

summer survival mode



SUNNY MEMORIES: Seniors Amelia Carr and Gabrielle Sparks went to Linn Valley Lake to enjoy a summer day in the sun. "Never stop making memories," Carr said.



SUMMER SWIM TEAM: Junior Corrina Roth and senior Lauren Gennusa swim at Old Pike. "This summer was different than the years past because we didn't have as big of a swim season as we usually do. All of our meets were virtual, so we swam at our own pool and then compared times," Roth said.



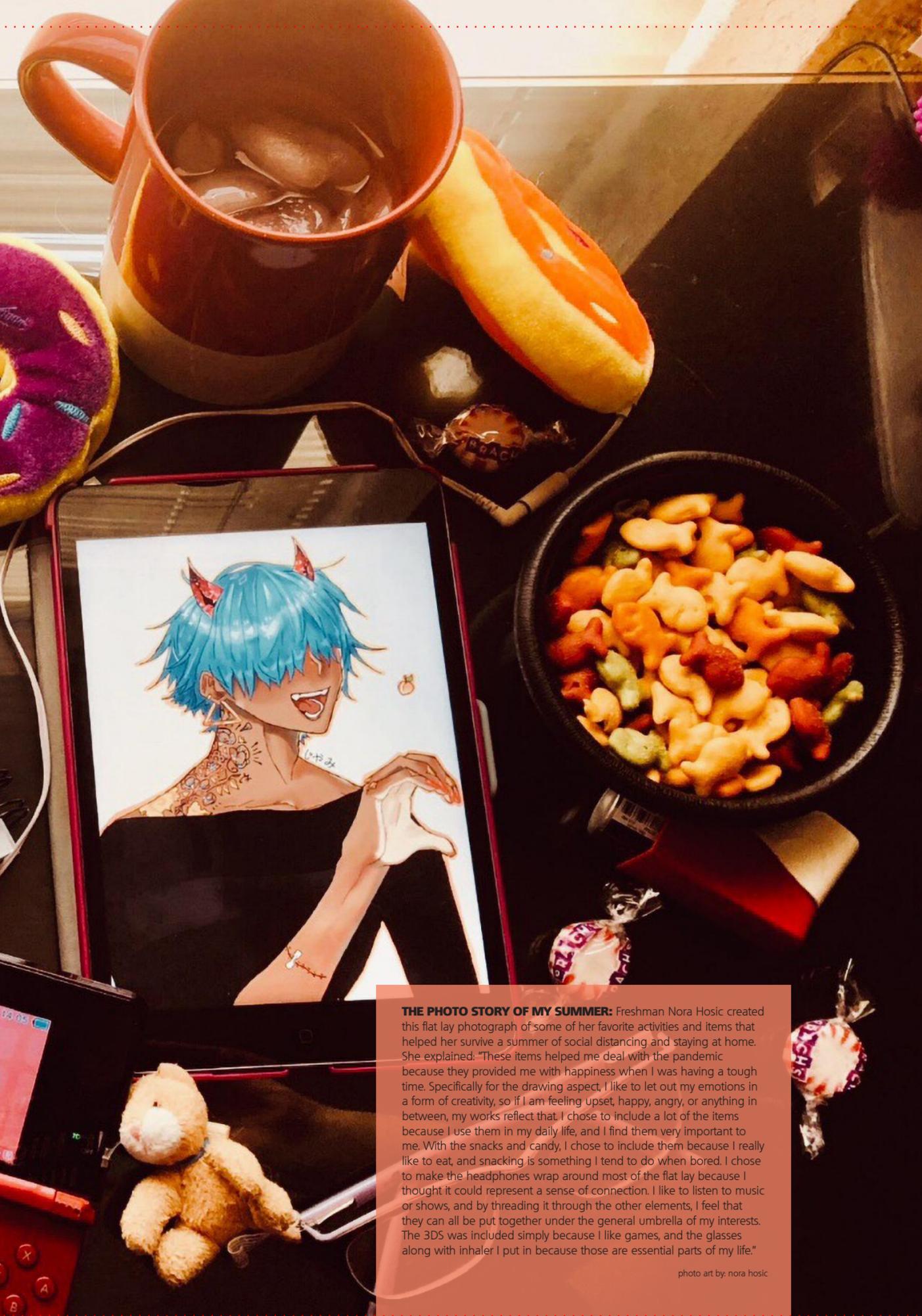
RELAXED AND QUARANTINED: During May, Ruby Erickson and her cousins went to Gulf Shores, Alabama and quarantined in a beach house. "In such a stressful time, quarantining in a section of beach all to ourselves was about as relaxed as it can get," Erickson said.



ESCAPING WITH FRIENDS: During summer, senior Kara Hammontree went to the Power and Light District in downtown Kansas City to get cookies and ride the birds with her friends on a regular basis. "It was a great escape and an amazing way to have fun together," Hammontree said.



SNAP A PICTURE: Senior Jayda Blackwell had a musical photo shoot outside her house. "Music has always been a big part of my life whether it's playing the violin or learning a new instrument like the guitar. Music is a way to express myself and helps me with stress. I don't know where I'll be without music in my life," Blackwell said.



THE PHOTO STORY OF MY SUMMER: Freshman Nora Husic created this flat lay photograph of some of her favorite activities and items that helped her survive a summer of social distancing and staying at home. She explained: "These items helped me deal with the pandemic because they provided me with happiness when I was having a tough time. Specifically for the drawing aspect, I like to let out my emotions in a form of creativity, so if I am feeling upset, happy, angry, or anything in between, my works reflect that. I chose to include a lot of the items because I use them in my daily life, and I find them very important to me. With the snacks and candy, I chose to include them because I really like to eat, and snacking is something I tend to do when bored. I chose to make the headphones wrap around most of the flat lay because I thought it could represent a sense of connection. I like to listen to music or shows, and by threading it through the other elements, I feel that they can all be put together under the general umbrella of my interests. The 3DS was included simply because I like games, and the glasses along with inhaler I put in because those are essential parts of my life."

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