequin (X), at 9 p.m.
 Mon Same shows as above, at 7:30 and 9 p.m.
 Tue Herbie Goes To Monte Carlo (U), at 7:30 p.m.
 Wed — closed —
 Thu Sidney Sheldon's Bloodline (X), at 7:30 p.m.
 Fri Flash Gordon (A), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat CHILDREN'S MATINEE
 Seal Island (U), at 2 p.m.

PRICES OF ADMISSION FOR JERBOA AND ASTRA: Adults pay DM3.60 and children DML.80. For Children's Matinees: Adults admission is DM2.80 and for children DML.40.

BRITISH BOARD OF FILM CENSORS

Category U General exhibition.
Category A General exhibition but parents are advised film contains material they may not want children under 14 to see.
Category AA Persons under 14 years old not admitted.
Category X For adult showing, no one under 18 admitted.

March 20 through March 29

FRIDAY, March 20
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Kartoon Karnival
 8:55 Sesame Street
 9:55 Nichols
 10:55 A Man Called Sloane
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Welcome Back, Kotter
 12:25 Tim Conway
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:45 Muppets
 3:10 Andy Griffith
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:05 Sesame Street
 5:05 Mod Squad
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 M*A*S*H
 7:25 Game People Play
 8:15 Quincy
 9:10 Judd For The Defense (A)
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Soap (A)
 11:00 AFN Theater: "Stunts" (A)
 12:30 Fridays
 1:20 Soul Train
 2:10 Sign Off

SATURDAY, March 21
 8:00 Kartoon Karnival
 9:15 Speed Buggy
 9:35 Kids Are People, Too
 10:20 My Three Sons
 10:50 Saturday Film Festival: Duncan's World
 12:25 Soul Train
 1:15 International Wide World Of Sports
 2:05 WCT Challenge Cup
 2:55 Greatest Sports Legends: Peggy Fleming
 3:15 NCAA: Oregon St. vs. UCLA
 5:05 Solid Gold
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 6:30 National Geographic
 7:20 Barnaby Jones
 8:10 AFN Saturday Night Movie: "Slaves" (A)
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Paul Simon Special
 10:55 AFN Theater: "Figures In A Landscape" (A)
 12:45 FBI
 1:35 Sign Off

SUNDAY, March 22
 8:00 Kartoon Karnival
 9:05 Galaxy Goof-Ups
 9:30 Battle Of The Planets
 9:55 Christopher Closeup
 10:20 Hour Of Power
 11:15 Sacred Heart
 11:30 Insight
 12:00 Pro Bowlers Tour
 1:10 NBA: L.A. vs. Kansas City
 2:50 23rd Annual Grammy Awards
 5:00 A Conversation With The President
 6:00 AFN Evening News

6:30 Washington Week In Review
 7:00 NCAA Regional Tournament — Live Via Satellite
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Best Of Carson
 11:45 Dog And Cat
 12:35 Rockworld
 1:30 Sign Off

MONDAY, March 23
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Kartoon Karnival
 9:10 Sesame Street
 10:10 Barnaby Jones
 10:55 Dog And Cat
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Quincy
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:40 Celebrity Revue
 3:10 M*A*S*H
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:05 Sesame Street
 5:05 Wild, Wild West
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 Misadventures Of Sheriff Lobo
 7:50 Chisholms
 8:40 Archie Bunker's Place
 9:05 Harry-O
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Benny Hill (A)
 11:00 AFN Theater: "Half A House"
 12:55 High Chaparral
 1:45 Sign Off


TUESDAY, March 24
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Gasthaus
 8:40 Kartoon Karnival
 9:05 Galaxy Goof-Ups
 9:30 Frooties
 9:55 Barnaby Jones
 10:55 Misadventures Of Sheriff Lobo
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Chisholms
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:45 My Favorite Martian
 3:10 Superstars
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:15 The Flintstones
 4:40 Battle Of The Planets
 5:05 Rawhide
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 Waltons
 7:50 Dukes Of Hazzard
 8:40 Three's Company (A)
 9:10 Serpico
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Jeffersons
 11:00 "A Connecticut Yankee In King Arthur's Court"
 11:50 "Shades Of Greene" (A)
 12:40 Perry Mason
 1:30 Sign Off

WEDNESDAY, March 25
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Kartoon Karnival

9:10 Sesame Street
 10:10 Waltons
 11:00 Dukes Of Hazzard
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Harry-O
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:45 Jeffersons
 3:10 Andy Griffith
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:05 Sesame Street
 5:05 Gunsmoke
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 Welcome Back, Kotter
 7:25 Chopper Squad
 8:15 Sunday Games People Play
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 "Life And Times Of Eddie Roberts" (A)
 10:55 AFN Theater: "Stepford Wives" (A)
 12:45 Burke's Law
 1:35 Sign Off

THURSDAY, March 26
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Gasthaus
 8:40 Kartoon Karnival
 9:25 Kids Are People, Too
 10:10 Sunday Games People Play
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Chopper Squad
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:45 Country Roads
 3:10 Wild Kingdom
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:10 Speed Buggy
 4:35 3-2-1 Contact
 5:05 Bonanza
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 Muppets
 7:25 Nichols
 8:15 A Man Called Sloane
 9:10 Lazarus Syndrome
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Variety Special: Lou Rawls In Concert
 11:20 AFN Theater: "Dracula's Great Love"
 12:35 Hawaii Five-0
 1:25 Sign Off

FRIDAY, March 27
 8:30 AFN Morning News
 8:35 Kartoon Karnival
 9:10 Sesame Street
 10:10 Nichols
 11:00 A Man Called Sloane
 11:50 AFN Midday News
 12:00 Variety Special
 12:50 Donahue (A)
 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A)
 2:00 General Hospital (A)
 2:45 Muppets
 3:10 Green Acres
 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time
 4:05 Sesame Street
 5:05 Mod Squad
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 7:00 M*A*S*H
 7:25 That's Incredible
 8:15 Quincy



9:10 Judd For The Defense
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Soap (A)
 10:55 AFN Theater: "Carry On Venus"
 12:25 Fridays
 1:15 Soul Train
 2:00 Sign Off

SATURDAY, March 28
 8:00 Kartoon Karnival
 8:50 Speed Buggy
 9:10 Kids Are People, Too
 9:50 My Three Sons
 10:15 Soul Train
 11:05 Solid Gold
 11:55 1980 DJ Music Awards
 1:35 Saturday Film Festival: "Mulligan's Stew"
 2:45 National Geographic
 3:40 WCT Tennis
 4:30 Barnaby Jones
 5:20 President Reagan's Press Conference
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 6:30 NCAA Semi-Finals — Live Via Satellite
 11:30 AFN Theater: "Marriage Is Alive And Well"
 1:05 Cannon
 1:55 Sign Off

SUNDAY, March 29
 8:00 Kartoon Karnival
 9:00 Galaxy Goof-Ups
 9:25 Battle Of The Planets
 9:50 Tell A Vision
 10:20 This Is The Life
 10:50 Music And The Spoken Word
 11:20 Insight
 11:50 Greatest Sports Legends
 12:10 Pro Bowlers Tour
 1:15 NCAA Basketball: Notre Dame vs. De Paul
 2:45 Wildlife Cinema
 3:00 Sunday Afternoon Movie: "Wake Up And Dream"
 4:35 Sports Whirl
 5:00 Countdown To The White House
 6:00 AFN Evening News
 6:30 Washington Week In Review
 6:55 Alice
 7:20 Hee Haw
 8:15 FBI
 9:10 Dog And Cat
 10:00 AFN Evening News
 10:30 Best Of Carson
 11:45 NBA Basketball: L.A. vs. San Antonio
 1:30 Sign Off

Deutsche Oper Berlin

March 20 — BALLET NIGHT — La Valse/Pavane auf den Tod einer Infantin/Daphnis and Chloe/Bolero at 8 p.m.
 March 21 — La Boheme by Giacomo Puccini, at 8 p.m.
 March 22 — Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, at 7 p.m.
 March 23 — Don Carlos — in Italian — by Giuseppe Verdi, at 7 p.m.
 March 24 — Tosca — in Italian — by Giacomo Puccini, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 25 — Die Grossherzogin von Gerolstein by Jaques Offenbach, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 26 — Der Barbier von Sevilla by Gioacchino Rossini, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 27 — Don Giovanni — in Italian — by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, at 7 p.m.
 March 28 — BALLET Night — Coppelia, at 8 p.m.
 March 29 — Rigoletto — in Italian — by Giuseppe Verdi, at 7:30 p.m.

Deutsche Staatsoper

— East sector, Unter den Linden —

March 20 — Sinfoniekonzert der Staatskapelle Berlin at 8 p.m.
 March 21 — Fidelio, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 22 — Der Rosenkavalier, at 6 p.m.
 March 23 — Konzert zum 100. Geburtstag von Bela Bartok, at 8 p.m.
 March 24 — Oberon, at 7 p.m.
 March 25 — BALLET — Giselle, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 26 — Der fliegende Holländer (The Flying Dutchman), at 7:30 p.m.
 March 27 — BALLET — Giselle, at 7:30 p.m.
 March 28 — Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute), at 7 p.m.
 Mar. 29 — Same program as above, at 6 p.m.

Philharmonie

March 20 — das sinfonie orchester berlin under the direction of GMD Borislav Ivanov, Sofia, presents a TCHAIKOVSKY CONCERT, at 8 p.m.
 March 21 — das sinfonie orchester berlin under the direction of Prof. Ernst Märzendorfer Vienna, presents a JOHANNES-BRAHMS-FESTIVAL, beginning at 8 p.m.
 March 22 — das sinfonie orchester berlin and the Kinder- und Jugendballet Adrienne Mierau, Berlin under the direction of Heinz Müller-Grassmann present MARCHENTIERE, beginning at 3:30 p.m.
 March 22 — BERLINER KONZERT-CHOR and Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under the direction of Fritz Weisse, present Anton Dvorak's Stabat Mater, at 8 p.m.
 March 24 and 25 — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under the direction of Gary Bertini presents a Brahms — Liszt — Bartok program, beginning at 8 p.m.
 March 26 — KONRAD RAGOSSNIG, guitar and the BERNER STREICHQUARTET present a Haydn — Boccherini — Mendelssohn — Wolf program at 8 p.m.
 March 27 and 28 — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under the direction of Gary Bertini presents a Mahler Program at 8 p.m. on both nights
 March 28 — KONZERT JUNGER SOLISTEN — a concert given by young soloists, begins at 4 p.m.

Special Concerts

March 22 — APRIL WINE KROKUS, Metropol, at 8 p.m.
 March 25 — FISCHER Z, Metropol, at 9 p.m.
 March 26 — CLIMAX BLUES BAND, Metropol, at 9 p.m.
 March 27 — MIKE OLDFIELD, Deutschlandhalle, at 8 p.m.
 April 9 — BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN, ICC, at 8 p.m.

Something Special

JAZZ FILMS, the World Of Stan Kenton, can be seen at Amerika Haus on 22-24, Hardenbergstraße tonight at 8 p.m. Admission DM 3 and for reservation please call 819-7606 or 7661.

THE JOHNNY THOMPSON SINGERS are back to Berlin again. They will be performing tonight, tomorrow night and March 27 and 28 at Memorial Church with certain time at 8 p.m. On Sunday at Glaubenskirche, Tempelhof, beginning at 4 p.m.; Monday at Neue Nazareth Kirche, Wedding, at 8 p.m.; on Tuesday at St. Nikolai Kirche in Spandau, at 8 p.m.; on Wednesday at the Herz-Jesu-Kirche in Tegel, at 8 p.m. and on Thursday at St. Thomas Kirche in Kreuzberg, also at 8 p.m.

CIRCUS WILLIAMS-ALTHOFF will hold its premiere today at the Oktoberfestgelände in the back of Deutschlandhalle. The circus will be in Berlin throughout April 20 with weekday performances at 4 and 8 p.m. On Sunday and holidays performances begin at 3 and 6 p.m. Tickets at all ticket agencies or the circus, Tel: 302-6216. You can reach the circus by buses 69, 92 and 94. TODAY, at 4 p.m. will be the premiere with a grand "Family-Performance" where you pay DM5 on all seats, except for box seats.

FREIZEIT-AUSSTELLUNG BERLIN is a Leisure Exhibition to be seen at the Funkturm Exhibition Grounds/Hall 18 through 23. This exhibition is coming to an end on Sunday and you can see boats, tents and caravans daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is DM7.

10. INTERNATIONALE SAMMLERBÜRSE will be held at the Funkturm Exhibition Hall 14b this weekend. Collectors' items, such as old uniforms, antiques and old clocks will be presented together with a special show on Prussian coins, military decorations and uniforms tomorrow and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is DM5 and entrance to the SAMMLERBÜRSE is located under the bridge to the ICC.

Sports

TROTTLING RACES at 222-298, Mariendorfer Damm — On Sunday, the Standard Trotting Race for the DM10,000 März-Preis der Drei- und Vierjährigen begins at 2 p.m. On Wednesday trotting is scheduled for 6 p.m.
 SOCCER —
 March 22 — Neuköllner SV vs Lichterfelder SU, Neukölln, Silbersteinstraße, 3 p.m.
 — Spandauer SV vs Union 06, Spandau, Neuendorferstraße, 3 p.m.
 — Reinickendorfer Füchse vs Hertha BSC (Amateurs), Reinickendorf, Freiheitsweg, 3 p.m.
 — Viktoria 89 vs Hertha Zehlendorf, Tempelhof, Bosestraße, 3 p.m.
 — Rapide Wedding vs Wacker 04, Wedding, Sömmerringstraße, 3 p.m.
 — BFC Preußen vs Spandauer BC, Lankwitz, Maltesserstraße, 10:40 a.m.

B.A.E.A. offers classes

EVENING CLASSES in Bookkeeping I, General Math, Nursing III, Shorthand I, and Typing I will be offered by the Berlin Adult Education Association starting April 1. The cost per course will be \$15. Register Tuesday, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Berlin American High School Cafeteria.

Are you frustrated in "COPING WITH MILITARY FAMILY PROBLEMS?" The Berlin Adult Education Association is offering a special 20-hour/\$10 seminar dealing with the problems and frustrations common to military families. This seminar will meet Wednesday evenings, for eight weeks, beginning April 1. Registration will also be Tuesday, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Berlin American High School Cafeteria.

For more information call 819-6585 weekday mornings.

Art auction today

Today there will be an Art Auction presented by Vladimir Arts, sponsored by the Tempelhof Officers' Wives' Club. All U. S. ID cardholders are welcome. There will be a wide range of art mediums; prints, etchings, oils, watercolors, and batiks from which to choose. You will find works from artists such as Doli, Ortega, Neiman, Jones, Vickers and many others. The art will be on display for previews 5 to 7:30 p.m. and the auction will begin at 7:30 p.m. A buffet dinner of roast beef, turkey and ham will be served beginning 5:30 p.m., costing \$6.50 per person. All ranks are welcome and invited to attend the auction and dinner at the Tempelhof Officers' Club.

AE Form 3593 now available

AE Form 3593 (Inventory of High Value Items List) is now available at the Crime Prevention Section of the Provost Marshal Office, Bldg. 917, Andrews Barracks. Battalion crime prevention officers are encouraged to contact this office to obtain these forms for their subordinate units.

Meeting Tuesday night

A General Membership Meeting of the TAR Elementary School PTSA will be held on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the TAR Auditorium. Election of 1981/82 PTSA officers will be held, and the TAR Chorus will perform. Refreshments will be served following the meeting. A cake will be presented to the classroom having the most parents attend the PTSA meeting.

"Express Teller"

Your Community Banking Facility now offers around-the-clock depository service for all account holders with "Express Teller" cards. Just by inserting your "Express Teller" card, entering your "PIN", the appropriate instructions and the amount of the deposit; you can now conveniently deposit checks and/or currency into your checking and/or savings account(s). This is another free and easy service provided for your satisfaction.

Household Goods

The Video Tape "It's Your Move", will be shown on Friday at 2 p.m. in the Hospital Auditorium. The auditorium is located in the basement of the hospital, adjacent to the exchange facility. This film portrays the entitlements and responsibilities of DoD personnel shipping and storing household goods and is highly recommended for all personnel who will be departing Berlin in the near future. Much useful information can be obtained from this film. Spouses are urged to attend with their sponsors.

Important note from BAHS

According to a DODDS Memorandum, dated Feb. 29, 1980, "... All children, as a condition of attendance at DoD schools be immunized or present proof of immunity against common communicable diseases (i.e. diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, measles, rubella, mumps and polio) except when precluded by certain religious beliefs." The deadline for the completion of this screening is April 1, 1981. Berlin American High School requests all parents of students attending the school to bring their shot records to the school nurse for review. If any immunizations are found to be lacking, then the student must receive these shots before the specified deadline or he/she will be denied the right to finish the school year. Cooperation is asked of all parents to ensure the success of this program.

Grand Re-opening today

The Berlin Club System and the Starlight Grove announce the Grand Re-opening of the Starlight Grove Club today with ribbon-cutting at 5 p.m. Nonstop music from 5:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. There will be door prizes, free snacks and beverages — also, we proudly present the USAREUR record of a 30-foot long HOAGIE Sandwich. Help us eat it. Come to the Starlight and be part of the grand re-opening.

Square Dance Class

A new Square Dance Class is forming on Saturday nights at the TAR Elementary School. The dance is from 7:30 until 10 o'clock in the Cafeteria. Come out and have fun. For additional information call 802-8432.

Berlin Club happenings

March 20 — Checkpoint NCO Club — PPI from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 — Starlight Grove — Pierre on the Air from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
 — Friendship Lounge — Sagicap from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 — Gator Club — The Gambler from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
 — Harnack House — C&W Band — Work Horse Country from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
 March 21 — Checkpoint NCO Club — C&W Band — Work Horse Country from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 — Starlight Grove — Master Blaster from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
 — Gator Club — The Gambler from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
 — Friendship Lounge — Brown Sugar from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 March 22 — Checkpoint NCO Club — Prince from 8 p.m. to midnight
 — Starlight Grove — PPI from 8 p.m. to midnight
 March 23 — Friendship Lounge — Master Blaster from 8 p.m. to midnight
 March 24 — Starlight Grove — Prince from 8 p.m. to midnight
 March 25 — Starlight Grove — Master Blaster from 8 p.m. to midnight
 — Friendship Lounge — PPI from 8 p.m. to midnight
 March 26 — Starlight Grove — C&W Music from 8 p.m. to midnight
 — Friendship Lounge — Pierre on the Air from 8 p.m. to midnight

Luncheon menus for the I.A.R. and B.A.H. Schools for the week of Mar. 23, are as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Salad	Lettuce/Pickles	Cole Slaw
Chicken a la King	Hamburger on Bun	Beef Noodle Creole
Steamed Rice	French Fried Potatoes	Pears
Peaches	Ice Cream	Milk
Milk	Milk	Bread and Butter
Bread and Butter		
Thursday	Friday	
Salad	Salad	
Fried Chicken	Fried Fish	
Buttered Peas	Sauce Tartar	
Mixed Fruit	Mixed Vegetables	
Milk	Fruit Jello	
Bread and Butter	Milk	
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Please watch requirements and deadline!

News Notes and Classified Ads for each week's issue will be printed SPACE AVAILABLE ONLY, and are due by close of business on Tuesday. They must either be typewritten or printed. Thank you for your consideration.

Learn Scuba Diving

The Berlin American Scuba Club will conduct a Scuba Diving Course for members of the military community. The six-week course will be taught by certified instructors. The swim test beginning on Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Andrews Pool. Swim test consists of: 500-meter swim, 25-meter diving, 15-min. float and carrying an 12-lb. weight 25 meters.

Interested in being linguist?

In an effort to improve CMF 98 operation strength in USAREUR, soldiers with linguist skills who meet the criteria of AR 611-201 and AR 614-200 are encouraged to request reclassification into MOS 98C or 98G. Soldiers interested must submit applications for reclassification in accordance with Chapter 2, AR 600-200 and DA Circular 611-80 through command channels.

Spring Rally on Tuesday

The Protestant Women of the Church will be conducting a Spring Rally on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Come and see where your talents lie in one of our creative workshops: Singing, drama etc., also included will be special music and free babysitting. Enjoy the day with us and bring along a brown bag lunch. For more information call 813-8741.

First Spring Dinner Formal

Checkpoint Charlie Chapter, AAAAA, will hold its first Annual Spring Dinner Formal on March 31 at the Harnack House starting at 6:30 p.m. All members of the chapter and interested guests are cordially invited. Highlights of the evening include a full course dinner, dining and dancing music provided by the West Side Combo, and guest speaker from the U. S. Army Aviation Safety Center at Fort Rucker, Alabama. The deadline for submitting your reservations is March 25. Contact Maj. Campbell 819-6140/6221 or Maj. Dimmery 819-5445/5446 for more details or reservation assistance.

University of Oklahoma

BUREAUCRACY AND POLICY PROCESS will be offered by the University of Oklahoma for one week during off-duty hours beginning April 26 at the TCA Education Center. Dr. Larry Hill from the University of Oklahoma will conduct the course. This seminar may be taken for graduate transfer credit or applied toward a University of Oklahoma Master of Public Administration degree. For more information, please call ext. 5237.

AWCB tours

The American Women's Club of Berlin is sponsoring a SHOPPING TOUR to porcelain and crystal factories in West Germany. The tour leaves Berlin the night of April 1 and returns the morning of April 4. Duty train reservations are needed the nights of the 1st and 3rd. The price of the tour is DM135 per person.

The American Women's Club of Berlin is sponsoring a FOUR-DAY TOUR TO COPENHAGEN and the fairytale countryside that inspired Hans Christian Anderson. The tour will depart Bremerhaven the morning of April 23 and return Bremerhaven April 26. Duty train reservations are needed for the nights of April 22 and April 25. The price per person is DM345.

For bookings and further information please call: 813-7086 or 831-3693.

Increase in fees

Effective Feb. 12 the fee for a regular full-fee (tourist) passport was raised from \$14 to \$15 and the fee for a consular report of birth (Form FS-240, Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America) from \$6 to \$13. To minimize delays, personnel should ensure that the proper remittance is forwarded with required documentation to the U. S. Consulate.

Red Cross safety courses

CPR: March 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bldg. 4, Room 108, Gen. Clay Hqs. CPR: April 6 and 8 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bldg. 4, Room 108, Gen. Clay Hqs. CPR INSTRUCTOR: March 25 and 26 from 6 to 10 p.m. at Music Room, TAR School. WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR: March 28, 29 and April 4, 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Andrews Pool. MULTIMEDIA FIRST AID: April 4 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Music Room, TAR School. Call 6437 or 6459 for further information and registration.

Central Texas College Overseas

Central Texas College is offering the following courses beginning March 30: MANAGEMENT, AUTOMOTIVE, FOOD SERVICE, ENGLISH and COMPUTER SCIENCE. For more information call Central Texas College at 3649 or 3651.

Deadline is March 31

Matching Funds are available through the Berlin American Wives Club for organizations throughout the community. Point of contact is Welfare Chairman (801-2117). Deadline for requests is March 31.

Classified Ads

For Sale

German king-size bed with matching wall unit. Price \$400 or best offer. Call 813-6541 after 6:30 p.m.
 1972 Ford Pinto — 48,000 miles, three-door hatchback, white. Owner PCSing. Asking \$500. Transformers — 1600 watt, \$25; 1000 watt, \$20 and 75 watt, \$10. Call 813-6220 evenings and weekends.
 1967 Mercedes 250 SE, low mileage, excellent condition. \$3,500 firm. Call 831-3699 after 7 p.m.
 1972 Ford LTD Country Squire Station Wagon. Fully equipped, one owner. Excellent condition. \$1,200. Call 831-3699 after 7 p.m.
 1967 Mercedes four-door, good condition, some body rust. \$600. Call 831-3694 after 6 p.m.
 1975 Maverick, four-door, automatic with power steering and air-conditioning. Needs body work but provides dependable transportation. Asking \$1,275. Call 832-8212 after 6 p.m. or before 8:30 a.m.
 Color TV — Motorola Quasar II 21-in. screen, receives both AFN and German channels. Price \$250. Call 7746 days or 831-3665 evenings and weekends.
 1970 Mercedes Benz 250C Coupe, U. S. specs., fully equipped with air-conditioning, AM/FM Becker stereo cassette radio. Over DM12,000 invested during past two years in restoring this classic automobile which is considered early antique due to limited production. Must see and operate to appreciate. Asking price \$10,000. Serious inquiries only, Tel. 832-8401 for further information.
 MUI TI-FAMILY BASEMENT SALE — Clothes — men women, boys, girls and infants. Baby stroller, plants, dishes, toys, games, German TV. Tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 25, Flanaganstrasse.

Shopping tour in May

If you like porcelain, crystal or just plain shopping, you need to go on the Field Station Berlin Women's Club tour on May 7 and 8. We had a ball when we went in October and plan on having another great trip in May, so come join us. For information and how to sign up, call Mrs. Muller at 801-3903 after 3 p.m.

From Personnel Actions

MANDATORY RELEASE DATES OF OTHER THAN REGULAR ARMY (OTRA) COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WITH 20 YEARS SERVICE — The recent enactment of the Defense Officer Personnel Management Act (DOPMA) will allow the Army to integrate a number of OTRA commissioned officers into the Regular Army. Implementation plans are currently being developed and notification of the officer corps and those individual officers who will be invited to integrate into the Regular Army will be made on or before July 1. By Jan. 31, 1982, RA integration of officers should be complete. In view of this situation, any OTRA commissioned officer whose mandatory release date is prior to Jan. 31, 1982, as a result of 20 years service and who is interested in retention should contact his/her career manager or submit an application for extension of mandatory release date through Jan. 31, 1982, for consideration.

RECALL OF RESERVE COMPONENT OFFICERS TO ACTIVE DUTY AS EXCEPTION TO 10/20 RULE — To fill specific shortage specialties, DA has announced a voluntary recall to active duty program for reserve component commissioned officers who cannot complete 10 years active commissioned service by the time they will complete 20 years active federal service. Following persons are invited to apply as an exception to 10/20 rule under provisions of AR 135-210 provided they hold the USAR or ARNGUS rank of Captain, have completed an extended active duty tour as a commissioned officer and are qualified in specialty 13, 15, 21, 25, 27, 28, 35, 41, 48, 53, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 91, 92 and 95. For additional eligibility requirements and application information, contact AG Personnel Actions at 6586.

Your hospital informs

IMMUNIZATIONS: People due to PCS/ETS to the States in the near future should report to the Immunization Clinic at the U. S. Army Hospital, Berlin 30 to 60 days before their departure date. A minimum of 30 days is needed to insure adequate time for the required immunizations to be administered. If you need further information or assistance concerning immunizations, call 819-4131.

All the MILITARY TELEPHONE LINES to the Emergency Room at the U. S. Army Hospital Berlin busy? Try the civilian Emergency Room phone number just recently added. That number is 831-3686. So, now, you have two emergency medical telephone numbers, civilian 831-3686 and military 819-4130.

DYA activities

The DYA will be celebrating the first day of Spring with a PRETEEN SPRING DANCE tomorrow from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. All Preteens ages nine to 12 years are invited to attend. Entry fee is \$1 with DYA card and \$1.50 without card.

If you want to see full grown crocodiles, giant turtles, 15-foot snakes and hundreds of exotic fish, you are invited on the DYA children's TOUR TO THE AQUARIUM, from 1 to 4 p.m. Tour cost is DM2.50 and all DYA members are welcome. Sign up at the DYA Program Office TODAY.

The DYA is presently recruiting for the following vacancies: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ASSISTANT, G-VI — This position is a DM paying job that requires one year general and one year specialized experience. PROGRAM DIRECTOR, UA-07 — This is a dollar paying job that requires a degree in recreation or three years programming experience. Interested individuals should contact the DYA Director, 6952, for further information.

ITT tours

Throughout April 25 ITT offers weekend tours at discount prices to see recently discovered relics and treasures of ancient China. These artifacts of the Chin Dynasty include life-size pottery replicas of the emperor's guardian army buried since 210 B.C. This incredible exhibition will be on display in Berlin for a limited time. For a "ONCE IN A LIFETIME" look at one of the most remarkable archeological finds of all time contact ITT at 6523 or 6588 or stop by the Office at the Sports Center.

This month ITT's VALKYRIE TOUR will be on March 28. Retrace the unsuccessful plot to assassinate Hitler. Visit Bender Block, Plötzensee Prison, and the Maria Regina Martyrum Church. Call ITT at 6523 to learn more about this popular tour.

On March 29, ITT once again offers a FREE WEST BERLIN SIGHTSEEING TOUR. Call 6523 for the booking details or come by the ITT office to sign up for a fresh look at beautiful Berlin. There will be pick-up points at McNair, Andrews, and the BB Sport Center. Sign up by Tuesday.

MSAD offers

McNair Multi Crafts is offering a CLASS IN MACRAME starting Tuesday throughout May 12. The class will be held Tuesday evenings from 4 to 9 p.m. for a fee of \$22 which includes all materials needed. For more information call 3180.

FUNK AND FASHION get into the scene at the community's biggest bash ever, featuring the latest in fashion modeled by some of Berlin's foxiest. Following the fashion show, dance to the tremendous sound of Solid Funk. It is free and fun at Hi-Lite Rec. Ctr., Andrews, March 27 at 8 p.m. Call 3554 for more information.

Want to travel with your act? You can if you have a vocal, instrumental or specialty act, either solo or group. How? Just show up for auditions for the 1981 USAREUR "STAR SHUTTLE" Entertainment Contest on March 28 at 2 p.m. Where? At the MSAD Music Center at Andrews Barracks. Got questions? Call 6907.

Luncheon menus for J.F.K. School for the week of March 23, are as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Asparagus Soup	Sauerbraten	Hamburger
Three Potato	Potato Dumpling	Noodles
Pancakes with Sugar	Red Cabbage	Tomato Sauce
Apple Sauce	Fruit Cocktail	Vanilla Pudding with Strawberries
Thursday	Friday	
Pork in Sauce	Fish a la Francaise	
Curry-Rice	Hashed Potatoes	
Cole Slaw	Jello with Vanilla Sauce	
Orange		

2nd Battalion keeps fit, happy

by Sue Sweeney

The soldiers of 2nd Battalion can be found at the Sports Center Gym, BB Bowling Lanes, Andrews Swimming Pool or one of the many sports facilities on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

No, they're not shamming, the battalion is in the "yellow block," commonly known as the sports and education block.

Although this block is not centered around physical training, twice a week, the soldiers are given the opportunity to play one of the many sports offered. Some of these are team handball, basketball, volleyball,

bowling, tennis, racquetball and others.

This year, 2nd Battalion is offering something new. In conjunction with their mandatory drown-proofing classes, they are offering swimming lessons to those soldiers who cannot swim well.

The other soldiers at the pool, play water polo, swim laps to develop upper body strength and endurance, or practice diving.

This block is designed to give soldiers a break after their field exercises and guard and detail blocks. It also gives them a break from everyday duties and details.

"While all these sports are for the recreational benefit of the soldiers,

they also help prepare the soldiers for the brigade sports competitions that are held throughout the year," said 1st Lt. Jon Vance, 2nd Battalion's adjutant.

"Participation in the sports programs seems pretty high," said Sp5 Tony Ramsey, a recreation coordinator. "We usually get 30 to 40 guys here at the Sports Center Gym to play basketball and I see quite a few guys go down to the bowling lanes also."

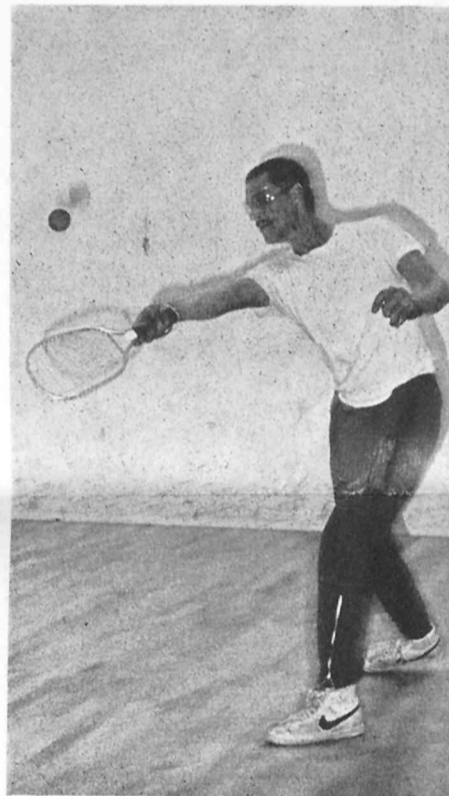
Whatever sports a soldier may choose to play, he is still conditioning his body and taking a break from the hectic everyday work and details he is required to do.



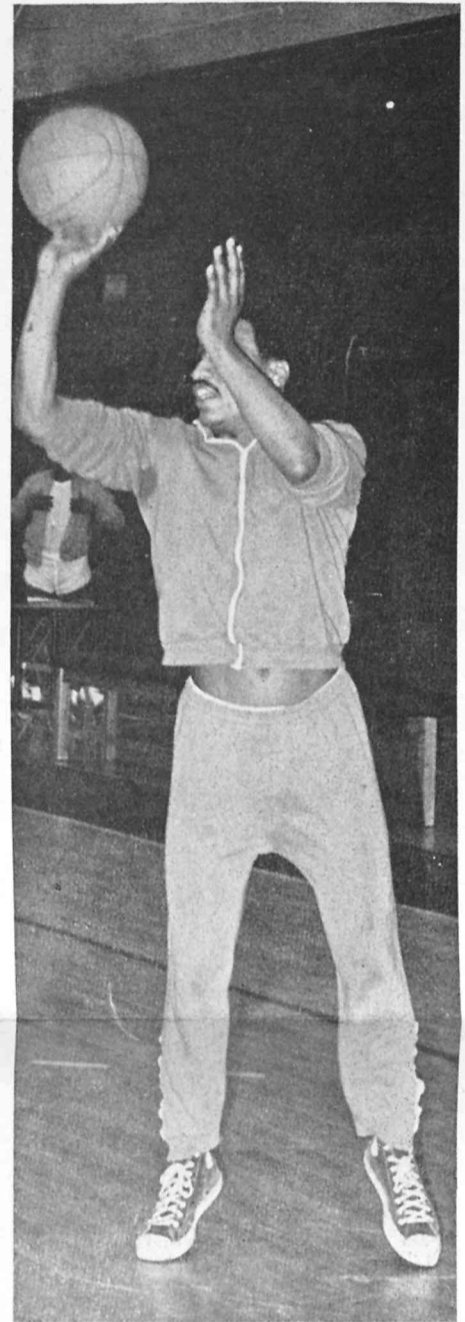
HARD TO SWALLOW — PFC Leonard Wilson, Combat Support Company, 4th Battalion quickly consumes his C-ration

during 4th Battalion's ARTEP recently conducted in the Grunewald.

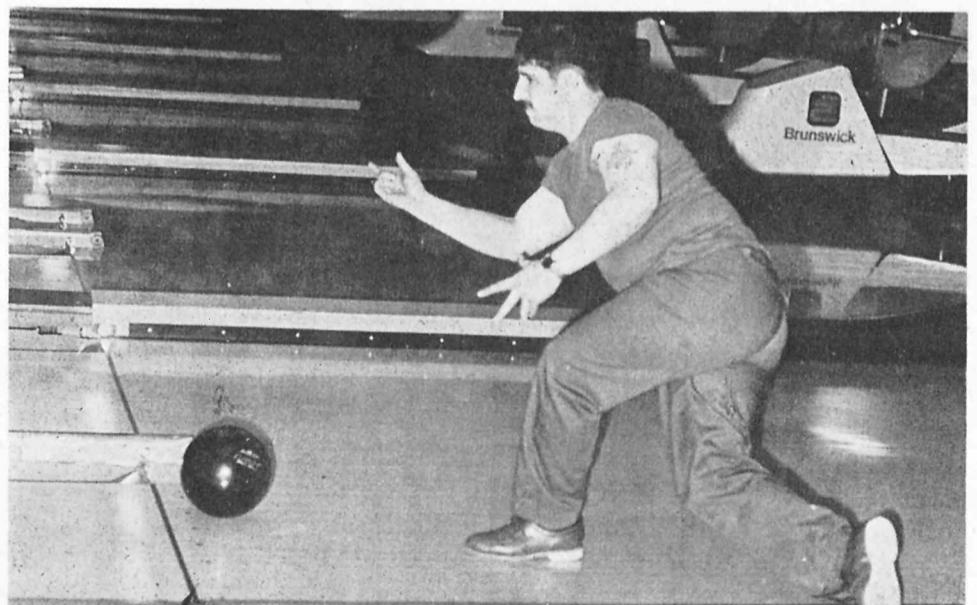
(Photo by Dave Moreland)



I'VE GOT IT — Pvt. 2 James Wingrove from Battery C, 94th Field Artillery enjoys the sports offered during the afternoons by his battalion. Racquetball is his favorite.



IT TAKES COORDINATION — Sgt. William Kimbrough, Combat Support Company, 2nd Battalion makes a shot. Basketball is his game.



A STRIKE — Sp4 Gordon Godden, Company C, 2nd Battalion, spends his afternoons, during the yellow block, at the BB Bowling Lanes. This

gives him an opportunity to compete against members of his company and battalion on a fun basis.

(Photos by Sue Sweeney)

FTX preparation long, tough

by Dave Moreland

Recently the 4th Battalion conducted a Field Training Exercise in the Grunewald. For the soldiers of Company C the FTX meant many hours of long hard work preparing their defensive positions.

The FTX started with a morning alert and was followed by the battalion deploying to the Grunewald. Limited offensive patrols were conducted by elements of the battalion late into the night. It was nearly 3 a.m. before the battalion settled into its defensive posture.

It was early the following morning when the soldiers of Company C received the order to dig in. Constructing field positions is nothing new for the infantrymen. Many soldiers might tell you if he's not found walking during an FTX, then he's probably digging in. The process of constructing the positions is not a quick one. In each two-man position, one soldier steadily digs while his fellow soldier watches for the enemy.

The digging was slow as the soldiers carefully shaped their fighting positions. Cutting through roots and removing rocks constantly slowed the soldiers' progress. Each shovel full of earth was carefully piled to later construct the position's protective frontal mound.

Company C's soldiers were further slowed by an NBC exercise. Huffing through the protective mask's filters and heating up in the protective, chemical suits the soldiers rotated the construction task more often between themselves.

For hours the soldiers of Company C worked on their positions. Slowly the defensive line took form and then each position disappeared under a carefully laid shroud of camouflage.

The tired soldiers then occupied their positions taking time to recheck equipment and brush the dirt from their weapons and ammunition.

Many tasks were completed while the soldiers dug in. Platoon leaders drew sector sketches while radio operators layed commo wire between positions. Briefings were held. Hot food was served to

the troops. But for the soldiers in the Grunewald where Company C was, there seemed only the hard sweaty job of digging in.

As in most FTXs within an hour of completing their fighting positions the soldiers were given the order to move out. Within minutes the positions that had taken all day to construct were filled in and the soldiers of Company C assembled to move to a new site.

Digging in a defensive position is not exciting training. Rarely do soldiers ever talk about digging in, but it is some of the hardest work a person can do and there are few soldiers that ever forget it.



DIGGING IN — This soldier from Company C, 4th Battalion steadily constructs his position an NBC exercise. A major portion of 4th Battalion's FTX

was spent constructing defensive positions.

(Photo by Dave Moreland)



CLEANING UP — After completing his position, Assistant Machinegunner, Pvt. 2 John E. Haas of Company C, 4th Battalion brushes the dirt out of the machinegun ammunition.

(Photo by Dave Moreland)

USAREUR letter answers uniform questions

Changes in soldier's uniforms are occurring so quickly it's getting tougher and tougher to keep up with them. To help, USAREUR's Assistant General, Maj. B. A. Malogrides has circulated a letter outlining what is, and what is not, authorized for wear.

In addition to giving uniform wear out dates and listing new items available at European PX's, the letter also answers many commonly asked uniform-wear questions. Some of the most frequently asked questions dealt with what accessories are authorized for wear with what uniforms.

According to the information, dated Feb. 20, men cannot wear the Army green overcoat with the Army green shirt when the shirt is worn as an outer garment. They may, however, wear the black raincoat with liner. Mandatory possession of the raincoat goes into effect Oct. 1.

Women aren't allowed to wear the green sweater

over the light green turtleneck (tunic shade 413). The tunic is a sweater in itself. If it's cold enough to wear two sweaters, the jacket should be worn.

Black leather gloves, but not scarves, may be worn with windbreakers. The black windbreakers currently worn by men may not be worn by females. The female black windbreaker is of a different design than the men's.

Effective Oct. 1, all male personnel will be required to possess a pair of black leather dress gloves. Females should already have them in their possession.

Service caps are still authorized for wear by both men and women. There is no wear out date for the female service hats, but the black felt beret is the standard headgear for female soldiers. All female soldiers should already have at least one beret in their possession. Two will be required after Oct. 1.

The garrison cap is the standard headgear for en-

listed male soldiers, but the service cap may be worn with appropriate uniforms at the discretion of the individual.

Field jackets cannot be worn with civilian clothes, even if all insignia, patches, etc. have been removed.

The British Army sweater (woolly pully) may not be worn with U. S. Army uniforms.

Many females have been curious about the mandatory wear dates for the Army green pants suit and AG 388 mint green uniform. There aren't any. Both may be worn through Sept. 30, 1985 when they will be replaced by a new all-purpose classic ensemble.

Soldiers with additional questions concerning uniform wear should check their unit orderly room. Copies of the USAREUR letter have been distributed to the company level of major and separate commands.

Advance pay options explained

Junior enlisted personnel aren't receiving adequate advance pays for PCS moves, especially to high cost areas, according to a recent DoD Credit Union Conference.

It was also noted that a financial burden is being placed on the soldiers because they aren't getting these advances. Also, large debts at Defense Credit Unions were noticed as a result of PCS move expenses.

To alleviate some of these problems, SFC Elliott M. Reinheimer, finance operations NCO, explains advance pay entitlements.

"The purpose of an advance of pay is to provide the soldier with funds to meet extraordinary expenses due to a PCS move," Reinheimer explained.

A soldier with orders in hand may be paid an advance pay at the old duty station, while en route or after reporting to the new duty station.

The soldier can receive one month's basic pay (less deductions)

at the old duty station when going overseas or to a high cost area in CONUS, or a month's basic pay en route if no advance pay was paid at the old duty station, or two months basic pay at the new duty station. Three month's advance pay may be paid at the new duty station if none was received at the old duty station or en route, which is the maximum advance pay a soldier can obtain in one PCS move, said Reinheimer.

"Collection is made monthly on a pro-rated basis," said Reinheimer.

Soldiers can receive an advance of pay and an advance travel allowance for the same PCS move, too.

Advance travel allowance is authorized to help the soldier cover anticipated costs of travel due to PCS moves. This payment is authorized only in connection with actual or pending travel status which is stated in the orders, and as a rule won't be paid earlier than 10 days prior to the start of travel.

An advance travel allowance will be made at the servicemember's permanent duty station.

This allowance is computed based on mileage or the actual or anticipated cost of transportation by common carrier, plus per diem allowance.

The advance is paid through DD Form 1351, a Travel Voucher, and can be paid in check or cash.

Upon completion of the travel or PCS movement, the soldier is required to submit a settlement voucher for the move. The travel advance will be deducted from the amount due for reimbursement for travel expenses. Settlement of the travel advance should be made within 15 days after arrival at the new duty station. If the settlement isn't made within 30 days after completion of travel, the advance can be deducted from the soldier's regular pay.

Advance Station Housing Allow-

ance is another authorized advance payment. The purpose is to pay rent and security deposits or other initial expenses due to living in economy housing.

All soldiers who are authorized station housing allowance are entitled to an advance.

Soldiers must request the advance on a Pay Inquiry form, through the unit commander. "Normally the amount of the advance won't exceed the total of one year's housing allowance expected to be accrued by the soldier at his duty station," said Reinheimer.

Payment of advance station housing allowance can be made through the JUMPS system. This advance will also be collected on a prorated basis.

If anyone has anymore questions about advance payments they can call their unit PAC or call the pay inquiry desk of the Finance and Accounting Office at 819-6786.

Battalion mechanics keep vehicles moving

by Sue Sweeney

"Hey Specialist! Alpha seven needs a quarterly lube job and Headquarters six has a flat spare. The contact team is at the range and Bravo four needs the wrecker out at the Wannsee."

Sound busy? It is the start of a typical day at 2nd Battalion's motor pool. The maintenance platoon is gearing up for the "training block" now.

The mechanics do scheduled services and technical inspections on every vehicle in the battalion. This is everything from a lube job to tire rotation to an anti-freeze check.

They have a recovery section for vehicles that break down, and also do quick repair and body work. When they need parts or information the clerks have them readily available or they know where to find them.

"The men work very hard here and the results are obvious. We maintain a 98 percent readiness force

for the battalion," said CWO2 Daniel Macomber, battalion motor officer.

"I learn a lot by working here," said Sp4 Roderick Scott. "For example I 'on-the-job' trained from a wheel mechanic to a track mechanic and then I was awarded the MOS."

"We are important," said Sp4 Elonza Ewing. "Without us, the vehicles couldn't move and the battalion couldn't complete their daily missions."

"The Battalion expects a great deal from us, so we have to be efficient and well organized," said SSgt Larry Smith, battalion motor sergeant. "If a vehicle breaks down, a two-man team, referred to as the contact team is sent to the site to determine if they can repair it with the parts they have on hand. If they can't the vehicle may be towed to the motor pool by the wrecker."

"To be efficient it takes a strong effort from everyone in the motor pool," said Macomber. "And we are efficient."

USAREUR art contest open

Beginning and experienced artists are invited to enter the best of their work in the USAREUR phase of the Eighth All-Army Art Contest. All entrants must have been in the active Army for at least 90 days.

Designed to stimulate interest in art and to recognize skills in the fine arts field, the DA-sponsored contest provides Army artists with the opportunity to display and gain recognition for their creative works.

Contest entries are divided into two categories: beginner and experienced. Each of these is further di-

vided into five subcategories: drawings (pencil, brush, pen and ink, crayon, chalk, scratchboard), prints (etching, lithographs, lino-cuts, wood blocks, silkscreen), water base painting (opaque or transparent), oil base painting (including acrylic), and mixed media.

Winning entries will automatically be entered in the All-Army competition being conducted later this year in Washington, D. C.

Contact the McNair Arts and Crafts Shop, 819-3180, for entry information.



FIXIN' IT — Sgt. Steven Zimmermann, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion replaces a universal joint on an M-125A1.

Jobs like this are just part of the quarterly service pulled on each vehicle in 2nd Battalion.

(Photo by Sue Sweeney)

Red Cross celebrates 100 years

The American Red Cross received the first of its birthday presents late last month. In honor of the volunteers who have supported the organization throughout the past 100 years, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed March as National Red Cross Month.

The nation's largest voluntary service organization was founded in 1881 by a small group headed by Clara Barton. Barton, nearing 60, was known during the Civil War as the "Angel of the Battlefield."

Since that time Red Cross volunteers have been found on battlefields patiently rolling bandages, visiting the sick or elderly in their homes and handing out coffee and doughnuts.

Over the years the Red Cross has broadened their community services. In Berlin alone it requires all of the 75 volunteers averaged monthly to maintain their programs. About 180 individuals and families receive Red Cross help each month.

"Our primary mission in Berlin, or any other military installation," said Paul White, Red Cross station director, "is to provide emergency welfare to servicemembers and their families. By that I mean personal, family or financial counseling in times of emergency; emergency communications; verification of emergencies at home; leaves; assistance with stateside travel related to emergency leave or financial assistance for basic maintenance items such as food, clothing and rent.

"We also provide first aid courses, classes in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation, swimming, sailing and we have community service volunteers working in the hospital, teaching parenting classes, or at the Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School."

White went on to say, "The Red Cross is the community responding to the community needs. For anybody involved in Red Cross, career staff or volunteer, personal satisfaction comes from service to the community and in helping people work out solutions to their own problems."

The American Red Cross will celebrate its 100th Birthday on May 21. In honor of their special day, the Berlin section plans increased focus on the Red Cross as an organization and a Volunteer Recognition Ceremony. Both will take place in May.

"...With unflinching resourcefulness, zeal, and compassion, Red Cross volunteers have proved equal to the challenges of our time. In pace and in

war, they have reflected the humanitarian instincts of the American people," the President said in his proclamation.

"...The primary support of the American Red Cross always has been contributions, given voluntarily. This voluntary support reflects admirably the freedom and generosity of the American people. To insure that the Red Cross emblem continues to fly on banners across this nation for another

100 years, I urge all Americans to continue its support with undiminished vigor."

Berlin community residents are invited to join the President in support of the Red Cross by getting involved. People interested in helping their neighbors through one of various community volunteer programs, as case workers or leadership volunteers at the Red Cross office should call White at 819-6437/6459.



THEY'VE COME A LONG WAY — Red Cross nursing and health services have covered a lot of ground since they started 100 years ago. Volunteers began caring for the wounded on the battlefield. Later they called on the ill at home. Today their

community services include home nursing, disease prevention, parenting, child care, nutrition, managing stress, preparation for disaster, health maintenance.

(Photo Courtesy of the Red Cross Ad Council)

New, old programs coming

AFN plans exciting schedule for April viewing

by Mark White

The highly rated and extremely popular TV series "Dallas," "Rockford Files," "Laverne and Shirley" and "Eight is Enough" all return to AFN Berlin TV in April.

In addition, "The Next Generations" of Alex Haley's "Roots" will be seen on the first two week-ends of the month.

Another popular series, "Little House On The Prairie" returns to AFN along with "Real People," "B. J. And The Bear" and "That Nashville Music."

Also returning for an extended run is "The Incredible Hulk" with Bill Bixby as David Banner — who, by experimenting on himself, has

worked out a method of transforming him into a gigantic hulk of a man, possessing powerful strength.

"Spy" is a new six-week series made up of actual cases, true life espionage and intrigue at the highest levels of a dangerous and largely underground world. The exciting intrigues take viewers into a world beyond the glossy gimmickry of James Bond.

Movie buffs are sure to enjoy the wide variety of films offered on AFN this month.

The one with the biggest box-office is "Bridge On The River Kwai." The British epic is a mammoth, magnificent war drama directed by David Lean and stars William Holden, Alec Guinness and Jack Hawkins.

Performances, production and script all deserve the highest praise. One not to be missed.

Dustin "The Graduate" Hoffman fans will look forward to seeing the 1970 production of "Little Big Horn." This is the saga of a 121 year old man, the last survivor of the Battle Of The Little Big Horn, popularly known as Custer's Last Stand. In flashback, a fascinating story unfolds about a 10-year-old white boy (Hoffman) who was raised by the Indians.

All "Godzilla" fans are in for a special treat as AFN features two of the films starring the Japanese giant pre-historic monster who goes around being a good guy and wiping out the bad guys. Technically, good science-fiction fare for folks of all

ages. If a good book escapes you, you might be entertained by "Son Of Godzilla" and "Godzilla On Monster Island." Fun in a reverse sort of way.

TV Specials include Helen Reddy and guests Elliott Gould and Jane Fonda appearing in a variety of skits. Reddy sings many of her greatest hits.

In another Special, top interviewer, Dick Cavett interviews Muhammad Ali about his travels to Europe and his reception in the U.S.S.R., the Republic of Bekistan, Samarkan and Tashkent.

If you have any comments concerning the TV or radio programming, send a note to AFN Berlin, APO 09742. You may call the Programming Section direct at 819-6145.

Berlin bowling champs named

by R. Gibson

Scott Rossi and Dave Minnicks, both of Combat Battalion led the pack to take first place in the

men's doubles event of the U.S. Army Berlin Bowling Championship held at the BB bowling lanes on Tuesday through Thursday. Rossi and Minnicks, with 1,224 pins and 1,184 pins respectively, were

followed by the second place team of Ron Jones and John Rhinehart both of Field Station, Berlin.

Rossi also took first in the High Game and High Series competition as well as the total pinfall for the men's division.

In the women's competition Margaret Veasley and Shirley DeLuna, both of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Berlin Brigade, took tops in the doubles category scoring 983 pins and 940 pins. Veasley also took first in High Game, High series and total pinfall for the women.

The second place team in doubles was Julie Majewski and Donna Williams, both of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Berlin Brigade.

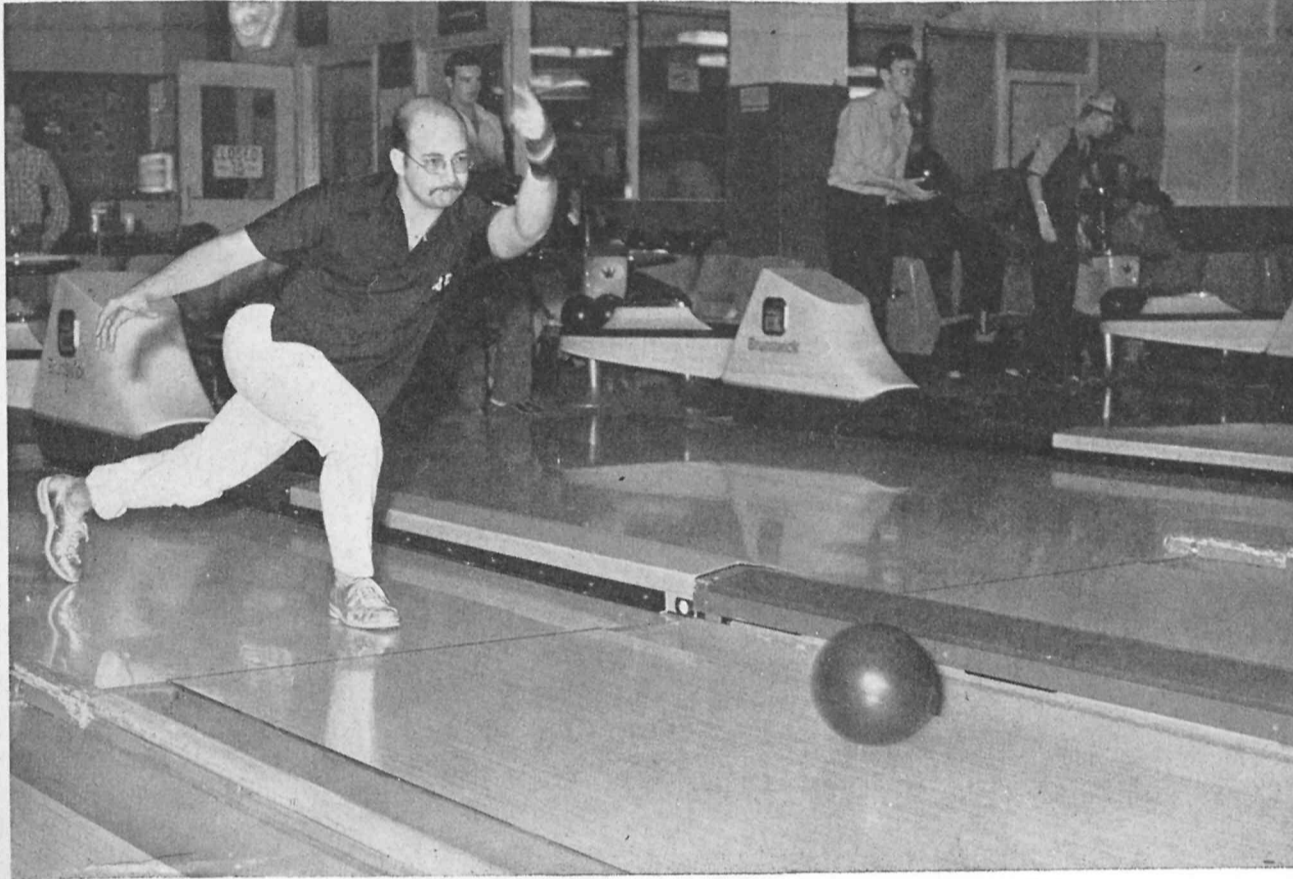
Taking first for the individual team event for the women was Williams, DeLuna, Veasley, Majewski and Louvina Gross, all from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Berlin Brigade. Second place went to the women from Combat Support Battalion made up of Leann Stockheimer, Sandy Rogers, Rose Roger, Hope Meadows and Winnie Weldon.

In the men's individual team event Field Station Berlin took home the first place trophy earned by their team of Jones, Marc Dover, Rhinehart, Arnie Mahlum and Court Guerin. Second place went to the team from 3rd Battalion consisting of Danny Rodriguez, James Clabough, Kenneth Majewski, Carl Watson and Larry Amrick.

The top for winners in the all events, in each division, will be going to Garmisch, FRG, April 20 to 23, for the USAREUR Bowling Championship.

Winners in the Men's Division were: Scott Rossi, first place; Minnicks, second place; Guerin, third place and Majewski, fourth place.

Women's Division winners were: Veasley, first place; DeLuna, second place; Williams, third place and Majewski, fourth place.



COME ON STRIKE! — Scott Rossi rolls one to the pocket during the U.S. Army, Berlin Bowling Championship held March 17 through 19 at the BB bowling lanes. It's form like this that gave both

Rossi and Dave Minnicks first place in the doubles event. Rossi also took High Game, High Series and total pinfall for the men's division.

(Photo by William Holdridge)

Sport Shorts

Volleyball tourney

A volleyball tournament will be held on March 28 and 29 at the Sports Center Gym commencing at 10 a.m. each day.

Phone 6768 and register your team with the Women's Sports Coordinator.

Fitness Program

The fitness program will commence April 6 every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday noon to 1 p.m. until April 30. All active duty women wishing to attend are requested to meet at the Sports Center Pool Lobby with Swim attire (Swimming ability is not necessary). The water will be used as an exercising medium.

Soccer Season here

Spring soccer season is upon us and the DYA will soon be posting league schedules. For information about the spring soccer season call the DYA Sports Office at 6247.

Baseball softball sign-ups

Softball and baseball sign-ups have begun for the spring season. Youths that are interested in playing softball or baseball should bring their parents and their DYA membership card to the DYA Sports Office and register. For more information call the DYA Sports Office at 6247.

Mountain Goat Ramble

The third Annual Mountain Goat Ramble, 6- and 1-mile running events will be held on April 4 in Heidelberg with registration starting at 7:30 a.m. and first race at 9:00 a.m.

Fees: \$5 if mailed prior to March 30 or \$6 on race day. Send your name, age, sex and event you wish to participate in to Heidelberg Road Runners Club, c/o Julio S. Ramos, HQ USAREUR, Box 2247, APO 09403 (in country). Make checks payable to Heidelberg Road Runners Club. For additional information call Heidelberg 6956 or Heidelberg Civ. 62141, evenings.

Hats off to swimmers

The Bear-a-Cudas of Berlin devastated the visiting team from Lahr 302-112 in an overwhelming display of swimming at it's finest, Saturday at the Andrews pool.

Six new records were set by members of the Berlin Team with Veronique Alderson breaking the European Forces Swim League record for the 15-18-year-old girls in the freestyle event coming in at 1:06.17. Alderson also took first place in individual medley and butterfly.

Setting pool record were Chris Parsons' time of 1:26.02 which was enough to set a new record for boys, ten-years-old and under in Individual Medley. Other record setters were Jerry Rettie, Didi Stowell, Karen Cox, Holley Braddock and Pete Stowell.

The Bear-a-cudas will be guests of the Patch Piranhas on Sunday in the final meet of the season. Good Luck Cudas.

Officials meet in tourney

The third annual German American Friendship Soccer Tournament was played at the BB Sports Center Saturday with the first game being a celebrity one between many very high ranking members of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force including the U. S. Commander of Berlin, Maj. Gen. P. Benedict, who was named leading scorer for the Americans.

Going against this tough team of American leaders were German civilian officials of state from throughout the city of Berlin in what proved to be a high speed competition ending in a 3-3 tie.

The tournament it self was played by two teams from the local DYA who played four games each against nine teams of German youths. The team from the Berlin American High School turned out to meet a German High School team also.

The U. S. Spartans, D league team, took third place after a hard fought series that lead to a 2 win, 1 tie, 1 loss record. While the C league team also took third in their division with a 1 win, 1 tie, 2 loss record.

The BAHS team was beaten by their opponents 3-2 in their exhibition game.

Military pay explained some taxed, some not

Because there are exemptions on certain military payments, there is confusion in the minds of some service members as to what is taxable and what is exempt.

To set the record straight, here's the difference.

Taxable income includes:

- active duty pay,
- reserve training pay,
- reenlistment bonuses,
- dislocation allowances paid upon transfer from one station to another,

● trailer moving allowances (but actual moving expenses may be deductible in deriving adjusted gross income),

● Armed services academy pay and naval aviation college program pay,

● lump sum payments upon separation or release to inactive duty, but not disability severance pay,

● military retired pay that is based on age or length of service, but not the amount of reduction in retirement or retainer pay to provide a survivor annuity for spouse or children,

● temporary duty pay and per diem payments in excess of expenses, and

● payments for accrued leave.

Non-taxable income for military members includes:

● quarters allowance or the new variable housing allowance,

- subsistence allowance,
- clothing allowance,
- family separation allowance,
- station housing allowance,
- cost-of-living allowance,
- unreimbursed expenses incident to moving a member of the Armed Forces, the family, and the household goods on a change of duty station. Expenses incident to the move, such as pre-move house-hunting trips, temporary lodging for up to 30 days, and some of the costs in the settlement of a lease, the sale of a home, and the purchase of a new home are deductible within certain limits. Show your moving records to your unit tax advisor for further guidance.

● State bonus payment,

● Veterans Administration benefits, including VA insurance dividends,

● Social Security benefits,

● death gratuity payment made to beneficiaries of Armed Forces personnel who died on active duty, and

● disability severance pay and temporary or permanent disability retirement pay elected on the basis of percentage of disability.

There are experts to help you in every tax problem. Each company level unit has a unit tax advisor. If they can't answer your questions, they will know where to get the answers.

(Courtesy American Forces Information Services)

Patient — (Continued from Pg. 1) —

tant. Also, you must care about people and must want to do what's right," Force explained.

Another way to get in touch with Force is through the "note-to-the-commander" box, located just to the right inside the main entrance. Paper is provided there and patients can put their comments on this paper. Every morning Force picks up the slips of paper and starts working on them immediately.

Lastly, there's the Medical Hotline at 819-4230. "This is a 24-hour service that the hospital offers to its patients," said White.

Phone calls are recorded during the non-duty hours of the hospital. Also, if Force has stepped out of the office for a moment, she starts the machine before leaving.

"The only problem I sometimes have is patients are sometimes reluctant to have themselves recorded. If that's the case, all they need do is leave their name and phone number and I will get back to them as soon as possible. If it's during duty hours, usually I can get back to them in just a few minutes," Force commented.

Not only does Force spend her time listening to patients, she also

works within the hospital itself talking and listening to the staff.

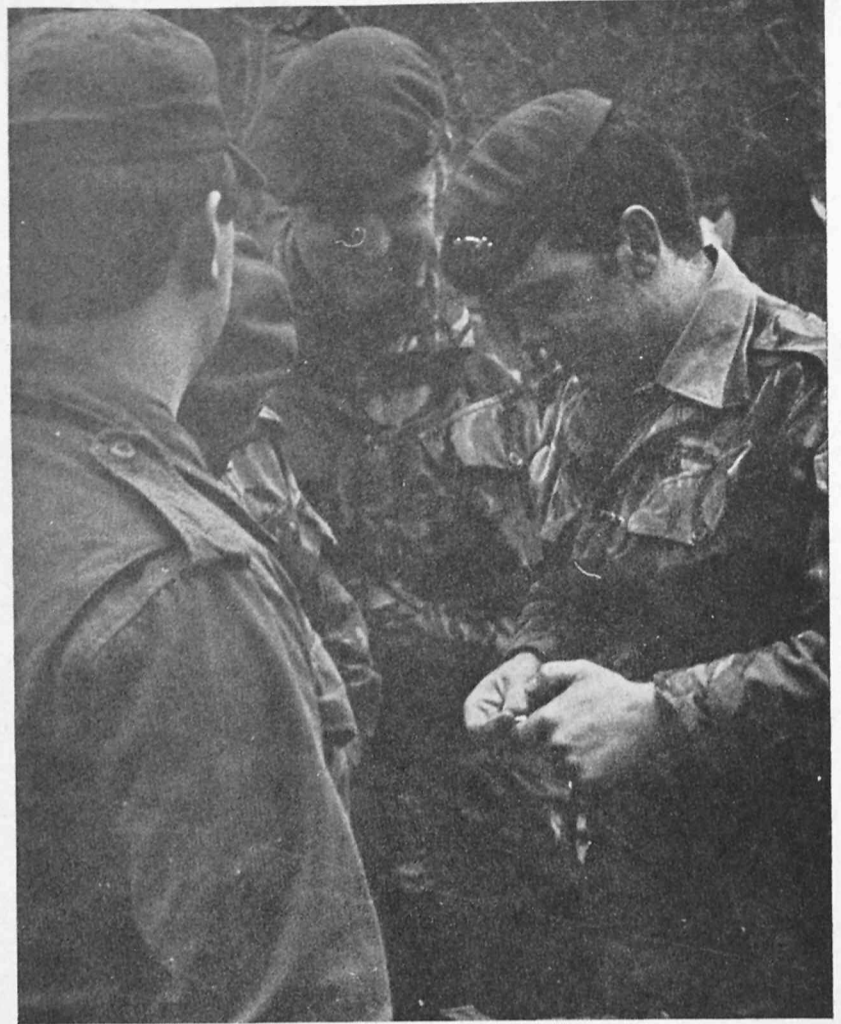
And on top of this she gives the School of Standards briefing, the TCA Newcomers briefing and provides tours for the schools here. Also, she speaks to members of clubs here such as the women's clubs.

For the Air Force personnel, Force works directly with Tech. Sgt. Edward Scales, Air Force medical liaison. "I bridge the gap between the Army and Air Force administrative procedures," explained Scales. "The patients can come and talk to me but eventually Mrs. Force and I get together on the situation."

After patient's needs have been taken care of, or if she needs the MEDDAC commander's help, Force goes to White.

"Through Mrs. Force, I'm assured of the things in the hospital that are going smoothly or know when certain procedures need to be changed," said White.

"I'm here to help the patient at all times," said Force. "The main problem that comes up is when the patients don't know the procedures, or, medical terminology confuses them. Through the Patient Assistance Office, these personnel can and will be helped."



ROYAL MP'S — were among the guests at the International Police Weapons Shoot held at Rose Range Wednesday. Our own American competitors, members of the 287th Military

Police Company, came out on top to win the over-all competition. The French Military Police were the winners in last year's competition.

(Photo by R. Gibson)

Americans first in police weapons meet

by R. Gibson

As a drizzle dampens the soft dust of the wooded area of Rose Range, a bird whistles sweetly, and a small furry animal stands on its hind feet listening to the distant roar of a motor echoing through the forest.

A large green bus pulls up into the fenced area of the range, the doors open and out step the best shots of the 287th Military Police Company. Wednesday was the day all of the men on the bus had been waiting for. A chance to match their marksmanship skills against their NATO allies and the Berlin civilian police as well.

After an in-depth briefing on range safety and a look at the schedule of events the French, British, German and American police marksmen took their positions in their special events. The events included pistol,

rifle and sub-caliber machinegun. Each team fired their own weapons from their own country with the Americans firing the sub-machinegun used by the German police force.

Each event started at the same time in different parts of the range complex, and as soon as they were turned in the scores were tallied.

Huddled into a small wood framed shack were members of each team adding up the scores of each firer. "Two sevens, three sixes, one five, total," came the voice of the American scorer. "37" was the reply from 1st Lt. Frederick Salisbury, team captain for the Americans.

After all the points were in, the Americans emerged victorious as the overall champions. The Americans took first place in the rifle event also.

Taking first in both the machinegun and pistol events were the German police.