

Northeast Today



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1980 SPECIAL

HAPPENINGS

TUESDAY, July 8

- 9:05 a.m. "Area Scene," KIRX-AM
10:30 a.m. Board of Regents, Board Rm., A/H
7 p.m. Kevin Mitchell Puppets, Swimming Pool Park

"See How They Run" Opens at Ice House Theater

FRIDAY, July 11

- 5 p.m. First Summer Session Ends

WORKSHOPS

- July 7-11 The Age of Dante and Giotto
Relating the Arts to Accountability and Responsibility Laws
Management Techniques for Children With Behavioral Problems in the Secondary Schools

CAMPS

- July 6-11 JH/HS Cheerleading and Pom-Poms
HS Girls' Tennis

NORTHEAST NOTES

Jim Barnes, Language and Literature, has received a \$500 award from the Translation Center of Columbia University in New York. The prize is one of five to be awarded this year for translations-in-progress of books of foreign poets. Barnes received the award for his work on Dagmar Nick's *Summons and Sign*, which will be published this summer.

RESIDENCE HALLS close at noon Saturday for first session students and open at the same time for second session students.

"SEE HOW THEY RUN" opens Tuesday at the Ice House Theater in Hannibal. NMSU students participate in the show, which runs through July 13.

BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS of secondary school children is the topic of Tuesday's "Area Scene" program on KIRX-AM radio at 9:05 a.m. Velma Morton, instructor of special education, will discuss this week's workshop on management techniques for behavioral problems.

THE SUMMER ORIENTATION PROGRAM for new students ends Friday. Any student who would like the opportunity to participate in the Students Helping Students program for one day may still sign up at the Freshman Counseling Office, 102 Administration/Humanities Building.

THE BOARD OF REGENTS of Northeast Missouri State University will hold its regular monthly meeting at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the President's Office/Board Room, Administration/Humanities Building.

SPECIAL NEWS-FEATURE ISSUES of "Northeast Today" will be published biweekly this summer on Mondays alternating with regular issues. Deadline for the regular issues is 5 p.m. Thursday. Items for the July 21 and Aug. 4 issues must be turned in by 4 p.m. the Wednesday before publication. To insure accuracy, we ask that news be written and brought to the Public Relations Office, McKinney Center.

THE 1980-81 TELEPHONE DIRECTORY for NMSU is being updated by Publications. Offices will be receiving forms to complete within the next two weeks. These must be returned by July 30 in order to be included in the directory.

Family Education

Now that it's summer, 18- to 22-year-olds no longer dominate the academic arena.

by Diane Davis

It's not surprising that 42 percent of the students on campus first session are doing graduate work, but it does seem a bit unusual that many bring their families with them.

They enroll their children, too—in the Child Development Center, TWEEN Club, and the 1000 Hills Summer Youth Program.

Marv and Debbie Risner from Salisbury, Mo., are here doing graduate work for the second consecutive summer. He is certification for elementary principalship and she for her master's in elementary guidance. "I started working on my degree simply because I had some problems that I really didn't think I was equipped to handle in the classroom," Debbie said.

The Risners chose NMSU because they were familiar with the area and had relatives in town. "We enjoy the area," Marv said. "There is considerably a lot to do with the lake and the programs the University provides. . . along with the study, it kind of keeps us busy."

Four-year-old Casey Risner attends the



photos by Jami Henry

FAMILY EDUCATION—Carrie Soderstrum is participating in TWEEN Club for the second consecutive year while her mother, Patricia, works toward the master's degree in elementary education. "All the classes I have had, I have been able to take the concepts and ideas back and put them to use," says Patricia, who teaches physical education in kindergarten through sixth grades. Jim (B.A., B.S.E. 1963), Patricia and Carrie are staying in Fair Apartments on campus during the summer session. Their home is Flossmoor, Ill.

Child Development Center, and his fifth-grade sister, Carri, is involved in TWEEN Club. "Carri has commented a number of times about the activities they do—so diversified. They don't spend a whole afternoon (or morning) on one activity. She really enjoys it. She meets a lot of kids who are in the same situation we are. She had nothing but positive comments about it," said Marv, who

second year. They chose NMSU because of the sport administration major and the low cost. No colleges close to Columbus Junction have sport administration programs.

"I am real happy with the staff I have come in contact with," Warren said. "They have all helped out and taken a personal interest. I have been very satisfied."

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—Trish Woepking

works with TWEEN Club in the afternoons.

The Risners are among a large group of summer students who take advantage of the children's programs. According to a 1979 survey, 53 percent of the parents of children in CDC and TWEEN Club were enrolled in classes.

Warren and Trish Woepking from Columbus Junction, Iowa, are another couple bringing the family to school for a

Tuition costs are high near the Woepkings' home in Iowa. A three-hour extension course at a local high school has a \$210 price tag. At NMSU Warren is spending \$220—for 14 hours of classwork.

Trish is continuing her study in guidance and counseling this year. "It was refreshing for me to get back into the learning experience" after being out of teaching for eight years.

"The Child Development Center is really a learning experience. It is just terrific," she said. The Woeplings have three children: James, 8; Joanne, 5; and Jason, 3. James participated in TWEEN Club last year, and Joanne and Jason are spending a second summer at CDC.

"Without the Child Development Center, I would be able to take classes, but I might not feel as secure about my daughter's care," said Dee Gaddis, graduate student in administration. Her daughter, Jennifer, is four years old, and her husband, Donnie, is NMSU football offensive coordinator. He holds a master's degree from NMSU.

"I had heard a lot of favorable comments toward the center, and Mrs. (Judy) Duden, the director of the center (and TWEEN Club), is a very dedicated, knowledgeable person. I was sure that any program she was involved with would be a very highly motivating experience for my child," Dee said.

Her instincts were correct. "She loves it," Dee said. "There was one specific day that we decided we would let her stay until two o'clock, and that was the end of leaving at 11:30 because she wouldn't go! She enjoys very much being with other children. For us it is an ideal situation."

The Gaddises moved to Kirksville from Joplin in 1979. Their 10-year-old daughter, Dawn, "was very excited when we moved up here that they had a program like (1000 Hills). She was very disappointed when she found out she was too young to go to them."

Their experiences with Dawn taught the Gaddises that environment is very important. "With Jennifer we realized that it is where they are. Children have got to learn to be independent and to think, and the only way they are going to learn that is to experience it," Dee said.

"As long as we have been in education, we see certain things that can ruin children. You have got to guide them in the right way.

At NMSU, education is aimed toward all ages. ■



A STROLL THROUGH THE PARK—
The campus looks a lot like a big park, says 8-year-old James Woepling. He and his sister, Joanne, and brother, Jason, will spend second session on campus with their parents.

The voices of experience

by Ruth Selby

Why would anyone volunteer to be on campus at 7:15 a.m., go through registration again, submit to questions from parents, and take 10 "kids" (otherwise known as freshmen) to lunch?

"They remember what it was like when they were freshmen, and they want to help," Marianna Giovannini, freshman counselor, says about the Students Helping Students volunteers.

SHS is new to the summer orientation program. It was added because "freshmen feel more comfortable asking another student about a problem rather than a counselor or faculty member," Giovannini says. "It lessens the confusion of registration and helps freshmen become acquainted with the University."

"It's an ongoing orientation because students can talk to them all day about campus life, activities, et cetera," she says.

Volunteers' work involves going through an SHS orientation, helping a group of about 10 freshmen register, answering parents' questions about college, and taking their group to lunch in Centennial Hall Cafeteria.

Parents talk with the volunteers during an informal question and answer session. "Parents respect the opinion of other students, and they see a product of the University," Giovannini says.

Junior Kris Hankinson says that session was the best part of his day.

Not as many students volunteered as were needed. Some students are apprehensive about volunteering, Giovannini says, but "once they get into it, they really get into it. They feel responsible for their students."

Scott Blickensderfer, sophomore volunteered for four days of work and wanted to do more, Giovannini says. On an evaluation form volunteers fill out after participating in the program, Blickensderfer was asked what he gained from his work. He wrote, "Seven new friends (in one day)."

Senior Elaine Chapman says, "It's a good program. It's just going to take awhile for the word to get around just how fun and rewarding it is."

Most volunteers are students living in Kirksville for the summer and attending classes. Some upperclassmen have traveled back from hometowns for the

one-day job. These students are allowed to stay in Centennial Hall free of charge the night before their day.

After the day is over, the friendships can continue. Each freshman has a list of names of other freshmen in his group and the address and telephone number of the group leader.

"This way they have a friend in the fall and can contact them. Group leaders can contact their students and help them adjust to being here," Giovannini says.

The change in orientation is "excellent," Giovannini says. Volunteers think it is a rewarding experience and there have been no complaints, even though volunteers have to be on campus at 7:15 a.m.

So why not take a "kid" to lunch?

STUDENT COUNSELORS—While Students Helping Students volunteers discuss campus life with parents, six full-time student employees of the Freshman Counseling Office explain the registration procedure to incoming students. Senior Ken Hearst of St. Louis checks the proposed class schedule of Joyce Wetzel of Bettendorf, Iowa.



NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH—Parents rely on upperclassmen to give them the lowdown on what their freshmen will experience at NMSU. During the question and answer session between parents and Students Helping Students volunteers, junior Brad Jontz responds to the question, "Is 10 minutes really enough time between classes to get from one building to another?"