

My neighbor told me this year we have more snow than usual. But finally, it is getting warm, and snow starts melting.

1. Cheer

The winter season was over in the first week of this month. This was the last week of doing cheer. We had eight comps this season, and we got the first place six times. The last comp was at home. So many people cheered our team, and we gave the best performance ever. We got more than 200 higher score compared to the first comp. I was so happy because my host parents, host brother, grandma and cousin came to see me. I had a party with this cheer team one night. One of the friends' parents owns a bar and restaurant so they hosted it. We had dinner together and danced to music. It was a nice party. We don't have cheer in spring season, so I'm going to miss this team so much.

2. Host family

I feel like I became closer with my host brothers this month, because I had a lot of opportunities to hang out with them.

One day, I went to see a movie with them. There is a nice movie theater in the downtown area. We watched the movie called "Flight Risk". This story is about various troubles happened at the small plane boarded by a U.S. federal sheriff. They were fun to watch.

Also, I went to Frankenmuth with my host family. This place is known as everything there has a Germany root. The reason why we came to this place is to see the Ice and Snow Festival. There are huge sculptures made by snow around the town. They are so cool. It is like the Sapporo Snow Festival in Japan. I saw a bunch of different snow and ice sculptures. My favorite was a dragon one. The body is made of snow, but the eyes and teeth are made of ice.

The funniest thing this month is Valentine's Day dinner. I had dinner with one of my host brothers. The restaurant that we were going to was closed so we decided to go to an Indian place next to it. The food tastes so good but we wait for food for almost two hours. This was the longest wait for food we've ever had. We kept waiting until the food came, because we both don't like to say something to staffers. After the dinner, we had Gulab Jamun which is famous for being the sweetest thing in the world. I didn't have a chance to try it when I lived in India, so I remembered the memories of that time. It was a fun dinner.

