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Putting it on the line

A squad of C Company, 4th Battalion runners cross a Berlin bridge on one of 12 legs of the Wall Run, a 108 mile course run by the company to raise

funds for needy children during the holiday season. The runners started 4:30 a.m. Tuesday at McNair Barracks and finished up 8:30 p.m. at the same spot. For more on the run, see page 11.

Larry Lane

Change nixes most car conversion-import routes

Heidelberg (ARNEWS)—Starting July 1, 1988, servicemembers may no longer personally import foreign-made vehicles into the United States unless the vehicles have been manufactured to meet U.S. specifications.

This policy change was recently announced by transportation officials in U.S. Army, Europe.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's current policy allows persons to convert foreign-specification vehicles to meet U.S. Department of Transportation and EPA standards. The current policy also allows a waiver of EPA standards for vehicles aged five model years or more.

Under the new policy, only independent commercial

importers with an EPA certificate of conformity will be allowed to import non-U.S.-specification vehicles into the United States after June 30, 1988. USAREUR officials also said that commercial importers must ensure that all necessary modifications and emissions testing are made within 120 days of a vehicle's entry into the United States. An "independent commercial importer" is defined as a business that is EPA-certified and licensed to convert vehicles to U.S. standards.

Another significant change in the EPA importation policy calls for all vehicles shipped after June 30, 1988, to meet the EPA standards that are current at the time of importation. For example, a 1985 vehicle imported after

June 30, 1988, must meet EPA standards for 1988, not the standards that were in effect at the time of manufacture. Transportation officials said this provision will dramatically increase—if not double—the cost to import and convert foreign vehicles to U.S. specifications.

The new policy offers no "grandfather clause" for military and civilian personnel who have already purchased foreign-specification vehicles with the intent to convert them upon their return to the United States.

More information on the new policy and its impact on U.S. forces personnel will be provided to local transportation offices as it becomes available, officials said.

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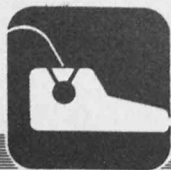


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Commentary

Our guide to guides

A short course on everything you wanted to know about life

by Joe Ferrare
Editor

The *Observer* staff, being journalists, and thus almost potential coattail possible relations to writers, is always looking for ways to pass on good information to the command. But because we're limited to the newspaper (like being limited to dragging 10 tons up a steep hill once a week) we can't really get all our knowledge and wisdom out.

The answer we came up with was to do a series of books, something along the lines of *The Observer Guide To . . .* whatever the subject was. Unfortunately, being journalists we tend to write things briefly. So instead of learned and lengthy tomes in which we pontificate in depth about our subject, we came up with one liners.

That killed the book idea, but it turned out to be perfect for a commentary. So, printed here is the assembled thoughts of the *Berlin Observer* staff on a variety of subjects. Briefly.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Fashion.* Fashion, being the biggest scam since some barber wrote the Army's haircut regulations, is a total waste of time and especially money. There is no reason for fashion except for the clothing designers to make more money. Period. Wear what you want with whatever else you want, as long as you don't look like an extra from "Revenge of the Nerds II" or "The Creature From the Black Lagoon."

■ *The Observer Guide to . . . Popular Psychology.* Popular psychology is a contradiction in terms, but since it's being used, we'll go with it. Take all those touchy-feely California luv-duv psychobabble therapies and trash them. Our version of popular psychology is to listen to your parents, do what they say and repeat this phrase: "When I get to be 30, this will all make sense. When I get to be 30, this will all make sense . . ."

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Leisure Time.* Leisure time is very important. You should schedule some into every day, say between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. Actually, we're great believers in leisure time because the creative mind burns out easily. We split our leisure time between the gym, the library and the crafts shops. And professional wrestling. And eating. Lots of eating. And talking about other people, usually each other.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Getting Rich.* We're enlisted pukers in the U.S. Army and you want to know what we think about getting rich?

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Influencing People.* Work hard, go to school, live the clean life and you'll be able to influence people. The trick is to do all these things and get promoted a lot, then you can just order people to do things. That's the easy way.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Photography.* Buy an expensive camera, learn all the photographic terms and then just point and shoot with no regard to the dials, knobs and readouts your camera is giving and the books taught you to understand. When the pictures come back tell everybody that's the effect you were trying for in the first place. Call it art or something. Sound learned; it'll fly, believe us.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Style.*

The people with real style just have it, whether it be high style or down-home style. The rest spend many hours and tons of money trying to get it, but never do. But that's OK, they should keep trying so we can continue to easily spot the yahoos amongst the real people.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Popular Music.* Listen to any music you want to, just don't play it so loud we have to listen to it too.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Expanding Your Creativity.* Work in a place with a lot of drop-dead deadlines, people who beat you up and ridicule you for shoddy or simple-minded work and where everyone gets to see what you do, every week. We believe in the theory that the making of a creative person is like turning a lump of coal into a diamond: all you need is a million pounds of pressure for a million years. Working in the kind of place we've described will either result in a diamond or a pile of black powder the cleaning woman can come in and sweep into a neat pile one morning.

■ *The Observer Guide To . . . Writing Commentaries.* Think all week about possible topics. Do some research on at least one of them. Talk it over with the boss and co-workers. Then wait until the last possible minute, throw all that crap out and write like hell. It works for me.

Observer salutes

The *Berlin Observer* salutes the Berlin American High School students named "Superstars" for 1987. The students are:

- 10th Grade—Nadine Dover, Ken Yoshihara
- 11th Grade—Darlene Brown, Greg Hall
- 12th Grade—Brian Honeycutt, Tina Potect

The *Berlin Observer* salutes the winners of the Healthy Food Bake-Off during the Health Fair. The winners were;

- 1st Place: Eyola Vaughn, Spinach bread
- 2nd Place: Eyola Vaughn, Apple pie
- 3rd Place: Judith Kullek

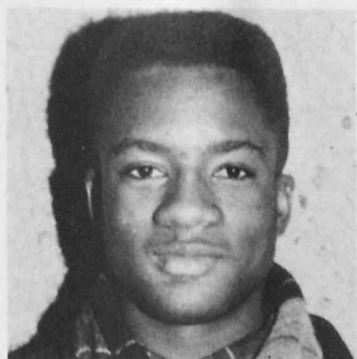
All of the recipes may be obtained by calling 1st Lt. Richardson at BM 4260.

Observations

Do you think relations between the U.S. and the USSR have improved?



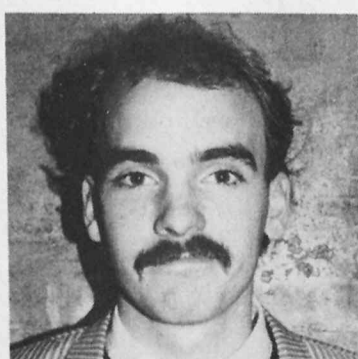
SP4 Robert Wagemaker, B Company, 5th Battalion: "I think it's all a front and we don't know the half of what's going on."



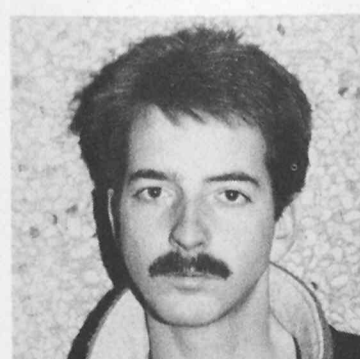
Kevin King, family member: "Not really. All this arms talk that is going on. I don't really think they mean what they've been saying, I think they're trying to put us up."



SP4 Tammy Martin, Headquarters and Service Company, CSB: "To me any type of change toward positive communication is good, and it seems that we've had that. World peace is something that I hope politicians will work harder for."



Oliver Svab, civilian employee: "I think that since Gorbachev took charge of the U.S.S.R. a lot has become better, because he thinks modern. He really wants to change the system."



Tracy Hahn, civilian employee: "Yes I think so. I think the Soviet leadership is more willing to talk and negotiate than they have been in the past."



The Celebrate Sober team serves non-alcoholic drinks at this year's Community Fair. Larry Lane

Mocking the holiday spirits

Replacement drinks draw crowds and raves—without alcohol

Organizers of this year's Celebrate Sober campaign took an unusual tack to kick off the program during the Nov. 21 Community Fair: they introduced community members to the joys of the Redneck, the Pina Colada and other traditional bar drinks.

But the drinks weren't typical bar-scene fare. Instead they came from the Mocktail Bar and contained no alcohol. Berlin Counseling Center counselor Calvin Collins said the program was used to show people there are alternatives to the traditional holiday drinks.

"A lot of people looking for healthy and nutritious drinks stopped by. One time we couldn't get the drinks prepared fast enough. There was a lot of laughter, especially when the kids were there. It was like a big party," Collins said.

The party atmosphere was helped along by the bar's location—front and center in the Cole Sports Center gym, right next to the live band.

"We were in a strategic location and that allowed everyone to see right away that we were there raising the

awareness of the community concerning nonalcoholic beverages.

The drinks looked the part they were made to play, with only the little umbrellas missing.

"People thought it was a very good idea. The drinks were tasty and they gave them ideas. We only had a few drinks left. The Campaign Mocktail, a mixture of Seven Up and apple juice, and the Pina Colada Perfecta were the favorites.

Collins said the center is also making the bar available to units for their holiday parties.

"Units have requested mocktail bars at their Christmas parties. The (287th) MP Company and E Company, 320th Field Artillery are making arrangements to have one. We're willing to help any unit. We'll teach the unit alcohol and drug abuse coordinators how to set it up, hang around for about a half an hour, then leave.

"At a unit Christmas party you're going to have alcoholic beverages, and we'd like to tell commanders that we'll help any of them set up a mocktail bar and offer an alternative," Collins said.

Pay change allows new allotment type

Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. (ARNEWS)
—Soldiers now may establish allotments for life in-

surance policies covering spouses or dependent children, thanks to a recent change in Department of Defense pay regulations.

According to active duty pay policy specialists of the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center more, allotments for health, accident, or hospitalization insurance or other contracts that may, as an incidental feature, include life insurance, are still authorized.

Prep school reps set Dec. 14 visit

Soldiers with an eye toward advancement should mark Dec. 14 down on their calendars. That's the day representatives from the U.S. Army Military Academy Preparatory School will be in Berlin to explain to soldiers how to get into USMAPS, and from there into West Point.

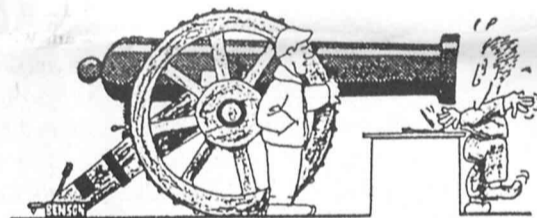
The 10 a.m. meeting will be held in the Starlight Grove Enlisted Club on McNair Barracks. The meeting is open to all soldiers who meet the eligibility requirements and commanders from all levels.

The Fort Monmouth, N.J. school prepares attendees for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. with a demanding English and Math course that covers 10 months. While 30-35 percent of those selected don't make it through the course, 95-98 percent of those who do go on to West Point.

To apply for USMAPS, soldiers must be:

- a U.S. citizen;
- 17-21 years old upon entry;
- unmarried and have no legal obligation to support a child;
- in good health, including having good vision; and
- a high school graduate or have a general equivalency diploma.

For more information contact Capt. Amedeo Lauria, BM 6249/6593, chief of the personnel management branch of the Adjutant General's office.



Corrections

The *Observer* mistakenly reported that the Directorate of Engineering and Housing's work order number is 113. It is 115, as anyone calling the 113 number would have found out.

In our story on the command's Value Added Tax payback program we wrongly reported that those eligible could claim DM 2,000 per year, resulting in a repayment of DM 280. Instead, those eligible may be repayed up to DM 2,000 per year.

Another point that needs clarification is our report that car purchases aren't included in the VAT program. German taxes paid when buying a car are included in the program, but don't count against the DM 2,000 annual limit.

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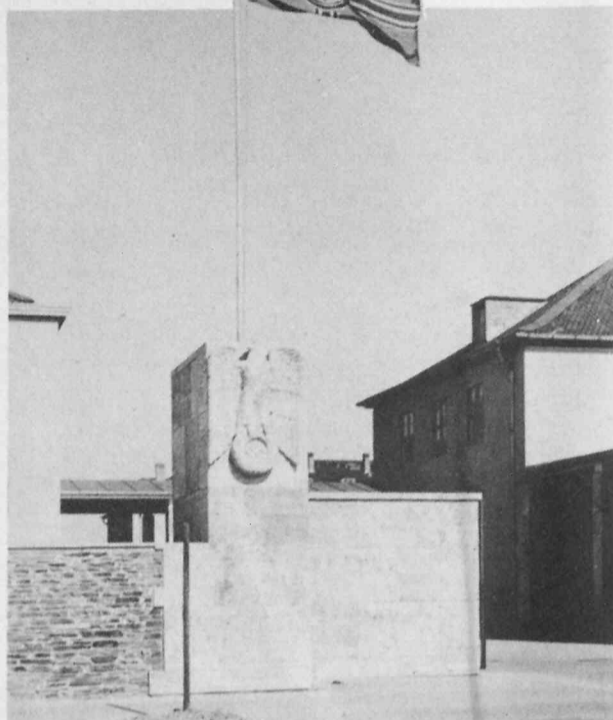
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History



The Nazi flag flies at what is now Clay Headquarters.



The Luftgaukommando buildings on Kronprinzen Strasse in Dahlem before the beginning of the war in 1939.

Clay Compound: German air force headquarters in Dahlem taken over by Americans after World War II

by Tom Blake
Historical columnist

Renovation work at Clay Compound for the past two years has provided a daily reminder of the high standards to which German architects built during the 1930s. The sound of jackhammers and the sight of the solidly built superstructure of present-day American headquarters are also reminders of the role that stone and mortar have played in the history of people and politics in Dahlem.

From its beginnings as the property of a religious order during the middle ages, Dahlem Dorf grew into an independent village after surviving fires, famines, wars and epidemics that reduced it to ashes and empty buildings repeatedly through the centuries.

The trials and tribulations of man and nature had been forgotten by the late 1800s, however, and a mood of prosperity and serenity prevailed in the exclusive villa colony surrounded by the Grunewald and halfway between downtown Berlin and the royal residences in Potsdam.

Fashionable address

Berlin's emergence as the capital of the German empire in 1871 caused a surge of residential building on the city's outskirts to accommodate the diplomats, bankers and industrialists who were drawn to the metropolis. At the turn of the century, Dahlem had become one of Berlin's most fashionable addresses.

In his foreword to the 1913 directory of local homes and businesses, Dahlem architect Heinrich Straummer lamented that the character of many Berlin suburbs was being spoiled by "modern" real estate developers.

Slipshod methods that allowed homes in other neighborhoods to be thrown together in a mere six or eight months were not to be condoned in his part of town though, and Straummer made it clear he took great pride in the new rectory he had designed and built for St. Anne's Parish during the preceding three years. The new rectory next to the old village church reflected the con-

servative attitudes of the population who lived in the many villas and small estates.

Men like Emil von Stauss, president of the Deutsche Bank, a director of the Kaiser Wilhelm Society and executive officer of countless firms, shared the neighborhood with such people as Albert Einstein, whose work with the Kaiser Wilhelm Society also brought him to Berlin in 1913.

By 1929 the Kaiser Wilhelm Society had to build the Harnack House to accommodate an increasing stream of scientists and dignitaries who came to Berlin to lecture or consult with the great men of German science and industry.

The shadow that fell over Germany when Hitler became chancellor in 1933 also darkened the streets of Dahlem. On Jan. 22, 1933 in a large and impressive villa owned by Joachim von Ribbentrop on Lentze Allee, the Führer, Hermann Goering, Franz von Papen and staff members gathered to arrange for the official integration of the Nazi party into the national government.

Air network

On the agenda were building projects related to Germany's attempt to create a powerful "civilian" air network. Two of these projects were soon on the drawing boards at Ernst Sagibiel's architectural firm. Construction at Tempelhof Central Airport was well underway by spring, 1935 and the following year the quiet landscape along Dahlem's Kronprinzen Strasse was broken when building began on the Luftgaukommando Headquarters.

The neighborhood was definitely changing. Einstein had left his comfortable residence on Habelander Strasse and moved to America in 1933, and then other members of the Kaiser Wilhelm Society were beginning to feel the pressure applied to all who were not in favor with the new regime. Even the clergy was no longer safe. Pastor Martin Niemöller was arrested in the rectory at St. Anne's Church in 1937.

By the time brown-shirted storm troopers shattered and burned Berlin's Synagogues in November 1938 the swastika had become a regular sight at the gates to the Luftgaukommando buildings in Dahlem.

Before the invasion of Czechoslovakia in September 1939 personnel from the Luftgau Kommando were being trained as air raid wardens at a school in Heckeshorn, and by early 1940 flak batteries at Krummen Fenn and on railroad cars in the Sundgauer Strasse S-Bahn station pointed their guns skyward in anticipation.

The inevitable happened on the night of March 1, 1943, when bombs from British night raiders brought the full horror of unlimited warfare to Dahlem. Buildings in the Botanical Gardens along Wildenow Strasse and homes near Mexico Platz were hit in what was to become a nightly ritual from then until war's end.

Fall of Berlin

When Russian tankers finally marched up Teltower Damm and on to Kronprinzen Strasse in April 1945 the Luftgaukommando buildings had been evacuated. Dahlem was not immune to Russian depredations, but even after American troops took over in July 1945 relations with the dispossessed local population were less than cordial.

Lack of housing due to war damage and an increased American presence by the end of 1945 required a great deal of requisitioned housing after the Office of U.S. Military Government headquarters was set up in the old Luftgau buildings. All traces of the old order were gradually erased as Americans took up residence in the immediate vicinity and launched Germany on the road to a new, democratic way of life.

Many of the military officers and state department officials who took part in that reorganization were living in homes and working in offices used only a few years earlier to direct the government of the Third Reich.

Relations between West Berliners and Americans improved slowly and the West Berlin government showed its gratitude to America in the wake of the airlift by renaming Kronprinzen Strasse for Gen. Lucius D. Clay in 1949. Today the U. S. Command, Berlin continues to occupy the former Luftgau Headquarters. The buildings themselves were named Clay Compound after the general's death in 1979.

New AIDS policies set

■ Voluntary testing set up for non-military patients

Washington (ARNEWS)—Soldiers and their family members face two new AIDS policies.

"First of all," said Maj. David Peterson, the Army's office of the deputy chief of staff for personnel, "The Army is setting up a program to screen certain categories of patients at Army medical treatment facilities worldwide."

The other policy change entails administration of Guard and Reserve soldiers who test positive for the AIDS-related human immunodeficiency virus."

Peterson noted that the Army is taking its cue, in part, from the nation's Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta. There, the program director for AIDS-monitoring is encouraging hospitals nationwide to begin voluntary admissions testing for HIV detection. He cites the centers' need for collecting vital disease data as just one reason for embarking on such early screening. Other reasons include the need for greater public awareness of the AIDS menace in all walks of life, as well as the value of early notification in AIDS-education programs and in physicians' timely, effective response to patients' health.

To become routine

The screening policy, which takes effect immediately for generally all hospitalized patients and some outpatients, will become a routine matter, said Col. (Dr.) William Moore of the Army's surgeon general's office. He said that all affected soldiers must take part in the screening, but that for family members it will remain voluntary.

Those identified for participation include anyone admitted to Army medical treatment facilities, patients seeking care for sexually transmitted diseases, pregnant women at the time of initial prenatal evaluation and at delivery, and enrollees in Track II or III drug-and-alcohol-abuse rehabilitation programs.

Also included are adults undergoing a physical exam for general health assessment (to include school or sports physical examinations for adolescents 15 years of age or older) or premarital physical exams performed outside the continental United States; surgical outpatients; and selected dental patients, resources permitting.

"Even after consenting to the test, volunteers may

■ Tests due every two years, less in some instances

Washington (ARNEWS)—Soldiers will receive tests for HIV exposure, the virus that causes AIDS, at least every two years beginning in January to ensure force readiness and continued worldwide deployability.

"As reflected in a Nov. 16 policy message, follow-on testing of the total force will normally occur biennially," said Maj. David Peterson, a staff officer with Army's office of the deputy chief of staff for personnel.

"Active duty soldiers will be tested during their birth months. Computer data banks will help personnel officials notify unit commanders when it's time for a soldier's test, just as they do now for annual evaluations, records reviews and periodic physical examinations.

"If a soldier undergoes a routine physical exam, or for some other reason receives a test during a month other than his birth month, adjustments to his testing dates will be made accordingly. This is, when a soldier's birth month shows up on the computer, personnel officials will look at the date of the last recorded HIV test. If it has been more than a year, the soldier will need to take the test again."

In a change from previous policy, soldiers now must have a negative HIV test result current to within six months before being assigned overseas.

"Those on orders for stationing, temporary duty or deployment outside the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, for more than 179 days also fall into this category," Peterson said.

back out," Moore said. "Such a patient, however, won't be denied care at the Army medical treatment facility, although treatment methods could be changed because certain procedures or drugs cannot be safely administered to HIV-infected persons," he added.

Moore explained what happens when an initial screening test comes back positive: "Once the patient is notified," Moore continued, "he receives counseling, undergoes additional confirmatory testing and is evaluated thoroughly. Care will continue after it is assured that the treatment he is to receive is safe and appropriate.

"Our goal in this testing program," Moore said, "is twofold: we want to be sure the care we provide is the best for each patient. We also want to prevent, whenever we can, the unknowing transmission of the HIV."

Preventing the spread of AIDS

The second policy change calls for HIV-positive Guard and Reserve soldiers not on extended duty, or on extended full-time duty, to be transferred to the standby Reserve, unless they request a transfer to the retired Reserve, if eligible, or request an honorable discharge.

Readiness is the key issue considered in developing Army AIDS policy. The Defense Department already has directed that HIV-infected soldiers are non-deployable; that is, they may not serve overseas for any reason.

Administratively, assignment of HIV-infected soldiers to non-deployable billets in the Reserve components is difficult. Few positions are designated non-deployable. Vacancy, grade, military specialty, geographic location and commuting constraints would all combine to limit the practicality and prudence of allowing soldiers of unknown health to transfer to these assignments. Emerging evidence indicates that some soldiers with HIV infection may progress to a condition requiring medical discharge in as few as 18—24 months from identification.

HIV-positive Reserve component soldiers transferred to the standby Reserve are ineligible to take part in training, but they may earn retirement points through correspondence courses.

Officials view the two new policy changes as just another step toward keeping abreast of the ever-changing world of AIDS exposure and preventive measures.

This policy also applies to the following soldiers: those on orders to deployable ranger units, special operations command units or rotating cohort units; those being assigned to units of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, The U.S. Army Recruiting Command or the Military Entrance Processing Command; and those attending specified military-sponsored educational programs (advanced civilian schooling, professional residency, fellowships, training-with-industry and equivalent programs).

Peterson also said that blood specimens for the HIV tests for active-duty soldiers will be drawn at local medical treatment facilities.

"Previous policies regarding assignments, retention, separation and limitations on use of test information remain in effect," Peterson said, "except that profiles issued as a result of a positive HIV test will be permanent."

Profiled soldiers assigned to stateside installations will remain at their current installations for one year after identification. They can, under certain conditions and in accordance with Army regulations, be assigned to a new installation within the United States, but not overseas.

"Specific and detailed policy guidance will be forthcoming in a soon-to-be-released Army regulation while instructions for implementing the testing program will be provided by the Army's surgeon general," Peterson said.



Passing notes

Maj. Gen. John Mitchell, U.S. Commander of Berlin, presents Col. William Clark, Commander of the U.S. Army Field Band, with a photograph following the concert by the band and Soldiers Chorus Monday night.

Education forum on new programs planned for today

Three new programs may be added to the rolls of Berlin's degree programs following a forum scheduled for 7 p.m. today. The conference will be held in the Humboldt Room of the Harnack House, and will provide information and assess community interest in the program.

Three on the table

The new programs are a bachelor's degree program in Mass Communications, a master's program in Instructional/Educational Technology, and a doctoral program in Education.

"The results of the needs assessment survey we just completed are very encouraging," said Barbara Kadlec, regional director of education. "The proposal for these new programs reflects some of the interests expressed in the survey, and we hope this forum will offer the community another opportunity to participate in the development of programs which can serve their academic and professional needs."

According to Kadlec, Mass Communications had a number of people interested during the survey. "The program being discussed at the forum offers multiple options in studying the theories and applications of mass media and the emerging technologies in this field."

"A Mass Communications program would incorporate the print and broadcast media, journalism and film in what could prove to be a very exciting and beneficial new program for the Berlin community," Kadlec said.

Education options

A masters program in Instructional/Educational Technology will also be discussed at the forum.

"This program is designed for trainers or teachers interested in the use of instructional media and new training techniques," said Kadlec. "It is a unique program which responds to the needs of modern education."

"There appears to be interest in the Berlin community for graduate education programs," Kadlec said. "The issue at the forum will focus on the advantages of a traditional versus a non-traditional doctoral program. This will be an opportunity for the community to receive information on the various options and to provide their input," Kadlec said.



Soldier has ties with Berlin of the past

by Ken Jones
Troop writer

When Stacey Lowell was a child, his grandfather told him stories about Berlin after World War II. While Lowell enjoyed the stories, he never expected to see Berlin, or even Germany.

Now, SP4 Stacey Lowell is assigned to A Co., 4th Battalion, and he is seeing firsthand the wonders of the former German capital. The stories he used to hear from his grandfather now hold a special significance.

"My grandfather told me once that I would like Berlin, I would find it a great city. At the time I said, 'I doubt very much that I'll ever see it Grandpa,' and yet here I am, my first duty station," Lowell said.

"When I think of Berlin now, I don't think my grandfather would recognize the city. It's totally changed," Lowell said, "yet in some ways I think it would still be recognizable to him, seeing the familiar sights, the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag."

Lowell's grandfather, Harold Lowell, was born in 1918 in York, Maine. A corporal when he came to Berlin, the senior Lowell didn't speak a word of German, just one of many things he had in common with his grandson.

Common ground

"When I got to Berlin, I knew absolutely no German whatsoever, and as a matter of fact, neither did my grandfather. That's one thing he and I have in common — we both picked German up off the streets. I never took German in school because I thought it would be too hard," Lowell said.

Lowell learned a lot about the Berliners from his grandfather as well.

"He had related to me what a mess Berlin was, a literal dumping ground. As he spent his time here and watched it get cleaned up, he was just amazed at the ingenuity of the people in Berlin. He thought the people were a lot like Americans," Lowell said.

"I saw (my grandfather) the summer before he died and we were talking about Germany and what it was like during the war, and he told me about how everyone just sort of picked up the pieces and went on with their lives because what had happened had happened and you can't change the past. I really wish Gramps was still alive and I could tell him about Berlin from my point of view. It's a bond that we share even now, in death as in life.

"I think most of my knowledge about Berlin came from my grandfather's stories. I learned a lot about the Army here and what the mission was, so I had an idea of what to expect when I got here," Lowell said.

Coming to Berlin wasn't exactly something the younger Lowell had planned,



SP4 Stacey Lowell, the second generation of Lowells to be stationed in Berlin, works in Doughboy City.

"I really wish Gramps was still alive and I could tell him about Berlin from my point of view."

however.

"I was sitting in the 21st replacement in Frankfurt, and they said, 'Where do you want to go?' I said, 'I'd like to go to Wiesbaden, that'd be nice.' They asked if I had any criminal record or speeding tickets or anything, and I said, 'No,' and they said, 'Good, because you're going to Berlin,'" Lowell said.

"My first reaction was, 'No, not Berlin. Anyplace but Berlin.' I didn't want to be here at all, I'd have preferred to be in the west, but once I got here I started to remember the stories. I found Berlin was agreeable to me, and now I down-right love the place."

German friends

"I've got some German friends who are getting married shortly, and she's going to have a baby. They've asked me to be the

godfather and attend the christening at the Kaiser Wilhelm Church," Lowell said.

Lowell explained that he spent Christmas last year with two German families on the same day, and the friendliness they showed helped out a lot.

"It's really tough being a single soldier stationed in Berlin, but that is taken away by the Germans when they invite you over for dinner, even on a Wednesday night."

Various duties

"My grandfather was taken into homes for a couple of Christmases while his wife was in the states taking care of my father and aunt. He said that it was like having his troubles replaced with real happiness," the New Hampshire native said.

Lowell's grandfather served more than a single tour in Berlin, and his duties varied much as his grandson's do.

"Another thing we had in common was pulling Spandau guard. I had seen (Rudolph) Hess on a number of occasions from my post, and he'd try to put on a show for whoever was in the guard tower at the time," Lowell said. "I can recall my grandfather telling me about his arrogance and superiority toward my grandfather and Americans in general. When I was there he seemed to have the same arrogance. He thought he did really well cursing out the Americans in the guard tower, trying to get their attention."

Strange U-Bahn ride

Perhaps the strangest thing that has happened to Lowell took place while he was riding the U-Bahn.

"When my grandfather was here the first time, the place was totally destroyed. He found this little German kid named Braun wandering around the streets, and he adopted her and called her Blondie. During my first year here, I was riding the U-Bahn and this lady got on the train, I had no idea who she was, and she kept staring at my uniform, my name tag in particular

"It took her a while, but she came up to me, she only spoke German, and she said, 'Lowell, your name is Lowell.' I said, 'Yes, my name is Lowell, should I know you?' She said, 'No, but I bet your grandfather would know me.'"

"She related the story of being a young child in the street and having this big American take her home. She never forgot what he'd done for her. He'd given her half of his meat and milk rations, and of course the chocolate, and she said she'd never been able to forget what he'd done for her," Lowell said.

"When I told her my grandfather had passed away, she was stunned. She could hardly believe it. I guess she thought that big American would live forever, and I guess he has, in her mind anyway. She took me to some of the places he had lived and visited, like Ringstrasse, not far from Andrews Barracks."

"I think what I've learned after being in Berlin is a greater respect for the German people and the way of life over here. When I speak to them in German, I find that there is no real difference between myself as an American and them as Germans; there are similarities. There's an open door to the rest of the world, saying 'Come on in,'" Lowell said.

"I've had my ups and downs in this city, but I've had more ups than downs. I've learned from the downs, and grown all the better for it, especially now that I speak German. I get along much better, and I would have no trouble living here as a retiree or a civilian. I have to leave Berlin in April, but I'll be back."



Steppin' out

Markets, humor, music top weekend draws

by Eve Krüger
Cultural events editor

As the Christmas markets downtown and in Spandau continue there will be more to choose from this weekend. The district of Neukölln will hold its 14th annual Alt Rixdorfer Christmas market 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

This non-commercial market has a long tradition and its unique atmosphere adds to the feel of upcoming Christmas each year. Eighty-five different groups, organizations and institutions sell mainly handicrafts and food specialties. All Christmas market proceeds go to a charity fund. Lots of entertainment will be offered on stage. The Berlin Brigade Band is scheduled to play 6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Friday and Sunday. A children's choir and the police orchestra will also perform. Those interested can visit the locksmith, see an exhibition of native paintings in the old village church or else take a look at the manger with live animals and even touch the gingerbread house. Santa Claus, Santa's helper and the Rixdorf fairytale witch will wander around and surprise children with small gifts.

Saturday 3 p.m.-6 p.m. is children's day where the kids will have the opportunity to do lead smelting at the locksmith's house or go on a sled ride with Santa Claus. If there is still time left people can always go and visit Kutschen Schoene who has several carriages and coaches from different epochs on display.

There is not much parking space available, so it is advisable to take U-Bahn line 7 to Neukölln and get off at Karl-Marx-Straße and walk down Richardstraße to Richardplatz. Bus 4/41 or 95 will also take you there.

Zehlendorfer Weihnachtsmarkt

For those who don't feel like traveling any distance, the Zehlendorf Christmas market, which is set up along Teltower Damm around the city hall, offers a variety of Christmas goods 1-8 p.m. tomorrow only. Live entertainment on stage plays a large part in the market activities. The Berlin Brigade Band appears at 3 p.m., the Scottish Country Dancing Society of Berlin at 5.45 p.m. and Roy Hamilton with his fireshow at 7 p.m. Aside from that there will be 150 stands selling handicraft articles, and lots of food and drinks and more. Children can participate in making Christmas gifts at the Buergersaal 3 p.m.-7 p.m. This will be highlighted by a Santa Claus visit, dances and a Christmas story.

Tin figurines

"KLIO Berlin — friends of tin figurines" contributed their share to Berlin's 750th anniversary by setting up a tin figurine exhibition about the history of Berlin.

The exhibition is now showing at the Museum für Deutsche Volkskunde, Im Winkel 6/8 in Dahlem and was put together by 33 tin collectors who handpainted the figurines and also build the background for the historic scenes. Three thousand tin figurines display Berlin's history in 80 dioramas from its founding in 1200 up to modern times. A Christmas market from around 1835 can be found, as well as scenes from the Berlin battle in 1945 up to the building of the Wall in 1961. The background and the miniature figurines look so real they could almost be mistaken for photography. Children will enjoy the exhibition as much as adults, but if not, there is the Santa Claus exhibition next door that was mentioned in last week's *Observer*.

The free exhibition continues until Jan 31, 1988 and is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily except Mondays.



"Spy Society" an opportunity to experience some of the finest of British humor at the Akademie der Künste Dec. 15-19.

Art gallery "Vernis mou"

Berlin's art scene invites visitors to a group exhibition at the gallery "Vernis mou" where 16 artists show graphics, objects and books. Each artist used individual themes and techniques for his work. Techniques include screen print to illustrate love poetry, lithography for Erich Fromm's book "The Art of Love" and sculptures made of scrap metal and rubbish as well as ceramic reliefs which relate to southern dream landscapes. The gallery is open 9 a.m.-8 p.m. daily except Saturdays and located on Ladenbergstraße 4, in Dahlem just off Thielallee.

Classical music

The Hochschule der Künste presents two free concerts 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The Symphony orchestra of the H.d.K. has Ludwig van Beethoven and Cesar Franck on their program. Sunday evening will be highlighted by a piano concert with Klaus Hellwig who will play Mozart, Beethoven and Liszt. Since free concerts are usually well frequented it's good to get there early. Once again the Hochschule der Künste is located on Hardenbergstraße and can be reached by taking the U-Bahn to Zoo station.

'Spy Society'

The Natural Theatre Company from Bath, England is returning to Berlin in December, and the organizers promise an evening of laughter and action-packed entertainment with their new play titled "Spy Society."

The comedy is based on John Le Carre's spy romances. It tells the story about three KGB agents, Burgess, Philby and MacLean, who remember the great times they used to have at the famous public school St. Fagg's. Now that their cover is blown they long for the good old times, when friends in high places gave life that

certain sparkle that Russia just hasn't got. The Natural Theatre Company is a professional touring company that has been creating laughter since 1970 throughout Britain and Europe. They were very successful in Berlin last year with "Her Majesty's Pleasure."

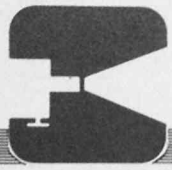
Performances will be held 8 p.m. Dec. 15-19 except Dec. 16 and one additional performance 3 p.m. Dec. 19 at the Akademie der Künste, Hanseatenweg 10, Tiergarten (U-Bahn Hansaplatz). The advanced ticket sale has already started and prices reach from DM 25-35 at any ticket agency or at the Akademie der Künste.

Movie time

The Filmbühne am Steinplatz shows in their December program the film "Dance Black America." The film was made in 1983 at New York's Brooklyn Academy of Music when the "Dance Black America" festival took place and presents the whole spectrum of black dance from African to jazz and step dance and combines those two art styles based on movements, dance and film. A large portion of the film is reserved for the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre that can be considered a synonym for black dance. It also features African war dance, voodoo and break dance. "Dance Black America" will be shown 9 p.m. Dec. 7-16 and 11 p.m. starting Dec. 17 except Dec. 21-24. The Filmbühne am Steinplatz is located on Hardenbergstraße 12 and can be reached by taking the U-Bahn to Zoo station.

Ballet

Tschaikowski's Nutcracker Suite especially choreographed for children, will be presented 4 p.m. Dec. 12 at the ICC. The children's Dance Theatre Heino Heiden from Lübeck, West Germany comes to Berlin every year. Tickets range from DM 14-28 and are available at any ticket agency.



On the screen

Dec. 4-10

Outpost — Clayallee (6524)

Fri. **Revenge Of The Nerds II** (PG), 19:30 in Dolby stereo
 Sat. Special matinee: **Zorro** (G), 14:00
 Sat. **La Bamba**, 18:30 and 20:45
 Sun. Same show as above (PG), 14:00 and 19:30
 Mon. Same show as above (PG), 19:30
 Tue. **The Lost Boys** (R), 19:30
 Wed. Same show as above (PG), 19:30
 Thu. **Superman IV** (PG), 19:30

Columbia — Tempelhof (5522)

Fri. **Full Metal Jacket** (R), 19:30
 Sat. **Sweet Liberty** (PG), 19:30
 Sun. **Spaceballs**(PG), 19:30
 Mon. Same show as above (PG), 19:30
 Tue. **Who's That Girl** (PG), 19:30
 Wed. Same show as above (PG), 19:30
 Thu. **Revenge Of The Nerds II** (PG), 19:30

Coliseum — McNair Brks. (3131)

Fri. **Adventures In Babysitting** (PG), 19:30
 Sat. **Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs** (G), 19:30
 Sun. **The Untouchables** (R), 14:30 and 19:30
 Mon. Same show as above (R), 19:30
 Tue. Same show as above (R), 19:30
 Wed. **Death Before Dishonor** (R), 19:30
 Thu. **Full Metal Jacket** (R), 19:30

Andrews — Barracks (3538)

Fri. **Jaws—The Revenge** (PG), 18:30
 Sat. **Beverly Hills Cop II** (R), 18:30
 Sun. Early Bird show: **The Living Daylight** (G), 01:00
 Sun. **Beverly Hills Cop II** (R), 18:30
 Mon. Same show as above (R), 18:30
 Tue. **Heartbreak Ridge** (R), 18:30
 Wed. —closed—
 Thu. **Adventures in Babysitting** (PG), 18:30

Fri. **La Bamba** (R), 19:30
 Sat. Children's matinee: **Firefighters** (G), 10:00
 Sat. **La Bamba** (R), 19:30
 Sun. Same show as above (R), 19:30
 Mon. **The Golden Child** (PG), 19:30
 Tue. **Police Academy 4** (PG), 19:30
 Wed. Same show as above (PG), 19:30
 Thu. — closed —

Astra — RAF Gatow compound

Fri. **Short Circuit** (PG), 19:30
 Sat. Children's matinee: **Dangerpoint** (G), 14:00
 Sat. **Short Circuit**(PG), 19:30
 Sun. **Ruthless People** (R), 19:30
 Mon. Same show as above (R), 19:30
 Tue. **Star Trek IV—The Voyage Home** (PG), 19:30
 Wed. — closed —
 Thu. **Star Trek IV—The Voyage Home** (PG), 19:30

Odeon

— German movie theatres downtown, playing movies in the original English version —

— 116 Hauptstrasse, Schöneberg
 Tel. 781-5667 from 5 p.m.
 — **The Last Emperor**, 18:00 daily; **The Witches Of Eastwick**, 21:00 daily; **The Life Of Brian/The Meaning Of Life** 23:30 Sat. and Sun. (DM 11,—); **The Life Of Brian** 15:30 Sat and Sun; **Blind Date** 23:30 Mon.-Wed.

Thalia 2

— Kaiser-Wilhelm-Strasse 71, 1-46 (admission DM7)

(Note: ID card holders get a discount; air conditioned; fully licensed bar)

To get to the Thalia movie theater, take bus 2, 30, 32, 81, 83, 61, 86. Get off at Lankwitz Kirche, the church. Theater is located opposite Woolworth's.

—Until Wed. daily performances of **The Beatles: Magical Mystery Tour** and **At Shea Stadium**, 18:20. At 20:20, daily until Wed. **Rolling Stones: In The Park**.

AFN-TV

Dec. 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
 08:35 Jeopardy
 09:00 AFN's Morning Movie: "The Big Trees"
 10:30 Entertainment Tonight
 11:05 Larry King
 11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
 12:00 CBS Evening News
 12:30 Donahue
 13:20 General Hospital
 14:05 Regis Philbin Lifestyles
 14:55 For Kids Only
 15:15 Snowball Satellite
 16:00 Today Show
 18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 Berlin Tonight
 18:45 CNN Sports
 19:00 The Cosby Show
 19:25 Silver Spoons
 19:50 Berlin P.M.
 20:00 Designing Women
 20:30 New Mike Hammer
 21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
 21:30 St. Elsewhere
 22:20 CNN Headlines
 22:30 AFN's Late Show: "On Wings Of Eagles" (Pt. 2)
 00:00 Late Night With David Letterman
 01:00 'Allo! 'Allo!
 01:30 ABC World News
 After the Sports
Fridays
 — 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 Crook And Chase
 07:30 For Kids Only
 09:50 The Incredible Hulk
 10:45 Star Trek
 11:30 CNN Sports
 11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
This schedule is tentative.
 12:00 CBS Evening News
 12:30 EUCOM Report
 13:00 AFN's Saturday Matinee Movie: "GOG"
 15:00 Hee Haw
 16:00 Superstars Of Wrestling
 17:00 The Wizard
 18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 Gimme A Break
 19:00 The Fall Guy
 20:00 Love Boat
 21:00 Sports: TBA
 After the Sports:
 Kiss Meets The Phantom Of The Park
 — Nightwatch continues through the night —
Sunday
 — Nightwatch continues through the morning —
 06:00 CNN Headline News
 06:30 Insight
 07:00 Choral Ridge Ministries
 07:00 For Kids Only
 09:00 Small Wonder
 09:30 Wheel Of Fortune

10:00 Lifestyles Of The Rich And Famous
 11:00 Eight Is Enough
This schedule is tentative.
 12:00 CNN Headline News
 12:30 Nickelodeon Matinee: "Mr. Hobbs Takes A Vacation"
 14:05 America's Top Ten
 14:30 McLaughlin Group
 15:00 Solid Gold
 16:00 The A-Team
 17:00 Dance Fever
 17:30 Inside International Issues
 18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 Newhart
 19:00 60 Minutes
 20:00 Hotel
 21:00 Sports: TBA
 After the Sports:
 AFN's Late Show: "A Masterpiece Of Murder"
Monday
 06:00 CNN Headline News
 06:30 Face The Nation
 07:00 Meet The Press
 07:30 Just For Kids
 08:30 My Favorite Martian
 09:05 Jeopardy
 09:25 Dream Girl
 09:50 Together We Stand
 10:10 Business World
 10:40 Fight Back With David Horowitz
 11:05 The Health Show
 11:35 Ebony Jet Showcase
 12:00 CNN Headline News
 12:30 Donahue
 13:20 General Hospital

14:05 Guiding Light
 14:50 For Kids Only
 15:15 Snowball Satellite
 16:00 The Today Show
 18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 Berlin Tonight
 18:45 CNN Sports
 19:00 Entertainment This Week
 19:50 Berlin P.M.
 20:00 227
 20:30 Moonlighting
 21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
 21:30 Falcon Crest
 22:20 CNN Headlines
 22:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents
 23:00 D.C. Follies
 23:30 AFN's Late Show: "Dead Man's Folly"
 01:10 ABC World News Tonight
Tuesday
 06:00 NBC Nightly News
 06:30 CNN Sports
 06:55 AM Notebook
 07:00 ABC Nightline
 07:30 Just For Kids
 08:30 Green Acres
 08:55 Jeopardy
 09:15 It Figures
 09:40 Candidates '88
 10:40 Entertainment Tonight
 11:05 People's Court
 11:30 Super Chargers
 11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
 12:00 CBS Evening News
 12:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
 13:15 General Hospital
 14:00 Guiding Light
 14:55 For Kids Only
 15:15 Snowball Satellite
 16:00 The Today Show

18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 Berlin Tonight
 18:45 CNN Sports
 19:00 Knight Rider
 19:50 Berlin P.M.
 20:00 Facts Of Life
 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
 08:35 Jeopardy
 09:00 AFN's Morning Movie: "Dead Man's Folly"
 10:35 Entertainment Tonight
 11:05 Larry King
 11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
 12:00 CBS Evening News
 12:30 Donahue
 13:20 True Confessions
 14:05 Guiding Light
 14:50 For Kids Only
 15:15 Snowball Satellite
 16:00 Today Show
 18:00 CNN Headline News
 18:30 CNN Sports
 19:00 Airwolf
 19:55 Berlin P.M.
 20:00 AFN's Evening Movie: "I'll Take Manhattan" (Pt. 1)
 21:40 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
 21:45 Hunter
 22:40 CNN Headlines

22:50 The Tonight Show
 23:50 AFN's Late Show: "For Lovers Only"
 01:25 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
 08:30 Jeopardy
 08:55 It Figures
 09:20 National Geographic
 09:45 Mayberry RFD
 10:10 Frugal Gourmet
 10:40 Entertainment Tonight
 11:05 Larry King
 11:55 Berlin P.M. (R)
 12:00 CBS Evening News
 12:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show
 13:15 True Confessions
 14:00 Guiding Light
 14:45 For Kids Only
 15:15 Snowball Satellite
 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 P.M.
 20:00 Cheers
 20:30 Spencer For Hire
 21:25 Berlin Tonight—Late Edition
 21:30 Hill Street Blues
 22:20 CNN Headlines
 22:30 The Tonight Show
 23:30 AFN's Late Show: "An American Werewolf in London"
 01:10 ABC World News

BFBS-TV

The Services Sound and Vision Corporation BFBS Television Program Schedule

Dec. 5-11

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

Saturday
 11:00 Children's SSSVC starting with: Percy Peeverly's World Of Cartoons And including: Coral Island (New)
 Battlestar Galactica (New)
 12:45 Pop Spot
 13:15 Grandstand*
 18:05 News And Weather*
 18:15 Cue Gary
 18:50 Blind Date
 19:30 Copy Cats
 19:55 Casualty
 20:45 TV Movie: In Broad Daylight
 21:55 The Ronnie Corbett Show
 22:25 The Equalizer
 23:15 Live International Boxing
 Herol 'Bomber' Graham v. Ricky Stackhouse
 00:05 Saturday Almost Live
 01:00 Closedown
Sunday
 14:00 This Week Next Week* starting with: News Summary
 15:00 Glynn Christian's New Zealand (New)
 15:30 The Big Match Live*

18:45 News And Weather*
 19:00 The Krypton Factor
 19:25 Coronation Street
 19:50 The Russ Abbot Show
 20:20 Wildflower
 20:30 Top Gear Special
 21:00 Miss Marple: Nemesis (Part 2)
 22:00 News And Weather*
 22:30 World In Action
 22:55 SportsScene
 23:25 Closedown
Tuesday
 12:25 Children's SSSVC starting with: Tickle On The Tum
 12:40 Play School
 13:00 Schools: You And Me
 13:15 Schools: Science—Start Here
 13:30 News And Weather*
 13:50 The Clothes Show
 14:15 Hudson And Halls (New)
 14:40 BFG Teletext
 15:55 Children's SSSVC starting with: Chock-A-Block
 16:10 The Poodles
 16:25 Corners
 16:40 Emu's Wide World
 17:25 Blue Peter
 17:55 Knights Of God
 18:20 Knight Rider
 18:45 News And Weather*
 19:00 Emmerdale Farm
 19:25 Dr. Who

19:50 Bodymatters
 20:20 21 Years Of The Two Ronnies
 21:05 The Professionals
 22:00 News and Weather*
 22:30 Film '87
 23:00 Spitting Image
 23:25 Closedown
Wednesday
 12:20 Children's SSSVC starting with: Flicks
 12:35 Play School
 12:55 Schools: Picture Box
 13:10 Schools: Look And Read
 13:30 News And Weather*
 13:50 Look Good, Feel Great
 14:15 Take The High Road
 14:40 BFG Teletext
 15:55 Children's SSSVC starting with: Rainbow
 16:10 Batty's Adventures
 16:25 Hartbeat
 16:55 The Gemini Factor (New)
 17:20 The Flintstones
 17:45 Swim
 18:10 The Roxy
 18:35 Road Safety Christmas Message
 18:45 News And Weather*
 19:00 Fun And Games
 19:25 Coronation Street
 19:50 Home To Roost
 20:15 Des O'Connor Tonight
 21:05 Howard's Way

22:00 News And Weather*
 22:30 Rockschoool
 23:00 Rugby Special
 23:40 Closedown
Thursday
 12:25 Children's SSSVC starting with: Ratman
 12:40 Play School
 13:00 Schools: Storytime
 13:15 Schools: Our World My World
 13:30 News And Weather*
 13:50 Knots Landing (New)
 14:40 BFG Teletext
 16:00 Children's SSSVC starting with: Caterpillar Trail
 16:15 Henry's Cat
 16:35 Scooby Doo
 16:55 Kids Kafe
 17:20 Record Breakers
 17:45 Starshot
 18:15 Bruce Forsyth's Play Your Cards Right
 18:45 News And Weather*
 19:00 Emmerdale Farm
 19:25 All At No 20
 19:50 Tomorrow's World
 20:20 Hunter
 21:05 Bust
 22:00 Party Political Broadcast—Labour Party*
 22:05 News And Weather*
 22:35 Blackadder The Third (New)

23:05 Forty Minutes—Love At First Sight
 23:45 Closedown
Friday
 12:20 Children's SSSVC starting with: The Raggy Dolls Play School
 12:35 Schools: Wondermaths
 13:10 Schools: How We Used To Live
 13:30 News And Weather*
 13:50 That's My Dog
 14:15 Take The Highroad
 14:40 BFG Teletext
 16:10 Children's SSSVC starting with: Puddle Lane
 16:25 The Pocket Money Programme
 16:55 Simon And The Witch Blue Peter
 17:10 What's All This Then?
 17:40 Knight Rider
 18:45 News And Weather*
 19:00 Top Of The Pops
 19:30 'Allo 'Allo
 19:55 Crazy Like A Fox
 20:40 Jimmy's
 21:05 Pulaski
 22:00 News And Weather*
 22:30 The Last Resort With Jonathan Ross
 23:10 Film: "National Lampoon's Vacation"
 00:45 Closedown



People

MILITARY MOMS

Being a mother and soldier takes more organization, dedication and patience

by Chris Allbright
Community Writer

Women who elect to stay in the service after having children find juggling motherhood and military life a challenge.

Some of the potential areas of conflict for a "military mom" are child care, military responsibilities and family life.

There is no servicemember-parent stereotype because there are as many ways of dealing with the responsibilities as there are military mothers.

The U.S. Army, Berlin, has 385 females, and 144 of them have children, according to Chief of Strength Management, WO1 Martin Roggio.

Juggling motherhood and a military career means making tough decisions right away.

First, is the decision whether to stay in the military or not. While some women take a Chapter 8, medical discharge, others decide to stay in.

"You don't really have to make a choice between one and the other, because I firmly believe you can do both," said Capt. Vickie Vestal-Mulford who has a 4-year-old girl and an 8-month-old boy.

"If you've invested 16 years in the military, then you've got to really think about it. 'Can I make it for another four?' My husband and I discussed it, and we made the decision for me to stay in. It was a joint decision," said MSgt. Edith Jones.

Family life

Once the decision is made to stay in the military after a baby, work and family take on new meanings.

"You have to make a balance between your work life and your family life, even though your children are the most important," said SP4 Tammy Martin, the mother of 10-month old twin girls.

"It seems like one has to take priority over the other. During an IG, work has to take priority. When your child is sick, that may mean medical attention and you make arrangements to take care of your child," Vestal-Mulford said.

A pregnant soldier is usually given a medical profile. She isn't supposed to lift heavy objects, participate in strenuous training and during the last three months she isn't supposed to work more than 40 hours per week.

After the baby is born, the soldier gets one month's convalescence leave, according to military regulations, and can usually take another two weeks against her earned leave, depending on the circumstances.

"During the pregnancy, you know that in four weeks you have to be able to go back to work, and you know that you have to take a PT test and pass it. You know that you have to be within your weight stan-

dards, so it's not any surprise," Vestal-Mulford said.

Once the soldier is back on the job, she doesn't expect special treatment.

"I don't expect exceptions to be made solely because I'm a parent, and I don't ask for them," said Martin.

"I think you are not to expect special treatment, and to plan ahead and have alternatives if your present situation doesn't work out. You have a backup plan," Vestal-Mulford said.

Child care

Many possibilities exist for child care arrangements for children not old enough to attend school. Some parents have in-home care, use family child care providers and others use the Children's Center.

"I don't look for a babysitter. I look for a family to make that child a part of that family; so, if I have to work late I can call and say, 'Will you feed my child?' and not feel as if it's an obligation or duty," Vestal-Mulford said.

At present, her 10-month-old is with an FCC provider, and her 4-year-old is at the Children's Center.

"She's with children her own age; she's challenged; they go on field trips. . . My infant is with a private sitter, because I feel he has special needs and shouldn't be in the child care setting. That's just my personal preference," Vestal-Mulford said.

Martin, a medic from Headquarters and Service Company, Combat Support Battalion, has an FCC provider come to her home, because it provides the children with a stable, comfortable environment, she said.

Alerts, military training and special duties separate the military from the civilian parent.

"You need to make special arrangements for alerts, because you're still in the Army. We have to do all the things expected of soldiers. You know, go to the range, take our PT tests at 5:30 in the morning and show up for alerts," said Vestal-Mulford, a 10 year Army veteran. "You just can't call and say 'I don't have a sitter, I can't come to work.' It's just not that way," she said.

"I have not come to a point at which I had to say 'I cannot come to work,' or, 'I cannot do this extra duty,' or, 'I cannot participate because I haven't taken care of my child. I have great pride in making sure that my child is well taken care of," said Air Force Capt. Sherry Huffman, who has a 12-year-old daughter.

Part of making sure the child is taken care of is establishing a network of babysitters.

"You need a back-up. If something happens to my sitter, then I need a backup," Vestal-Mulford said. "You need options. I don't think you can rely on one



Capt. Vickie Vestal-Mulford greets her daughter at the Children's Center.

situation, one sitter. Whether it's the child care center or whatever, you've got to have that."

"I go a little overboard," Huffman said. "I have about 20 people that could take care of my daughter in case something would happen and I needed to leave immediately."

Once that did happen to Huffman, who is a single parent, while serving as a mortuary affairs officer.

"I was gone like that," Huffman said, snapping her fingers. "But I had back-up babysitters, and back-up-back-up babysitters, and a whole network that takes care of my daughter," Huffman said.

Her daughter, "Charlee," also takes on many responsibilities herself, and works as a team with her military mom.

"We are a team. She gets really upset when people say that we aren't a family because there's no father at home. We are a family, and it takes teamwork. As your child grows more and more, you can see how your child can be on your team," Huffman said.

Cooperation and teamwork are important for all military moms.

"My husband and I take turns taking our daughter to get checkups and shots," Jones said. "You've got to be equal. It can't just be one partner. It has to be both partners. I think that's the most important thing. It has to be 'our' baby and not 'my' baby."

"It's a dual responsibility with your husband. I don't think it's just the military mother's responsibility. . . It's an equal responsibility," Vestal-Mulford said.



Community events

This week

Sportsman's meeting

The Berlin American Sportsman's Association will hold its monthly membership meeting 7 p.m. today at the Eagle's Nest at McNair Barracks instead of Rose Range as was previously announced. The meeting event will include elections, auctions and giveaways.

The club will also hold its monthly pistol shoot 9 a.m. Saturday at Rose Range.

St. Nick tourney

The Berlin Women's Bowling Association will sponsor a St. Nick tournament on Saturday. The tourney will be 9-pin no tap for men and 8-pin for women. Two shifts will be held at 6 and 9 p.m., with sign up 30 minutes before each shift. Prizes will be awarded for high game and series for both men and women.

Users group meeting

The Personal Computer Users Group will hold its monthly meeting 5 p.m. Sunday in the Nicholson Library conference room. This month's presentation is on using MS-DOS. The group's meetings are open to the public, and are frequented by computer enthusiasts from the novice to experienced programmers.

Those who decide to join the group must pay an initial membership fee of \$10 and dues of \$5 a month. The group offers a small but growing library of public domain, shareware and freeware to members, as well as group buying power for software and hardware.

For more information call Al Camp, BM 8891/8920 during duty hours, or 811-8226 after hours.

Wives club meeting

Headquarters and Service Company, Combat Support Battalion Wives' Club will meet 7 p.m. Monday in the company classroom on Andrews Barracks to discuss a Christmas Party. Any questions or free ride details call 774-3638 or 772-2135.

La Leche League meeting

All breastfeeding mothers and mothers-to-be may attend the next meeting of the Berlin La Leche League scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday. The topic will be breastfeeding and beyond, dealing with nutrition and weaning.

Another service the league offers is a lending library of books on childbirth, breastfeeding, and parenting, as well as telephone counseling. For more information and meeting place, call Susan Pua, 832-7030.

Art guild meeting

The Berlin-American Art Guild will hold its next monthly meeting 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School cafeteria.

The meeting is open to the public and organizers encourage those attending to bring samples of their work.

TOWC Christmas tea

The Tempelhof Officers' Wives Club will hold a Christmas tea at the home of Beth Satz 1-3 p.m. Tuesday. No bus transportation will be provided. Call 813-8544 for reservations.

'Cudas boosters meeting

The monthly meeting of the Berlin Bear-A-Cudas Booster Club will be held 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Hi-Lite Community Center, Andrews Barracks.

BAHS Christmas concert

The Music Department of the Berlin American High School will present a Christmas concert beginning 7 p.m. Tuesday at the American Community Chapel. The concert, expected to last about one and a half hours, will feature all kinds of Christmas

music performed by the band and choir. The event is open to the public.

Allied coffee morning

The next Allied coffee morning will be held Tuesday in the American sector and will have a "Hometown USA Christmas" theme. Attendees are asked to bring three dozen Christmas cookies or goodies or an American regional Christmas specialty.

For more information or reservations call Gayna Taylor, 824-1531.

Joint Mass meeting

The Protestant and Catholic women of the chapel are sponsoring a joint mini-conference 9-11 a.m. Wednesday at the American Community Chapel. The women will be sharing their experiences and training from regional conferences.

For information, call Mary Greiner, 812-1546, or Anne Jakubowski, 832-5227.

Checkbook class

The G-1/DPCA plans and operations division is offering a checkbook maintenance course 6-9 p.m. Wednesday. To register, call BM 6219/6683.

FSB Women's meeting

The Field Station Berlin Women's Club will hold its December meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday. The meeting will be held at 31 Lloyd G. Wells apt. 1; 802-9157. Topics to be discussed will be nominations of new club officers, the children's Christmas party and the holiday ball.

Members should bring empty toilet paper rolls to the meeting so they can be filled with candy for the children's Christmas party. There will also be a gift exchange, so members should bring a small gift to exchange at the meeting. All spouses of enlisted personnel, female DOD GS6 and below, and all enlisted females who are assigned to Field Station Berlin and USAISC may attend.

HHC 4th Bn. wives meet

A coffee will be held for the wives of soldiers in Headquarters Company 4th Battalion to discuss the upcoming Christmas party. The meeting will be 7 p.m. Thursday in the Schöneberg room in building 1001E. Babysitters will be provided. For more information call 801-2417, after 5 p.m.

Thrift Shop party

The Thrift Shop will close at noon Thursday for the volunteer Christmas Party.

Grieving Group meeting

The Grieving Group will meet noon Wednesday in the ACS office located below the American Express Bank in Truman Plaza. The topic for this meeting will be "Facing The Holidays Without A Loved One." All members of the community who have suffered the loss of a loved one are invited for an hour of fellowship and understanding.

For more information contact Susan El Sotelo or Glenn Jones at Army Community Services, BM 6984/6500.

Next week

FSB Christmas party

There will be a Children's Christmas party 1-3 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Hi-Lite Center on Andrews Barracks. The party is open to all Field Station Berlin and U.S. Army Information Systems Command children 12 years old or younger.

Those whose children will attend the Christmas party should give the company first sergeant a gift worth no more than \$5 for each child. The gift must be wrapped and clearly labeled with the child's name and be dropped off by Dec. 11. Call Renee Turner, 802-9157, or Robin Berg, 811-8181 to make reservations.

Wives club meeting

Headquarters and Service Company, CSB Wives Club will meet 7 p.m. Dec. 14 in the company class room on Andrews Barracks to discuss the Christmas Party. For more information call 774-3638 or 772-2135.

TAR PTSA meeting

The Thomas A. Roberts Elementary School Parent-Teacher-Student Association general membership meeting will be 7 p.m. Dec. 15 in the TAR cafeteria. After a brief meeting the TAR chorus and children from several classrooms will present a Christmas program. After the presentation will be a sing-along.

BAHS boosters meeting

The Berlin American High School Athletic Booster Club will meet 7 p.m. Dec. 15 in the BAHS cafeteria.

Misc.

Fall Cleanup winners

The winners of the 1987 Fall Cleanup have been announced, and the awards were given during a ceremony Monday. The winning buildings were 13/15 Pritchardstrasse, 16 Fischottersteig, 238/240 Argentinische Allee, 222/224 Argentinische Allee, 3 C. H. King Strasse, 232/234 Clayallee, 4/4a Flanaganstrasse, 24/26 Lissabonallee, 2/4 Lloyd G. Wells, 9/9a Taylor Strasse, 1 Brettbacher Strasse, 6/6a/6b Taylor Strasse.

Births in Berlin

Tyler Lynn Burkett, 9 pounds, 3 ounces, born Nov. 15 to Jeffrey and Susan Burkett, 1946th Communications Squadron.

Scott Douglas Crawford Jr., 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born Nov. 18 to Capt. Scott and Karen Crawford, Headquarters Company, 6th Battalion.

Jeremy Stephen Dobler, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, born Oct. 10 to Sgt. Herbert and Petra Dobler, B Company, 5th Battalion.

Sasha Victoria Keikilani Kaohi, born Oct. 20 to sergeants Matthew and Catherine Kaohi, 287th Military Police Company and Headquarters Company, Berlin Brigade.

Anthony Lee McCoy Jr., born Nov. 19 to SP4 Anthony and LaBrea McCoy, Signal Support Company.

Bien Q. Pham, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, born Nov. 12 to 1st Lt. Tuan and Thuy Pham, Combat Support Company, 5th Battalion.

Christopher Michael Robinette, 7 pounds, 3 ounces, born Nov. 18 to Capt. Linda and MSgt. Larry Robinette, Medical Activity.

William Ryan Stinnett, 9 pounds, 7 ounces, born Nov. 14 to SFC William and Mary Stinnett, B Company, Field Station Berlin.

Joseph Christopher Bingham, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born Aug. 18 to SP4 Richard and Robin Bingham, F Company, 40th Armor.

Clinic waiting times

Central Appointments at the U.S. Army Hospital, Berlin, has released the next available appointment dates for the following clinics as of Tuesday:

■ Gynecology: for active duty, Dec. 23; for family members, Dec. 15.

■ Obstetrics: Tuesday.

■ Pap smear: Dec. 24.

■ Internal medicine: for new patients Dec. 24; for followups, Dec. 24.

■ Optometry: for active duty, Dec. 22; and family members Dec. 21.

■ Pediatrics: routine appointments, Dec. 23; the well baby clinic, Dec. 21.

■ Surgical: Monday.

Same day appointments are available for acute illness in the mental health, pediatrics and outpatient clinics.

Appointments can be made through the Central Appointment System, BM 4211.

Children's Center hours

The Children's Center will be open 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m. the first three Saturdays of December for those who want to do some "unaccompanied" Christmas shopping. For reservations, call BM 6270. On Dec. 11, the center's Friday night program will extend its normal midnight closing to 1 a.m. for those attending the USCOB Winter Formal. Those who want alternative home-based care should call the Family Child Care program, BM 6232 for information and assistance.

CIF move

The Central Issue Facility will move to its old location, McNair Bks, Bldg 1001 H, Monday.

PX cosmetics special

Fashion Fair cosmetics will offer a special bonus package with the purchase of \$10 or more of the company's cosmetics beginning today. The Main Exchange Fashion Fair representative will also have a 10-color eye shadow compact, electric blue mascara and two eye shadow applicators at a special holiday price.

To take advantage of either of these specials see the Fashion Fair representative next to the jewelry counter in the main PX.

RTO Christmas party

The Berlin Rail Transportation Office will be closed Dec. 11 from 1 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for its annual staff Christmas party. The Berlin booking office at Frankfurt will be closed Dec. 15 from noon to 5 p.m. for its yearly Christmas party.

AAFES jobs

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service's personnel office is accepting applications for positions in retail, theater and food operations, including Burger King, Baskin Robbins, and McNair Burger Bar. Applications will be accepted 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the AAFES personnel office, room 126, building 801, Roosevelt Barracks. For more information call BM 4401.

CTC job

Central Texas College is accepting applications for the position of secretary to the regional director. Excellent clerical and interpersonal relations skills are essential requirements. This is a full-time salaried position with standard employee benefits such as paid vacation, sick leave, health insurance, and retirement plan.

Interviews will be conducted the week of Jan. 4. Those interested should contact Central Texas College, BM 9651.

AAFES early closing

All Army and Air Force Exchange System activities will close no later than 7 p.m. Wednesday for the annual AAFES employee's Christmas party. Activities that normally close before 7 p.m. will close at their normal closing times.

Santa suit rentals

The Entertainment Branch of the Community Recreation Division is renting Santa Claus suits and a limited number of Mrs. Santa suits, and German Weihnachtsmann costumes. Suits cost \$7.50 per day and can be reserved by calling BM 3550.

Santas needed

The Hi-Lite Community Center is looking for four or five volunteer "Santas" to work the housing areas Dec. 14—18. Volunteers will receive briefings from the Hi-Lite at 5:15 p.m. and begin their rounds at 5:45 p.m. The rounds will end at approximately 9 p.m. For more information or to volunteer, call BM 3554/3527.

The Entertainment Branch of the Community Recreation Division is looking for volunteers for positions as a vocal coach, a choreographer, and piano accompanists. The time commitment for each of these positions is a minimum of 20 hours per week. For more information call BM 3550, or the Installation Volunteer Coordinator at BM 6304.

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 re-

submitted for each issue. Ads for firearms or weapons will not be taken. Submit at room 2061, building 2, Clay Headquarters.

Want ads

For sale

1978 Chevrolet Impala, PCSing, must sell; asking \$750 or best offer. Call 802-6811.

1978 Toyota Hiace. Runs well, body in excellent condition, new German inspection, new tires, exhaust, radiator, battery and water pump, five passenger van, excellent for vacations, must sell. Call 792-6700 after 2 p.m.

1979 Toyota Corona. Four door salon, automatic, German specs., good condition; DM 2,500. Call 692-5464 after 6 p.m.

1977 Golf GLS, automatic, has passed inspection—Feb. '89, good condition, asking DM 3,200 or best offer. Call 883-9776 or 826-1594.

1975 Mercedes 280S. Yellow, four door sedan, needs engine work; best offer over \$500. Atari 2600 video computer system. Has two new joysticks and 19 game program cartridges; best offer over \$75. Call 813-6581.

1978 Ford Granada. Red, two door, 49,000 miles, needs work to pass inspection; asking \$450, negotiable. Call 852-7507 after 6 p.m.

1980 VW Rabbit. Four speed, new tires, muffler, AM/FM cassette, needs carb. work; \$1,200. Four piece schrank, lighted bar and shelves; \$350. Fiberglass car top luggage carrier with mounting racks to fit VW Golf or similar size car; \$200. Electric typewriter, Olympia Electronic Compact, 220v, with case, like new; \$250. Call 811-8275 after 5:30 p.m.

1983 BMW Model 315, German specs, stereo, 43,000 KM, great shape; \$4,800 or best offer. 1986 Sony 27" multi-system TV, gets British and German stations; \$650, Microwave/conventional oven, 1 1/2 yrs old, Toshiba; \$225, 1976 Opel Ascona, runs well; \$800. Call BM 4227 or 826-4188

1979 Pontiac station wagon. Red, excellent mechanical condition, good body, no rust and good tires. Have all receipts for work done. Will pass inspection; \$1,500 negotiable. Call PFC Reesor, BM 9747 or 833-2348 after 7 p.m.

1986 Econoline custom Ford van. Complete with everything. Call 772-5802.

1979 Porsche 928 with 89,000 km, mechanically sound with 8 cylinder 290 HP engine, extras include, air conditioning, cruise control, electric windows and radio/cassette, German TÜV good until July 1989; asking \$10,000 or DM equivalent, negotiable, but serious inquiries only please. Call 802-8457.

1981 Porsche 924. Dark green, many extras, excellent condition; DM 15,000. Call 62-4960.

1979 Mazda 3-door sedan. Automatic transmission, radio, stereo tape player with two extra speakers, new battery and front brakes, new exhaust system, new plugs, air filter, oil filter and tune-up, good condition, excellent transportation; \$975. Call 803-3357.

1981 Pontiac Formula Firebird. 46,000 miles, automatic, 4.9 litre, good condition; \$2,300. Call 802-8506.

1979 Toyota Corona. Automatic, four door, German specs., good condition; DM 2,500. Call 692-5464 after 6 p.m.

PCS sale. 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Saturday at 8 Huninger Str. Plants, clothing, many infant items, books, wood, sewing material, toys, posters and more.

Basement sale. 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Saturday at 2 C. H. King Str. Toys, car seat, plants, childrens clothes, knick-knacks, Atari 400 computer, more.

Basement PCS sale. 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Saturday at 15 E. C. Diltz in laundry area. 110v canister vacuum, 110v drinking water distiller, 12v/110v b&w portable TV, 110/220v color multi-system TV,

thermal computer printer paper, mixmaster, food processors, toaster, 220v extension cords, books, comics, children's play kitchen schrank, two antique treadle sewing machines, rotating table fan, folding grocery cart, canary, has beautiful voice, comes with cage and food, young children's waterwings, Artley flute, automobile roof rack with elastic restraining net, compact car tires and chains, van-size tire, 10 liter gas can with spout, jumper cables, battery suitable for compact car, German sled, camping porta-pottie, wine storage rack, unused plastic gallon size milk jugs, kitchenware, stuffed toys, more. Call 802-6356.

PCS basement sale 9 a.m.—noon Saturday at 1 Lloyd G. Wells Strasse. Stereo, childrens toys, more.

PCS garage sale, Basement of 2 Charles H. King Str., 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Everything must go; furniture, plants, clothes, toys.

Sony 27" multi-system TV. Gets British and German stations; \$650. Microwave/conventional oven, 1 1/2 years old, Toshiba; \$225. 1976 Opel Ascona, runs well; \$800. Sony portable CD player; \$200. Call BM 4227 or 826-4188.

Apple Macintosh 512K Enhanced with assorted software; \$800. Apple IIc system with monitor; \$350. Apple IIe system w/monochrome monitor, one disk drive, 128K ram, 80 column, and super serial card; \$500. Call BM 6528 or 822-4545 after 6 p.m. except Monday and Wednesday.

Atari 800 home computer. With the Atari Disk Drive 1050, more than 45 game disks with more than 120 games including 10 original games, complete with DOS 3 disk, and books; asking \$200. Video computer system Atari 2600. Includes 17 games with books and paddles. Power source not included. Included is a Telegames center case; \$50. Call BM 9333 or 712-3034 after 5 p.m.

AM/FM 8 track stereo 110 V with two speakers; cassette player with two speakers; portable electric space heater 220 V two wattages. Call 792-6700 after 2 p.m.

Crib with mattress and sheets; \$35. Gerry portabed/diaper bag; \$25. 1973 VW 1303 engine complete, runs good, \$90. Extra parts for 73 VW; battery; \$10. Light controls; \$3. Seat covers; \$5. Carburetor; \$5. AM/FM 8-track car stereo with speakers; \$20. A 1974 VW transporter van, runs good, will pass inspection; \$900 obo. Call 801-3935.

Eight-piece wall unit/schrank, dark brown, 1 1/2 years old, has book case, two big drawers, China cabinet, pull down bar area, cabinet with doors, two small drawers, and record storage area; paid \$2,700 asking \$800 or best offer. Two piece bedroom set, includes twin bed with dresser; \$80. Infant car seat; \$25. Toddler car seat; \$10. Call 813-8884 anytime.

Antique German clothes schrank with matching vanity and night stand; asking \$300. Call 802-7746 or come by 28 Charles H. King Str. No. 20.

20 inch Diamond Back II Silver Streak racing bike; all the best components including Skyway Tuff Wheel II's, CW handlebars, CW frame standers, three-piece maxi cross cranks, Tuff Neck stem, Race Inc. seatpost and Elina saddle. All red, black, chrome. \$300. Assorted racing components: Sugino sprocket, Tange forks, Mike Dominguez frame standers. Other assorted junk 10 speed parts. Desk with chair, all wood, three drawers vertical, one drawer horizontal, walnut stain with brass hardware; \$100. Call 826-3439.

Weight set. 233 pounds, bench, and curling bar. Bought new at PX in July 87 for \$120, will sell for \$75. Call 813-8659 anytime.

55 Gallon aquarium with fish, plus accessories; \$250 or best offer. Two boa constrictors believed to be a male and a female, 55 gallon aquarium included with hood and light; \$200 or best offer. 1982 GL500 Honda Silverwing Motorcycle. Excellent condition — farring and luggage cases; \$1,750. Sansui V550 R compact disc player, 16 programmable tracks, repeat, fast fwd. fast reverse and pause, six months old, mint condition; \$200 firm. Call 801-2476 or BM 3643.

DP rowing machine. New condition; \$40. Call BM 3600.

Set of 32 Lexicon Encyclopedias and 32 Illustrated Science and Invention Encyclopedias. Copy dated 1986 in excellent condition; asking \$600 or best offer. For more information call Audie Kristler BM 9736 or BM 9739 after 6 p.m.

Ladies opossum fur jacket. Dark brown shades, fur does not shed, like new, size 8-10; \$200 or DM equivalent. Call 881-7340.

Electric go-kart with two 12 volt electric motors, powered by automobile battery. Mini 50 cc moped, with ILO two cycle engine & three forward speeds, small enough to slip into car trunk or airplane. Both items are in mint condition. Call 891-6081 6-8 p.m.

Set of three Persimmon Head woods, 1,3,5, Jack Nicklaus "Murifield," brand new; \$225. Call Chris 824-9739.

Purebred male German boxer puppy four months old, must sell; best offer. Call after 6 p.m. 862-1467, ask for Sgt. Gonzalez.

Free

Black female cat with white markings. 18 months old. Hooded cat box included. Call 802-5392.

Wanted

An FCC provider to care for my 2 1/2-year-old son in my home or yours. Full work day hours, salary negotiable. Please call 813-8579 after 5 p.m.

Extra large dog carrier. Call 805-2830 after 6 p.m.

A good running compact or mid-size American-spec car with shipping papers that will pass inspection and is good on gas. Price range between \$1,000-\$2,000. Call 801-3935.

Adult dog, well behaved and good with children. Prefer small to medium sized and short or wire haired. Will receive lots of love. Call Barbara, 891-7680 weekends or after 4 p.m.

For rent

Furnished, one-room apartment in Charlottenburg, 10-minute walk from Bahnhof Zoo and Ku'Damm, next to U-Bahn. Has kitchen, washing machine, and stereo. Available for a two-month period beginning Dec. 7, possible permanent rental thereafter. Rent is 380 DM mo. warm, DM 700 deposit. Call 316128.

School lunches

—TAR and BAHS schools have the following menu for the week beginning Dec. 7:

Monday—Mixed salad, barbeque pork on bun, corn, peaches, white or chocolate milk.

Tuesday—Carrot sticks, chicken tender, sweet sour sauce, steamed rice, vanilla pudding, bread and butter, white or chocolate milk.

Wednesday—Lettuce & tomatoes, hamburger on bun, french fried potatoes, ice cream, white or chocolate milk

Thursday—Cucumber salad, texas toast with cheese and sausage, green peas, pears, white or chocolate milk.

Friday—Cole slaw, grilled cheese, mixed vegetable, fruit cocktail, white or chocolate milk.

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

Monday—no lunch.

Tuesday—Ragout, noodles, salad, vanilla milk.

Wednesday—Two meatrolls in tomato sauce, corn-cob, rice, yoghurt.

Thursday—Pork with sauce, potatoe dumplings, green beans, caramel-pudding.

Friday—Chicken soup, two pancakes with blueberry filling, juice.



Sports



Wildflecken Mountaineers and Berlin Bears battle beneath the boards for a rebound.

Larry Lane

Knights nab holiday meet

Nuremberg captures crown, Berlin squads bow out early

Nuremberg guard Daniel Moore's steal and undefended lay-up with 25 seconds on the clock edged the Knights over the Wildflecken Mountaineers Sunday in the if-necessary game of the Berlin Thanksgiving basketball tournament held Thursday through Sunday at the Cole Sports Center.

The Mountaineers climbed the ladder of the losers bracket and won the first game of the finals with the Knights 94-91 only to fall short of the trophy through Moore's clean steal.

Much good hardwood play was seen in the four-day tourney, though the tough teams of Hanau, Wiesbaden and Frankfurt didn't make it to Berlin. A total of eight teams were in the contest to include the Berlin Bears, the Berlin All-Stars and the Tempelhof Central Airport Braves. The teams of Nuremberg, Wildflecken, Bremerhaven, Aschaffenburg and Stuttgart filled out the roster.

The Berlin Bears and the Berlin All-Stars had much to be thankful for on Thanksgiving night. The All-Stars outshined the Braves 91-78 and the Bears mawled Stuttgart 98-76. In the same evening, Bremerhaven trimmed eventual losers bracket reigners Wildflecken 92-90, and Nuremberg, coasted by Aschaffenburg 80-75.

Friday's games dealt triple agony to Berlin's teams as all three took losses. Bremerhaven trounced the All-Stars 101-88, Nuremberg edged out the Bears 84-83 and the Braves were knocked out of the tourney by Wildflecken to the tune of 98-72. Aschaffenburg gave Stuttgart an 108-68 early ticket home from the contest. Wildflecken finished the night by finishing the Bears 98-70, ousting the host team from the meet.

The Berlin All-Stars were knocked out of the tournament 104-95 by Aschaffenburg in Saturday's first game. Wildflecken had back-to-back wins, trimming Aschaffenburg 98-96 in overtime and stripping Bremerhaven 94-78. In the winner's bracket, Nuremberg took care of Bremerhaven 79-74 to become top dogs to beat.

The Knights and Mountaineers didn't play each other until the tournament championship games, but it was a contest that sideline basketball enthusiasts talked about wanting to see. Though the bleachers were less full than the first few days of the tournament, the teams played like it was a packed house.

The Mountaineers held an early 31-16 lead in the first half of the first game. The Knights couldn't seem to do anything right and the Mountaineers took advantage. The Mountaineers led 49-31 at the half.

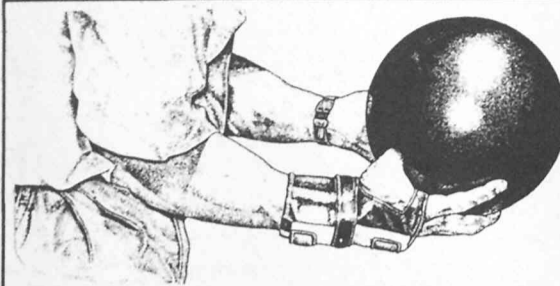
Coming back with a stronger game plan, the Knights used strong hustle and ball stealing to control the floor and chip away at its deficit. The two teams played a run and gun games, keeping the score even.

With one second left in the game and leading 81-79, the Mountaineers fouled a Nuremberg player. Both shots were good at the foul line sending the game into an 81 tie overtime.

The fifth time period moved with the same hard playing as the first four quarters with many lead changes and deadlocked scores. The losers bracket champions Mountaineers outpointed the Knights in the final minute of play to take the game 94-91.

Knight hustle and tough board domination sparked the revitalized Nuremberg team in the final game and the squad solidly set its feet on a 31-26 lead. The Mountaineers resurfaced from the Knight's onslaught and were able to build a 45-39 lead at the first half's end.

The two teams traded points in the second half, neither team grasping a good hold to the lead of the game. With 38 seconds left, the Mountaineers tried to run the clock down with a 68-67 lead. Working the clock and keeping possession of the ball was a successful strategy used by the Mountaineers throughout the tourney, until Moore connected with the swift steal. He had plenty of room to take the ball in and left Wildflecken with only three seconds to set up an unsuccessful toss to the goal and a 69-68 Knight win.



Holiday bowling tourney slated

The Berlin Men's Bowling Association will hold its annual Ham Shoot tournament Dec. 12 and 13 at the Cole Sports Center bowling lanes. The contest will be a 9-pin no tap, no split for both men and women.

Shifts will be 1, 4 and 7 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday. Sign ups will be taken 30 minutes prior to each shift. There will be a maximum of 60 bowlers per shift. Bowlers will have a better chance of entering if they are at the event early.

The tournament is open to all members of U.S. and allied forces, department of defense civilian employees and family members 18 years and older in each category. Identification must be presented at sign up time.

Prizes of hams will be awarded on a ratio of one prize for every seven entrants in both men's and women's categories for high series. The high game for each shift in both categories will receive a ham.

A special award, a ham and turkey, will be given to anyone rolling a 300 game. Winners of this prize will not be eligible for the high game prize.

The entry fee for the Ham Shoot is \$6 per person with \$3 going to lane fees and \$3 for prizes. In addition, door prizes will be drawn for during each game for a total of 15 awarded prizes.

For more information on this contest contact Mike Haffner, tournament director or Al Camp, public relations coordinator at BM 8891/8920/8836 during normal duty hours at the Cole Lanes.

Sports spectators to pay entry fees

Sports spectators will notice a policy change in community sports beginning Saturday when it will cost adults \$1 and children 50 cents to watch the Berlin community basketball teams take on Bad Kreuznach at the Cole Sports Center.

According to sports director Ralph Cuomo, the Department of Defense and U.S. Army Europe has tasked all Morale, Welfare and Recreation branches to become more self-sufficient. This begins with admission fees for community level sports, one way to help defray costs with the sports department.

Fees paid for basketball games and other future community level sports events will be used to pay for awards and the salaries of officials and non-appropriated funds employees. Charging admission is something that has been done in the West for some time, but Berlin is only now introducing. Intramural games will not be affected.

Troops trek Wall Run for needy children

Twelve squads of C Company, 4th Battalion runners took almost 16 hours to complete a 108-mile Wall Run, but at the end needy children from the district of Schöneberg will profit from the pledges of \$2,500 the runners racked up.

"A month and a half ago, someone in the West walked 50 miles for pledges. The XO, 1st. Lt. Dennis Thompson, came up with the idea for this run," Company Commander, Capt. Brian Joyce said. Thompson approached Joyce with the idea, and the Wall Run for needy children was begun.

A 108 mile course close to the Wall was plotted out on a Berlin map. The run began 4:30 a.m. Tuesday at McNair Barracks with individual squads each running a leg of the course, distances ranging from 3.5 to 7.8 miles. Squads handed off the company guidon as they changed over.

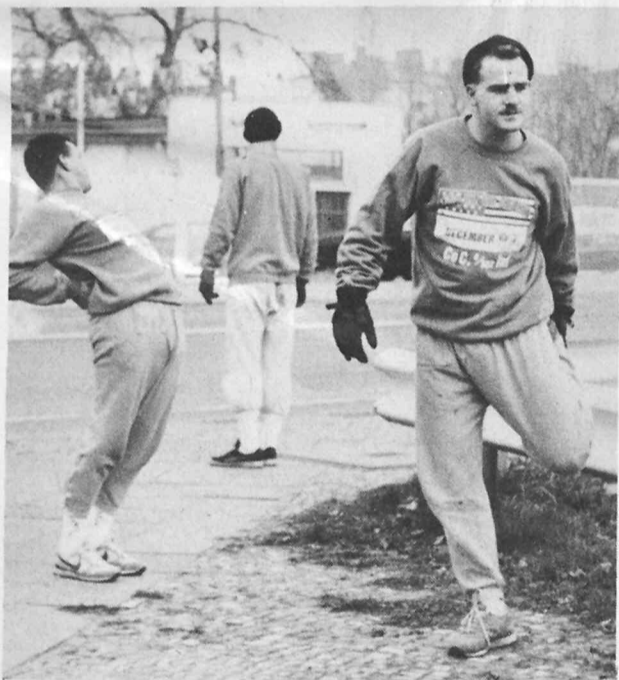
Runners were able to run more than one leg of the run if they wanted. Joyce ran three legs, logging a total of 18 miles. The last leg of the run was covered by the whole company and finished up inside the McNair Barracks at 8:30 p.m.

Thirty German police men from the Polizei Group South also took part in the run as well as two forward observers from E Battery, 320th Field Artillery.

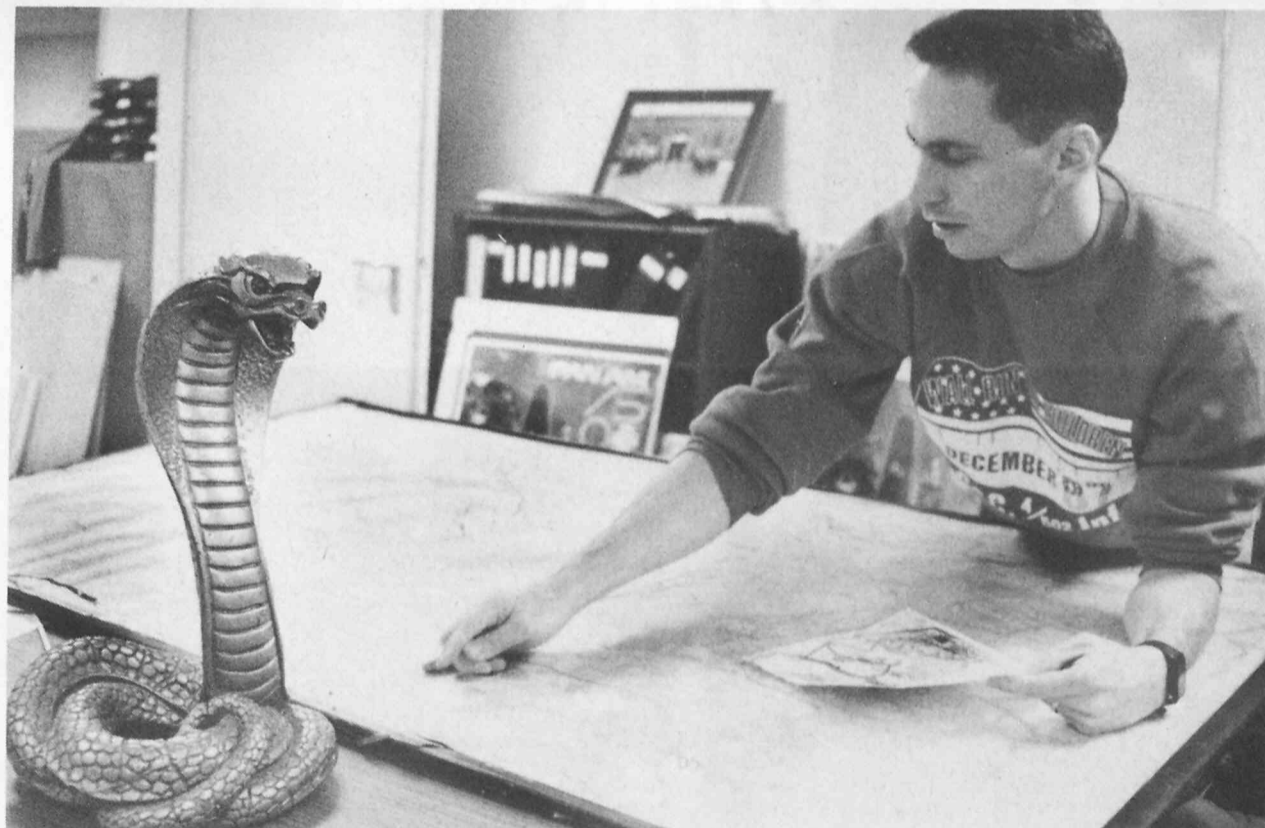
"We hope to make it an annual event. Something to start off the Christmas season on the right foot," Joyce said.



A squad of runners complete its leg of the run and prepares for a guidon change.



Runners stretch out as they wait to take the run over from another squad.



Capt. Brian Joyce plots the 108 mile course of the wall run.

photos by Larry Lane

Pistol match set for Saturday

A practical pistol match is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at the Rose Range. Sign up for the contest ends 10 a.m.

A hunter's meeting will be held 7 p.m. Dec. 15 at the Rod and Gun Club House, Rose Range. Hunters and those interested in joining the club are invited by club

coordinators to attend.

Fishermen interested in participating in a fishing competition may contact the Hunting and Fishing Office, Clay Headquarters, building two, room 2009 or call Gabriele Lenga, BM 6127.

YA sports opens ski roster rolls

The Youth Activities sports program is accepting re-

gistrations for the YA ski team. Those eligible to participate include all YA members, 8-19 years old. A registration fee of \$15 is required and will be accepted at the YA during regular business hours.

The 1988 ski team program will include several trips to the West for practices and the U.S. Army Europe YA ski championships will be held in Berchtesgaden.

There are only 26 spaces available so interested skiers should register soon for a better chance of getting on the team. Call BM 6247 or 6249.

Surrounded by Santas

Even though the snow has yet to make its appearance, Christmas spirit seems to have taken over everywhere. St. Nikolaus Day is coming up Sunday. It's special day when children wake up and hope that St. Nikolaus has filled their socks or shoes with candies and other small Christmas goodies.

Among all the Christmas market activities Santa Claus and his many helpers are the main attraction to children simply because they always have little surprise gifts in store. This weekend families will have the opportunity to choose from at least one market or advent bazaar in any of the 12 West Berlin districts.



Even Santa isn't immune to Berlin's chilly days.



Santas do more than smile and ho-ho-ho at Berlin's Christmas markets.



Children flock to a stand featuring twin St. Nicks.

Photos by Eve Krüger

City roundup

BERLIN'S FDP, IN OPPOSITION TO CDU CAUCUS LEADER BUWITT, has expressed support for the idea of extending Berlin's air traffic. The party's traffic affairs spokesman Kammholz said the allies should approve all applications by airlines that want to offer their services to Berlin. (*Tagesspiegel*)

THE MOST EXTENSIVE COURT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST "SKINHEADS" IN EAST GERMANY were continued in East Berlin Monday. The trial takes place behind closed doors. The "skinheads" are accused of having attacked and seriously injured people who attended a rock music festival of East Berlin's Zion church community on Oct. 17. (*Tagesspiegel*)

"MEMBERS OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE IN BERLIN are still trying to find Berlin families who invite them to join them during the Christmas holidays," *Berliner Morgenpost* reported.

LT. GEN. ROBERT A. ARTER AND U.S. CITY COMMANDANT MAJ. GEN. JOHN H. MITCHELL laid a wreath at the Airlift Memorial Monday in commemoration of the victims of the Berlin Airlift. Arter and U.S. Forces, Europe Commander Gen. Glenn K. Otis represented the United States at the special concert of the U.S. Army Field Band and the Soldier's Chorus at the Philharmonie, marking the 750th anniversary of Berlin and the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution. (*Berliner Morgenpost, BZ*)

GOVERNING MAYOR DIEPGEN AND MADRID'S MAYOR JUAN A. BARRANCO GALLARDO signed an agreement at the Schöneberg City Hall Monday on further development of the relations between the two cities. (*most papers*)

BERLIN'S JEWISH COMMUNITY HAS CREATED A HEINZ GALINSKI FOUNDATION to honor those who assisted in the development of the community. Heinz Galinski is chief of the Jewish community in Berlin. (*Tagesspiegel*)

"REAGAN PLANNING TO DISCUSS BERLIN TOO" said *Berliner Morgenpost* main headline Wednesday, and *Der Tagesspiegel* carried a front page article under the title: "Reagan Envisions Improvements for Berlin during the Summit Meeting." The paper said that ranking members of the National Security Council, including Reagan's foreign affairs advisor Peter Rodman, Fritz Ermata and former U.S. Minister in Berlin, Nelson P. Ledsky, told Berlin SPD chief Momper and former Berlin Mayor Stobbe in Washington that President Reagan wants to use the summit meeting to improve the situation in Berlin. The Soviet reaction to the move will be considered a test of the seriousness of the Soviet approach to easing tension, Momper said at the end of the meeting. He said Washington is determined to no longer treat Berlin as a diplomatic routine. The 90-minute conversation with the NSC members was the starting out of a

four day visit to Washington. Momper and Stobbe also reported that President Reagan's initiative toward developing Berlin's air traffic was discussed and that officials are working out proposals for negotiations. Momper said that the president's speech at the Brandenburg Gate in June turns out to be more than mere "breakfast talk." Stobbe said that Washington has a positive approach to the question whether to stage CSCE follow-up conference in Berlin. In this matter, Stobbe said the U.S. has less reservation than the Bonn government. He said that therefore, America will ask Bonn to launch an initiative in favor of Berlin.

CHAIRMAN OF THE FRG'S GESAMT-DEUTSCHE INSTITUTE (united Germany institute) Detlef Kuehn, has called on German politicians and newsmen to promote more aggressively the goal of German reunification in the U.S. Following his recent trip to the U.S. where he lectured on German questions at American universities, he said that Americans are receptive for German problems but there is a lack of knowledge about Germany. (*Die Welt*)

A SPECIAL INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE HAS REVEALED that Polish and GDR workers were involved in the construction of West Berlin's new police communications headquarters. The committee was trying to find workers who did not pay income taxes. (*most papers*)