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AMEXCO protest may cause delay of bank take over

by Chris Allbright
Community writer

The take over of military banking services by Merchants National Bank and Trust Co. has been challenged by American Express Co., and as a result may delay the expected switch, according to reports.

The formal protest was filed this week in Washington, D.C. after "deficiencies in the Department of Defense process" was cited by AMEXCO.

What that means locally is little, according to a Berlin finance officer speaking for the Assistant Chief of Staff, Resource Management, Lt. Col. Eric Kunz, the command's banking liaison.

"Whether Merchants is finally awarded the contract by the General Accounting Office or American Express keeps the current contract, the individual customer will notice little change in services," the spokesman said.

Because DOD defines the boundaries of services the banks can provide, the change in banks will not mean a change in the way "the community bank" operates.

The GAO process to review complaints will take 90 days "moving as fast as it possible can," and if a decision is made for Merchants, the Indiana-based bank has 120 days to take over the 134 facilities in Germany, the Netherlands and Greece.

Another finance officer said that the change will be in name only, but that Merchants may provide a more technically advanced institution.

That has its good and bad points, he said in an interview last week.

Having Merchants provide more teller machines, for instance, is one good thing.

The "bad point" is that the days of "floating checks" may be over.

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Chris Allbright

Parents and students assemble at Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School for opening day festivities. The Berlin Brigade Band musically welcomed students to school. Principal Boyce Winchester introduced the administrative staff before ringing the bell to declare summer at an end. The day had mixed reactions. For more photos and a story from the first day, see page 12.

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Commentary

American risks slips of tongue for contact's sake

Testing linguistic waters has amusing results

by Wendy Grossman
Education stringer

As I surged towards the restrooms, I halted only momentarily before the designated doors. New to the country and to the language, I was reassured by the familiarity of the two choices facing me. Lacking the whimsically idiot-proof and internationally-recognized male and female figures, the German language equivalents appeared sufficient to direct any desperate female to her destination. I confidently barged ahead and was quite surprised to find what was hiding behind door number one. Needless to say, the man standing at the urinal was a bit surprised himself!

First lesson

I quickly learned my first German lesson. *Herren* does not mean Hers, and *Damen* does not mean "da Men's."

This was not to be the last of my ignominious encounters with the German language. Fighting my initial reticence, I became increasingly brave in conversation. Not discouraged by the blank looks on the faces of those Germans I chose to test my newly acquired linguistic skills on, I went to a department store to buy a new bed. Finding only bedframes on display, I told the saleswoman, in my best *Deutsch*, that I was not interested in a bed without a mattress. An amused and sympathetic bystander couldn't resist. "Excuse me," he politely offered in English heavily dosed with German, "but a bed *vzout* a *Matratze* is what you mean to *zay*. A bed *vizout* a sailor (*Matrose*) is what you did *zay*."

Making minor slips

Making minor slips of the tongue can cause more than just amusement. *Überbringen* means "to bring to, to hand over," *umbringen* means "to kill." Thinking I was innocently offering to bring the salt over to a stranger in a restaurant, I was quite taken back by the look of horror on

his face. The entire room fell into a tense silence. I had threatened to kill the poor guy!

These are just a few in a long series of *faux pas* from my years living in Berlin. After turning every conceivable shade of red and vowing never to let another syllable of German escape my lips, I eventually overcome my embarrassment enough to laugh at myself and share the joke with others.

Reasons to learn

By learning to speak German, not only have I gotten to know new people and a new culture, but now I can even make a fool of myself in more than one language!

You, too, can learn to make a fool out of yourself in many languages.

Opportunities are numerous here in Berlin—command-sponsored courses in German on all levels of proficiency are offered by the Language Branch of the G3 Education Division and the University of Maryland. In addition, the Language Branch sponsors four language laboratories located at the Clay Headquarters Compound, Andrews Barracks, McNair Barracks, and the Army Hospital.

Help is here

These labs offer a unique opportunity to learn a variety of foreign-languages on a self-paced study program. Qualified instructors provide instructional guidance. Check with the Language Branch at BM 6605, a language laboratory, or an education center for more information.



"A good camouflage job, besides offering concealment, also makes a great dinner salad."

The Observer salutes supply units

The Berlin *Observer* salutes the 287th Military Police Company and Helmstedt Support Detachment who tied as winners for the "Berlin Brigade Best Unit Supply"

for the second quarter of fiscal year 1987. The supply sergeants were SSgt. Ronald Parrett, 287th, and SP4 Isaac Perez.

Observations

"Should children with AIDS be allowed to attend public schools?"



Mertis Brown, family member: "Yeah, they shouldn't isolate them. They are kids just like the rest of them. You just can't keep kids away from other kids."



SSgt. Ricky Young, HHC, 6th Bn.: "Sure. It's no different than any other disease. Are you going to keep them out of school for having cancer or because their parents had VD at one time? All it is is prejudice."



CWO3 David Laufer, U.S. Army Aviation Detachment: "Absolutely, I believe they should be. I don't think children should be persecuted for something they have no control over."



Delby Ech, family member: "Yes, I do. Everybody deserves the right to attend school. It's the American way."



Melody Lawson, family member: "Yes, why not? It's not the kids' fault. The only way they can get it is through blood; it's not something that's his fault. I'd let my kid go."

Group aids forces exchange

by Chris Allbright
Community writer

Track meets, orienteering runs and the other year-round friendly competitions between German policemen and American soldiers don't just happen in Berlin. The events are organized by a special 15-member committee, whose job it is to see that Berlin police and American soldiers meet under happy circumstances as well as the normal police-soldier meetings.

West Berlin/U.S. Forces Activity is made up of seven senior command and eight Polizei officials.

"The primary purpose of the committee is to work in those areas that contribute to better contact, better relations and better understanding between Berlin police and U.S. forces here," said committee co-chairman, Col. Michael D. Collins.

"There's a cross section of the command involved. That makes for an excellent makeup," Collins said.

The committee, which was started in the mid 1970s, doesn't get involved with official police activities, but they do get involved with social, recreational and educational activities.

"There are some social meetings between the senior folks. There's also many activities that are sponsored at the policeman-soldier level. Those range anywhere from track meets, cross country runs or orienteering runs to bowling or golf," Collins said.

The Polizei also participate in such command events as brigade runs, Organization Day and a special Polizei orientation day, held Thursday.

For the sports events, Polizei and soldiers are on mixed teams.

"We try to get them to intermingle in order to get to know and understand each other through the spirit of sports, which means teamwork, competition and camaraderie," said outgoing committee sports organizer, Don Carter of the Community Recreation Division.

"We're not out to see if the Americans can beat the Germans. We're out to compete together to learn and understand each other in the process," Collins said.

Many soldiers also compete for the German Sports Medal.

"You have to do five different events to earn it, so it's

very important to the policemen. They provide the testers, graders and coaches to our soldiers who compete for it. It's something we do together," Collins said.

More than 200 soldiers this year have qualified for the medal, Collins said.

"I wouldn't say it's really hard to get, but it does take a little bit of effort. You have to compete in sports in many categories. While you may be a good runner, you may not be a good swimmer. While you may be a good swimmer, you may not be good at running or throwing weights," Collins said.

The Polizei are invited to many command activities during the year.

"Anytime we have an activity that is conducive to the police participating we do that to foster a better knowledge and understanding of each other," Collins said.

For June's Organization Day, the Polizei trick motorcycle team performed and they had a mobile equipment display going around to the different units after the awards ceremony.

The display included water cannons, riot gear and other weapons. Soldiers and family members got to see what the Polizei use to complete their mission.

"We're in an environment of a major city of 2 million people where we are forced to come together a lot. It's to our mutual benefit to know each other, and understand each other the best we can," Collins said.

Each year, the U.S. command sponsors an orientation day and invites German police units to see what soldiers go through here.

"We have 75 policemen here, and they spend all day with us. We give them a briefing and an orientation. We divide them up into three groups and take them out to Parks Range and Kerrans Range to a weapons demonstration," Collins said.

The Polizei get to shoot U.S. machine guns, rifles and pistols.

"The committee is very active, and in my view has a tremendously positive impact at all levels. At the very senior level and all the way down to the policeman-soldier level where there are lots of opportunities for contact together... It's an very active committee and one that serves a very useful purpose," Collins said.

Honored director hosts free concert

The Berlin Brigade Band is hosting Dr. William Revelli in the city during his three day stay to work with the band. Revelli arrived in Berlin Thursday evening, and will be leaving on Monday.

Revelli is in Europe at the request of CINCEUR to work with all eight U.S. Army bands in USAREUR, and will rehearse with the band culminating in a free concert at the Mexico Platz at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Revelli began the instrumental music program at Hobart High School, Hobart, Ind., and developed the program into a six-time national championship high school band.

In 1936 Revelli went to the University of Michigan as the Director of Bands and Chairman of the Wind Instrument Department, where he remained for 36 years until his retirement in 1971. When Revelli arrived at Michigan, there was one band and one instructor—himself. By the time he retired, Revelli had built the program into seven bands (over 500 members), and a nationally recognized staff of 15.

In 1961 the University of Michigan Symphony Band traveled to the Soviet Union, Greece, Turkey, Jordan, Cyprus, Lebanon, Romania and Poland during a 16-week, 88 concert tour sponsored by the U.S. Department of State.

During annual trips throughout the U.S., Revelli held concerts in over 30 states. In 1971, the final tour before his retirement, Revelli and the Michigan Symphony Band toured Europe with concerts in England, France, Germany and Italy, ending his touring career with a concert in New York's Carnegie Hall.

Revelli founded the College Band Directors National Association and is the Honorary Life President. He is also the past president of the American Bandmasters Association and is the Honorary Life Grand President of Kappa Kappa Psi.

Air Force hosts anniversary ball

The Air Force's military ball celebrating its 40th anniversary will be 6:30 p.m. Sept. 18 in B-Halle, Tempelhof Central Airport.

Bus transportation will be provided from the housing areas and a schedule will be released next week, according to a TCA public affairs spokesman.

Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by a 7 p.m. dinner and dancing at 9 p.m. Dress will be "mess dress" or equivalent.

Tickets are on sale at the Columbia House, BM 5081, or the Club Silver Wings, BM 5318. Cost is \$10.

Protest

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For those who send checks stateside expecting to get the money in the account before the check clears may be surprised if Merchants is on-line with other banks and has the original check processed within a short period of time.

Rumors that the bank will close during the possible transition time is inaccurate, because Merchants would be using the same employees and the same facilities already in operation.

But the fact that Merchants is a "regular bank" with 114 branches in Indiana may offer customers something American Express can't, according to the finance spokesman.

"Because Merchants is a commercial bank, they're

looking at a long-term client relationship. For instance, when you go back to the states, within 90 days you have to close your account with American Express. You never have to close your account with Merchants," the finance officer said.

Other facts known at this time include:

- AMEXCO checks could be used until they run out if there is a switch;
- the transition would be no-cost to the customer;
- customers would probably use the same account numbers;
- Merchants would assume all accounts including loans; and
- the green dancing frogs Merchants uses in advertising would not make the trip overseas.

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American paddlers survive British raft race

Sabotage, sinking highlights raft day

Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn would have envied the crafty rafts entered in the British Forces 1987 Berlin Boat and Raft Race held Monday at the Lieper Bucht opposite Lindenwerder Island on the Havelchaussee side. Their river raft might have been sturdier than others.

"Last year the raft was built for speed," 6th Battalion's 2nd Lt. Paul Sabin said before the race. The craft was destroyed by saboteurs before that race began.

"This year our raft is defensive in nature. Our main objective is to survive the race and to not have our flag taken," he said. The 6th Battalion's raft was made of steel barrels and wooden pallets. Camouflage netting was draped over the craft, the American flag and a skull and cross bones pirate flag flew from masts and the raft was christened the *U.S.S. Ollie North*.

"If you look at it, it's a little crooked," Sabin said about the chosen name. The 6th Battalion paddled and defended their raft for a "best construction" trophy. Sabin estimated that 20 hours were used to complete its construction.

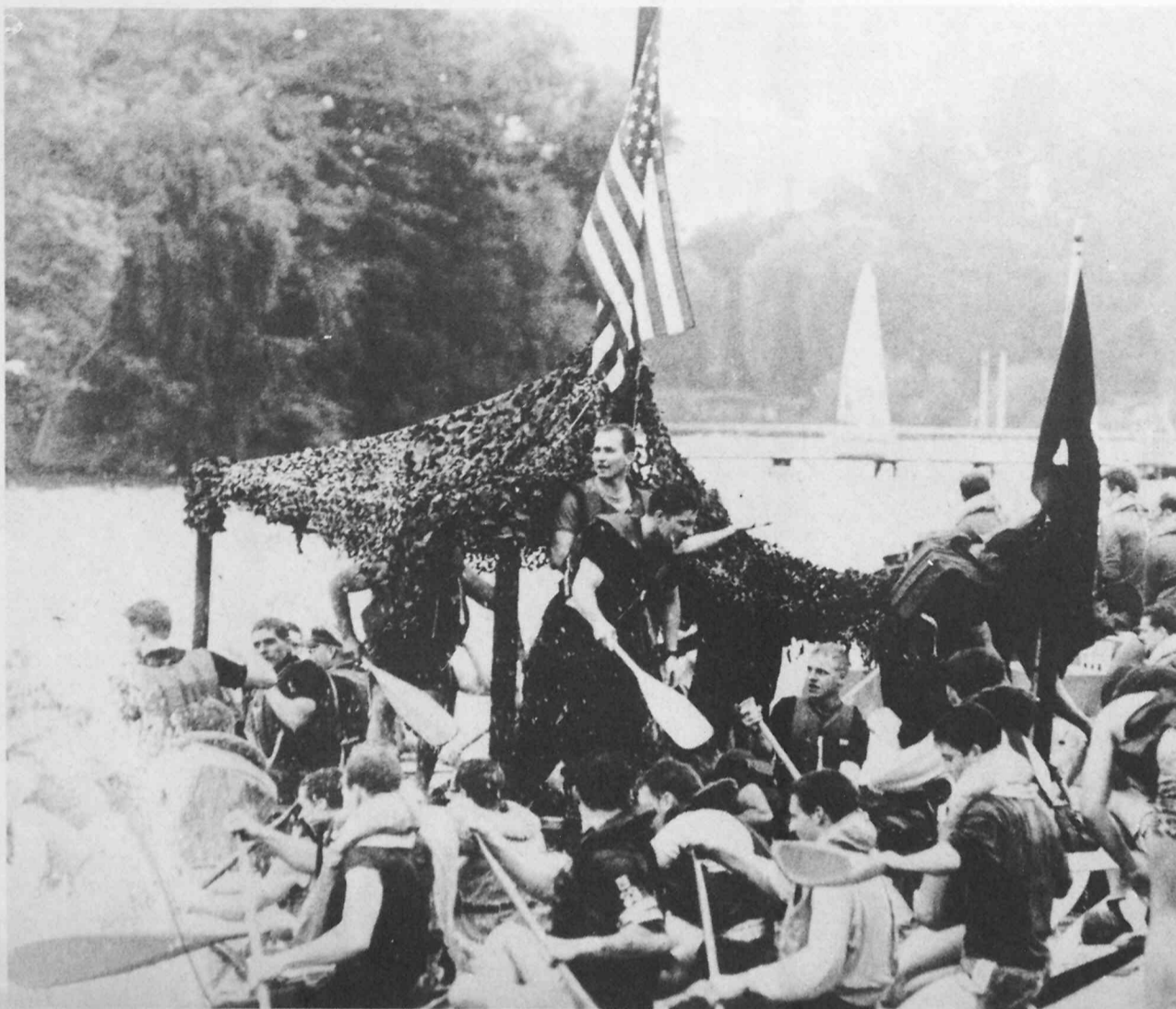
The 4th Battalion led by 1st Lt. Fred Graboyles whipped together a raft with steel drums wrapped by steel belts on the morning of the race and christened it the *U.S.S. Swift Strike*.

"We're not out here to win," Graboyles said. "I think we'll stay afloat." The raft did stay up while other more colorful ones sank to Davy Jones's locker. The Combat Support Battalion entered a raft powered by bicycle pedaling and named it, *The Unsinkable*. It didn't sink but steering looked difficult.

The actual raft race had about 20 rafts pitted against each other. The task was for the rafts to paddle out to a point approximately 100 meters out, circle a buoy and return.

After a false start and several of the floaters getting lost at sea, the real race was begun and the Grand Engineering Section of the Royal Air Force took the race on a raft built like a train, colored blue with a face like a moon. It was their third straight victory. The prize, to keep the same plaque and have their name engraved under their other two wins.

While the raft race is perhaps the most popular and



The 6th Battalion's raft entry, the *U.S.S. Ollie North*, gets surrounded by a swarm of rafts. The troops did their job and didn't let the flag be taken as they won the trophy for best construction.

colorful event of the day, it was only a small part of the whole occasion. One event was called "walking on water." Contestants in this event had to walk on floats from a barge out in the water to the shore edge. This event had many winners and losers; losers decided on their falling in the water.

The King's Own Scottish Border, Headquarters Company won the more serious race of the day. The six-man KOSB team paddled a steel boat against several other boats to win the race. As in the raft race, the boat had to

paddle out to a distance, turn around and race back. The West Berlin Police came in second in that race and the 2nd Royal Military Police took third place.

Though much of the day's battling was on the water, a lot of action was on the shore as more than one thousand eggs were tossed and sabotage seemed to be a sideline contest. When the day was over, plans for next year's raft construction were already being talked about and many new friends were made.



Carolin Glower trudges across the water in her boat shoes.



That sinking feeling . . . one of the British fleet flounders in water. Several rafts sunk during the race, as some the victims of sabotage and others because of unseaworthy construction.

Photos by Larry Lane



Steppin' out

Art fair offers classic modern crafts

by Helga Haftendorn
Cultural events editor

Spandauer Kunstmarkt

On Saturday, an art market will be set up around St. Nikolai Church in Spandau. On display and for sale will be watercolors, batik, collages, graphic art, oil paintings, dolls, ceramics, hand-woven art, silhouettes, steel and wooden art.

The hours for this one-day sale are from noon-7 p.m. The market will be set up at Reformationsplatz, St. Nikolai Church and Spandau Altstadt.

An entertainment program begins at 11:45 a.m. with a bagpiper presentation. Also part of the day's program will be music presented by the group "I Millantatori," an exhibition by Norbert Wirth, art by and with children, and for relaxation, a coffee room and wine garden.

Around Reformationsplatz, folklore from Kurdistan can be enjoyed with a dancing group performing from 1:30 p.m. At 3 p.m., "Musik der Renaissance" will have music of the 16th century on the program, played on historical instruments.

Also at 3 p.m., an exhibition of drawings and collages by Norbert Wirth will be opened at the Haus der kleinen Künste on No. 7 Reformationsplatz. This exhibition can be seen until Oct. 2 from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, and 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

While at No. 7 Reformationsplatz, visitors might want to attend a meeting held at the wine garden. Here, members of the Spandau Poet-Podium will read from their own works at 4 p.m. At the same place, Peter Siche and Holger Hoffmann will present medieval and contemporary love songs in a program beginning at 5 p.m.

From 11 a.m.-7 p.m., visitors will find an "open church" at St. Nikolai on 8 Reformationsplatz. Here guided tours will be conducted as required.

At St. Nikolai's Kaffeestube, "Kunst für Kinder und mit Kindern" will be open to the visitor from noon-7 p.m. to look at art for and with children.

To get to the Spandau Kunstmarkt take U-Bahn line 7 and get off at station Altstadt Spandau.

"Schollenfest '87"

How about an excursion to the North of Berlin, the Waidmannsluster Damm, to join a "Schollenfest"? This is a colony fest, which will be celebrated in the area called "Siedlung Freie Scholle," translated into something like "colony independent soil."

The fest runs until Sunday and opens daily at 2 p.m. There is no admission charge for the fun for the whole family. Visitors can enjoy rides, such as "Tarantella" and "Jumbo-Jet," merry-go-rounds, autoscooters, as well as children's rides and swings. You can win in a raffle, enjoy all the different booths set up on the fest grounds, or have some culinary specialties at the "Schwarzwaldhaus."

On Saturday, a big music show will be going on from 5:30 p.m. at the "Rodelbahn," the toboggan run, located in Steinberg Park on Waidmannsluster Damm. Enjoy music by the Majorettenkorps from Hannover, Neustadt am Rübenberge, and the waving of flags by the Berliner Fahnenchwinger. The day will be rounded out with a big fireworks display, beginning at 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's program begins at 9 a.m. with a "Korsofahrt," a youth parade, where the young ones will be showing their bicycles, doll's prams and paddle cars. A prize will be waiting for the winner of this parade. At 2 p.m., another festive parade, entitled "750 Jahre Ber-



"Hair," the world-famous Broadway musical will come to the ICC, Sept. 25. This guest performance will be presented in the original English version at 8 p.m. Tickets range from DM 20-42, and can be purchased at any downtown ticket agency; or ITT.

lin" can be watched in the streets of Waidmannslust district, and at 8 p.m. a torch parade begins, going around the area of "Siedlung Freie Scholle."

To get to "Festplatz Steinberg Park," take the U-Bahn to Tegel and from there Bus 20 to the fest grounds.

Zehlendorf fest

Zehlendorf is district number 11 to celebrate Berlin's 750th anniversary with a fest. It officially begins on Sunday and runs until Sept. 13.

The name "Cedelendorf" first appeared on records in 1242, and today, the Dorfaue on Teltower Damm is still showing evidence of the ancient village green. Of significance for the district's development from a farm village to a residential area was the Great Emperor's, Friedrich Wilhelm, decision in 1660 to nominate Potsdam, besides Berlin, as second residence. Thus, Zehlendorf was on the way between the two residential cities.

Greater Berlin's 10th administrative area was formed in 1920 by merging four villages, three places, several farms, village communities, and forrest areas. Today, parks, waters and forests still take up more than half of the district's area, and this not only makes the district one of the most preferred residential, but also one of the most favorite excursion areas.

Some of the district's most renowned places are Grunewald, Wannsee Lake and Beach, Havel River, and beautiful Peacock Island.

Zehlendorf not only has scenic attractions, but also famous museums, the Domäne Dahlem, and the castles in Glienicke and on Peacock Island. Zehlendorf is furthermore the center point for research and education with the Free University of Berlin in Dahlem, the Hahn-Meitner Institute in Wannsee, and the Aspen-Institute on Schwanenwerder.

A photo exhibition, giving an impression on Zehlendorf's scenic attractions will be opened today at the

Rathausfoyer, located on 1-3 Kirchstrasse. The hours are 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday to Friday until Sept. 25, and admission is free.

"Mittelalterliche Markttag," medieval market days will be celebrated at Domäne Dahlem, located on 49 Königin-Luise Strasse, Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m., Wednesday from 1 p.m., and Sept. 12 and 13 from 11 a.m. On these days, a Market of the Middle Ages will be set up on the grounds of Domäne Dahlem. Here, workmen like blacksmiths, basket and broom makers will be showing their skills, and musicians will be entertaining the public with dances and songs of the 13th and 14th century.

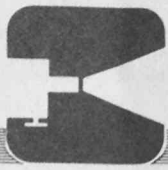
On Sunday, there will be an inaugural ceremony at Mexikoplatz, the place that was reconstructed according to historical standards. A Strassenfest celebrating this event will be held 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the place with much music, dance and entertainment.

Another Strassenfest with music and dance in front of the district's townhall will be held 4-8 p.m., Sept. 10. This fest has been dedicated to Zehlendorf's partner cities and besides much entertainment, there will be specialties for gourmets from Israel, Italy, Sweden and Westfalia, where the district's partner cities are coming from. The fest's site is Martin-Buber Strasse, corner of Kirchstrasse.

At Strandbad Wannsee, a beach party will be celebrated, Sept. 12, beginning at 2 p.m., and a festive parade can be joined going from Museumsdorf Düppel to Rathaus Zehlendorf, Sept. 13 at 2 p.m.

Rounding out the district's festivities held in connection with Berlin's 750th anniversary will be a "Historisches Dorffest." This historical village fest will be celebrated Sept. 13 from 2-10 p.m. around Zehlendorf's town hall.

Visitors can reach the Rathaus, the center of all the festivities, by S-Bahn to Zehlendorf, or Bus 1, 53 or 60.



On the screen

Sept. 4-10

Outpost — Clayallee (6524)

Fri. **The Allnighter** (PG-13), 19:30
Sat. Special Matinee: **Hercules—The Movie** (G), 14:00
Sat. **Gardens Of Stone** (R), in Dolby stereo, 18:30 and 20:45
Sun. Same show as above, 14:00 and 19:30
Mon. Same show as above, 19:30
Tue. **Street Smart** (R), in Dolby stereo, 19:30
Wed. Same show as above, 19:30
Thu. **The Gate** (PG-13) in Dolby stereo, 19:30

Columbia — Tempelhof (5522)

Fri. **Platoon** (R), 19:30
Sat. Disney's **The Aristocats** (G), 19:30
Sun. **Extreme Prejudice** (R), 19:30
Mon. Same show as above, 19:30
Tue. Same show as above, 19:30
Wed. **Solarbabies** (PG-13), 19:30
Thu. **The Allnighter** (PG-13), 19:30

Coliseum — McNair Brks. (3131)

Fri. **Police Academy 4** (PG), 19:30
Sat. **Project X** (PG), 19:30
Sun. Same show as above, 14:30 and 19:30
Mon. Same show as above, 19:30
Tue. **Malone** (R), 19:30
Wed. Same show as above, 19:30
Thu. **Platoon** (R), 19:30

Andrews — Barracks (3538)

Fri. **Tin Men** (R), 18:30
Sat. **Secret Of My Success** (PG-13), 18:30
Sun. **Early Bird Show: Raising Arizona** (PG-13), 01:00
Sun. **Secret Of My Success** (PG-13), 18:30
Mon. Same show as above, 18:30
Tue. **Starship** (PG), 18:30
Wed. —closed—
Thu. **Police Academy 4** (PG), 18:30

Jerboa — Theodor-Heuss-Platz

Fri. **The Secret Of My Success** (PG), 19:30
Sat. Children's Matinee: **Cry Wolf** (G), 10:00
Sat. **The Secret Of My Success** (PG), 19:30
Sun. Same show as above, 19:30
Mon. **The Holcroft Covenant** (R), 19:30
Tue. **House** (R), 19:30
Wed. Same show as above, 19:30
Thu. —closed—

Astra — RAF Gatow compound

Fri. **Labyrinth** (G), 19:30
Sat. Children's Matinee: **Arabian Adventure** (G), 14:00
Sat. **Labyrinth** (G), 19:30
Sun. **Target** (R), 19:30
Mon. Same show as above, 19:30
Tue. **Runaway Train** (X), 19:30
Wed. —closed—
Thu. **Runaway Train** (X), 19:30

— German theaters downtown, playing movies in the original English version —

Studio

— 71, Kurfürstendamm
Tel. 324-5003

Daily at 17:45, 20:00 and 00:30 — **Something Wild**, also daily at 22:15 **The World According To Garp**.

Odeon

— 116 Hauptstrasse, Schöneberg
Tel. 781-5667 from 5 p.m.
— Take U-Bahn to Innsbrucker Platz —

Daily performances of the new James Bond movie **007: The Living Day Lights** at 17:45, 20:30, and 23:15, Sat. and Sun. also at 15:00.

AFN-TV

Sept. 4-10

Friday
06:00 NBC Nightly News
06:30 CNN Sports
06:55 AM Notebook
07:00 ABC Nightline
07:30 Just For Kids
08:55 Jeopardy
09:15 AFN's Morning Movie: "Marvin And Tige"
11:05 Larry King
11:55 Berlin PM (R)
12:00 CBS Evening News
12:30 Hour Magazine
13:20 General Hospital
14:05 Guiding Light
14:50 For Kids Only
16:00 Today Show
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Berlin Tonight
18:45 CNN Sports
19:00 My Sister Sam
19:25 Who's The Boss
19:50 Berlin P.M.
20:00 Night Court
20:30 Entertainment This Week
21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
21:30 St. Elsewhere
22:20 CNN Headlines
22:30 The Tonight Show
23:30 AFN's Late Show: "The Critical List" (Pt. 2)
01:10 Dance Fever
01:35 ABC World News — Nightwatch continues through the night —
Saturday
— Nightwatch continues through the morning —
06:00 NBC Nightly News

06:30 CNN Sports
06:55 AM Notebook
07:00 ABC Nightline
07:30 For Kids Only
09:40 The Constitution, That Delicate Balance
10:35 Life With Lucy
11:05 Star Trek
11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
The Saturday lineup which follows was tentative at the time this schedule was prepared.
12:00 CBS Evening News
12:30 Hee Haw
13:20 America's Top Ten
13:45 Wheel Of Fortune
14:05 Solid Gold
15:00 Champions Of Tomorrow
16:00 McLaughlin Group
16:30 Blackie's Magic
17:30 EUCOM Report
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Head Of The Class
19:00 Riptide
20:00 Simon And Simon
21:00 Sports: TBA
After the Sports: AFN's Late Show: "Not In Front Of The Children"
Saturday Night Live
Hit City
Puttin' On The Hits — Nightwatch continues through the night —
Sunday
— Nightwatch continues through the morning —
06:00 CNN News
06:30 World Sportsman
07:00 Music And The Spoken Word
07:30 Hour Of Power
08:30 For Kids Only
09:35 Lorne Green's New Wilderness
10:00 Sacred Heart
10:15 With This Ring
10:30 The New Voice
11:00 Meet The Press
11:30 Face The Nation
The Sunday lineup which follows was tentative at the time this schedule was prepared.
12:00 CNN Headline News
12:30 Nickelodeon Matinee: "Seven Alone"
14:05 Lifestyles Of The Rich And Famous
15:05 National Geographic (Ends)
15:30 Star Search
16:30 Facts Of Life (Starts)
17:30 Inside International Issues
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Growing Pains
19:00 60 Minutes
20:00 Hotel
21:00 Sports: TBA
After the Sports: AFN's Late Show: "Nevrosus"
Monday
06:00 CNN Headline News
06:30 This Week With David Brinkley
07:30 Just For Kids
09:00 Jeopardy
09:20 AFN's Morning Movie: "Not In Front Of The Children"
11:00 Money Week

11:30 Ebony Jet Showcase
12:00 CNN Headline News
12:30 Hour Magazine
13:20 General Hospital
14:05 Guiding Light
14:50 For Kids Only
16:00 Today Show
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Berlin Tonight
18:45 CNN Sports
19:00 Shadow Chasers
19:50 Berlin PM
20:00 The Cosby Show
20:30 The Wizard
21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
21:30 Falcon Crest
22:20 CNN Headlines
22:30 West 57th Street
23:30 AFN's Late Show: "MC Q"
01:20 ABC World News
Tuesday
06:00 NBC Nightly News
06:30 CNN Sports
06:55 AM Notebook
07:00 ABC Nightline
07:30 Just For Kids
09:00 Jeopardy
09:20 It Figures
09:45 Women Of The World
10:35 The Health Show
11:00 Day The Universe Changed (Starts)
11:55 Berlin PM (R)
12:00 CBS Evening News
12:30 CNN Showbiz Today
13:20 General Hospital
14:05 Guiding Light
14:50 For Kids Only
16:00 The Today Show

18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Berlin Tonight
18:45 CNN Sports
19:00 Starman
19:50 Berlin PM
20:00 Mr. Belvedere
20:30 Paper Chase
21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
21:30 Knots Landing
22:20 CNN Headlines
22:30 TBA
After the programming: ABC World News
Wednesday
06:00 NBC Nightly News
06:30 CNN Sports
06:55 AM Notebook
07:00 ABC Nightline
07:30 Just For Kids
09:00 Jeopardy
09:20 AFN's Morning Movie: "Royal Romance Of Charles And Diana"
11:05 Larry King
11:55 Berlin PM (R)
12:00 CBS Evening News
12:30 Hour Magazine
13:20 General Hospital
14:05 Guiding Light
14:50 For Kids Only
16:00 Today Show
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Berlin Tonight
18:45 CNN Sports
19:00 Airwolf
19:50 Berlin PM
20:00 AFN's Evening Movie: "Deadly Intentions" (Pt. 1)
21:40 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition

21:45 Hunter
22:40 CNN Headlines
22:50 The Tonight Show
23:45 AFN's Late Show: "Soggy Bottom USA"
01:30 ABC World News
Thursday
06:00 NBC Nightly News
06:30 CNN Sports
06:55 AM Notebook
07:00 ABC Nightline
07:30 Just For Kids
09:05 Jeopardy
09:25 It Figures
09:50 Wild Kingdom
10:15 Mayberry RFD
10:40 Fight Back With David Horowitz (Starts)
11:05 Larry King
11:55 Berlin PM (R)
12:00 CBS Evening News
12:30 CNN Pinnacle
13:20 General Hospital
14:05 Guiding Light
14:50 For Kids Only
16:00 The Today Show
18:00 CNN Headline News
18:30 Berlin Tonight
18:45 CNN Sports
19:00 Scarecrow And Mrs. King
19:50 Berlin PM
20:00 Cheers
20:30 The Fall Guy
21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
21:30 Simon And Simon
21:50 Simon And Simon
22:20 CNN Headlines
22:30 The Tonight Show
23:30 AFN's Late Show: "Deadly Messages"
01:10 ABC World News

BFBS-TV

The Services Sound and Vision Corporation BFBS Television Program Schedule Sept. 5-11

* Denotes that a program is being transmitted "live" from London

Saturday
11:00 Birthday Time Cartoon Show
11:15 Grandstand*
18:20 News and Weather*
18:35 Grandstand*
19:50 Cricket—Nat West Final*
20:30 The District Nurse
21:20 Rock'n'Roll Years
21:50 L.A. Law
22:35 Monty Python's Flying Circus
23:05 Boogie Outlaws (New)
23:55 Level 42
00:40 Close down
Sunday
13:00 Birthday Time Cartoon Show
13:15 Puppy's New Adventures
13:35 Children's Film: "One Hour To Zero"
14:30 Grandstand*
19:45 Strike It Lucky
20:10 Eastenders

19:50 American Film Institute Salute To John Huston
21:05 C.A.T.S. Eyes
22:00 News And Weather*
22:30 Survival Team
23:10 Naked Video
23:35 Close down
Tuesday
12:30 Tickle On the Tum
12:40 Play School
13:00 Golden Pennies
13:30 News And Weather*
13:50 Instant German
13:55 Show Me
14:20 About Britain
14:45 BFG Teletext
16:15 Children's SSVVC starting with: Little Misses And The Mister Men
16:30 Fat Tulip Too
16:45 Thomas The Tank Engine And Friends
17:00 Hold Tight!
17:20 Newsround Special
17:45 The Honey Seige
18:10 Video Active
18:35 Instant German
18:45 News And Weather*
19:00 Emmerdale Farm
19:25 Magnum
20:10 Cameo
20:20 Flying Lady

21:10 Horizon
22:00 News and Weather*
22:30 Leaving Home
23:20 Close down
Wednesday
12:35 The Giddy Game Show
12:45 Play School
13:05 The Kwicky Koala Show
13:30 News And Weather*
13:50 Instant German
13:55 Kids Workout
14:20 Take The Highroad
14:45 BFG Teletext
16:10 Children's SSVVC starting with: Rainbow
16:25 Pie In The Sky
16:45 Andrew O'Connor's Joke Machine
17:00 The Album
17:25 The Flintstones
17:45 So We Bought A Computer (New)
18:10 The Roxy
18:40 Instant German
18:45 News And Weather*
19:00 Sporting Triangles
19:25 Coronation Street
19:50 Highway To Heaven
20:35 Sorry!
21:05 The World At War
22:00 News And Weather*
22:30 Father Matthew's Daughter (New)

23:00 Nozzers
23:30 Close down
Thursday
12:30 Foxtails
12:40 Play School
13:00 Golden Pennies
13:30 News And Weather*
13:50 Instant German
13:55 Through The Keyhole (New)
14:20 Heirloom
14:45 BFG Teletext
16:05 Children's SSVVC starting with: Hockey Cokey
16:25 The Puppy's New Adventures
16:45 Corners
17:05 Storybook International
17:25 Dramarama — My Mum's A Courgette
17:50 Model World (New)
18:15 And There's More... Starring Jimmy Cricket (New)
18:40 Instant German
18:45 News And Weather*
19:00 Emmerdale Farm
19:25 Hart To Hart
20:10 Favourite Things
20:40 Five Alive
21:05 A Dorothy L. Sayers Mystery
22:00 News And Weather*

22:30 Hitch-Hiker's Guide To The Galaxy
23:00 The Trouble With Sex
23:35 World Athletics Championships*
00:30 Close down
Friday
12:30 The Flumps
12:45 Play School
13:05 Why Don't You...?
13:30 News And Weather*
13:50 Instant German
13:55 Sweethearts
14:20 Take The Highroad
14:45 BFG Teletext
16:15 Children's SSVVC starting with: Let's Pretend
16:35 She-Ra, Princess of Power
16:55 We Are The Champions
17:25 Panic Station
17:50 Newsround Special
18:15 Adventurer (New)
18:35 Instant German
18:45 News And Weather*
19:00 Top Of The Pops
19:30 Scarecrow And Mrs. King
20:15 Home James
20:40 The Cook Report
21:05 Lost Belongings
22:00 News And Weather*
22:30 Late Expectations
23:00 Film: "The Goodbye Girl"
00:45 Close down

Exchange promotes alliance, understanding

by Ken Jones
Troop writer

Because of the status of Berlin, American, British and French soldiers interact more on a daily basis than perhaps anywhere else in the world. Our allies watch our training, we watch theirs, and occasionally joint-training exercises are held.

The purpose of the exercises and observing is to familiarize one another with our armies, tactics and weapons. Since the beginning of this year, the continuing allied cooperation has been carried one step further. Now we are no longer exchanging just tactics and theories, we are also exchanging soldiers.

The agreement operates under the concept of a reciprocal exchange of personnel with equal qualifications in the fields of infantry, armor, military police and combat engineers. The exchanged soldiers must be in the grade of lieutenant, and the exchange lasts for 90 days.

The British Black Watch Regiment recently hosted 2nd Lt. Robert Pitulej, A Company, 4th Battalion, for three months, and Combat Support Company, 6th Battalion presently has 1st Lt. Loic Frouart serving with them from the French 46th Infantry Regiment.

Pitulej served as the 7th Platoon Commander (leader), B Company, 1st Battalion, Black Watch Regiment, from the end of June to the end of August. Frouart is serving as the 1st Platoon Leader, Combat Support Company, 6th Bn. and will remain there until "hell freezes over."

Earning respect

"They were very skeptical at first," Pitulej said of his British platoon. "They didn't know what to expect. We did a field problem in Senelager, a live-fire, and when we left there I felt that they were my platoon. I think at first the platoon sergeant and the section commanders (squad leaders) were overprotective (of me). Just like any other Army, an officer has to earn respect, they just don't give it to you."



SP4 Nick Spencer, CSC 6th Bn., explains the .45 cal. pistol to 1st Lt. Loic Frouart.



Photos by Ken Jones

Members of Combat Support Company, 6th Bn. go over the M-60 machine gun with their platoon leader, French 1st Lt. Loic Frouart.

One of the things Frouart had to become accustomed to was the higher level of familiarity between the officers and enlisted men.

"An American (soldier) can be familiar with an officer without being disrespectful. When the soldiers slapped me on the shoulder, it was familiar, but not impolite, and the platoon sergeant had to explain that to me because it's not like that in the French Army."

Pitulej said the same was true for the British.

Language barriers

"American officers are a lot less formal than their British counterparts. The British Army officer has a larger part of society. The officers and non-commissioned officers had their own rooms when we were in the field, and the soldiers had barracks. It wasn't like us where we all stay in GP mediums."

Pitulej said that the toughest part of his stay with the Black Watch was language.

"The toughest part was understanding the 'Jocks.'" (British soldiers are called "Jocks" as American soldiers are called "GIs.") "They talked so rapidly it was sort of hard to understand them. They thought I talked very slowly and drawn out — they understood my adjectives though."

Frouart agreed that language was sometimes an obstacle, he said it was one that could be overcome.

"The soldiers understand when I don't understand them. There are no problems. They are careful to speak clearly. I'm not

afraid of asking someone to repeat something and they aren't afraid to ask me to repeat."

Frouart said that though the soldiers accepted him fairly easily, it wasn't as easy for him to accept them.

"The soldiers are very different. First, the American soldiers are enlisted, and in the French Army we work with draftees. The reasons they are in the army are different. The men in the American Army wanted to be in the army, to have a family, a steady job, whatever, but in the French Army it's not their will, they are doing their national duty."

"When the French men come to Berlin, they are civilians. They are trained only for their jobs. Drivers are drivers and 89 mm rocket gunners are 89 mm rocket gunners. In the U.S. Army, the soldiers can fire their M-16s, the light anti-tank weapon, the dragons and TOWS. They have been in the army for more than one year, so they have time to learn the technical weapons," Frouart said.

Working together

Even with all of the differences between French and American soldiers, Frouart said that he has noticed some similarities.

"In the field, under pressure or when they are tired, they are a lot alike. That's why I think it would be easy for us (the French and American armies) to fight together."

Pitulej said that he got to fire all of the weapons in the company, and he said one of the best parts of his exchange came dur-

ing a live-fire exercise in West Germany.

"It was a company sized live-fire with three platoons maneuvering, armored personnel carriers, 106 mm cannons one jeep, land missiles, tanks and scout vehicles all moving and firing at once. It was like, 'Here's your playing field, go for it.'"

Frouart has done some training in Doughboy City, and will likely spend more time there before his return to the northern sector of Berlin.

"It's a paradox. Everyone wants to do combat-in-cities training because it's somewhat fun and exciting, but in war we prefer being in the woods because city warfare is fierce and cruel. It's a warfare that requires a lot of practice and knowledge in a lot of techniques and tactics."

Final rewards

The time spent on the exchange program isn't solely for training purposes.

"We had a battalion rifle contest, (Pitulej was on the winning pistol team), and they brought out all of the silverware, all of the Black Watch trophies, everything. We basically had a feast right there."

"I think (I've gained) a greater appreciation for allied units and how well their armies work. I gained a lot of respect for the British. They were a --kicking unit," Pitulej said. "I think I've earned their respect also. If there is trouble, they know the Americans will do what they say they will."

"Although they're an excellent unit, I've come to appreciate the U.S. Army," Pitulej said. "It's good to be back with the Americans."



Community events

Truman council meets

The Truman Plaza Advisory Council will hold its next meeting 10 a.m. Sept. 18 in the main conference room, building 1, Clay Headquarters. This meeting is open to all valid ID card holders in the Berlin American Community.

Weekend Mormon conference

All are invited to attend the semi-annual conference of the Berlin Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints at the Stake Center, Klingehöferstrasse 24, Berlin 30 (Tiergarten) Saturday and Sunday. The meeting schedule is as follows:

Saturday,
Priesthood Leadership 4 p.m.
1st General Session 7 p.m.
Sunday
2nd General Session 10 a.m.

All sessions are conducted bilingually (German/English). For more information please contact Sgt. H. Andrew Pullens, 813-8524.

National Hispanic Week

A special program is planned for National Hispanic Week at the All American Community Center 6 p.m. Sept. 12 and will feature a fashion show, social hour and a dance. The event is open to all ranks and ID card holders.

766th MID briefings

Regulations require that all civilians employed by the Department of Defense, and Department of the Army, receive a briefing each year on SAEDA (Subversion and Espionage Directed Against the Army). To satisfy this requirement for fiscal year 1987, as it applies to U.S. citizen civilian employees of this command, a representative of the 766th Military Intelligence Detachment will present three one-hour SAEDA classes at the Outpost Theater 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Sept. 21.

"Attendance at one of these briefings is mandatory for all U.S. citizen civilian employees of this command, regardless of their employment status or the nature of their duties.

"Additionally, all U.S. forces family members (16 years old and older), even though they are not employed, can benefit from this training; they are also strongly encouraged and cordially invited to attend one of the briefings," according to the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence.

Children's garden trip

The family field trip for September is planned for Wednesday. This month's trip is to the Botanical Gardens. A bus will leave the Children's Center at 9:30 a.m. and return by 11:30 a.m. Cost for adults is \$5, and children are free. For reservations and information, BM 6270.

Systematic seminar changed

City Colleges of Chicago has changed the dates of its systematic management seminar. The seminar is now scheduled 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 12-13. To register, stop by CCC or register at any education center. For more information, call BM 7235/26.

Bear-a-Cuda's meet

The monthly meeting of the Berlin Bear-a-Cuda's Booster Club will be held 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Hi-Lite Community Center, Andrews Barracks.

Women's club kick off

The American Women's Club will kick off its first fall meeting 11 a.m. Sept. 17 with a presentation of the Berlin Perspective at building 1, Clay Headquarters. Major General John Mitchell will be the guest speaker. A luncheon of beef stroganoff, egg noodles, peas and swiss chocolate cake will follow at the Checkpoint NCO Club. The cost of the luncheon will be \$4.50.

All new American women to Berlin having a passport or an ID card are invited to join the AWC. For reservations call Mary Ennis, 832-8390, or Judy Jones 826-2528.

ACOA group meets

Adult children of alcoholics will meet 8 p.m. Tuesdays at Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School in the west end of the cafeteria.

"You are never alone once you join us," said an organizer. For more information call 811-3934 or 801-1420.

Band boosters meet

The Berlin American High School Music Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the high school music room. Agenda items for this first meeting of the new school year include:

- Fall concert plans,
- Financial disclosure, and
- Music directors report.

Parents of all band and chorus students may attend.

Family member program

Newly arrived family members may attend the next Army Community Services Family Orientation Briefing 8:30 a.m. Sept. 16 at the Harnack House. Free child care is provided at the Children's Center by calling BM 6270 for child care reservations.

The program includes a special free lunch and tour of West Berlin. For more information contact ACS, BM 6500.

Community health fair

All Army and Air Force private associations may take part in this year's community fair. This is an opportunity for organizations to advertise, sign up new members and conduct fund-raising events. For information contact Sandra Kaye, Family Support Division, BM 6556 or 6233.

YA raises fees

Starting Monday, a new pricing schedule for Youth Activities Center programs will be used: \$24 user's fee (membership) per youth, or \$60 maximum per family.

The \$24 fee, \$2 monthly, enables the youth to participate in YA programs and use the facilities. Current YA members may pay the fee when present memberships are renewed.

For more information on registration call BM 6249.

Housing by appointment only

The Housing Referral Office room 104, building 871a, DEH, Von Steuben Compound, will operate Mondays-Fridays on an appointment only system. Customers will be required to have an appointment prior to seeing an HRO specialist on any private rental housing matters (inclusive of looking for apartments on the open referrals listing).

Appointments may be made by a personal visit to the office or by calling BM 7315. In the future, Saturday will be reserved for walk-ins (without appointments) 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Duty train bookings

The U.S. duty train is booked from Berlin to Frankfurt Sunday, Monday and Sept. 18, 25; from Frankfurt to Berlin Saturday and Sept. 11, 19, except for travel in a TDY/emergency status.

Oktoberfest trip plans

Skyrider Tours, Tempelhof Central Airport, offers the following trips and tours:

Saturday is a tour to one of East Berlin's most elegant restaurants. A guide will go along to ensure everything is arranged and carried through. Cost is \$6 plus the cost of your meal.

A tour to Oktoberfest will be Sept. 17-21. Cost is \$170 for adults and \$140 for children 2-11 years old. Tour price includes roundtrip transportation, two overnights in a hotel, two breakfasts in the hotel, transportation to and from the Oktoberfest grounds, guided city tours of Rothenburg and Munich, a visit to Dachau concentration camp and a visit to the Grand Opening Parade. Booking deadline is Sept. 11.

For more information or tour reservations call BM 5067 hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, or 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Volunteer opportunities

Youth soccer coach: Youth Activities: Eight hours per week. Organize and provide supervision at all team practices and games. Using coaching techniques, which teach fundamentals and team effort. Develop a training program to improve physical conditioning and help prevent injury. Benefits include the opportunity to learn more about young people and to help them develop their full potential. For more information call BM 6952.

T-shirt design: The teens are looking for a volunteer who will help them design their winning T-shirt for the competition at the 1987 U.S. Army, Europe Youth Activities Teen Forum, Oct. 9-11.

New clubs: new clubs are being formed at the YA and volunteers are needed to help organize and supervise: bike club, roller skating club, drama club, fashion and modeling club and a collectors club.

Trips: Several trips are in the planning stage. Volunteers are needed to help supervise young people who are interested in discovering Berlin and other cities in West Germany.

Dances: Volunteers are always needed when the YA sponsors a dance which is usually held either a Friday and/or a Saturday evening.

Haunted house: This a Berlin Community event. The YA always needs the volunteer efforts of the community. For more information, call BM 6952.

Army community service: Position: financial counselor. Major duties: advising and counseling servicemembers and spouses on financial budgeting and planning, assisting in the formulation of debt liquidation plans. The job objective is to establish contact with members of the community who have financial problems and give them advise, guidance, education and planning which will enable them to better care for themselves and for their families in the future. The time commitment for this position is attendance of an 8-hour training seminar and a minimum of a half day a week. All volunteer time is flexible. Benefits to the volunteer is the satisfaction of being able to pass on advice and experience plus the furtherance of one's own knowledge and ability. Free child care is provided while volunteering. Work location: Army Community Service or, when trained and if preferred, in the battalions or major units as a contact focal point for potential clients. Contact Alex Moses or Reta Weaver at BM 6500 for more information.

American Community Chapel: Volunteer positions are still available in the religious education program. Teachers and assistants are needed for the Protestant Sunday School as well as the Catholic classes. For more information regarding volunteer opportunities within the chapels and for registration call BM 6761.

American Red Cross: There are two positions for caseworkers. Major duties are to provide social welfare services to soldiers, airmen and families with emergency communications, financial assistance, counseling and referrals. Volunteer qualifications: social work degree or related degree, experience working with people. Babysitting course instructors are also needed. Volunteer must have experience working with children. This course is taught at least three times a year. Instructor training is given. Registered Nurses may volunteer to the preparation for parenthood classes. The courses are taught twice a year, seven two-hour sessions. Red Cross provides childcare for volunteers. Call BM 6459 for further information.

Army Community Service: Volunteer position available to assist ACS staff in creating and developing video tape and slides of community resources to be used for orientation purposes. Time commitment: flexible. Requirements: an interest in photography/video taping. Training will be given. Benefits to the Volunteer: new skills learned and be a part of a new program which will be a worthwhile contribution to the community.

The ACS newsletter has a volunteer position. Time required: flexible, with newsletter being printed monthly. Duties: to collect information and put in newsletter format using word-processor or typewriter. Additionally, a co-chairman is needed for the continuance of the GAB (Getting About Berlin) program. Time required: 6 hours per month, (one Tuesday a month). A publicity chairperson is needed to assist in advertising the ACS programs throughout the community. time required: as Needed. ACS pays for childcare of its volunteers. Call ACS BM 6500 of interested in these position.

For more information regarding volunteer opportunities, contact Installation Volunteer Coordinator Mary Savely at the Information Center, Truman Plaza or call BM 6304.

Shop closes Labor Day

The Thrift Shop will be closed Labor Day. Consignments will be accepted on Wednesday.

Transportation holiday hours

Transportation division operating hours Monday: official travel office closed; household goods section information only; pickups/deliveries as scheduled; U.S. buses run on Sunday schedule; other operations normal.

Supply holiday hours

Operating hours for Monday for Supply & Services Division: Closed: Laundry & Dry Cleaning Plant and Pick-Up-Points, Central Issue Facility.

Open: Clothing Sales Store, Self-Service Supply Center, Bakery, Services Branch (shops), Troop Issue Substience, Supply Issue and Turn-In Point, Ammunition Branch, Repairable Exchange Activity.

Post offices closed

The Roosevelt, McNair and Andrews Army Post Offices will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day. Normal operating hours will resume on Tuesday.

Class VI picnic

The Class VI Store, Truman Plaza, will be closed for its annual picnic Tuesday. It'll reopen Wednesday.

Air Force show

"Tops in Blue," the Air Force showcase entertainment group, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 16 in the B-Halle, Tempelhof Central Airport. "We the People... A Musical Tribute" is the theme of this year's one-and-one-half-hour free show. Transportation from the housing areas will be provided to the show.

AAFES Labor Day hours

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has announced Labor Day holiday hours for Sept. 7:

Facilities:	Hours of operation:
Main Exchange	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
McNair Retail Store	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Andrews Retail Store	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Tempelhof Retail Store	10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Truman Plaza Shoppette	10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Düppel Shoppette	9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Clay Allee Filling station	9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Concession Garage/APS	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Burger King	8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Baskin Robbins	11:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Snack Stand, Truman Plaza	11 a.m.-7 p.m.
McNair Burger Bar	9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Andrews Burger Bar	9 a.m.-3 p.m.

The theaters and washerettes will be open normal operating hours. All other facilities will be closed.

Library skills seminar

City Colleges of Chicago will offer a library skills seminar on the 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 19 and 26. Students may register at the nearest education center. Registration is going on now. For more information, visit CCC at the Clay Education Center or call BM 7235/7236.

Bank hours Monday

All branches of American Express Military Banking Ltd. will operate on the following schedule for mandatory works council meetings:

■ Monday: Tempelhof Branch operating hours will be 9:30 a.m.-noon

■ Monday: McNair Branch operating hours will be 1:30-3:30 p.m.

■ Tuesday: Truman Plaza Branch operating hours will be 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Holiday East preprocessing

The Berlin Provost Marshal's Office will conduct preprocessing for travel to the Soviet Sector of Berlin for the Labor Day Weekend.

Preprocessing will be conducted at the Information Center, Truman Plaza 10 a.m.-4 p.m. today.

Anybody planing on travel to the Soviet Sector of Berlin on this weekend, should take advantage of this opportunity. Anyone wanting to preprocess must bring their AEBA Form 034350 (East pass), their vehicle registration and their drivers license.

Emergency medical seminar

City Colleges of Chicago is offering a one credit hour emergency medical systems seminar called "Laboratory Techniques and IV Therapy," 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 12-13. Register at any education center. Registration is going on now. For more information, visit CCC, Clay Education Center, or call BM 7235/7236.

Requirements for printing ads and events

All submissions must be:

1. Typed double spaced.
2. On an 8x10 sheet of paper.
3. Typed in complete sentences (except for want ads).
4. Signed.

Deadline each week is close-of-business Monday. Entries must be resubmitted for each issue. Ads for firearms or weapons will not be taken. Submit at room 2061, building 2, Clay Headquarters.

Want ads

For sale

1981 Mercedes 230E, yellow, four door, only 86,000 km, AM/FM stereo/cassette with four speakers. New inspection, excellent condition, asking DM 12,000 or best offer. Call BM 3244/3188.

1983 Audi 100 CS, five-speed overdrive, German specs., excellent cond., new tires, 100 PS, AM/FM cass., great for trips; \$4,600 or DM equivalent. Call home 813-8837 evenings.

1981 Toyota Carina—four door, light blue, AM/FM stereo cassette, German specs., good condition. Asking \$1,500. Call 813-8866.

1985 Ford Bronco 4x4 with automatic Transmission, low mileage, factory installed tinted glass, air conditioning, power steering with tilt steering wheel, power brakes, cruise control, AM/FM stereo cassette system, fold down back seat and XLS package, all this plus in excellent condition for \$10,000. Call after 6:00 p.m. 813-8644.

1978 Opel Rekord 2.0 liter, four-door, recently insp. in May. Features include newly installed front and rear brakes, four new tires w/ good spare, new rear shocks, AM/FM cass. w/ four spkrs., new muffler w/ resonator and rear seatbelts for the kids. Dependable, runs good and no rust. Asking \$1,000 or best offer over \$900. Call 813-8960.

1981 Audi 100C5E, silver, four-door, AM/FM cassette stereo, auto doors & windows, sun roof, manual transmission, 67,000 km. DM 6,500. Call 801-2998.

1984 Nissan Sunny 1.5 LHD, low mileage, excellent condition, garaged since new, dealer serviced, has to be seen to be believed, DM 9,500. Contact: Sgt. Stratton evenings 309-6738, days 309-6634.

1980 Volkswagon Rabbit Custom, two door hatchback. Front wheel drive, U.S. specs., 69,000 miles, dark metallic blue, four speed manual transmission, almost new Pioneer AM/FM auto reserve cassette stereo and speakers. New steel-belted radial tires on front and new spare tire. Perfect sized car for city driving. Averages over 30 miles per gallon. Blur book value \$2,400, selling for \$2,000. Call 802-7307.

1978 Chevrolet Malibu, silver, two door, excellent condition; air conditioning, power steering, brakes, windows, tilt wheel, AM/FM stereo/cassette, red interior, new tires and spoked ribs. \$2,500 or DM equivalent. Call 772-2725 after 5 p.m.

1978 Plymouth van. Van has automatic transmission, power steering, air conditioning, AM/FM radio, deluxe interior and travel package. Asking \$3,000 or DM 6,000, but will consider any offer. Please call after six in the evening: 891-8223.

Parts for BMW 315 to 320. Front and rear spoiler; \$400, rear

window blinds; \$175, leather steering wheel; \$50, can have it all for \$575. Also 14" tires and sport rims; \$150. Will accept marks. 463-7776.

Two family yard sale Saturday: 10 Janicke Str., Sundgauer housing; lots of good bargains; lady's clothes: sizes 5-8; lady's shoes sizes 5-7. Men's clothes, BDU's size medium. Children's clothes size 18mo-2T shoes and toys, jewelry, toaster, hairdryer, curling iron ice chest. Kitchen ware, knick-knacks, cats scratching post, pet carrier, and much more. If raining will be held in the basement.

PCS sale. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, 52 Mühlenstr. in Sundgauer next to Shoppette. Men's, women's, children's and maternity clothes; infant winter items, baby carrier, bassinet, stroller, changing table, walker, Christmas tree, parrot w/ large cage, Casey tape player, T-tops for 77-81 Camaro or Firebird, Polaroid 600 Sun instamatic camera, men's roller skates size 10, tennis racket, stuffed animals, 25 in color TV (needs work), eight-piece living room suite best offer, food processor. Held in basement if raining. Marks accepted 2-1 ratio.

Yard sale. 9 a.m.-? Saturday, 7 Charles H. King (Düppel housing area). Children's clothing, plants, men's and women's clothing, baby items and more.

Yard sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday Sept. 5, 21 E.C. Diltz Str. (Düppel housing area). Children's clothing, men's and women's clothing and more. If raining, in basement.

PCS sale: 237-239 Argentinische Allee, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. VW towbar, crib, clothes, books, strollers, toys etc.

Basement sale. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday 8 C.H. King in Düppel. Toys, baby items, stuffed animals, stereo, good children's books—many brand new, all sizes of clothes.

Multi-family yard sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday 8b Taylor Str. (BB housing). Lots of nice items for sale. Infant and toddler's winter clothing up to size 2. Boy's clothing size 8-10. Girl's clothing all sizes. Wagon, toddler mini bike and much more.

Cocker Spaniel to give away to a good home. Also for sale; dog taxi for med. size dog and a pet grooming kit. Call civ. 72-6615 or BM 9748 and ask for Sgt. Jeffery Merrill.

Commodore 64 computer, new; \$170, Jenny Lind baby crib; \$100, Graco baby stroller; \$25, blue carpet; \$75, lt. brown carpet; \$50. Call 802-5342.

Sofa bed queen size and love seat; \$400. Girl's bedroom set; \$400. Call 801-2329.

Computer, six months old, Apple IIe with 128K; two disk drives and green screen monitor, asking \$900. Call R. Mellgren, BM 7646 or after 6 p.m. 831-3703.

Stereo speakers, one pair AR-11 three-way, acoustic suspension speakers. Excellent sound. Equivalent new AR model sells for over \$600. Will sell for \$350, including speaker stands. 154-1b. Orbatron weight set, extra bars, adjustable bench, all for \$60. Call BM 7521 (home) or 7725 (office).

English antique dining chairs. Set of five Victorian bow back dining chairs. Price: DM 750. Call 309-4400 (home), 309-5382 (work).

Sony color television. 19", curling iron (220 volt) and blow dryer (220 volts). All in excellent condition. Call 813-6294.

Grundig multi-system, U.S., British, West/East German stereo color TV. 67 cm/26 in screen, 110/220, top condition. DM 800. Call BM 6145.

Tandy 1000 personal computer with color monitor and monochrome monitor, 132K ram, disk drive, numerous programs to include "Deskmate," and various games including "King's Quest," "Pinball Construction," "Lode Runner," "Cutthroat," all instruction books, joystick, electrical cords, keyboard, keyboard dust cover. Have invested more than \$2,500 but will sell for \$2,500. Call after 5:30 p.m. weekdays or anytime weekends 801-2901 for an appointment. This computer is presently operating in our home.

Crib with mattress; \$30/playpen, \$30/baby walking chair, \$20/baby back carrier, \$10/baby gate guard, \$4/two satellite dish tv antennas, \$30 each, SSgt. Manier, call BM 6324/Home 813-6614.

Stereo equipment all for \$300. Kenwood AM/FM tuner, Sony amp/solid state, Kenwood cassette, Bic turntable and two Jensen speakers (200PW/C8716). Please call after 6 p.m. 891-8223.

Brother self-correcting typewriter; \$200. Zenith black &

white television (110); \$25. Atari MOD-CX 2600A; \$100. Dishes: several sets including sets from Wachtersbach, Villroy & Boch, Heinrich & Kaiser, various setting and prices; Heinrich fairytale plates, Russian fairytale plates, various Hutschenreuter plates of the month and others. Please call for information and prices after 6 p.m. 891-8223.

Sansui direct-drive turntable. Brand new, never used. Must sell, PCS. 220 V, switchable; \$75. Call 801-8913.

Animal carriers—one lg; \$40. one sm; \$30. Plants; \$2-\$25. 26" boy's bike; \$15. 26" girl's bike; \$15. 20" girl's bike; \$35. Call 802-7108 after 5 p.m.

Computer, six months old, Apple IIe with 128K; two disk drives and green screen monitor. Asking \$900. Please call BM 7646 or after 6 p.m. 831-3703.

Lady's Herkules bike (needs tire); \$15. Two snow tires—A78-13, Sears Tractionex; \$10. Infant stroller collapsible "Strolee"; \$20. Heavy Christmas-tree stand; \$4. Barbecue grill "The Happy Cooker"; \$20. Olympia typewriter with accessories; \$95. U.S. spec. TV, Zenith, 19", good picture; \$40. Stationary exercise bike; \$30. Call after 7 p.m. 802-6695 or at office BM 7788.

Golf clubs. Men's starter set—good condition with putter and bags; \$35. Women's starter set—excellent condition with Bag; \$45. Call after 5 p.m. or any time on the weekends, 802-7624.

Wanted

Musicians and singers for a new gospel group. If interested please call SP4 Kelly, BM 3161/3157 or attend meeting at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, Andrews Music Center.

An opportunity to play music. Am interested in participating in a chamber group or small orchestra needing a flutist. Please contact at 801-2318 after 7 p.m.

Live-in housekeeper-babysitter. Duties include care for one child, 8 years old, and general housekeeping for a three-bedroom apartment. Please call 831-3793.

Lost

Brown sack in Pücker housing which contained two new pair of pants, one white and the other light blue. Please I would like to have them back. Thank you.

Free

To give away: Five month old tabby cat, housebroken, very sweet with lots of spunk, with kitty box and toys. Call 336-09350 and leave message and phone number for Allyson if interested.

Will care for one or two children in my home. Located near McNair and Doughboy City. Call 712-8366 from 5-8 p.m.

School lunches

—TAR and BAH schools have the following menu for the week beginning Sept. 7:

Monday—closed—

Tuesday—Carrot, celery sticks, Texas toast with pepperoni and cheese, green peas, apple sauce, white or choco milk.

Wednesday—Lettuce, pickles, hamburger on bun, french fried potatoes, ice cream, white or choco milk.

Thursday—Mixed salad, chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce, steamed rice, fruit cocktail, bread and butter, white or choco milk.

Friday—Cole slaw, polish sausage on bun, veg. beans, choco pudding, white or choco milk.

JFK school has the following menu for the week beginning Sept. 7:

Monday—no school—

Tuesday—Meat balls in sauce, rice, tomato salad and ice cream.

Wednesday—Pizza and chocolate.

Thursday—Chicken cutlet, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, jello with vanilla sauce.

Friday—Two fish cakes with sauce, potato salad and apple.



Sportscene

by Jeanne Pollock
G-1/DPCA publicist

The 1987 Constitution Fun Run begins 10 a.m. Monday at the Cole Sports Center. Entry blanks for the run are available at all sports facilities and registration begins 8 a.m. at Cole on the day of the run. There are two distances that may be run: a 2 km run for families and a 10 km run for individual runners. There is no entry fee and everyone will receive a certificate on completion... A tennis clinic is being sponsored by the Community Recreation Division Athletics and Sports Training Branch Sept. 23-27 at the Harnack House courts. Instructors from the Armed Forces Recreation Center of Garmisch will conduct the clinic which has a fee of \$15 per nine-hour session. Three sessions will be offered. The first session runs 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Sept. 23, 24 and 25. The second session is 9 a.m.-noon Sept. 26. The final session will be 1-4 p.m. Sept. 26-27. The instructors are registered professional tennis players. More information on this clinic call the sports office, BM 6168... The U.S. Army Bodybuilding Championships will be held Sept. 12 at the Outpost Theatre on Clayallee. Registration will be held 8 a.m. at the Cole Sports Center with an entry fee of \$10 or DM 20 for all weight classes. Prejudging will be 10 a.m. and final judging will be 7 p.m. Contestants must bring a 60-90 second music cassette for posing. All posing suits must be one solid color. For more information on this men's and women's event contact Ralph Cuomo, BM 9680 or 6168... The Berlin Roadrunners next meeting will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at the American Community Services conference room at Truman Plaza. The Roadrunners are still seeking volunteers to operate a water stop at the 1987 Berlin Marathon held Oct. 4... Youth Activities has opened up several programs to include a noontime aerobics class. This class is open to anyone who has the time to workout during lunchtime. The YA also has a bike club, a drama club, a skating club and a fashion and modeling club. For information on any YA program call BM 6249 or stop by the YA center. The YA would also like the return of outstanding uniforms from the various sports programs... A table tennis tournament will take place noon Sept. 13 at the Hi-Lite Community Center, Andrews Barracks with an entry fee of \$3... The Grafenwoehr racquetball tournament will be held Sept. 26 and 27. The contest is a double elimination event open to active duty military personnel, family members, and Department of Defense civilians 18 years old and older. Competition will be in the men's and women's open division, the men's and women's masters divisions and the men's senior division. Deadline for entry is Sept. 22. For information on this tournament call the Field House Staff at 475-6426 or 8361... After Work Aerobics begins 5 p.m. Wednesday at the Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School and will meet the same time Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in the future. Janice Walkus will be instructing the class.



Larry Lane

A 7th ATC fast pitch softball player sneaks into home plate, one of the team's rare scoring occasions as Berlin trampled the visitors to win the fast pitch positionals.

Berlin squad slides to finals

The Berlin community fast pitch softball team advanced to the U.S. Army Europe fast pitch finals by swamping 7th Army Training Command 10-4 and 16-6 to win the positionals Saturday at the Andrews Barracks softball field.

Berlin was able to walk over 7th ATC in the first game by pairing hot hitting sticks and an incredible amount of throwing errors on behalf of the 7th ATC squad. James Ingram pitched in the first game resulting in a 10-4 Berlin win.

In the second game, 7th ATC worked through three different pitchers, each of whom had the opportunity to walk Berlin batters. The 7th ATC team was actually on top of Berlin 4-0 in the first inning with Berlin pitcher Darrel Allen unable to find the groove with his pitch and walking several batters.

Allen returned in the second inning to lead Berlin to victory, finding the strike zone and putting away the visitors. Berlin picked up five runs in the second inning to lead in the game. The 7th ATC team only able to score one run in the third inning.

Berlin's third inning at bat turned into a walking fest held by 7th ATC's pitchers. Berlin scored eight runs, several through the various pitchers 7th ATC used in the inning. After accumulating a 13-5 deficit, the 7th ATC was held to a comeback. Berlin went on to win the game 16-6 and consequently the overall fastpitch positionals.

Berlin has two strong pitchers in James Ingram and Darrel Allen, who will be trying their arms in the USA-REUR fast pitch league championships to be held Saturday and Sunday in Stuttgart.

Court men ace second victory

The U.S. Forces men's tennis team chalked up its second straight victory in the second round of German Industrial League play by trouncing the SFB squad 8-1 Saturday at the Harnack House tennis courts.

In singles action, Tom Wickey made short work of SFB's Thomas Dalstein burning the player 6-0 and 6-1 in their match. Gary Grooms continued his strong groundstroking and easily defeated Michael Hartman 6-1 and 6-2 in the second singles match.

Tom Bentley came through with another straight set victory after coming back from a 3-5 deficit in the second set. Bentley posted a 6-3 and 7-5 win against Marcel Becker.

Rik Krauss dispatched Michael Spehr in straight sets

of 6-2 and 6-3, rebounding from his loss the previous week. The lone defeat suffered by the Americans came at the hands of SFB's Joachim Kotelmann who overpowered Chris Pali to win 6-4 and 6-1.

Kevin Watson was extended to three sets before upending SFB's Wolfgang Goerke. Watson dropped the first set 3-6, took the second set 6-2 and saved a match point in the third set before winning 7-5.

In doubles play, Wickey and Bentley teamed up to post a straight sets win against Dalstein and Becker. The Americans came back from a 0-5 down in the second set for a 6-2 and 7-5 win.

In the second doubles match, Grooms and Pali combined for a tight 7-5 and 7-6 victory over SFB's Hartmann and Kotelmann combination. The final doubles match saw George Humphrey and Lutz Bormann defeat SFB's Spehr and Goerke 6-3 and 6-3.

The U.S. Forces women's tennis team began its industrial league season by posting a 9-0 shut out against Berlin's BAT tennis club Saturday.

Armed Forces slowpitch softball players selected

Heidelberg, West Germany—Four U.S. Army Europe athletes have won places on the Armed Forces women's slowpitch softball team which is presently competing in the Amateur Softball Association class A championships ending Monday in Jacksonville, Fla.

The four USAREUR soldiers were members of the women's team which represented Army in the Armed Forces slowpitch softball championship held Aug. 17-19 at Ft. Indiantown Gap, Pa.

Named to the Armed Forces team were Spec. 4 Karen Kelly, Spec. 4 Tracy Wagner and Sepc. 4 Sharon Gallagher of the Stuttgart, Sgt. Staria Burdell of Schweinfurt and Sepc. 4 Tamora Akin of Heidelberg who was named team trainer and statistician for the Jacksonville diamond tournament.

Volksmarch entry date draws near

The United States Air Force Berlin Global VII Volksmarch will take place on the grounds of the German-American Volksfestplatz am Waldfriedhof in Dahlem. Starting times will be from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. with a finish time of 4 p.m.

Medals will be awarded for participation. There will be a 10 km bronze and a 20 km silver medal. Medals from 1984, 1985 and 1986 can also be walked for but only while supply lasts. These medals need to be registered for on the day of the event.

Recognition awards will be given to the pre-registered group with the most participants, pre-registered groups with more than 25 participants and pre-registered group with at least 10 participants with the farthest traveling distance.

The oldest male and female walkers will each receive an award of recognition. All Berlin volksmarching clubs with at least 20 marchers will also be recognized.

Preregistration for the volksmarch ends Sept. 15. Registration can be made in person at the Sky rider Recreation Center. Entry fee is DM 6.50 for an award medal and IVV Stamp or DM 2 for the stamp only. Names of marchers, place of residence, date of birth, distance to be walked and type of medal desired must also be supplied on registration.

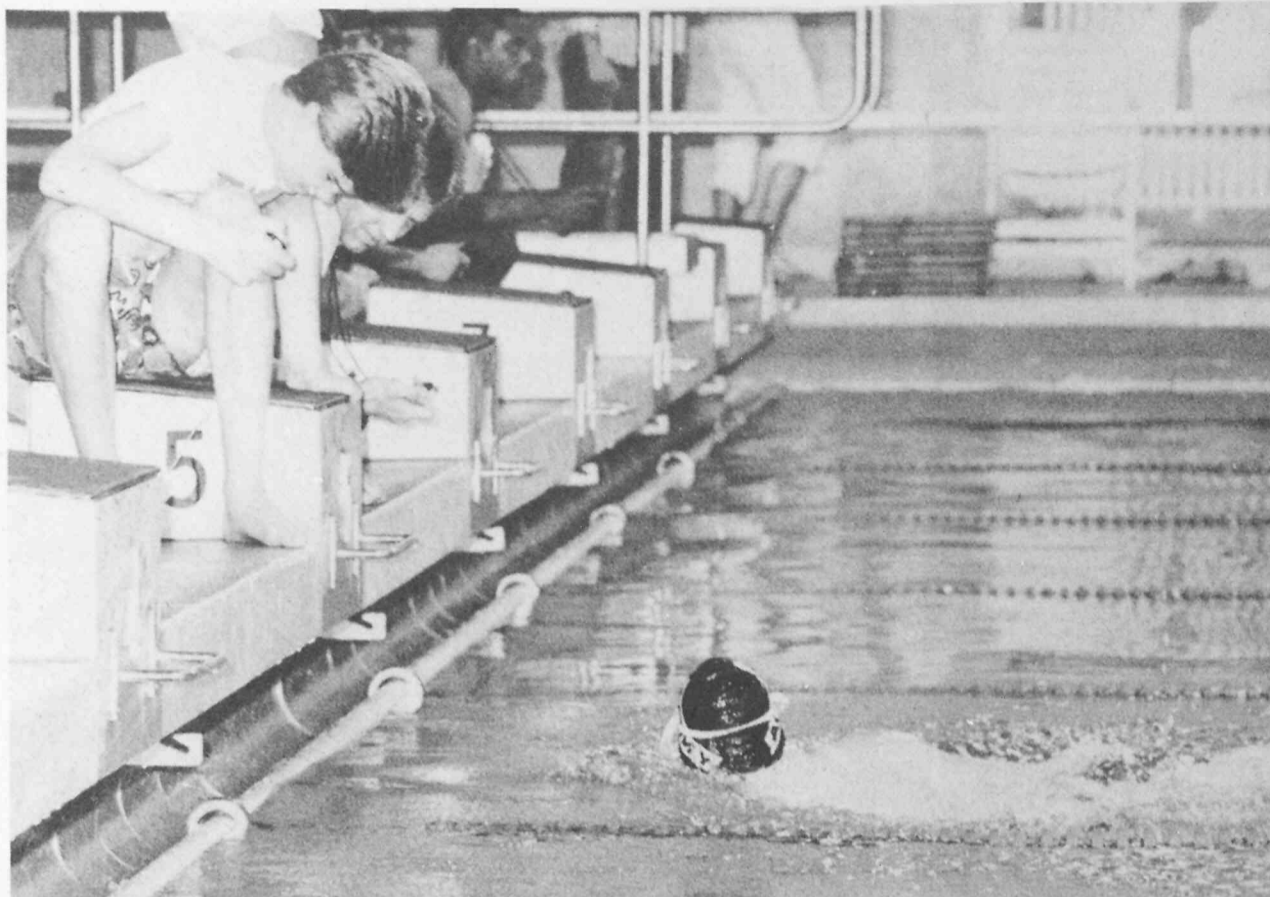
Late registration on the day of the event is possible and an additional DM 2 will be charged for those late entries who desire award medals. Late registers cannot be guaranteed a medal.

Shrimp fishing trip scheduled

Heidelberg, West Germany—A shrimp fishing trip to Greetsiel, Oct. 17 and 18, sponsored by the Association of American Rod and Gun Clubs, Europe, still has openings.

The trip will cost \$99 per person which includes bus transportation, one overnight stay in a hotel, buffet supper on arrival, breakfast, dinner and all the shrimp one can catch, according to Sigi Adams at the hunting and fishing office, U.S. Army Europe community and family support agency in Heidelberg.

For more information call Adams, 379-6293 or 7737 or Schwetzingen civilian 06202-15395.



Brian McKenna wins the men's 400 meter freestyle, setting a USAB record.

USAB swim records sink

6th Bn. takes team title, solid aquatic competition

Chris Allbright
Community writer

Ten U.S. Army Berlin swimming records were washed away in last weekend's USAB Swimming Championships at Andrews Pool.

Gregory Salomon led the 5th Battalion team with four wins and four USAB records, but it wasn't enough to overcome the depth, strength and balance of the 6th Bn. swimmers.

The nine-man 6th Bn. team had outstanding relay teams, finishing first in the medley, second in the freestyle, and was able to place well in six other events.

Strong performances by 6th Bn. swimmers Jack Jensen, Daniel Bunning, Jeffrey DeSonnville, Scott Smullen and others combined to give the team 51 points and the trophy in the major units category.

Salomon's 5th Bn. team came in second with 40 points, 4th Bn. was third with 16 points and Combat Support Battalion was fourth with 12 points.

Practicing as a team for the USAB began three weeks ago for 6th Bn., with morning and evening practices, according to Coach Robert Coulthard.

Gary McKenna single-handedly captured the trophy in the minor units category for Headquarters Company, Berlin Brigade with four wins and three USAB records for 35 team points.

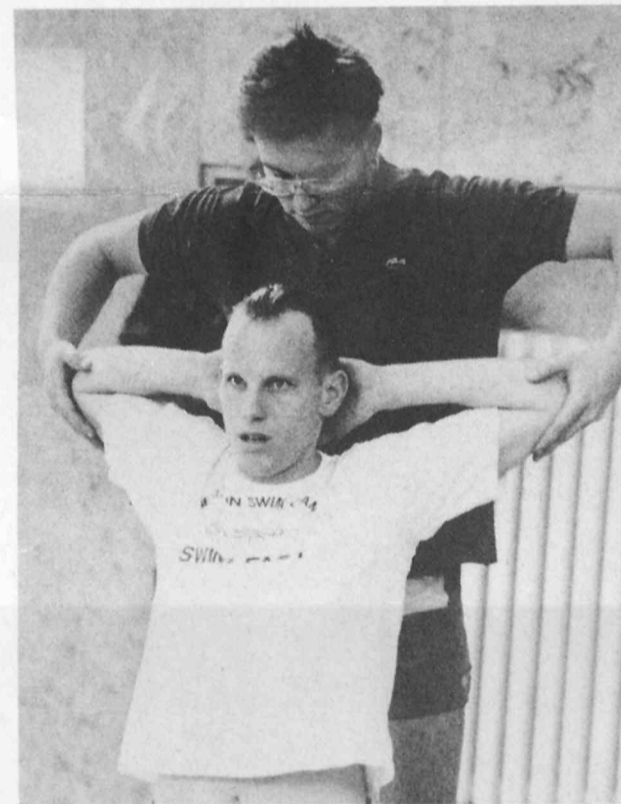
The 287th Military Police Company was second with eight and Signal Support Company was third with three points.

"I felt pretty good, but I've done better," said McKenna who was on the USAREUR team for VI Corps last year.

When the record breaking duel was over, Salomon had bested times in the 50 meter butterfly (29.44), 50 m freestyle (25.60), 50 m backstroke (31.31) and was the anchor man in a close freestyle relay race (1.51.52).

McKenna now holds USAB records in the 50 m breaststroke (32.44), 100 m freestyle (12.08.03) and 400 m freestyle (4.40.97).

Two other swimmers captured records: Larry Costich, Combat Support Battalion, in the 100 m freestyle (59.83), and Denise Scholten, Field Station Berlin, in the



Photos by Chris Allbright

Brian McKenna stretches out with Knut Asmis the second day of the USAB swimming championships.

50 m breast (47.31).

Scholten dominated the women's events, capturing four wins and one second place.

"I just had the PT test on Thursday, and I was a little sore. I could've done better," Scholten said.

Virginia Kierman led the 287th Military Police Company to a team victory with 50 points over FSB with 23 points. Kierman won two races and placed second in three others.

Cindy Shaw put out a strong performance for FSB with two wins and two second place finishes.

The best swimmers from the USAB will be chosen for the USAREUR team and begin practicing to represent Berlin. Officials aren't sure how many swimmers and divers will be allowed to compete on the team, but say they will be able to draw from some solid talent for both the men's and women's events.

School bells chime summer officially over

School in the American Community began with a band playing, the renewal of friendships and with a yawn.

Reactions were mixed about the start of the 1987-88 school year.

"This is the happiest day of the year," said one parent after dropping her children off at Thomas A. Robert Elementary School.

The elementary school, which has 1,475 students, welcomed students back with the Berlin Brigade band playing in the courtyard.

Pupils and parents assembled with teachers to talk and say goodbye for the day. Some pupils had to be coaxed and reassured about school. Others were eager to begin.

After the introduction of the school mascot, the singing of the school song and the national anthem, a bell was rung declaring summer officially over. Students were led into the classrooms to begin another year.

At Berlin American High School, where the enrollment is 671, halls were crowded.

"I can't believe the seventh graders are so short this year," said one student who tripped over one coming up the stairs.

"It's sheer pandamonium the first week. It's very confusing with students looking for classrooms and settling in. The kids were complaining about not having anything to do towards the end of the summer and many are glad to be back," said English teacher Joan Vasey.

Students were comparing class schedules, teachers and more than one commented on "how crowded the cafeteria is this year."

"Berlin is an excellent city, and BAHS is an excellent school," said first year principal Ron Steinman.

"The key to that strength is the excellent staff. There are many veteran teachers who have excellent classes," Steinman said.

Many students said they were glad to be back, but were dreading homework.



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Anecia Campbell, Shatia Brown and Lashonda Ball get encouragement for the new school year from BAHS English teacher Joan Vasey. Jeffrey Wyait (back to camera) checks his schedule.



Third graders gather with their new teacher at TAR.



A pupil says a tearful goodbye to his father.

City roundup

PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY Otfried Hennig from the Inner-German Affairs Ministry said, that the GDR's order to shoot at persons attempting to escape to the West has been canceled temporarily only at the inner-German border, not at the East-West Berlin demarcation line. He explained that in Berlin, East German authorities lack an area in front of the Wall where would-be refugees can be intercepted before they reach the demarcation line. (*most papers*)

A PUBLIC OPINION POLL on what the Germans think of GDR leader Honecker's FRG trip revealed that 76 percent of those polled consider the fact that there will be talks a success. (*Welt*)

TO MAKE BERLIN MORE ATTRACTIVE to tourists, the Berlin Senat is planning to launch a PR campaign, stressing the city's shopping facilities. A marketing research report has revealed that tourists are not aware of shopping opportunities in Berlin. (*Morgenpost et al*)

LAST WEEK, the architectural competition for the creation of the German History Museum in Berlin was opened. Two-hundred architects are planning to par-

ticipate in this 380-million DM project. (*Morgenpost*)

EAST GERMANS, traveling to the FRG and West Berlin will receive more DMs when they arrive. Bonn has decided to increase the DM 60 welcome money to DM 100 in response to the GDR's decision to reduce from 70 to 15 East Marks the amount East Germans can exchange for DMs. Chancellor Kohl said that a lack of money should not stop East Germans from traveling to the West. (*most papers*)

SENAT SPOKESMAN Fest and Economics Senator Pjeroth have emphasized the Senat's interest in establishing an electricity supply link between the FRG and the GDR, including Berlin. The matter will be discussed during GDR leader Honecker's visit to the FRG. The GDR is allegedly interested in providing an electricity transit supply line between the FRG and West Berlin, to be paid for by West Germany. The GDR wants to be able to consume electricity from this line also, if there is need. The advantage of such a transit supply connection would be West Berlin's attachment to West Germany, i. e. the West European electricity supply system. West Berlin currently generates its own electricity and would like to

be able to resort to East German electricity, if the need arises, however, East Germany rejected that idea. (*Tagesspiegel et al*)

FRG RESEARCH MINISTER Riesenhuber believes that the FRG-GDR agreement on scientific research will add new dimensions to the cooperation between the two German states. The agreement provides for participation of scientists from seven West Berlin-based institutes. (*Morgenpost and Tagesspiegel*)

ALL PAPERS REPORTED extensively on last week's opening of the International Audio and Video Fair by West German Research Minister Riesenhuber and Berlin's Governing Mayor Diepgen. Visitors will be able to see and test not only the latest electronics equipment, but also attend TV and radio productions. During the official opening gala, the International German Music Prize of Berlin was presented to several stars, including Tina Turner, David Bowie, Jennifer Rush, Udo Jürgens and others. Also during the opening of the fair, the first glass fiber communication link between Berlin and the FRG, a 210-kilometer cable through the GDR, was inaugurated.