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When summer break ends, we all return to NSD and share our summer stories. There are several stories in The Nebraska Journal about what we did over the summer. Here are a few of them.

Vacation in Colorado

Last July 28 to August 1, my family went to Colorado. My parents brought meat and corn on the cob for my sister, because Lynette lives in Greeley, Colorado. She has an apartment for college. We visited Mike Hill's parents' home, too. They have a nice home. Mike's parent do not live on a farm. They are nice people. Then my family left Greeley, Colorado, because my father's cousin lives in Barnesville, Colorado. My father's cousin has a farm and many acres of fields. We went back to my home. It was a nice vacation. Next summer my brother, Brian and I will go to Colorado.

Keith Schwisow

MY VACATION IN CALIFORNIA

On August 8th my mom, Elvin and I flew to Los Angeles, California. We stayed with Elvin's hearing brother, Harry Miller, for two weeks. Harry and his wife live in Orange, California. We went to many different places to visit. We went to Disneyland, Mall of Oranges, Movieland Wax Museum, Knott's Berry Farm, Hollywood, Chinese Theater, Farmers Market, 30 England Shops, Ports of Call Restaurant, Pat Nixon's Park, and visited the Queen Mary. There are lots more places to visit but time didn't permit us. We did go to Fullerton, California to see my Uncle Bert. I have not seen him for five years and it was good to see him again. We went to Grover City, California and went deep sea fishing. We got about one hundred seventy-one rock cod. It was fun. We also stopped at Elvin's deaf friends, Mr. and Mrs. John Rabb. They took us to Hollywood. They also took us to Ports of Call restaurant for dinner. The food was good. It was Hawaiian food. We had a wonderful time with them. We also went to Sea World which was very interesting. We flew back to Omaha on August 21. It was good to be home again but we miss the fun we had in California.

—Peggy Ann Skeen.

VACATION

We took a vacation for one and a half weeks. We drove to Ogallala, then went to Ash Hollow, Chimney Rock and Scottsbluffs. We stopped and saw my twin aunts for a long time. Then we drove through Wyoming and slept in a tent trailer at Fort Laramie. The next morning we woke up and visited Fort Laramie. Then we drove to Cody where we slept. The next day we drove into Yellowstone National Park. We stayed there for three days. I hated to sleep in the tent trailer because I was afraid of bears. We also stayed in the Grand Tetons for one night. We were in Colorado for three days. Then we came home. I enjoyed what we saw in Yellowstone very much.

—Julie Dahlke

My Summer Vacation

Last June I worked mowing lawns with Grandpa. Then I helped my brother David fix the bicycle. Last July David and Elisa went to Denver and they bought a new bicycle at Budke Motor Co. My brother David worked on the bicycles. I fixed the truck and put steel on the frame. I did welding on the steel truck. I finished with the truck and then left for McCook. Last August Elisa went to the doctor, she had a bad knee. The doctor didn't know what it was, so the doctor told my mom, "she will have an operation tomorrow". The doctor didn't find the ball on her knee. She had a sore knee. She feels okay now. I didn't swim for 2 months because I was busy mowing lawns and at Budke Motor Co.

I had a nice summer.

—Danny Broeder

Summer Vacation

I enjoyed my vacation. I was working at Goodwill Industries under JPTA, for two and a half months. I went out with Ruby Urban almost everyday to the movies, Westroads, Alpha Fitness Center or other places. Of course, I was very busy last summer vacation, and I still am now.

Doug Collicott came over and spent last July 12-14th with me. We went camping at Louisville. I really enjoyed seeing him, also I saw Doug again last July 27th in Omaha.

I finished work last August 16th and worked in another place, called Foodbank, for one week. I went to Logan, Iowa, once and to Lincoln several times. David Weverka came and visited me. Together, we went to see Clyde Brack in Weeping Water, but we couldn't find Clyde so we stopped at Shannon Stark's place and visited for a while then went home. Finally I've not gone anywhere out of state for vacation this year. I've stayed in Nebraska all through the summer. A few days before school started, I was excited to see all my friends again, and also Doug.

Last August 4th, I was in a bowling tournament. My team won the championship, and I got to take the trophy home with me.

I guess that's it. I've enjoyed everything, and I'm looking forward to next summer's vacation. Maybe, it will be the best year for me, who knows?

Tracy Ivins

We Went Visiting . . .

In the middle of August, Rita and I made plans to visit Rhonda. Rita's mother and her brother took us to the bus depot and bought tickets. Rita and I rode on the bus from Omaha to Norfolk. When we arrived there, Rhonda and her father met us and took us to Double King. Next day we visited Shirley Ruge and we went shopping. A day later Rhonda's cousin took us shopping, then we went to the cousin's place. In the evening we went out for a car ride.

One day Rhonda's father took us to Hennington Company where her mother works and we visited there.

On Sunday afternoon, Rhonda's father brought us to Omaha from Norfolk.

We had a lot of fun. I hope we will do it again.

—Jeanne Taylor.

MY SUMMER VACATION

I like to ride a minibike.
I want to ride my bike.
Bob gave me a puppy.
I like to play with my puppy every day. It is brown, white and black.

--Angela Walz

My Last Summer

I went fishing at Loup River. I went to the Air Force for a game. I went to Silver Creek to visit and work. I worked painting and tarring. It was much work! Hard! True! I went to Columbus for the fair and saw Jerry Bierman and talked. My brother played football. I had a good time. I went to a movie at a drive-in.

Chris Otto

Arizona

Well, most of my summer was dull. The only fun I had was when I got a chance to go to Arizona the second and third weeks of July. It was a wonderful experience.

Arizona is very different from Nebraska. Its average daily temperature is 110. Seems kind of hot, doesn't it? I felt the heat very much and by the time I got back to good old Nebraska, I was half dead from it. But, if you want to see beautiful land and sky, Arizona has it.

I hope all of you get to go down there some day. If you do happen to go, don't take your winter clothes along!

—Larry Johnson.

My Summer Vacation - 1979

On July 8, 1979 in the afternoon, was watching television. My father was working on the roof on my house. My dog named Blacky was just smelling around the bushes. Later a young man tried to kick my dog. He began to growl at him. My father heard my dog growl, he became so mad. My father asked the young man, "Did you kick my dog?" He said "No, I didn't." My father didn't believe what he said. They started a fight on the street. My father's new glasses were bent. The man's glasses were broken. After they fought, the young man walked back to his home. A few minutes later the man's car stopped near my house. He said to my brother David that he was going to tell policemen about this incident. In late afternoon two police cars came to my house. They said that our dog is mean. So my father showed the policemen that my dog is not mean, and he really loves to smell around the bushes. My father went to the judge about this incident. On Sept. 7, 1979 they will have to go to the judge again.

—Maureen Behrens

MY SUMMER VACATION

We went to the Worlds of Fun last June 13. Then we went to my cousin's wedding on June 17. From June 26 to July 3 we went fishing and I caught one big fish. The fish weighed 8 pounds and was 24 inches long. On July 4 I went swimming along the river.

From July 23 to July 30 I went to a camp in Tennessee. It was fun in the camp. I played baseball, basketball and volleyball.

I met Danny Broeder at the park in North Platte last July or August.

—Mark Pettit

SUMMER TIME

Last July my dad and I went to the horse races. We just watched the horse races. Then we went back home. Then we started to get ready for fishing in Harlan County. We took the Winnebago trailer and stayed overnite at the camp. We stayed there about five days. We got few fish. Then we came back home.

In June we went to Minnesota for a week and a half. Before we came back home, we rode around in the town. My mother bought lots of things in the store. She bought some rocks and pictures.

Then my brother went back to school on August 27. My school started September 4. I am in school now.

—Tom Zezulka



Summer

My friends on the farm did weed work. My favorite was the tractor in the hot sun. Later on the lake we went swimming and boating. I went to Kansas City to Worlds of Fun. I saw Mark Pettit. I helped paint his barn red. I had fun with Mark Pettit and Danny Broeder and his sister watching softball. The OAD lost. I slept late until 2:45 the next day. On the lake we water skied with Danny and Mark. Brian fell many times.

Kip Baulisch

Vacation

My family and friend went on a vacation in Okoboji, Iowa. We stayed there for three days and slept in a house. I rode the boat. We went to Arnold's Park, where there were many games and rides, and clothes. They wanted to go to Spirit Lake, West Okoboji and East Okoboji, so we went. We had a good time and a lot of fun, but we had to go back home.

Tricia Tighe

FISHING IN THE SUMMER

We went camping to Yankton, South Dakota, close to the river. We did not get any fish in the Missouri River. My mother talked to some other people. They told her about Columbus, Nebraska. They said that there were many big fish at Columbus, so we decided to go to Columbus. We opened our tents and then went down to the Platte River and threw our rods in the river. My mother told me not to walk in the river because there are many big holes in it. One time a boy, 14 years old, went fishing. He walked close to the dam and slipped and fell into the water. The men found the boy in the hole in the river. I got scared and did not walk near the river. I got a big catfish and big gar. I held the gar and my mother took a picture. I like fishing in Columbus with my family.

—Robin Reynolds

Summer Vacation

When I left school in June, I had a job. I worked at building houses for a construction company I really liked it but it was too hot. I earned some money. Every Saturday I went to see Debra Boese and swim at her lake. When there were many deaf people, they had a boat so I water skied. It is

really fun. Last week Debra found an apartment with Jill. I helped them to move things to the new apartment. It is really nice. Sometimes Debra and I went to a drive-in movie. Some were good and funny and some were scary. I really like to go to movies but it wastes my money. But I really like watch.

—Lloyd Weyers

MY VACATION

On June 4, I started on a job. I worked at the Brewster Western Supply.

On July 17, my Dad and I went to Callaway, Nebraska where we bought two new puppies. The puppies are Boston Terrier Boxers. The male puppy's name is Bart and the female puppy's name is Bess. We have four dogs now.

On July 25, Richard McCowin, Steve Christensen, Betty Taylor, and Sandra came to my house. My boyfriend Clinton came to see me, too. I showed them my four horses but one baby colt we found dead by the river. We also went to my friend Beverly's Ranch. Then we went to the restaurant. We drank pop and ate some watermelon. We talked a lot. Then they left, but Clinton stayed and we had supper at my home. Afterwards we went to Beverly's house and my mom met Clinton's family. Later they went home. I enjoyed being with the NSD students.

My family and a friend of David Lister and his wife, Jackie went to Valentine Lake. We had a picnic and rode in our boat. We had fun.

My Grandma and Grandpa Delp, two uncles and aunts and their families and Aunt Mary DeRoo came to my house on July 3. They stayed there for one weekend. Then they went back home to Michigan and Indiana.

--Tamra Kulp

MY VACATION

I did not do much this summer. I looked for a job in many different places and I could not find one all summer. I went to the Playland Speedway in Council Bluffs every Saturday night and it was cool.

One day my brother and I were working on an old pickup truck. It was bad so we fixed it all up and later, it looked pretty good and run good.

One time my family went camping at Elk Point. It was a nice place to camp out. Next day, we went boat riding and I went skiing for a while and it was fun. Then we came back to camp to eat. After that I went fishing at the lake and I caught four catfishes in one hour. My dad asked, "Where did you get all those fish?" Then it was late, so we came home on Sunday night.

—Steve Christensen

VACATION

My family and I went to the Black Hills in South Dakota, Des Moines, Iowa, Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri and Adventureland for our vacation. We had a lot of fun. Last summer I went to Elisa Broeder's house and visited her. She was embarrassed.

—Jerry Bierman

My Vacation in California

On June 21, I went to California by airplane. The same day we went to the beach, and played volleyball on the beach.

My two brothers and I played baseball for a Hollywood team. I was a substitute player.

We visited Port-a-Call; Disneyland; a shopping center and two clubs of the deaf.

In August we went to the High Sierras. We camped and fished there for 3 days. We went to Hot Creek. We bathed there. We had a good time in the High Sierras.

My friend and I watched a football game at the L.A. Coliseum. The Los Angeles Rams played football against the Cleveland Browns. The Rams won the game.

I had a good time in California. I wish I could spend more vacations there.

—Vance Rewolinski.

My Summer Vacation

Last June 1, 1979 my father and my sister went to Colorado for two weeks. My mother and I went to Colorado for one week.

Last July we went to the Worlds of Fun. After Worlds of Fun we drove through awful and heavy rain and thunderstorm. We arrived home about 1:00 a.m.

My brother Doug and I played football.

We went to putt-putt golf.

Last month we went to the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. After the zoo, we stayed in a motel for two nights.

I played basketball with Dwight.

Scott Frazier and I met Robert Chadwick at the State Fair in Lincoln.

—Tim Nichols

MY FIRST VACATION

On June 23 my relatives asked me if I would like to go to Missouri with them. Yes, I would like to go but I would rather be with my parents, but my family never takes any trips.

When I got there, it was the longest ride I ever had. My cousins are go-go types. I am not that way because I am a homebody. Almost every night we went out for baseball. One night my cousin Jeannie's boyfriend Mike took us to putt putt golf. It was my first game and I made one hole. Mike's sister Diana was on my team. She was a talkative person. I really enjoyed her.

My relatives dropped me off in Illinois on their way to Wisconsin. I stayed with my other relatives for a week.

They brought me home on July 13. I was glad to be home again but I wish I had a few more vacations.

—LaDonna K. Haake.

SUMMER VACATION

From August 5 to the 9th, my family and I went to visit my aunt and uncle in McCook, Nebraska. Then we went to Las Vegas, Nevada for one night. Then my family drove straight to San Francisco, California. We stayed there for ten days. My family really enjoyed it there, but I didn't like it there.

On July 16, Robin Reynolds and I went to the Omaha Deaf Club. I met some of my friends from NSD. We surely had a lot of fun. It was my first time there. Robin wanted me to go with her before she went to Gallaudet College.

—Alice Cook

OUR VACATION IN COLORADO

My sisters Kelly, Maureen, Teresa, Colleen, and Connie, my brothers, Vince and Mike, Mom, and I went over to my cousins' house in Fort Collins, Colorado on August 23rd and stayed until August 27th. Mike drove the car.

Kelly, Mike, two friends, and I went to the state country fair in Denver, Colorado on August 26.

One day we went to Estes Park and we, the older girls and boys, drove scooters on the round track. Then we fed tame blue birds and chipmunks. We climbed a mountain but not all the way up.

We enjoyed our visit in Colorado very much.

—Rose Marie Kirby

Summer Vacation

We rode to Iowa. I walked to Adventureland at Des Moines last June.

We rode to Chalk Mine Cave. The cave was closed. We rode to Wyoming, Colorado, and Montana. I went to Denver last July.

We went to camp at Louisville, Nebr. I went swimming.

Robert, Tim and I went to the state fair. We rode on the haunted house ride. It was fun.

—Scott Frazier

Summer

My job at the Dairy Queen in Oakland was painting a fence. I had to begin work at 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon.

Dad and I went to the Golf Club Tournament on Saturday.

I taught girls and boys fingerspelling with alphabet cards.

—Joel Enstrom.

