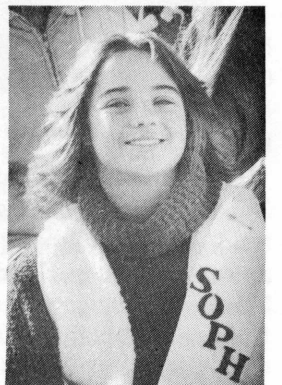
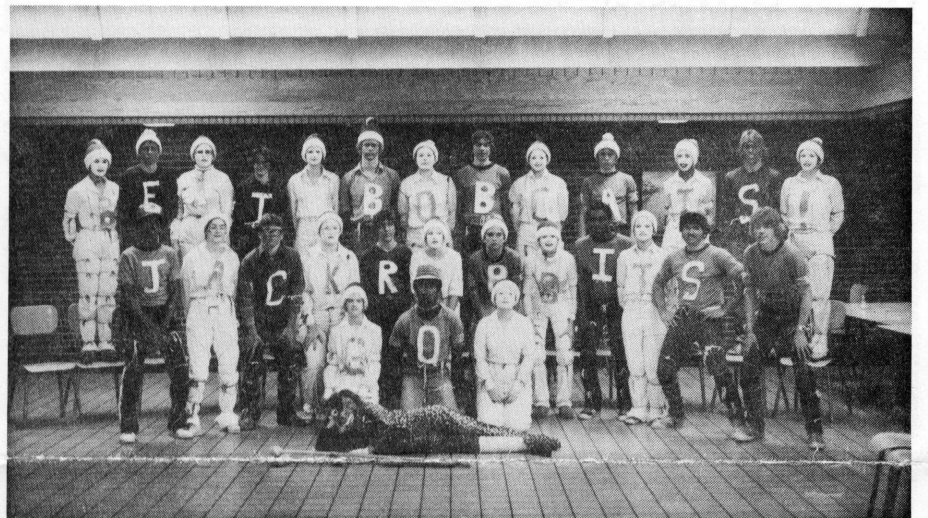
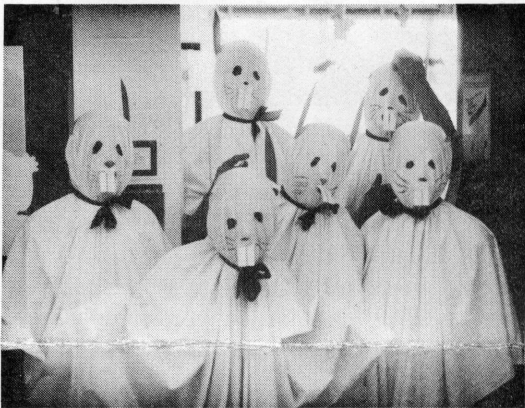
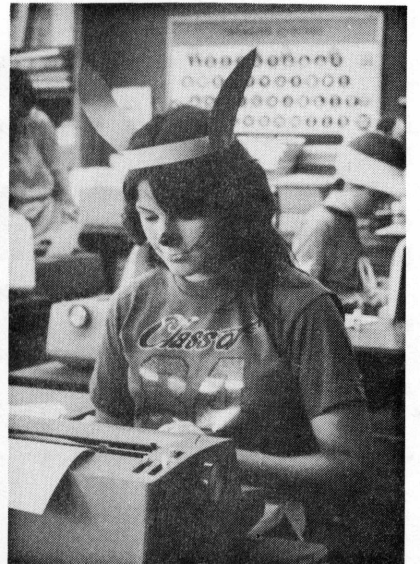
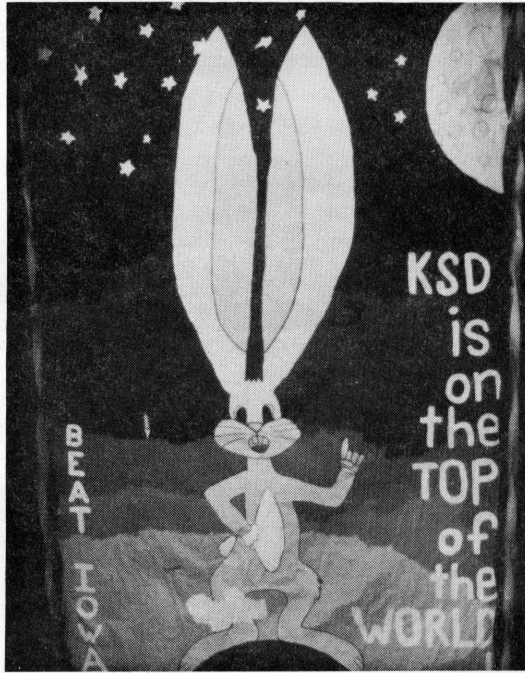


1980 HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES



The first Homecoming of the 1980s began on October 23 with Spirit Day. The classes combined mystery and creativity in their costumes and makeup. The "baby" freshmen showed up for their classes in diapers and Class of '84 t-shirts and their usual health food—carrots. The sophomores kept everyone guessing about their word puzzle. The boys were dressed in blue and the girls in white with each person wearing a letter—creating the puzzle. They revealed their class logo "Jackrabbits Beat Bobcats" at lunch. The poor Iowa Bobcats, alias Sherri Ayers, limped through the day, a dire prediction of what the Jackrabbits had in store for the Iowa Bobcats. The juniors arrived at school dressed in the traditional blue and white, rabbit ears and very prominent teeth. The white apparitions that floated through halls appeared to have mistakenly showed up for Halloween a week early. Then one noticed their rabbit ears and cute blue bowties. By process of elimination, it was determined that the seniors were these ghost-like creatures. They also eliminated the other classes and won top honors as "most original."

Teachers and students contributed to the parade of mini-floats at the Pep Rally held Friday, October 24. Roberts Building teachers had "caged the Bobcats" who turned out to be Rusty Barrett, son of Marsha Barrett, and Mike Theel son of Charles and Julie Theel. The Vocational Building used "Vocational Tools to Beat Iowa" and the Infirmary staff suggested that the Jackrabbits "Make Monkeys Out of Bobcats." The bandaged monkeys looked in need of care. The freshman float contained a live rabbit. Judging was based on school spirit, creativity and originality, appearance and overall effectiveness. Judges Fred Murphy and Jodine Trout had a difficult task. The Vocational Building and the Science Department's representative, Junior High 6 class, tied for second place, each group receiving \$5. The junior class won first place and received \$25.

That evening the second annual bonfire and snake dance was held. The rally in the Taylor Gymnasium generated lots of enthusiasm and laughter. The students staged some hilarious stunts using the staff and parents as participants. Mr. Gerald

Johnson, superintendent; Larry Beaver, Head Coach; Rick Tremain, assistant Coach; Mrs. Gary Gilliland; two supervisors Bonnie Siefert and Linda Parker were chosen from the audience, blindfolded, and asked to compete with the students in a banana-eating contest—only to discover when finished that they had been the only ones devouring that excellent source of potassium. Brad Carlson dodged the pie-in-the-face routine after the cheers had reached a pie-throwing volume. The coaches closed the rally with a skit.

A beautiful, crisp, fall day was the setting for the Ninth Annual Finger Bowl football game. Judy Gildhouse, senior, was crowned the 1980 Homecoming Queen during pre-game ceremonies. Princesses for the KSD Homecoming were Lori Winters, senior, Connie DePung, junior, and Brenda Schultz, sophomore. They were escorted by the Jackrabbits team captains, Don Kolb, Gene McCallum, Don Banks, and Marty Kasick. The other candidates were sophomore Sally Ripley, junior Kathy Moore, and seniors Kris Nystrom and Lori Schoneman.

The KSD Jackrabbits won a squeaker in the final seconds of play, 22-20. Iowa School for the Deaf led up until the last minute and half of play. KSD's defense had held Iowa three times within the KSD 15-yard line. The long drive to the endzone began as a result of a recovered fumble by James Davis. In a last-ditch effort quarterback Marty Kasick threw a first down pass to Doug Mullins on a fourth and eight situation with 38 seconds left. Gene McCallum scored the tying touchdown with 24 seconds remaining. The Jackrabbits posted its go-ahead score when McCallum carried the ball for a two-point conversion.

A homecoming dance was the finale to the festivities. Held in Lamm Dining Room which had been decorated with fall leaves and pumpkins by the girls on the third floor of the Roth Building, the students and staff danced to the music of the SuperSound disco show produced by Bill Yeazel, a Kansas City disc jockey.

It was a homecoming filled with mystery, excitement, and the thrill of winning. A Homecoming To Remember!

“Our Trip To The Museum”

At 9:00 we left at the KSD to go to the Nelson Art Gallery Museum. It was raining outside. When we got there we had to wait until 10 clock. When we went in we put our coat in a place. Then we divide into two groups My class and Jr High 6 went together. Jr. High 5 and 7 went together.

First we look at the mummy case. The woman had explain us about it. It was interesting.

Then we went to see some sculptures. They were very old. One sculpture was in a glass block to keep hot so it will not break.

Then we went to see the Spanish Church. It was beautiful. The window had alot of beautiful color.

Then we went to see the Chinese sculpture and pictures. It was strange. They had weird words on it that I could not even understand it.

Then we went to see some beautiful pictures. We saw a picture called “John the Baptist.” It was so interesting.

Then we went back to the place where we got our coat. We met the other group. Then we went back to the bus to eat. We ate at the Loose Park. It was beautiful. When we finish eating we went on walking around. One student was acting like little kids He was playing on the swing that has a bar in front of it so you will not fall. He did that to make us laugh but it was so funny.

Then we went back to the bus, Mr. Hartge said that we were suppose to clean the picnic place. We had to pick up the trash. So we did. When we got done we went back to the bus. We went to the Dairy Queen to get something to drink or eat.

Then we went back to school. We had to stay in the bus until 3:05 because we were early.--By Chris Adams.

A TEACHER SPEAKS....

By Wayne Mnich

I must admit that I have had some reservations about the secondary education program at the Kansas School for the Deaf when I first accepted the assignment of coming to Olathe two years ago, but I am now thoroughly sold on what is going on here in this educational community. In order to keep going, KSD has to have an edge on other high schools in the country... and we HAVE IT. This edge is not only in the area of an excellent academic program, but also in the area of values and accountability to those values. I tell the students constantly that my job of being their “teacher” is that of holding each of them accountable for his or her behavior. I am responsible TO our students, and not FOR them. Each

student is responsible FOR his or her own behavior, and I hold each one accountable. It's what I call “tough love.” Either our students are observed to be sensitive to the presence of one another, or they don't belong at KSD.

An absence of manners in any culture may reflect a loss of a sense of meaning. Manners are, after all, a fundamental indication of our ability to perceive each other with dignity and wonder. Courtesy is the signal, like the wink of a lighthouse on a black night, that humans are here, and that they reach out with respect and make room for one another. It is the recognition of a shared pilgrimage.

We are FREE at KSD to challenge our students in this regard. We produce the headwind. It is how young people stretch their wings and learn to fly. This is our edge here at KSD.

Deaths-Funerals

Maxine McMichael



Born Maxine Mary Smith on September, 1922, in Rose Hill, Mrs. McMichael had resided in the Olathe area since 1974. She was employed by the Kansas School for the Deaf.

She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Fort Scott, the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf and a graduate of the Kansas School for the Deaf.

Survivors: widower, Eldon L. McMichael, of the home; son, Donald Tully, Brazil, Ind.; daughter, Mrs. Jane Clements, Pittsburg; father, Raymond Smith, Fort Scott; sister, Mrs. Nadine Davidson, Fort Scott; four grandchildren.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. on Friday, October 3, at the funeral home. Burial was at Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens, Olathe.

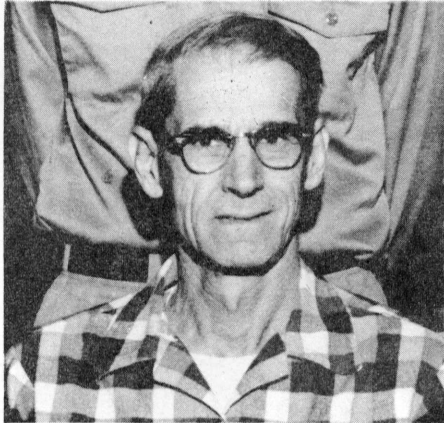
The family suggests contributions to the Hearing Aid Fund, in care of Kansas School for the Deaf, 450 East Park, Olathe.--Olathe DAILY NEWS.

Family and friends of Maxine McMichael have contributed a total of \$230 to date to benefit the Hearing Aid Fund at KSD.

Funeral services for Maxine Mary McMichael, 58, 313 West Loula, Olathe, were held on Friday, October 3, 1980, at W. L. Frye and Son Funeral Home, Olathe.

She was killed Tuesday, September 30, when her vehicle collided with a train at a railroad crossing near downtown Olathe. She died about three hours after the accident at the Kansas University Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas.

Schwarzenberger Retires



On October 17, 1980, the staff at KSD honored Joe Schwarzenberger for 18 years of service as an employee in our Powerhouse. He worked as a power plant operator and maintenance engineer for 13 years. For the last five

years he was the Physical Plant supervisor, one of the most responsible positions at KSD.

Mr. Schwarzenberger and his family came to Olathe from Quinter, Kansas, in 1962. He came to us first as a father seeking an education for his three hearing impaired children, and secondly as a member of our staff.

Keeping up the appearance of our campus was a job that he took great pride in, a job that was never ending. He always found the time to do one extra thing that needed to be done. As a father maintains his home for his family, Joe helped to make KSD a comfortable place away from home for many students that have come and gone over the years.

Joe, you will always be welcome at KSD. We all wish you many happy years of retirement.

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Five New Teachers Join Staff



New teachers, shown left to right, Iris Neelley, Brad Carlson, John Hartge, Penny Crews, and David Wilcox.

IRIS NEELLEY, prep/first grade teacher in Emery Hall, became interested in teaching deaf children after she met Dr. Stanley Roth, former Superintendent, while she was in high school. A native Kansan. Mrs. Neelley received her BA and MA degrees from Kansas University. Admitting to a bit of first-day fright. Mrs. Neelley added that she has found the children she works with perfectly normal--very hyper.

BRAD CARLSON, who is teaching government, health, and social studies in Roberts Building, is a familiar face. He student taught at KSD last fall. A graduate of Bethany College, he has lived in Salina and Lindsborg, Kansas, all of his life. He finds the students eager to learn. He also observed that the students are closely knit, like a family. He enjoys sports and is an assistant coach for football, basketball and track.

JOHN HARTGE, is from Sandy Spring, Maryland. He is a graduate of Towson State University and Western Maryland College. He is teaching reading, world literature, and social studies and will coordinate the Educational Challenges Program for the gifted and talented. He commented that the students have a lot of school

spirit. “They care about the teachers and each other,” he said. Mr. Hartge has many and varied interests, camping, canoeing, biking, dancing, calligraphy, music, traveling and drama.

PENNY CREWS, became interested in language development of deaf children. As a result she completed her MS in deaf education last year at KUMC. She will be using her experience and training with learning disabled children with the multihandicapped children she is teaching in Emery Hall. She is a graduate of KU and has a MS in special education from KUMC. Miss Crews enjoys baking, reading, ballet and yoga. Her last name may sound familiar--she is the niece of Nancy Crews, Emery Hall teacher.

DAVID WILCOX, returns to his alma mater from Brownsville, Texas, where he taught math for two years. He is a 1969 graduate of KSD, 1974 graduate of Gallaudet College and received his masters degree from Western Maryland College in 1978. He is teaching social studies, American history and government at KSD. His extracurricular duties will include being a sponsor of Jr. NAD. Welcome to KSD!

Summer Learning Vacation

By DiAnne Allison
Program Coordinator

The 1980 Summer Learning Vacation, co-sponsored by Johnson County Community College and the Kansas State School for the Deaf, was held from June 9-July 11, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Monday-Friday. Enrolled in the program were 22 hearing impaired children, ages 5-15, as well as 7 hearing siblings, ages 5-8. Seven parents from the 21 families represented in the program were involved in parent education classes.

Personnel for the 1980 Summer Learning Vacation included ten paid staff members, one C.E.T.A. youth employee, and one volunteer.

The activities for the Summer Learning Vacation were: "Wheel," "The Sky is the Limit," "Wild Wild West," "Americana," and "Sea World." The

daily schedule, Monday through Friday was gross and fine motor exercises; creative movement and play; learning center activities (language and vocabulary enrichment, speech therapy, sign language instruction, arts and crafts, etc.); story time; snacks; and games and recreation.

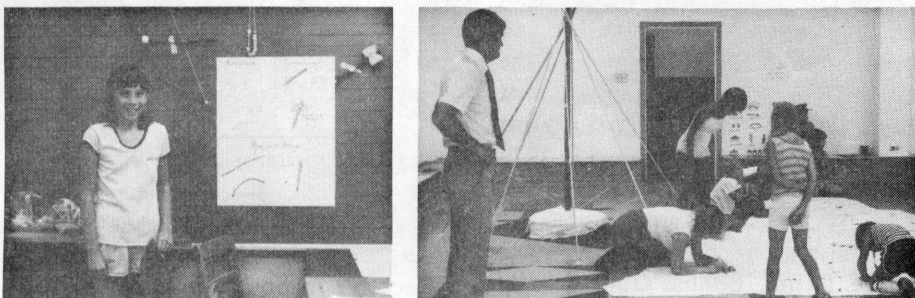
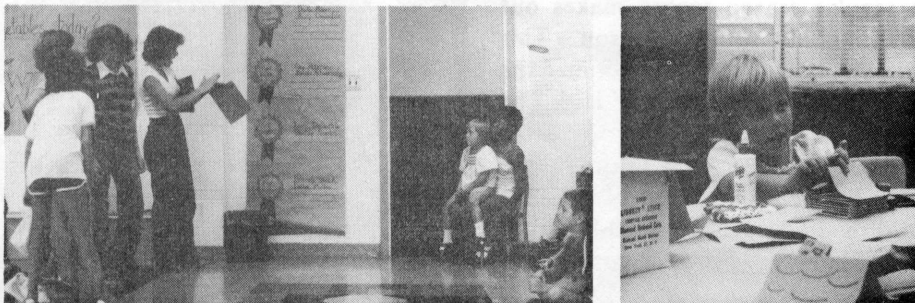
A minimum of nine learning centers was provided weekly, and the children were allowed to choose a different activity every 30 minutes. Those who finished a center early went to the "Quiet Room" to read, work on individual projects (needlepoint, model cars, puzzles, science experiments, etc.), or watch movies. In addition, each child was scheduled for two 30 minute speech lessons weekly. Culminating field trips were planned for Fridays, and included such things as rollerskating, a tour of TWA service center, a hayride, a 4th of July parade, and riverboat ride.

Parent education classes involved

observation of teaching methods, individual meetings and "rap" sessions to discuss individual Education Plans, Public Law 94-142, the hearing impaired child at home, hearing siblings, and behavior modification.

The need to continue with Summer Learning Vacation Programs is indicated by the high level of participation. The attendance rate by the children was 89%. Also, one-third of

the families was represented throughout the various parent education meetings. Factors which affected these figures included working parents, family vacations, athletic and church camps, illness, weather, and lack of transportation. Parents and staff members voiced their support for continuing the program through their verbal and written comments.



CHEERLEADING CAMP BY PEGGY HALL



FRONT (L to R): Sherri Ayers, Lynnette Clarke, Lori Winters, Stacey Thompson, Kim McDonald; SECOND ROW: Calvin Haefner, Bonnie Goben, Daniel Brubaker, Brenda Schultz, John Guzan, Traci Hiebert, Robert Pickens, Peggy Hall, Lonnie Huff, Connie DePung, and Gary Schultz.

First, the boys and girls met in Olathe. Then, we rode on the KSD bus to KU in Lawrence. We were very excited! We found (to our surprise) that our squad had the only boys! Our boys felt a little nervous after that.

On the first day, all the squads had their pictures taken. We began to have meetings to learn about camp rules.

We worked hard after that. We got up at 6:30 A.M. and began to practice at

8:00 A.M. Mrs Barrett worked with us from 8 till 5 in the very hot sun.

Finally, the nightly competition was held before the judges. The boys and girls encouraged themselves to show their best *SPIRIT!* We were so happy and relieved on Thursday night when awards were given. Overall we won a frisbee for having good spirit. We won 6 ribbons and the congeniality plaque. We knew our family and people from KSD would be so proud of us.

Tuckers Donate Flag



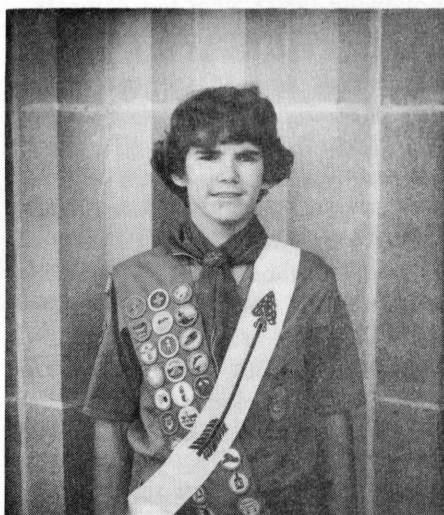
Aimee Tucker's family surprised K.S.D. by presenting a school flag to us. Last year, Major Thomas Tucker and his wife informed Mrs. Louanne Rice, Roberts Building teacher, that they would like to give a silk flag to K.S.D. Mrs. Rice asked the boy and girls in Roberts Building to draw their conception of a K.S.D. Jackrabbit. After all the drawings had been completed, they were mailed to Korea where Major Tucker was stationed at the time. Major Tucker planned the design of the flag using the drawings and the Koreans helped sew it together. All of the Roberts Building students saw the flag for the first time on the first day of school in an assembly. We are all grateful for the Tucker's gift.

Lindley Becomes Member Of Order of the Arrow

Jeff Lindley, KSD sophomore, became the first Boy Scout from Troop 87, Kansas School for the Deaf, to become a member of the Order of the Arrow at Camp Naish, Edwardsville, Kansas. This is a national brotherhood of Scout campers. To become a member, the Scout must meet certain qualifications in camping and Scout advancement and be elected by the Scouts in his own troop.

Jeff is a Life Scout, working on his Eagle Scout service project at the Olathe Nursing Home. He is a member of the Braves Tribe of Mic-O-Say, Bartle Scout Reservation, Camp, Osceola, Missouri. Jeff is serving as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 87. He received a Certification of Appreciation from the Olathe Chamber of Commerce for twenty hours of volunteer service in Environmental Improvement within the Olathe community.

Jeff's activities are not limited to scouting. He played baseball on the 8-11 Baseball League serving as second



baseman. Jeff also finds time to race radio-controlled cars. He is a manager on the KSD football team, has a part-time job, and is active in the deaf ministry at Hillcrest Covenant Church.

Mr. Uel Hurd, Scoutmaster of Troop 87, is a member of the Order of the Arrow.

Jeff is the son of Richard and Jean Lindley of Overland Park, Kansas.



Seven members of the Kansas School for the Deaf Boy Scout Troop 87 received Olathe Chamber of Commerce Environmental Awards at a luncheon held September 16. Shown left to right front: Lance Forshay, Jackie Kelly, Randy Dock; back row: John Parker, Jeff Lindley, Mark Vaughn, Steve Gribble. Scouts Gribble, Vaughn, Parker, Dock, and Lindley spent more 20 hours picking up cans, bottles, and debris in the community's "Clean Up Olathe" project. The boys also received a black, gold, and white patch. Uel Hurd is Scoutmaster of Troop 87. Congratulations to the boys for their service to the community.

Girls Volleyball Team end with 18-5 season

By Charles Marsh
Girls Volleyball Coach

Kansas School for the Deaf Girls Volleyball team ended its regular season with 18-5 mark prior to the State Regional Tournament. If we win the regional, we will advance to sub-state and state tournaments. According to the regular season record makes our fourth straight winning season. This year's regular season record bettered the 1978 overall season record of 15-3. The 1978 squad won the honor of Most Outstanding Volleyball Team in the nation by the Sports News of the Deaf as did the 1979 squad with 10-8 record. We are hoping for a third consecutive title.

Overall for the last 4 years KSD won 28 matches with schools for the deaf and lost only one to Illinois School for the Deaf in 1977 in our first game against another deaf school and 2 ties against Minnesota School for the Deaf in 1979 and 1980.

The starters of the season are freshman Jami Shepperd; sophomores Tambee Dehm, Bonnie Goben, Sally Ripley; junior Brenda Schultz; seniors Judy Gildhouse and Lori Winters. It is a young team, with great desire to succeed in building school pride.

We entered three volleyball tournaments this year and captured all three championships. The first tournament was the KSD Invitational



KNEELING: (L to R) Tambee Dehm, Brenda Schultz, Judy Gildhouse, Lori Winters, Sally Ripley and Bonnie Goben. STANDING: (L to R) Maria Compton, student coach; Gloria Shumate, asst. coach; Debbie Haley, manager; Lori Schoneman, Kris Nystrom, Stacey Thompson, Jami Sheppard, Janice Rose, scorekeeper; Amy Cizerle, statistician; and Charles E. Marsh, Head Coach.

Volleyball tournament, second was the Iowa School for the Deaf Invitational Volleyball tournament. This year's championships were our fourth consecutive in both tournaments. The third tournament was the Lyndon Invitational Volleyball tournament of classes of 3-A, 2-A, and 1-A. KSD is in the class 1-A but managed to capture the tournament championship. In the semifinal KSD defeated 2-A Lyndon 2 to 1 and in the final KSD defeated 2-A Linwood 2-0. We are very proud of our

accomplishment because Linwood's team consists of 5 seniors and 1 junior who were returning from last year's successful season when they won Runner-up in the Sub-State. Overall 1-A KSD defeated 2-A schools 6 times out of 9 games and defeated 1-A schools 12 times out of 14 games.

The basic reason for our successful season is a powerful offensive attack built around two consistent setters and four consistent spikers. The statistics show that the number of spikes used in

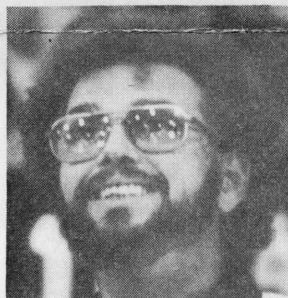
1980 was close to 600 compared to last year's 260 which is more than double although we played only 5 more games than last year. All starters excelled in serving reception which helps the strategy work.

Our team's serving percentage is 87.7 this year compared to last year's 81.8%. Bonnie Goben earned 178 points with 98.4% serving accuracy and Sally Ripley earned 144 points and 95.4%. Both girls broke Debbie Milner's record of 142 points set in 1977. There are also two others who earned over 100 points: Judy Gildhouse and Tambee Dehm. Three of four top servers are only sophomores.

There are only two seniors who will not be returning next year. They are Judy Gildhouse and Lori Winters. The five starters of this year that will be returning are Brenda Schultz, Tambee Dehm, Bonnie Goben, Sally Ripley, and Jami Sheppard.

Our first post season action was on Saturday, November 1 in the State Regional Tournament. We placed second in the Regional Tournament. We defeated Lebo and were defeated by Williamsburg. Our second-place finish earned us a berth in the Sub-State Tournament to be held Saturday, November 8, in Wichita. If we continue winning, we will be advanced to the State Tournament to be held on Saturday, November 15.

Charles Marsh Elected To NBAD Presidency



Charles Marsh, Jr. of Olathe didn't win any of the prize money or trophies awarded at the Fifth Annual National Bass Association of the Deaf (NBAD) Tournament.

The fishing tournament was held from June 17-19 at Eufaula Lake Reservoir and was sponsored by the Mobile, Ala. Bass Club of the Deaf.

Marsh, however, may have landed the tournament's most coveted award. The ten-year Olathe resident, who

graduated from California's School for the Deaf at Riverside, was elected president of the five-year old, 200-member group (NBAD).

"I didn't win any of the prize money or trophies given away at this year's tournament," Marsh said. "I did, however, win the second-place prize money and trophy on the first day of last year's tournament.

"At least I won the election this year," he said.

Prior to Marsh's election to the presidency at this year's annual tournament in Eufaula, Ala., he had served the NBAD as vice president for four years. Marsh stressed that there are no set terms for the elected officials and that they are voted on, via the secret ballot, at every NBAD annual meeting.

"There is no set length to the terms we will serve in a certain capacity," Marsh explained. "But there are many good deaf leaders that can compete with me annually."

According to Marsh, he has been a member of NBAD since its origin in 1976 and has been active in developing good tournament rules, bylaws, and the constitution.

Marsh—who earned his bachelor's degree in physical education from Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C. and master's degree in deaf education from Western Maryland College—also helped in forming and organization of the Olathe Bass Club for the Deaf. The NBAD now has 17 such local affiliated bass clubs and 10 of those have been formed since the NBAD's origin in 1976.

The Olathe Bass Club for the Deaf, which was formed in 1977 and has a current membership of 20, sponsors eight fishing tournaments a year, including one mystery-lake tourney. All tournaments are conducted under NBAD rules and regulations.

Following 1980's eight tournaments, the winners will receive plaques for the

amount of fish—in weight—that they haul in.

As of July 1, 1980, Ken Clark leads the field with a total catch of 17 pounds and 15 ounces. Tom Rodgers is second with 13 pounds, six ounces and Marsh third with seven pounds, seven ounces.—*The Olathe DAILY NEWS.*

OCD Sponsors Team To National AAAD Tournament

Olathe Club of the Deaf sponsored a volleyball team for the competition of two big tournaments and also trying out for the selection of a World Games of the Deaf (Deaf Olympics) team. The World Games will be held at Cologne, West Germany in July, 1981. Debbie Milner, Class of 1978, made a great effort to gather together several alma mater players and ended up with an adequate number of players to form an Olathe team. The players were Anita McLaughlin, '78, Sharon Ellenbecker, '80, Ellen Stuckey Trumble, '76, Elaine Rodriguez, '80, Julie Balocca, '80, and Lissy Woodard, '78. Nancy Ronnebaum, '80, was the team manager and Charles E. Marsh, Jr., KSD physical education instructor and KSD girls volleyball coach, was their coach.

The team had a hard training camp for two weeks prior to the First Biennial

Midwest Athletic Association of the Deaf Women's Volleyball Tournament at Council Bluffs, Iowa on June 5 and 6. There five teams that participated. With only two weeks of hard practice, the Olathe Club of the Deaf Women's Volleyball Team was able to win the championship qualifying the team for the American Athletic Association of the Deaf Women's Volleyball Tournament (National Tournament) in Chicago. OCD members who won All-Star trophies were Debbie Milner, Anita McLaughlin, Ellen Trumble, and Elaine Rodriguez. Julie Balocca was selected as the tournament's most valuable player.

The OCD's Women's Volleyball Team was headed for the first National Amateur Athletic Association of the Deaf's (AAAD) Volleyball Tournament. The nation-wide event, held in

Chicago on July 24-26, 1980 was won by a seasoned group from Frederick Club of the Deaf in Maryland (Gallaudet College players). OCD women placed second in the nationals. Frederick handed the OCD its only loss of the tournament in straight sets 15-2, 15-2, to win the national title. Coach Marsh was very proud of them for "our small town girls" to win second place in the nation competing against the "big city girls."

The OCD team was the youngest team in the tournament and won the team sportsmanship trophy. Julie Balocca was selected to the All-Star Team.

The teams that OCD defeated were Dayton, Ohio, Temple, California, Chicago, Illinois, and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, New York.

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