

In fight for life all your donations help

by R. Gibson

Little Sean was five years old. But unlike most children, Sean could communicate with anyone, on their level. He was bright and out-going, but the thing that I will always remember most about little Sean, was that I never once saw him without a smile on his face.

My cousins and I were much older

than Sean, but he would come to our house and toss a football with us, or watch while we built model cars and planes. Sean was truly an amazing child.

The really amazing thing about Sean was that he was always in the best of moods. And now, a father myself, I know all too well how moody children can be. But not Sean, he always kept his chin up, despite the fact

that he was dying. Little Sean had leukemia.

His mom and dad discovered the disease when Sean was having problems breathing. He would be awake late in the night coughing, causing him to spend much of his play time catching up on the sleep he had lost.

Once the diagnosis had been confirmed, Sean was put on radiation treatments. In just a few days his

hair had become very thin and was falling out. He started losing weight, and the coughing grew worse.

The people in the neighborhood got together and bought flowers for his mother. One or two days a week Mrs. Gramble or Mrs. Morris would come by and chat with Sean's mother, and help her while she cleaned her house.

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Soldiers first, musicians second

Army band does more than play around

by Linda Jach

"We're soldiers first — musicians second." That's the motto of the 298th U. S. Army Band here, according to CWO 2 David A. Ratliff, company commander and bandmaster.

The band plays for anything from

parades and change-of-command ceremonies, to zoo concerts and performances on television.

However, that's not their sole purpose. Yes, they play for the morale of the troops here in the brigade, but, they have many other missions as well.

During Mass Casualty exercises at the Berlin U. S. Army Hospital, they serve as medics, helping carry litters and working in the triage taking vital signs.

They also perform all the other duties required of soldiers. Police call, Charge-of-Quarters, weapons qualification, and physical training are just part of the many tasks the band must perform.

Probably the largest difference between a member of the band and a "regular" soldier, however, is the hours the musicians must work. "Weekends don't exist for us," explained Ratliff.

"For example, for the first 25 days in October, we only have three days off. That's not unusual," said the bandmaster. "Over the course of the year, my people work well over a 40-hour-work-week."

There are many facets to "the band."

The marching band provides entertainment at special events, such as, parades, brigade runs, and other ceremonies. All of the members of the band participate in this.

The brigade also uses the marching band as a public relations tool to perform at sport shows, music "parades," and Allied affairs.

The Concert Band is a more formal

group, which plays at concerts and other events, such as Volksfest and holiday concerts.

Oldies and popular music is the specialty of the Stage Band. "Big band music," swing and jazz are their forte. "This is a very popular group with the members of the community. There seems to be a large return to nostalgia," explained Ratliff.

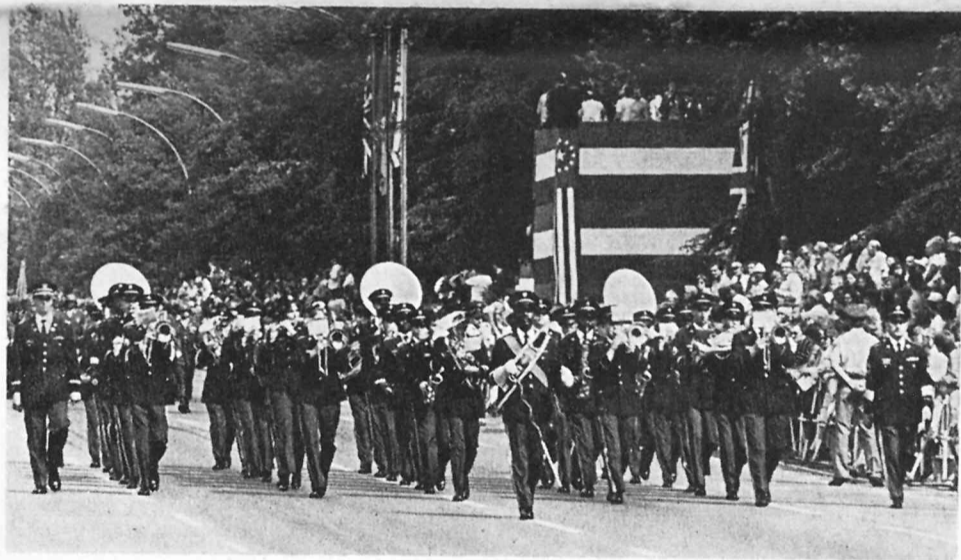
Three smaller groups, or combos, provide entertainment for many types of events, such as dining outs at the dining facilities or even going to the field for our troops training in West Germany.

"Brandenburg Express," is perhaps the most well-known. "It's a show group, that plays instrumentals and also does vocals. Top 40, popular music is their specialty."

For soft and quiet music, "West Side" has the sound. Ratliff said he liked to refer to it as, "music to be ignored by." "If two people were standing in a room together with 'West Side' playing, the two people would be able to carry on a conversation easily," he explained.

Last, but not least, is the "Jazz Combo." "This group appeals to a limited audience, because they perform modern, mainstream-type jazz," said Ratliff. "The Germans usually

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PERFORMING IN PARADES — The 298th U. S. Army Band marches in the 1981 Allied Forces Day Parade. The band participates in many parades

throughout the year, and performs at other functions in both the military and civilian communities.

(Photo by Jim Joerger)

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Soldiers pay for hospital meals

Starting Tuesday, all active duty service members will have to pay for their meals while in the hospital.

The change affects enlisted men and women whether or not they draw separate ration allowances, according to a hospital spokesman.

Under the new system, all enlisted service members will have to pay \$3.70 a day for meals while hospitalized. Those who do not receive a ration allowance, will get their money back in their monthly paychecks.

Service members who drew separate ration allowances had the amount automatically deducted from their pay before the change.

Retired officers, as in the past, have to pay for their hospital meals, said a spokesman from the 8th Finance and Accounting Office in Heidelberg.

Additional information concerning the hospital meal payment will be announced as soon as it becomes available.

Brief new personnel

Supervisors are reminded of their responsibility to insure that sound crime prevention measures against barracks theft are being maintained, and that all newly assigned personnel are briefed on the unit crime prevention program.

Each unit has a crime prevention officer available to guide and assist with the protection of personal and government property.

Stay away from rail power lines

You don't have to touch high-voltage lines to be electrocuted, cautions a German railways official. Mere approach to within three feet can endanger your life.

The official said this applies to overhead power lines of the Bundesbahn's electrified routes in West Germany, which are at 15,000 volts.

Army safety officials say that although Berlin does not have these overhead power lines, a clearance of at least five feet should be maintained between a person's head or extended arms and overhead high-voltage lines while training in West Germany.

Never climb onto or stand on top of a rail-loaded vehicle, they said. Soldiers have been electrocuted when high-voltage current passed between a power line and their bodies.

Vehicle antennas should be removed before rail-loading, and tied down during road movement.

No one should climb on top of railway vehicles stopped under high-power lines, the Bundesbahn official said. (EURNEWS)

If you don't have time yourself; use power of attorney

PFC Bob Smith went home on emergency leave, only to find out his mother's illness will be long-term. Being a sole surviving son, he is granted a compassionate reassignment.

His unit ships him his hold baggage. As for his car, Smith decides it will be too much of a hassle to go through all the paperwork to ship it and decides, instead, just to forget about it.

But, in fact, he could have easily arranged to have it sold and made a few bucks on the car, instead of just abandoning it. The answer is a power of attorney.

According to the USAREUR Judge Advocate Office, a power-of-attorney, which gives a person the right to act in another's behalf; is the easy and legal way to sell or dispose of personal property if you get into a situation like Smith's.

"If you find you must quickly leave Europe, and know you won't be coming back, it's a simple matter to fill out a power of attorney form at any legal assistance office here in Europe," said Capt. Craig E. Kelly of the USAREUR Staff Judge Advocate's Office. "It only takes a couple of minutes, and of course, it's best to draw one up before leaving, but you can do it while in the states and send it to someone here. Just see your local legal assistance officer." (EURNEWS)

Staff Sergeant: your promotion hinges on records check

The fiscal year 1982 sergeant first class promotion board is scheduled to meet Jan. 7 at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

The Department of the Army board will select about 11,500 of the record 50,000 eligible soldiers.

All soldiers in pay grade E-6 on active duty with a date of rank of February 28, 1979, or earlier, will be considered in the primary zone. Considered in the secondary zone will be all active duty E-6's with a DOR between March 1, 1979, and September 30, 1980.

In addition to meeting the DOR requirement for consideration, soldiers must also have a Basic Enlisted Service Date (BESD) of May 31, 1976, or earlier.

To be considered for promotion, all E-6's must have a high school diploma or GED equivalent, or an associate or higher degree.

They also must not be restricted from promotion consideration under the provisions of paragraph 7-36 and 7-64, Army Regulation 600-200.

Soldiers with a bar to reenlistment or those denied reenlistment through the qualitative management program will not be considered for pro-

motion. Also not considered will be those with effective retirements on or before January 1, 1983.

The board will also identify soldiers not performing satisfactorily in their jobs. Records of all E-6's with a DOR of Sept. 30, 1980, or earlier, will be reviewed even if they meet promotion requirements. Not being looked at are those on the current E-7 recommended list, those having already received a DA-imposed bar to reenlistment, or those having an approved retirement on or before January 1, 1983.

Personnel on the primary promotion list may send letters of communication to the board concerning any matter that is important to their records. Letters should be addressed to: President, DA E-7 Enlisted Promotion Selection Board, C/O Commander, U. S. Army Enlisted Records and Evaluation Center, ATTN: PCRE-RB, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. 46249.

The accuracy of the DA Form 2 and 2-1 is very important, stress personnel officials, since it represents the soldier to the board. Soldiers may get more information from their Military Personnel Office. (ARNEWS)

Courts-martial convicts soldiers

PFC Kelvin D. Goode, Company B, 4th Battalion, was convicted by a Special Court-Martial on Aug. 31 for larceny. Goode was sentenced to be reduced to E-1, confined at hard labor for three months, to forfeit \$325 pay per month for six months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Sp4 James E. Smith, Company A, 4th Battalion, was convicted by a Special Court-Martial on Sept. 1 for selling rationed cigarettes and liquor, using an altered ration card, and possession of heroin. Smith was sentenced to be reduced to E-1, confined at hard labor for four months, to forfeit \$300 pay per month for six months, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Sp4 Dale A. Tapps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, was convicted by a General Court-Martial on Sept. 2 for attempted rape, assault and battery, and rape. Tapps was sentenced to be reduced to E-1, confined at hard labor for 27 years, to forfeit all pay and allowances, and to be dishonorably discharged.

Pvt. 1 Reginald L. Gray, Company A, 2nd Battalion, was convicted by a Special Court-Martial on Sept. 2 for behaving with disrespect toward a commissioned officer, and communicating a threat to a commissioned officer. Gray was sentenced to a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Observer welcomes letters to editor

To try to better serve the Berlin American Community, the Berlin Observer is now publishing letters to the editor.

All letters to the editor must be signed by the author and a telephone/address must be included before they will be considered for publication. The writer may, however, request that his or her name

be withheld. The request will be honored.

Letters must not exceed 150 words and will not be published if they are in poor taste or libelous. Contents are not limited to military subjects, but are encouraged on any subject of general interest. The Berlin Observer reserves the right to edit any material submitted for publication.

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Deutsche Staatsoper

— East sector, Unter den Linden —

Tonight — Der Barbier von Sevilla (The Barber of Seville) at 7:30 p.m.
 Tomorrow — Tannhäuser at 6:30 p.m.
 Sun. — Ballet Night — Dornröschen — (The Sleeping Beauty) at 7 p.m.
 Mon. — Chamber Concerto at Apollo Saal, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Tue. — closed —
 Wed. — closed —
 Thu. — Concert at Apollo Saal, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Fri. — The Schoolmaster/Kaffee Cantata/The Four Years Post at Apollo Saal, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Sat. — Parsifal, at 5:30 p.m.
 Sun. — Ballet Night — Dornröschen — (The Sleeping Beauty) at 7 p.m.

Philharmonie

Tonight — Special Concert — Private Performance, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Tomorrow — Vladimir Ashkenazy presents works by Schumann and Mussorgsky, at 8 p.m.
 Sun. — Radio-Symphonie-Orchester Berlin under the direction of Christoph Eschenbach presents an orchestra concert in connection with the Berliner Festwochen, with works by Mendelssohn, von Weber, and Zimmermann. Curtain time is 8 p.m.
 Mon. — Alexis Weissenberg at the piano, presents works by Bach, Goldberg, and others, at 8 p.m.
 Tue. — An evening with Victor Borge, a performance in English, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Wed. — Die Philharmonischen Solisten Berlin present a chamber concert, in connection with the Berliner Festwochen, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Thu. — Chopin Night with Janusz Oleniczak at the piano. Curtain time is 8 p.m.
 Fri. and Sat. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra — in connection with the Berliner Festwochen — presents a Béla Bartók Program under the direction of Herbert von Karajan. Both concerts begin at 7 p.m.

Deutsche Oper Berlin

Today — Don Pasquale at 8 p.m.
 Tomorrow — Tosca — in Italian — at 7:30 p.m.
 Sun. — Tristan und Isolde at 5 p.m.
 Mon. — Il Trovatore — in Italian — at 7:30 p.m.
 Tue. — Ballet Night — Giselle, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Wed. — La Bohème — in Italian — beginning at 8 p.m.
 Thu. — Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute), at 7 p.m.
 Fri. — Der Barbier von Sevilla (The Barber of Seville), at 7:30 p.m.
 Sat. — Ballet Night — Fünf Tangos/Symphonie für einen einsamen Menschen/Die vier Temperamente/Bolero, beginning at 8 p.m.
 Sun. — Special Concert "Aus Preussen, Musik für das Theater" (From Prussia, Music for the Theater), a matinee, presented by the Choir and Orchestra of the Deutschen Oper Berlin, beginning at 11 a.m.
 Sun. — Der Barbier von Sevilla (The Barber of Seville), at 7:30 p.m.

Special Concerts

Sun. — Irish Folk Meeting '81 The Dubliners, The Fureys and more at Waldbühne, at 4 p.m.
 Tue. — Steve Hackett, Metropal at 9 p.m.
 Sat. — Santana last open air performance at Waldbühne, at 8 p.m.
 Sept. 28 — The Crusaders, Hochschule der Künste at 8 p.m.
 Sept. 29 — Gitarissimo '81 with Peter Horten and Siegfried Schwab at Hochschule der Künste, at 8 p.m.
 Sept. 30 — Eric Burdon and Band, Metropal at 9 p.m.
 Oct. 1 — Grace Jones, Metropal at 9 p.m.
 Oct. 5 and 6 — Milva, ICC, beginning at 8 p.m. on both days
 Oct. 8 — Herman Van Veen, ICC, Saal 1, at 8 p.m.
 Oct. 9 — Grateful Dead, ICC, Saal 1, at 8 p.m.
 Oct. 11 and 12 — Andre Heller, Hochschule der Künste at 8 p.m. on both days
 Oct. 20 — Harry Belafonte, ICC, Saal 1 at 8 p.m.
 Oct. 28 — Mother's Finest, Neue Welt at 8 p.m.
 Nov. 4 — Truck Stop, ICC, Saal 1, at 8 p.m.

Sports

Horse Trotting:
 — 212-298, Mariendorfer Damm —
 On Sunday, the Bruno Cassirer-Rennen starts at 2 p.m., and on Thursday, trotting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.
Ice Hockey:
 — Eissporthalle at Jaffestrasse —
 Sun. — Berliner Schlittschuh Club vs. SC Riessersee, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 27 — Berliner Schlittschuh Club vs. Düsseldorfer EG, 5 p.m.

Berlin Club happenings

Tonight — Checkpoint NCO Club — Country and Western Band Country Squires from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Friendship Lounge — D.J. PPI from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Starlight Grove — D.J. Pierre On The Air from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Gator NCO Club — Country and Western D.J. The Gambler from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
 Harnack House — Band Koff from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Tomorrow — Checkpoint NCO Club — D.J. The Prince from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Friendship Lounge — D.J. Pierre On The Air from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Starlight Grove — D.J. PPI from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Gator NCO Club — Country and Western D.J. The Gambler from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
 Sun. — Checkpoint NCO Club — Dual Disco with D.J.'s Prince and Star Patrol from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Starlight Grove — Dual Disco with D.J.'s Master Blaster and PPI from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
 Tue. — Friendship Lounge — D.J. R 'n' R Fantasy from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Starlight Grove — D.J. PPI from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Wed. — Checkpoint NCO Club — D.J. Master Blaster from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Friendship Lounge — D.J. PPI from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Starlight Grove — Country and Western D.J. The Outlaws from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Thu. — Friendship Lounge — D.J. Pierre on the Air from 8 p.m. to midnight
 Starlight Grove — D.J. The Prince from 8 p.m. to midnight

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Outpost — Clayallee (6524) Fri. The Earthling (PG) at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Special Matinee Buggy Malone (G), at 2 p.m. Sat. Loving Couples (PG), at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Sun. The Big Brawl (R), at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Mon. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Tue. The Silent Scream (R), at 7:30 p.m. Wed. Steel (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Thu. First Family (R), at 7:30 p.m. Fri. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Special Matinee The Adventures of Jody Shannon (G), at 2 p.m. Sat. Bon Voyage, Charlie Brown (G), at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Columbia — Tempelhof (5522) Fri. Bronco Billy (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Cuba (R), at 7:30 p.m.	Sun. The Earthling (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Mon. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Tue. Loving Couples (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Wed. The Big Brawl (R), at 7:30 p.m. Thu. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Fri. The Silent Scream (R), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Steel (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Coliseum — McNair Brks. (3131) Fri. Charlie Chan And The Curse Of The Dragon Queen (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Rebel Without A Cause (Mature), at 7:30 p.m. Sun. The Postman Always Rings Twice (R) at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Mon. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Tue. Bronco Billy (PG), at 7:30 p.m.	Wed. Cuba (R), at 7:30 p.m. Thu. The Earthling (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Fri. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Loving Couples (PG), at 7:30 p.m. Andrews — Barracks (3538) Fri. Angels' Brigade (PG), at 6:30 p.m. Sat. Saturn 3 (R), at 6:30 p.m. Sun. Charlie Chan And The Curse Of The Dragon Queen (PG), at 6:30 p.m. Mon. Same show as above, at 6:30 p.m. Tue. Rebel Without A Cause (Mature), at 6:30 p.m. Wed. The Postman Always Rings Twice (R), at 6:30 p.m. Thu. Same show as above, at 6:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Fri. Bronco Billy (PG), at 6:30 p.m. Sat. Cuba (R), at 6:30 p.m. Jerboa — located on Theodor-Heuss-Platz near the Summit House	Fri. Empire Strikes Back (U), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Children's Matinee Dr. Who And The Daleks (U), also Serial Project Z, Ep. 3, at 10 a.m. Sat. Empire Strikes Back (U) at 7:30 p.m. Sun. Little Darlings (AA), at 7:30 p.m. and The First Deadly Sin (AA), at 9:05 p.m. Mon. Same shows as above, at 7:30 and 9:05 p.m. Tue. Walt Disney's Dumbo (U), at 7:30 p.m. and Walt Disney's The Spaceman And King Arthur (U), at 8:35 p.m. Wed. The Onion Field (X), at 7:30 p.m. Thu. — closed — Fri. Ordinary People (AA), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Children's Matinee Kadoyng (U), also Serial Project Z, Ep. 4, at 10 a.m. Sat. Ordinary People (AA), at 7:30 p.m.	Astra — located on the Royal Air Force Gatow compound Fri. Ordinary People (AA), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Children's Matinee The Troublesome Double (U), also Serial Project Z, Ep. 2, at 2 p.m. Sat. Ordinary People (AA), at 7:30 p.m. Sun. Scanners (X), at 7:30 p.m. Mon. Same show as above, at 7:30 p.m. Tue. Mission Galactica — The Cylon Attack (U), at 7:30 p.m. Wed. — closed — Thu. North Dallas Forty (X), at 7:30 p.m. Fri. The Antagonists (A), at 7:30 p.m. Sat. Children's Matinee Dr. Who And The Daleks (U), also Serial Project Z, Ep. 3, at 2 p.m. Sat. The Antagonists (A), at 7:30 p.m.
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Friday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Kartoon Karnival 9:05 Sesame Street 10:05 Little House on the Prairie 11:00 White Shadow 11:50 AFN Middy News 12:00 Trapper John, MD 12:50 Donahue (A) 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A) 2:00 General Hospital (A) 2:45 Mork and Mindy 3:10 Green Acres 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time 4:05 Sesame Street 5:05 Avengers 6:00 AFN Evening News 7:00 Eight is Enough 7:50 M*A*S*H 8:20 Lou Grant 9:10 Dallas (A) 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:35 Second City TV (A) 11:00 AFN Shock Theater: "Bigfoot" 12:25 Fridays 1:15 Soul Train 2:00 Have Gun Will Travel 2:25 Sign Off	4:50 College Football Preview 5:40 America's Top 10 6:00 AFN Evening News 6:30 BJ and the Bear 7:30 Live Football: Notre Dame vs. Michigan 10:30 Variety Special: Roy Clark 11:20 AFN Theater: "Ruby and Oswald" 1:30 Defenders 2:20 Sign Off Sunday 8:00 Kartoon Karnival 9:05 Krofft's Superstars 9:30 Christopher Closeup 10:00 Hour of Power 10:45 Sacred Heart 11:00 In Search of 11:25 Cosmos 12:25 Sunday Movie: "Fighting Kentuckian" 2:05 Sunday Movie: "Bigfoot" 3:30 Entertainer of the Year 5:10 60 Minutes 6:00 AFN Evening News 6:30 Barney Miller 7:00 Live Football: Miami Dolphins vs. Houston Oilers 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:30 Rockford Files 11:20 Real People 12:05 AFN Theater: "Fellowship of the Frog" 1:35 Sign Off Monday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Kartoon Karnival 9:05 Sesame Street 10:05 Eight is Enough 11:00 BJ and the Bear	Tuesday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Gasthaus 8:40 Kartoon Karnival 9:20 Sealab 2020 9:45 Beverly Hillbillies 10:10 Viewer's Choice: "The Fighting Kentuckian" 11:50 AFN Middy News 12:00 Incredible Hulk 12:50 Donahue (A) 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A) 2:00 General Hospital (A) 2:45 Green Acres 3:10 Krofft's Superstars 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time 4:15 Flintstones 4:40 Young People's Special 5:05 Rawhide 6:00 AFN Evening News 7:00 Waltons 7:50 Dukes of Hazzard 8:40 WKRP 9:10 Knot's Landing 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:35 Monte Carlo 11:25 AFN Theater: "And Baby makes six" 1:05 Cannon 2:00 Sign Off	Wednesday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Kartoon Karnival 9:05 Sesame Street 10:05 Waltons 11:00 Dukes of Hazzard 11:50 AFN Middy News 12:00 Knot's Landing 12:50 Donahue (A) 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A) 2:00 General Hospital (A) 2:45 WKRP 3:10 Bewitched 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time 4:05 Sesame Street 5:05 Burke's Law 6:00 AFN Evening News 7:00 Mork and Mindy 7:25 Little House on the Prairie 8:20 Fantasy Island 9:10 Love Boat 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:35 Chuck Connors 11:00 AFN Theater: "Terror out of the Sky" 12:35 Police Story 1:25 Sign Off Thursday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Gasthaus 8:40 Kartoon Karnival 9:20 Kids are People, too 10:05 Hart to Hart 11:00 Love Boat 11:50 AFN Middy News 12:00 Fantasy Island 12:50 Donahue (A) 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A) 2:00 General Hospital (A) 2:45 That Nashville Music 3:10 Good Life 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time 4:00 3-2-1 Contact 4:35 Info Special South 5:05 Bonanza 6:00 AFN Evening News 7:00 Different Strokes 7:50 That's Incredible	8:30 White Shadow 9:10 Trapper John MD (A) 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:35 Cop and the Kid 11:00 AFN Theater: "Walk, Don't Run" 12:55 Police Woman 1:45 Sign Off Friday 8:30 AFN Morning News 8:35 Kartoon Karnival 9:05 Sesame Street 10:05 Little House on the Prairie 11:00 White Shadow 11:50 AFN Middy News 12:00 Trapper John MD (A) 12:50 Donahue (A) 1:40 Ryan's Hope (A) 2:00 General Hospital (A) 2:45 Mork and Mindy 3:10 Green Acres 3:40 Afternoon Fun Time 4:05 Sesame Street 5:05 Avengers 6:00 AFN Evening News 7:00 Eight is Enough 7:50 M*A*S*H 8:20 Lou Grant 9:10 Dallas (A) 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:35 Second City TV (A) 11:00 Shock Theater: "Laserblast" (A) 12:20 Fridays (A) 1:10 Soul Train 1:50 Fractured Flickers 2:15 Sign Off Saturday 8:00 Kartoon Karnival 9:10 Choppy and the Princess 9:35 Kids are People, too 10:20 Sealab 2020 10:40 Soul Train 11:25 Let's Rock 11:50 Top-ranked Fights of the 70's	12:40 NCAA Football: Alabama vs. LSU 2:40 American Sportsman 3:15 NFL Football: Houston vs. LA 5:40 America's Top 10 6:00 AFN Evening News 6:30 Facts of Life 7:00 BJ and the Bear 7:50 Viewer's Choice: "12 o'clock High" 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:30 AFN Theater: "Ghost of Flight 401" 12:10 AFN Theater: "Unfaithfully Yours" 1:55 Have Gun Will Travel 2:15 Sign Off Sunday 8:00 Kartoon Karnival 8:45 Krofft's Superstars 9:10 At Home with the Bible 9:35 Music and the Spoken Word 10:05 Tell a Vision 10:35 In Search of 11:00 Cosmos 12:00 Sunday Movie: "Walk, Don't Run" 1:50 Sunday Movie: "Ghost of Flight 401" 3:30 Info Special: "Greatest Run on Earth" 4:25 Pro Bowlers Summer Tour 5:30 Washington Week in Review 6:00 AFN Evening News 6:30 60 Minutes 7:20 Barney Miller 7:50 Real People 8:40 Taxi (A) 9:10 Rockford Files (A) 10:00 AFN Evening News 10:30 Best of Carson 11:15 Forum Presents 12:05 AFN Theater: "Cowboy" 1:35 Sign Off A - Adults
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community events

Preview on Art Auction today

The Berlin Community Art Auction will be held at the Harnack House, the Berlin Officers and Civilians Club on Sunday. Previews are being held today from 5 to 9 p.m., tomorrow from noon to 8 p.m. and on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Art Auction begins on Sunday at 1 p.m. and lasts until 4 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to bid on the paintings of your choice. The entire community is invited. We look forward in seeing you at the Harnack House for a full day of good food, art auction, and a concert featuring Berlin's own 289th Army Band which starts at 4 p.m. in the ballroom.

T.A.R. Open House

There will be an Open House at the Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School on Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This year's first general membership meeting will feature "Tarry's History of TAR." The Open House is the time for parents and children to meet all the faculty, and view the classrooms. Refreshments will follow the Open House. Monthly features of PTSA will be the "Tarry Cake", awarded to the class with the most parents attending that month's meeting, and the drawing of a door prize at the close of the meeting. This month's door prize is dinner for two at the Harnack House.

Closing of banking facilities

All military banking facilities and the AMEXCO travel offices will close at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, due to a mandatory Staff Committee Meeting.

Attention 2/6 wives

Come and make posters to welcome the battalion home. We will be making posters for the day rooms, on Sunday at 2 p.m. in the basement of Headquarters Company. Please join us.

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For sale

1972 Mercedes 200, four-cylinder, disc. PWR brakes, which are rebuilt; PWR steering, automatic transmission, front end rebuilt, also AM/FM stereo cassette, \$2,000. Call 812-1958.
Must sell! American specifications. 1974 Mercury Capri, great car, sun-roof, AM/FM stereo and tape player, good condition, little rust, will pass inspection, good mileage. Best offer taken. Call 813-8776.
Transformers, 2,000 (\$40); 1600 (\$30); (two) 300 (\$10 each); 750 (\$20); toaster oven, \$12.50; Corelle dinnerware incl. sugar and creamer and butter dish, \$20; round table with lamp attached, \$20; child's bookcase, \$5; gold rug, and other miscellaneous items. Call 813-8565 after 5 p.m., and any time on weekend.
Oak rocking chair, \$100; Panasonic LTD stereo system, \$250; sewing machine with cover, \$120; queen-size bed with frame \$270. Call 831-3681.
Basement Sale at 148 Sundgauerstrasse, tomorrow from 9 a.m. to noon. Mostly baby clothes (girl) and maternity clothes. Some toys and baby items (crib, bassinets).
An incredibly well-designed backpack by "Lowe". Includes an internal frame, that is made to conform to the contours of your spine. In addition, can be used as a suitcase. Asking \$100. Call Marlene at 493-6829.
1977 Buick Skylark Coupe, Two-door, six-cylinder with radio, heater and power-steering. Only 20,000 miles. Price \$2,700. Telefunken radio, tape recorder, record player, stereo set in walnut wood cabinet, 220 or 110 volts. Price \$150. Various 110 Volt kitchen items. Please call 811-8923 after 7 p.m.
1970 Mercedes Benz 250 C Coupe. Call 832-8401 for a personal viewing. Serious inquiries only, please.
1974 Ford Taunus 1.6-liter engine, four-door. Asking price \$1,350. Call 832-8401 for a quick sale.
1980 Datsun 210 station wagon, four cylinder five-speed, 31 city/41 highway, AM/FM, luggage rack, side moulding, new radial tires, five-year, rust proofing, air-conditioning. Only 18,000 miles. With shipping documents, \$5,600. Call 813-6635.
1973 VW Beetle 1303 German specifications, low mileage, orange with black interior, AM/FM cassette, new brakes inspection guaranteed. Asking \$1,600 or DM4,000. Call 813-6635.
1972 Mercedes Benz 350 SE, V-8 automatic, sunroof, power-steering, four-wheel power disc brakes, auto door locks, and much more. 114,000kms with German specifications. Passed TÜV in March '81. American inspection guaranteed. This car cost over DM60,000 new. Absolutely must sell in next seven days. Asking DM6,500 (app. \$2,650). Call 813-6635.
1969 Mercedes 250. 1970 Opel Kadett. Call 813-6255.
General Electric counter-top oven, rotisserie, bake, broil. Like new, has automatic timer, all attachments and instruction, recipe book, \$25. Call 831-3700.
Super-8 sound movie camera, Bell & Howell Filmsonic Model 1238. \$175. Canon 310XL Silent Super-8 Movie camera. Two-speed power zoom macro lens; single-frame capability. \$75. Sears van tent. Attaches to side of any van to give expanded room for camping. Brand new, never used, for \$70. Baby bassinet complete with pad, sheets, and white bunting. In perfect condition. \$30. Wear-ever popcorn pumper electric hot air corn-popper. \$15. Please call 802-7818.
1977 Cordoba, 25,000 miles, A/C, PS, PB and AM/FM radio. Excellent condition. Asking \$3,300. Call 813-6620.
VW Bus, 1976, four-speed, Porsche engine, AM/FM radio, American specifications. Rear seat making into bed. Wired for trailer lights with hitch. Good condition. Asking \$3,500. Call 813-8612.

Wanted

Have you a sewing machine that has not been used for a while? If so, I am interested in buying a 220V machine. Call Marlene at 493-6829.

Miscellaneous

Are you a "crafty" person, interested in making extra \$\$? Then, how about consigning your craft items to the ways and means table at the AWCB (American Women's Club Berlin) October Bazaar. AWCB will display and sell your items for a 15% commission. Contact Linda Gibson at 813-6646 for details.

lunches

The following are the menus for TAR and BAHS schools for the week of Sept. 21.
Monday — Salad, Meat Balls, Tomato Sauce, Spaghetti, Pears, Milk, Bread, and Butter.
Tuesday — Lettuce, Pickles, Hamburger on Bun, French Fried Potatoes, Ice Cream, and Milk.
Wednesday — Salad, Chili con Carne on Rice, Vanilla Pudding, Milk, Bread, and Butter.
Thursday — Salad, Sloppy Joe on Bun, Buttered Peas, Fresh Fruit, and Milk.
Friday — Cole Slaw, Fishwich, Potato Chips, Sauce Tartar, Peaches, and Milk.

Register now

The G-3 Ed Branch and Volkshochschule cooperative evening program for the American Community begins this week. Registration for Yoga; Getting to Know Berlin; Health, Wellness and Medical Self-Care; Berlin, and a Non-Stop Music Festival, will continue through Friday. Call the McNair Education Center at 819-3615 for more information.

Women bowlers meet

All 1981-82 Women bowlers are invited to a meeting on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the TAR School Cafeteria. A door prize will be given.

Make reservation for luncheon

The first general membership meeting of the German-American Women's Club will be a luncheon at the Harnack House on Oct. 1, cost will be \$7. General Boatner will speak at the noon luncheon. During the informal coffee time from 10 a.m. to noon, you will have the opportunity of greeting old friends, renewing your membership, or joining the club and its various interest groups. You are welcome to come only to sign up, or to stay for the luncheon at noon. Reservations are necessary for lunch and must be made before Sept. 25, by calling Jane Govan, membership chairman, at 826-3863.

Sale on winter clothing

BRTRR, the Main Exchange is having a sale on all winter clothing with 20 percent off on all winter clothing on Wednesday. Use your DPP in order to take advantage of this outstanding offer.

Red Cross safety courses

CPR: Monday and Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Building No. 4, Clay Headquarters. Call 819-6459 to register. Registration for the following swimming courses will take place in front of Main PX in Truman Plaza tomorrow from noon to 3:30 p.m., and on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.: Adult Advanced Beginner: 10 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, from Sept. 26 through Oct. 17 at BB Pool. Intermediate: 10 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, Sept. 26 through Oct. 17 at BB Pool. Basic Water Safety and Rescue: 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 30 through Nov. 25 at BB Pool, age limit is 11 through 14 years. Advanced Life-saving: 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays, and Thursdays, Sept. 29 through Oct. 29 at BB Pool, must be 15 years old.

Class VI closed on Friday

Class VI Store will be closed on Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for semi-annual inventory.

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/or 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 the film. Spouses are urged to attend with their sponsors.

Non-personal services contractor positions

Twenty-four position vacancies will be filled by the Berlin Army Education offices by Oct. 1. Positions are in support of the Army Education System and are dollar-paid. Only U. S. citizens are eligible for respective positions. All qualified applicants will receive consideration, without regard to race, color, religion, politics, marital status, physical handicap, which does not interfere with accomplishment of the job, age, sex, or membership in employee or professional organizations. Applicants who feel they are qualified should contact the Army Education Center, at the number or location listed, to pick-up an application form and make an interview appointment. Interviews will be conducted at the interview appointment. Personnel who must request an interview for each position and must complete an application for each position desired. Following are the vacant positions, places to apply, and telephone numbers:

General Clay Headquarters, Building 4, 819-6919; one Learning Resource Center Manager, one Test Proctor/MOS Librarian, and one Reading Coordinator.
Andrews AEC, Building 901, Andrews Barracks 819-3162 or 819-3103; five Learning Resource Center Managers, one Test Administrator/Examiner, and one MOS Librarian.
McNair AEC, Building 1001d, McNair Barracks, 819-3120 or 819-3647; five Learning Resource Center Managers, two Asst. Learning Resource Center Managers, three Test Proctors, and one MOS Librarian.
Foreign Language Supervisor, Clay Hqs., Building 1, Room 3047, 819-6605; two German Language Instructors, and one Russian Language Instructor.

Job opportunities

Big Bend Community College, an equal opportunity employer, is seeking an Office Assistant. A high school diploma or equivalent is required. Typing is preferred. For further information, please call 819-3453, or come by Room 228, McNair Education Center.

The Civilian Personnel Division is now recruiting for the following positions: RN — applicants must be a registered nurse. Lifeguard — applicants must hold a Water Safety certificate (819-6227). Support Services Supervisor, GS-324-07 (819-6220). Social Work Assistant, GS-186-7, work location — (819-6220). Community Drug and Alcohol Assistance Center, closing date Sept. 25, and Kindergarten Teacher, AD-1710, CL I, work location — Berlin American Elementary School open until filled (819-6206). Interested applicants should contact CPD at above listed numbers for further information.

TCA Education Office is recruiting for the following positions: Instructor for German classes, beginning Jan. 4 through Dec. 17, 1982. Testing Specialist, beginning Jan. 4 through Dec. 17, 1982. Will average three hours per week. Call 819-5132, or come by the TCA Education Office for more information. Applications will be accepted through Sept. 25.

The John-F.-Kennedy-School is looking for a certified lifeguard to assist in their Kindergarten swimming program at the Berlin Brigade pool every Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you are interested, please call 807-2711.

Candidates are being sought for mid-career level positions with the U. S. Foreign Commercial Service of the Department of Commerce. Successful candidates must be U. S. citizens who possess experience and skills in management of human and financial resources, experience in marketing and trade promotion activities, proficiency in a foreign language, communications skills, and proficiency in economic and political risk analysis. More information on these positions and application procedures may be obtained from the Personnel Office, U. S. Mission, Berlin, Room 1036, Building II, Clay Headquarters.

Free lessons by Rod and Gun Club

Learn a new skill at the Berlin Rod and Gun Club. Free Trap and Skeet lessons will begin this month. A short meeting to sign up for lessons will be held on Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the R&G Store at McNair. Shotguns are available, only charge is for ammunition and targets. A pistol instruction and competition group is also being formed. Instruction is free. Call Jon Weeks, at 819-6849 or 801-2241.

Upcoming MSAD events

Don't miss the best in home-style entertainment each Sunday at the Hi-Lite Recreation Center beginning at 2 p.m. with a special video film feature, plus Kool-Aid, coffee, and popcorn! Call 819-3554 for movie details.

On Sunday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and Sept. 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., McNair Photo Center will again offer the introduction to color class. This class is free, so sign up now.

All Wood Shop patrons will be required to present a valid qualification card to use power tools. These cards can only be obtained by attending a free safety and procedures briefing, to be offered weekly. Call 819-3544 for dates and times.

Federal Women's Lunchtime Program

Federal Women's Program (FWP) lunchtime program will be held on Thursday at Main Library Conference Room. Program subject is "Fulfillment of Your Expectations". Program includes film and discussion, and begins at 12:10 p.m. Open to the entire community. Just bring sack lunch and join in.

DYA activities

Preteen Dance tonight. Preteens, its time to tie on your dancing shoes for another preteen dance from 7-10 p.m., for ages nine to 12 years.

It's a Mad Hatters Party. Are you a preteen from six to nine years, and would like to look through Alice's looking glass? Come over to the DYAs Mad Hatters Party from 6 to 8 p.m. tomorrow, and bring your favorite hat.

Explore Berlin with ITT

ITT offers you the Pergamon and Soviet Military Museum in East Berlin, tomorrow. For an in-depth and personalized tour of these two unique museums, sign up at the ITT office in the Sports Center. Phone 819-6523 or 819-7189.

Come explore the past with ITT at the medieval village of Dueppel. Learn how the early Berliners lived, and how today's Berliners have created a living museum on the old foundations. It all happens on Sunday. Make your reservations at ITT in the Sports Center. Call 819-6523 or 819-7189.

For true bargain hunters markthalles are the answer. ITT offers you a new shopping experience, a visit to one of Berlin's largest markthalles in the Wedding district, on Tuesday. Sign up in person at ITT in the Sports Center. For more information, call 819-6523 or 819-7189.

something special

Oktoberfest begins today at 2 p.m. This volksfest-type of entertainment is set up at the Funkturm, in the back of Deutschlandhalle. Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3 p.m. to midnight, and on Wednesday and weekends the Oktoberfest opens at 2 p.m. Admission is DMI, and you can get there by U-Bahn, getting off at Kaiserdamm, from where BVG shuttle buses will take you to the Oktoberfest site, or you take buses 69, 4, 10, 65, 66, 92 or 94 to the "fest". Tomorrow, a "Brillant-Feuerwerk" (fireworks), beginning at 9:45 p.m., will be the attraction at the Oktoberfest.

The Pasadena Roof Orchestra is in town, performing at Joe's Biersalon, located on 225/226, Kurfürstendamm. Tonight's show begins at 8 p.m. and on Sunday three performances are scheduled, beginning at noon, at 4 and 9 p.m.

The Ungarischer Staatscircus is still in town throughout Sept. 27. Weekday performances begin at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m., and on Sunday at 2:30 and 6 p.m. The circus is at Lützowplatz, and you can get there by buses 16, 24, 29, and 69, or by U-Bahn to Nollendorferplatz. For information and tickets, please call 261-6739.

Care to see American movies in German? Capitol movie theater, located on 36, Thielallee shows "Little Big Man" tonight, "Manhattan" tomorrow, "Stardust Memories" on Monday, and "Death on the Nile", an English movie, on Tuesday. Performances begin daily at 6 and 8:30 p.m., with an additional show on Saturday at 10:45 p.m. Please note: the movie on Tuesday "Death on the Nile" has different show times, at 6 and 9 p.m. You can reach Capitol movie theater by buses 1, 10, 11, and 68 or by U-Bahn to Thielplatz. Tel: 832-8527.

An organ concert, presented by Wolfgang Auler on the Schnitger-Orgel, will be presented tomorrow at Charlottenburg Castle's Eosanderkapelle. Works by Frescobaldi, Buxtehude, Muffat, and others will be presented at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at ticket agencies.

Tomorrow, an organ vespers will be presented at Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtnis-Kirche (memorial church), located on Breitscheidplatz. Herbert Hooper from Miami plays works by Bach, Buxtehude, Franck, Frescobaldi, Hooper, Karg-Elert, Mozart and Rheinberger. Program begins at 6 p.m.

Tomorrow, German TV Program III (channel 31) offers "The Merchant of Venice", a drama by Shakespeare. This BBC production will be shown in its original English version, beginning at 9:35 p.m. On Thursday, also on Program III, "Jazz Festival, Hamburg 1979" will be on the screen, beginning at 10:55 p.m.

On Tuesday, Westdeutscher Rundfunk/Sender Freies Berlin present in connection with the Berliner Festwochen, a radio-telephone revue with many stars, and the Kölner Rundfunk-Orchester. The show is entitled "Donnerwetter, tadellos", and will be presented at the Grosser Sendesaal on 8-14, Masurenallee. DM3, 5, 7, and 10 tickets can be purchased at SFB-Pavillon on Theodor-Heuss-Platz, today, Monday, and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 5 p.m., or ticket agencies.

On Tuesday, Victor Borge will perform at the Philharmonie, starting at 8 p.m. The performance will be in English and reduced prices are being offered for U. S. Forces and U. S. Liaison Mission personnel (ID card holders). The reduced prices are DM 20 and DM 25 (regular: DM 40 and DM 50), and tickets are available at the ITT Ticket Office.

The British Center, located on 20, Hardenbergstrasse, offers a concert on Wednesday. Norbert Duka, and Phillip Moll present works by Koussevitzky, Wordsworth, Dragonetti, van Goens, Rachmaninoff, and Paganini. Curtain time is 8 p.m. DM5 tickets at the British Center. Tel: 31-0176.

On Thursday, the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Sir Charles Groves presents works by Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, Daniel Jones, Edward Elgar, and Johannes Brahms at the Grosser Sendesaal on 8-14, Masurenallee. Curtain time is 8 p.m., and DM3, 5, 7, and 10 tickets can be purchased at SFB-Pavillon on Theodor-Heuss-Platz, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 5 p.m., or ticket agencies.

Upcoming Events — The popular British Berlin Tattoo will be held at the Deutschlandhalle, Sept. 29 to Oct. 4. The Tattoo Office, is located at Hq. Berlin Infantry Brigade, Olympic Stadium on Hanns-Braun-Strasse. Tel: 309-5124, or 309-5429. The Chinese Ballet Taiwan, from the Cloud Gate Dance Theater of Taiwan will come to the Uraniahaus on Sept. 25 and 26; Mr. Acker Bilk and his Paramount Jazz Band, perform at Joe's Biersalon, Sept. 25, 26, 27, and 28, and the "Stars Of Faith" from Philadelphia will hit Berlin on their European Tour, on Sept. 30.

— Programs are subject to change —

Infantry SQT starts Monday

by Sue Sweeney

"That's a No-Go soldier," said the instructor. "You forgot to tilt the victim's head back when you gave him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. It's a good thing for you that this is just practice and not the real thing."

It's Skill Qualification time for the 11B's, 11H's, and 11C's of 3rd Battalion and even a few from 4th Battalion.

The soldiers will take the real test beginning Monday, so they spent a few days this past week practicing for it.

"SQT practice is really helpful," said PFC Richard Brunk, Company A, 3rd Battalion. "Monday I had three no-go's, and I had to study them. Today, I didn't have any no-go's at all."

The SQT is designed to test the soldiers on tasks that they are required to know for their job, and the NCO's from 3rd Battalion are conducting practice classes for the soldiers.

Besides their everyday training, each soldier will have spent at least 10 hours of intense practice before taking the test.

"This is the third time that I've taken an SQT," said Pvt. 2 Mark Smith, Company A, 3rd Battalion. "Each time that I practice though, I learn a little more and it makes it easier. I also study during my off-duty time."

"I study for about four hours each evening for this," said PFC Randy Keech, Company B, 4th Battalion. "Some of the test is going to be easy. For example, I work with mortars, so I already know what I need to know about them."

The soldiers train for about five hours a day at various training sites around McNair.

"The atmosphere around this training site is relaxed," said PFC Jeffrey McLaughlin, Company B, 4th Battalion. "I didn't get to take the SQT with my battalion; because, I hadn't been in the service long enough. At first, I was worried when they told me I would be training with 3rd Battalion, but the emphasis here is not on speed, but on accuracy and how well you do your job. When you make a mistake the NCO's go over it with you step by step."

"I like SQT practice," said PFC Mark Bowles, from Headquarters

and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion. "If I do well on the actual test it's worth lots of promotion points!"

Several of the soldiers admitted that they enjoyed parts of the SQT practice, but that some of it was really hard. For Brunk, working with the Dragon weapon was the hardest. He said that he did most of the other tasks regularly.

Smith thought that assembly and disassembly of the M16-A1 was fun, because the weapon was not as complicated as some. McLaughlin enjoyed the .45-caliber pistol task because the parts are small and intricate.

No matter which part of the SQT training soldiers enjoyed, they all admitted that each of the tasks were important.

"The SQT tests what you know about your job and how well you know it," said PFC Doug Huff, Company B, 4th Battalion. "It's a very important test and that's why practicing for it now is so important."



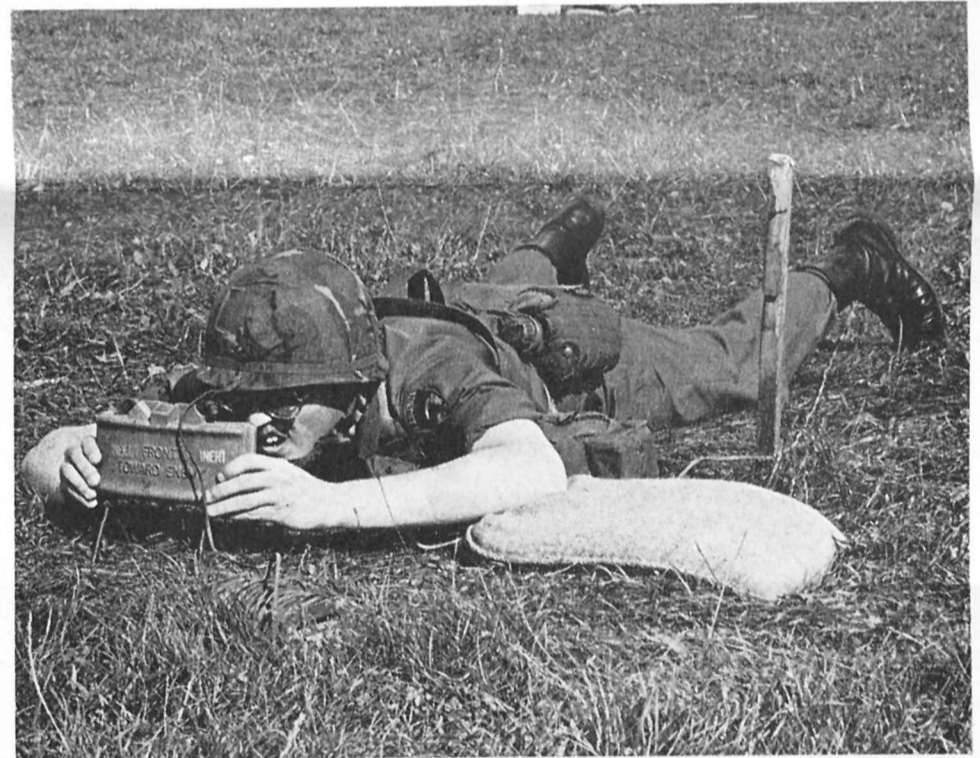
TAKING AIM — Pvt. 1 Nicholas Gomez aims a light anti-tank weapon during a SQT practice-session at McNair Barracks. This is but one of the many skills that an infantryman must know to pass his Skill Qualification Test.

(Photos by Jim Joerger)



PROTECTING THE WOUND — Sp4 Richard Rouse, Company A, 3rd Battalion, dresses a wound on Pvt. 2 Scott B. Asher as SSgt. Roger D.

Scroggins looks on. The 3rd Battalion was practicing for their upcoming Skill Qualification Test.



ON TARGET — PFC James A. Schleifer, Company C, 3rd Battalion, gets down low to aim a Claymore Mine

during the 3rd Battalion's training for their Skill Qualification Test.

First milestone in career

Soldiers compete for Expert Infantry Badge

by Sue Sweeney

Testing begins Monday for approximately 250 soldiers from 3rd Battalion competing for the Expert Infantry Badge.

The soldiers spent this past week preparing and training to take the test to earn this coveted award.

The prerequisites for taking the test are tough and demanding. The soldier must be qualified as an expert

with his individual weapon, have scored a 225 or above on the physical training test, completed a 12-mile road march in three hours, and negotiated day and night land navigation courses.

After meeting the prerequisites, the soldiers must complete the hands-on portion of the 11B Skill Qualification Test. Some of these tasks include probing for land mines, donning and clearing a protective mask within a

given time period, applying proper first aid measures, and assembly and disassembly of weapons.

Then soldiers must also take EIB 'round-out' tests. Some of these tests require the soldier to know the procedures in searching a Prisoner of War, calling for and adjusting indirect fire, movement under direct enemy fire, and firing during limited visibility.

"This is probably as difficult as any infantry merit badge," said one senior

NCO from 3rd Battalion. "It is prestigious badge because there are so many difficult tasks. The soldier who works hard enough to receive it can be proud of their accomplishment. It's a great feeling of pride to receive one."

"This is the first big milestone a young soldier, officer or enlisted, can meet during his career in the Army," said SFC John Lee, operations sergeant.

Engr. return, work continues

by R. Gibson

For many, the idea of going to the field brings to mind long hours, little sleep, and lots of hard work.

While in the field, the men long for the busy streets of the walled city, where you can shower every night, wear "civvies," get plenty of sleep, and enjoy a little night life.

These dreams overshadow the reality of what lays in store for all troops returning to Berlin from the Major Training Area...the Post MTA inspection.

The men of the 42nd Engineer Company, Combat Support Battalion, are no exception to that rule. They are, at present, preparing for their inspection, having just returned from Grafenwoehr, West Germany. The inspection is like a mini-AGI, which requires an awful lot of work.

According to Capt. Stephen R. Thomas, commander of the 42nd Engineers, in about two weeks, the Maintenance Division will inspect

about 25 percent of the vehicles that went to the field. Thomas also said that for the next two weeks, the officers and NCO's of the company will be inspecting various areas to include tools, barracks, and the troops themselves.

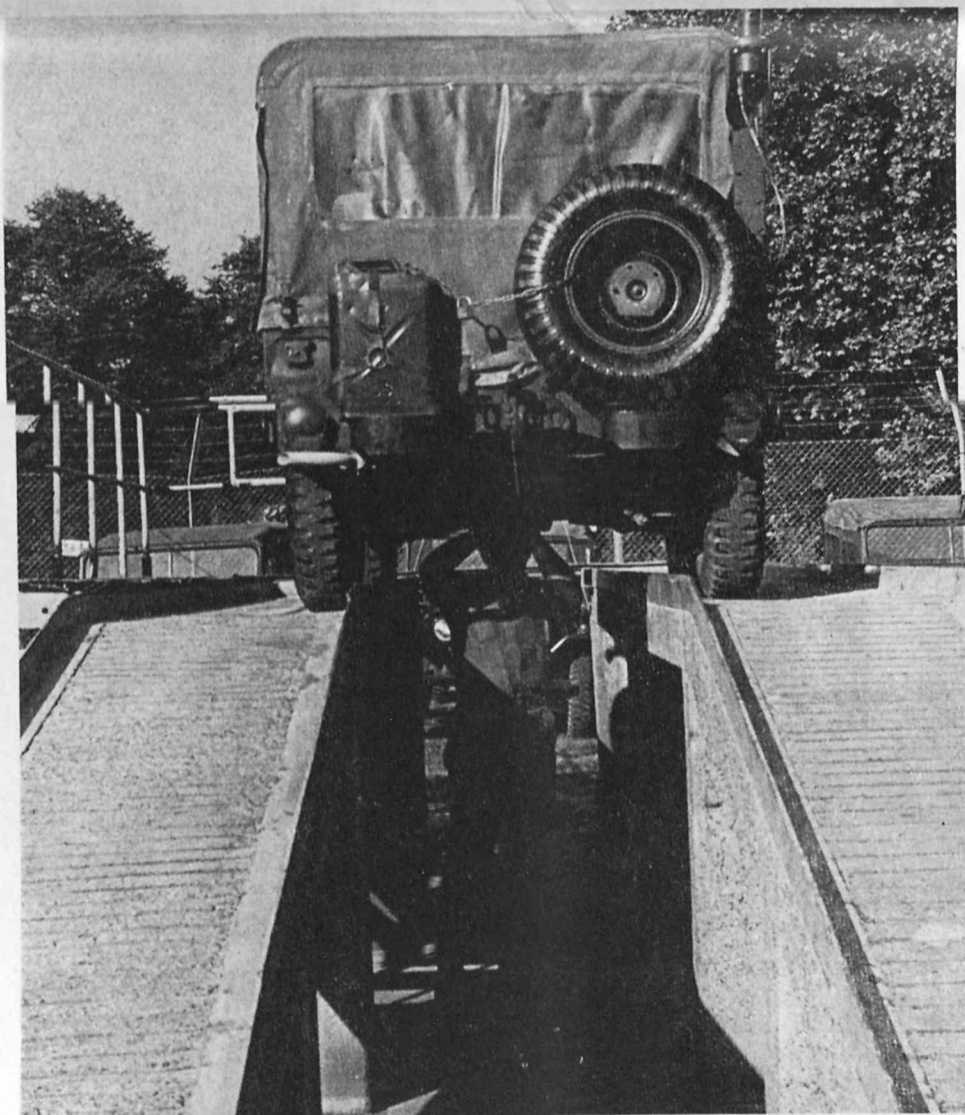
"Ten percent of the vehicles that will go through my pre-inspections will likely be deadlined," Thomas said. Some of the vehicles, he added, will be in need of repair parts, and higher echelon maintenance. Those vehicles will have the required paperwork done, or the parts put on order.

As for the men, it's a simple matter of work. The work doesn't stop when the "Graf dust" blows off their fatigues. According to Sp4 William Gritsons, jeep driver for the company executive officer, "There is a lot of work and cleaning up." When asked if he was glad to be back he replied, "Oh yeah, bigtime. After 40 days it's good to be back."



INVENTORY TIME — Sp4's Jesse Dixon (l), and Frank Palladini, 42nd Engineer Company, go through their tool box, checking for cleanliness and

accountability. It's all part of the preparation for the post-MTA inspection that will take place in just two short weeks.



FROM THE BOTTOM UP — Sp4 William Gritsons, 42nd Engineer Company, Combat Support Battalion, begins the recovery maintenance it

will take to keep his vehicle in top condition. Gritsons is the driver for the company's executive officer.

(Photos by R. Gibson)

Store best thing going for soldiers in field

by Sue Sweeney

Pickles, candy, soap, sardines, chewing tobacco, gum, and cookies are just a few of the many items that can be found on the shelves in 2nd Battalion's country stores.

Second Battalion, now in Wildflecken for training and various live-fire exercises, began the idea of country stores about two years ago. Because they proved to be a success, the stores are revitalized for every field training exercise.

Basically, the store exists for two reasons. The first is to offer the soldiers some items that they cannot get while in the field. The second, is that the profits are used for a company party that is held at the end of the field training.

Each company has its own store and competition to be the best, and the most widely patronized is tough. The food is bought from the commissary in Wildflecken, and whenever the stores are open, the line of soldiers waiting to buy the items is long.

"The soldiers really appreciate

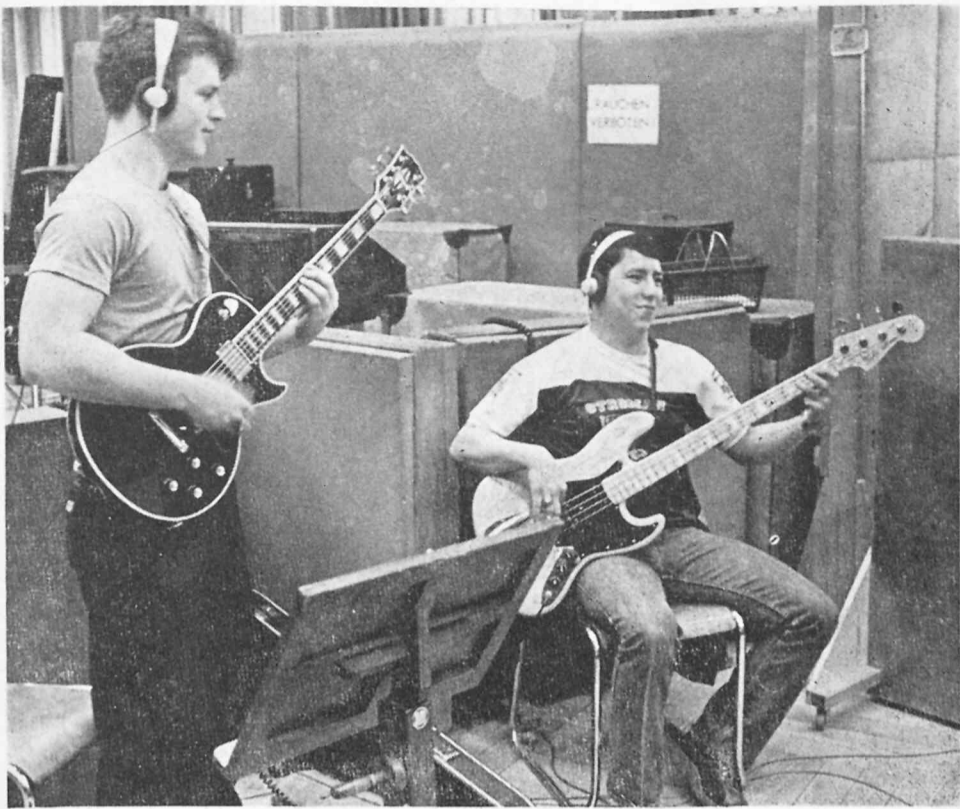
these stores," said SSgt. Matthew Collis, one of the patrons of Company C's store. "They are the best thing going out here. The soldiers come here to buy munchies, and take them out to the training areas for something to snack on."

"Cokes and other cold drinks are the fastest moving items," said Sp4 Ramsey Tercero, Headquarters and Headquarters Company storekeeper for the day.

The storekeeper for Company C's store estimated that about 250 soldiers come in the store each day. Tercero said that his company usually has to go to the commissary every other day to keep up with the soldiers' demands.

At the end of each major training exercise, the battalion usually has a party. Every time the soldiers buy something at the store, they know that the money will be used to buy them something for the party.

"We're really looking forward to the party," said Sgt. Donald Duke. "With all the money that the soldiers spend here, I'm sure we'll all be able to get steaks, and other good food for the party."



JAMMING — Sp4 Paul Connelly (l) and Sp5 James Ratliff, members of the Brandenburg Express, get ready

for a recording session in Rias, West Berlin. (Photo by Robert C. Fowler)



IN CONCERT — Members of the Jazz Combo (l-r); Sp5 James Stanley, Sp4 Michael Wholey, SSgt. Herbert

Hart, and Sp4 Willie Pollack, perform during a concert at Andrews Music and Theater Center.

(Photo by Robert C. Fowler)

Band—(Continued from Page 1)—

like this group because they enjoy jazz so much. The group has received great response."

There are only three members of the 298th that play in all the of the groups. — Sp5 James W. Ratliff plays electric bass; Sp5 James P. Stanley, Jr., plays percussion; and Sp5 Michael A. Seals, plays the keyboard.

"I definitely get a lot of playing done here," joked Stanley. "I really like to play in the Jazz Combo and the Stage Band, because I like jazz."

Stanley has a musical background as do all the members of the band. "I taught in high school and I also taught percussion at a junior college," said Stanley, a graduate of Western Michigan University.

"All of the members of an Army band come in under the 'Stripes for Skills' Program as PFC's," said Ratliff.

"I started playing piano in second grade and I'd played in the high school band," relates Sp5 Maxine K. Brighton. "I was a teacher, and one day a recruiter walked in. I decided to join the Army because I wanted to get better at playing the oboe and saxophone, and joining the band would give me the chance to practice."

On top of the soldiering skills and music playing, the E-5's and above in the company also have additional skills.

"We aren't authorized any overhead, so many of the band members are administration personnel, supply sergeants, or armorers for the company," explained Ratliff.

"Sure it's a lot of hours, but I really enjoy it. I like being visible and it's something that not many other people are doing," said Sp4 Doug J. Dzur. Clarinet and kazoo are his specialties.



PERFORMING — The saxophone section of the stage band, (l-r); Sp5 Greg Caceres, SSgt. Ralph Cuellar, SSgt. Herbert Hart, Sp5 Michael Car-

roll, and Sp4 Robert Brian, perform at the Strassenfest held at the Rathaus Zehlendorf.

(Photo by Robert C. Fowler)



SQUEEZE PLAY — Sp4 Willie Pollack, 298th Army Band, checks the blood pressure of Pvt. 2 Gerald R. Staudinger, Company C, 4th Battalion, while Sp5 Sandy Guivas, MED-

DAC, assists in the screening. During a Mass Casualty Exercise, patients are processed through the hospital smoothly, with the help of band members. (Photo by Sue Sweeney)

Unity week means togetherness

by R. Gibson

The second annual Berlin Unity Week is scheduled for Sept. 28 through Oct. 3. The theme, "Americans on Parade II," has been selected, and the week's events truly have something for everyone.

SFC Sam Allen, the brigade NCOIC Equal Opportunities Staff Office said that the idea started out small.

"We realized that when there was an ethnic week of some kind, either Black American Week or Hispanic American Week, the only people showing up at functions were members of that particular ethnic group.

"That isn't what those functions are for," continued Allen, "so we

just consolidated all the various ethnic weeks into one where all the members of all the ethnic groups could get together, and celebrate being Americans."

This year, the week will be divided in two phases. Phase I will begin Sept. 28 with huge ethnic displays, activities, and entertainment provided throughout the week at the All-American Recreation Center at McNair Barracks. There will be educational seminars conducted by the individual units and the EOSO.

On Sept. 28, beginning at 7 p.m. a Black heritage review will be held featuring Allen, who will give a lecture called the "Black Role Model, 1980's." At 7 p.m., Sept. 29, an American Indian Film Review, with Pau-

lette Crampton will be held at the recreation center. Crampton will be the featured speaker, and will show a film, called "Harvest of Shame — How the West Was won."

On Sept. 30, Hispanic Heritage Review will be hosted by Dr. Galdys A. Valcourt. The Hispanic-Latin variety band "Domingo" will provide entertainment following the seminar. A White Heritage Review will be held Oct. 1 and will feature the variety band "American Dream." The Asian Pacific Review will be featured Oct. 2. The Polynesian Review and the Samoa Mo Samoa who will hold some

traditional ceremonies to include the Passing of the Ava, during the evening festivities.

Oct. 3 has been named "Berlin Unity Day," and will round out the weeks activities. A parade, a good old fashioned flea market, a car show, football games, train rides for the children, musical entertainment, belly dances, shoot-outs, and a performance by the Berlin Brigade Drill Team are planned.

The day's activities will be topped off by a free international picnic which will feature food from the different ethnic groups.

Families attend picnic, many faiths represented

by Ruth Baja Williams

Two families sat next to one another on the sunny lawn at the Wannsee Recreation Center Sunday afternoon, enjoying a picnic. Though they were strangers, their conversation was friendly and relaxed.

On becoming better acquainted, they discovered that they attended the same chapel. The difference was that one family was Catholic, the other Protestant. While one family regularly attended Sunday morning worship service at 10:30 the other attended mass at noon. If not for Berlin's Community of Faith Ecumenical Picnic, these two families may never have met.

Members of all Berlin's chapels, representing all faiths, enjoyed an afternoon of good food, fun, and fellowship. There were games and prizes for children of all ages and the winning team of the adult tug-o'-war

received ITT tour tickets. The losing team "won" KP duty after the picnic.

The women of both the Catholic and Protestant congregations (the Sacred Heart Guild and the Protestant Women of the Chapel), members of the U.S. Hospital Staff, and the Aviation Detachment, all pitched in to insure that it was a fun-filled afternoon for all.

Providing the musical entertainment was the Catholic Folk Group which featured Rose Rogers on guitar.

Said Father (Lt. Col.) Walter G. Fagan enthusiastically, "This is fantastic! It is good for us to be here. It is great for the chapel-wide program."

Staff Chaplain Col. Joel E. Andrews, said, "This picnic was a great success. There were about 500 people here today, more than attended last year."

Hang glider, dancing featured at last week's hobby fair

by Sue Sweeney

A hang glider was one of the many special attractions at the Hi-Lite Recreation Center's Hobby Fair held Saturday.

The fair, which involved about 18 organizations, included displays from MSAD, the American Women's Club, the Boy Scouts of America, and the Red Cross.

"The hobby fair was designed to give every member of a family in the Berlin community a chance to

meet with other hobby enthusiasts," said Mary Almond, "Once they were all together, they could see what kinds of hobbies other people had, and could even sign up to take classes on a particular hobby."

Besides the hang glider, there was square dancing, video-cassette movies, jazz dancing, needlepoint, and weaving, just to mention a few.

"I felt the fair was successful," said Almond. "The visitors learned about what other people and Berlin has to offer them during their stay here."



FUN IN THE SUN — Members of the Berlin religious community gathered at the Wannsee Recreation Center Sunday to enjoy an afternoon of fun and relaxation. There were games

for young and old alike, and an abundance of good food and nice weather made the afternoon, a memorable experience.

(Photo by R. Gibson)

AFRTS plans 'live' sporting events despite satellite scheduling problems

The Defense Department is having problems booking satellite time to broadcast live sporting events to service members and their families stationed overseas.

In a message recently distributed to AFRTS facilities around the world, officials outlined some of the reason for the problems.

Due to increased recurring daily use of satellite time by the United States and foreign government, businesses and agencies, there is often no satellite access available for occasional users of the system like AFRTS.

Government and civilian organization who book satellite time on a recurring basis get priority treatment for circuits since they generate more revenue to owners of the satellite systems.

On occasion, it is possible to re-route a satellite feed to a different satellite. This is more costly and, recently, there have been technical

problems which have limited the number of satellite possibilities.

So, despite having funds available, the AFRTS Programming Center that handles the broadcast set-up, often finds itself out in the cold when attempting to book a live sporting event for broadcast overseas.

Officials still hope to carry 35 to 40 events during the fiscal year which begins in October and are working on a long range system to have their own satellite network available, which would eliminate scheduling conflicts. However, there is no firm date set for final implementation of this plan.

Despite the problems, officials are going ahead with preparations for live coverage of NFL games, to include the Super Bowl, and the upcoming World Series. Everyone concerned, from planner to viewer, hopes the satellite scheduling and technical problems can be overcome.

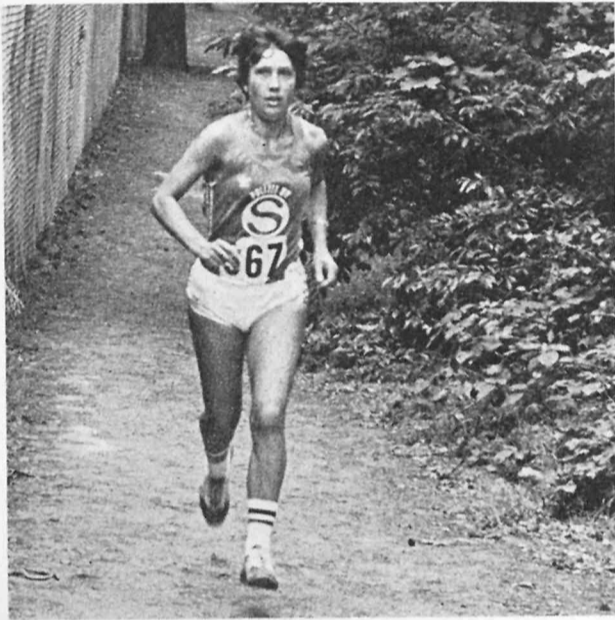
Hundreds enjoy running for fun

by Jim Joerger

Over 500 people participated in the Fun Run Saturday, with runners of all ages showing strong determination to either win, or finish their event.

In the 10-and-under, 1,000-meter competition, Cris Griffard finished first in the girl's category with a time of 5:45 while Chris Boniface won the boy's event in 4:24.

In the 2,000-meter, 11 to 14-year-old category, Kathryn Eichler came across the finish line in 10:15 to win the girl's competition. Kevin Kelley won for the boy's in 7:52.



LEADING THE WAY — Giesla Stark led the way in the women's 4,000-meter run, finishing with a time of 14:29. There were over 500 people who competed in the Saturday's Fun Run.

The women's 4,000-meter run was won by Giesla Stark in the 40-and-over category with a time of 14:29. Carol Cox took the women's 30 to 39-year-old competition in 17:07, and Rente Allopi finished first in the 19 to 29 age group with a time of 18:22.

Chris Heine won the women's 10,000-meter run with a time of 43:08.

There were over 150 participants in the men's 10,000-meter run. The winning time of 35:59 for the 19 to 29 age category belonged to Helmuth Andres. Douglas Davis finished second, and August Jacob came in third.

The fastest man in the 10,000 meters was Michael Heina who ran the course in 34:07 to win the 30-39 age group competition. Bernd Hubener came in second and Michael Peters finished third.

The Winner in the 40-and-over competition was Ralf Bochtoder, who ran an impressive 36:37. Klaus

Draheim and Hans-George Stark finished second and third, respectively.

The competition in the U.S. Army team run was among the stiffest of the day. Lining up the 33 teams entered, proved to be a chore in itself for Col. David H. Harris, deputy brigade commander, who fired the starting pistol to send the teams off, each with their own strategy on how to win.

The 3rd Battalion had entered 26 of the 33 teams, and felt they had the best opportunity to win. Anxious spectators who waited at the finish line to see who would come in first were treated to a spectacular finish, as team No. 7 of Company A, 3rd Battalion squeezed out a victory in 43:49. Company C, 4th Battalion crossed with a time of 44:00 to take runner-up honors.

Brig. Gen. John E. Rogers, community commander, presented trophies to the first, second, and third place finishers following each event. All finishers received a certificate of participation.



OFF AND RUNNING — The 33 teams that competed in the U. S. Army team run, take off from the starting line on their way through a grueling

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sports shorts

Berlin race set

The Berlin Marathon, sponsored by the Charlottenburg Sports Club, takes place Sept. 27. The marathon starts at the Reichstag and finishes at the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church.

The American community is invited to take part in the race, and the registration cost of DM 18 will be reimbursed by MSAD to eligible runners.

Transportation to the starting point and back will be provided for all U.S. Army personnel, family members, and DoD civilians participating in the 1981 Berlin International Marathon.

The transportation pick-up points are the Andrews Gymnasium at 7 a.m., McNair Gymnasium at 7:15 a.m., and the Berlin Brigade Sports Center at 7:30 a.m. For additional information call 6768 or 6168.

Orienteering meet scheduled

The 1981, USAREUR Invitational Orienteering Meet, will be held in Kaiserslautern Sept. 26. The international sports of orienteering is a combination running-map reading activity, requiring the use of a compass.

According to outdoor recreation officials of 1st Personnel Command, the one-day meet is open to all active duty U.S. Army personnel in Europe.

Competition over the four-mile course is scheduled in four separate divisions, and will start at 11 a.m. A pre-tournament meeting starts at 10 a.m.

Individuals needing additional information can call Dan Gasparino, Rheinau Military (2136-) 6191 or 7677. (EURNEWS)

USAB cross country championships

The 1981, USAB Cross Country Championships, will be held on Oct. 1 at 2 p.m., starting and finishing at the Sports Center Gym. Each major unit will be allowed to enter one ten-member team in this 10,000-meter event. Major units will also be allowed to enter a ten-woman team that will compete separately for awards. This event will decide the community championship. The top individual finishers will be selected to represent Berlin in USAREUR competition. Contact your A & R NCO for further information.

DYA letters available

The DYA Sports Office has received a back shipment of the Berlin participation "B's" and inserts.

These "B's" stand for Berlin, and are given to children and coaches who have participated in the DYA Sports Program. Any child or coach who has participated in the sports program, and has not received a "B," can pick one up at the DYA Sports Office between 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Gymnastics classes begin

The DYA will hold registration for Beginner's Gymnastics Classes, Monday through Friday, for all DYA members, ages 6-12.

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Class size is limited to seven per class, and the cost is \$17.50 per child. For more information contact the DYA Sports Office at 6247.

Fly fishing course offered

U. S. Forces fishermen who want to learn the finer points of fly fishing should plan on taking one of the three-day, weekend courses being offered during October at the Kyll stream near Bitburg/Eifel.

According to hunting and fishing officials of 1st Personnel Command, the courses feature practical instruction on casting techniques, use of nymphs, dry flies, etc. Students are given ample time to pit their new found skills against wily trout in the Kyll stream.

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Basketball tryouts

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