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April is Autism Awareness Month, with April 2nd being Worldwide Autism Awareness Day! Be sure to change your light bulbs to blue or wear blue on April 2 to show your support! Please see page 3 for more details on Autism.

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OWTC

10—Methodist Potato

Bake

13—Bingo at OWTC;

Blood Drive at HS

15—No School

20—OWTC mtg

28—Kindergarten Round Up

30—Gage Co. Relay for

Life

May I—Catholic Church

Spring Pork Lunch

Diller-Odell Community Blood Drive

Wednesday, April 13; 1-7 pm Diller-Odell High School Gym

For an appointment please call Jacque Probst at 402-766-4136 or call I-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.redcrossblood.org. Search sponsor code 0091706



The need is constant. The gratification is instant.



Potato Bake Sunday, April 10

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Odell United Methodist Church

Come join us for: Baked Potato with all of the Toppings, Dinner Roll, Dessert

Tea or coffee

Everyone is invited!! Free will offering is gladly accepted.



Odell Garage Sales

Saturday, May 7; 8 am—2 pm

To get your name on the map, please contact Kristie Sutton by May 4th @ 402-806-2468

Smoked Pork Loin Spring Lunch Sunday, May 1; 11am-1pm St. Mary's Catholic Church in Odell Smoked Windsor Loin, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, & Dessert



May 28 is the morning for Odell's Run for Fun. Registration begins at 7 am at the Odell Legion. Call Jill Scheele if you can help that day or if your business can donate and be a sponsor. 402-806-9201

May 7—Odell Garage Sales May 28—Run for Fun June 6-10: VBS

June 23-25: Diller Picnic

American Cancer Society A Team Event to Fight Cancer Gage County Roclay for Life

Saturday, April 30th 12PM to 12am



What's Happening at Rice Lodge?

A facelift is happening at Odell's Rice Lodge! Vans Waterproofing Co. Inc. started this "tuck pointing" project March 13th. They will work for about 3 or 4 weeks to finish the whole building. Vans is repairing and sealing cracks and also repairing and painting parts of the roof. This effort will make the building waterproof and look like new while keeping its historic features. This is a huge expense. If anyone would like to help with this expense, you may give a tax free donation toward this project by sending a donation to the Odell Community Foundation/Rice Lodge, P.O. Box 185,

Odell, NE 68415 or you may drop it off at the State Bank of Odell.

Member of Nebraska Association of Bed & Breakfast, 302 Main Street, Odell, NE Web: odell-nebraska.us (hit Rice Lodge Tab) www.nebraskabb.com or on Facebook Email: riclodge@diodecom.net Phone: 402-806-2174 or 402-766-3720 Meeting Room with Kitchen ~ 10 Bedrooms with Private Baths ~ Sleep 26~ Retreats ~ Reunions ~ Meetings ~ Parties ~

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At the Trails Center:

Sunday, **April 3:** 1:30 pm —
Card Party
Wednesday, **April 13**I-3 pm—BINGO
Wed, **April 20** @

8:30 am—Mtg @ Coffee Shop



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Saturdays & Sundays— I-4 pm. OR by appointment call: Marilyn Lytle: 402-766-4275, Barbara Zarybnicky: 402-766-3780,

Judy Bauman: 402-766-3247 or Robin Stanosheck: 402-766-3725



10 Years of Progress: What has been learned about Autism?

- Autism's prevalence has skyrocketed. Ten years ago, autism's estimated prevalence was I in 166. Today it's I in 68 an increase of more than 100% in one decade.
- Direct screening suggests that autism's prevalence may be even higher.
- 3. Autism can be reliably diagnosed by age 2.
- 4. High-quality early intervention does more than develop skills. Early intervention can change underlying brain development and activity. It's also cost effective as it reduces the need for educational and behavioral support in grade school and beyond.
- 5. Behavioral therapy for autism can transform lives. There is solid evidence that behavior therapy helps the progress of those with autism. This has enabled "Autism Speaks" to advocate for health coverage for this. It is now the law in more than 40 states.
- One third of children and adults with autism are non verbal.
- Assistive communication devices encourage speech in some nonverbal children.
- 8. Autism-related GI disorders are real. Research by the Autism Speaks ATN revealed that half of children with autism have GI disorders and the pain can worsen behavioral symptoms. The Autism Speaks "Autism Treatment Network"

- has developed effective treatment guidelines for pediatricians and tool kits for parents.
- Autism-related sleep disturbance is common and treatable. Help with this is also included in the parent tool kits.
- As many as one third of individuals with autism have epilepsy.
- 11. Autism can effect the whole body.
- 12. Autism's genetic causes are so personal that scientists need whole genome sequencing to guide the development of individualized treatments.
- 13. Environmental factors can play a significant role. Experts once believed that autism was almost entirely hereditary. Through research, it is now known that non-inherited influences on early brain development account for nearly half of a child's risk for developing autism.
- 14. They've begun to identify autism's environmental risk factors. These
 - factors include maternal infection and high exposure to air pollution during pregnancy. Prenatal vitamins with folic acid can reduce the risk of autism if taken before conception and throughout

pregnancy.

- 15. Nearly half of those with autism wander or bolt. Programs are being funded to promote wandering prevention and recovery, increase awareness, train first responders and teach water safety.
- Nearly two-thirds of children with autism have been bullied.
- 17. Most adults with autism (84%) remain living with their parents. Autism Speaks is advocating to increase community living options for adults with autism.
- 18. Nearly half of 25 year olds with autism have never held a paying job. This is also something they are working on. They hope to increase vocational and postsecondary educational support for young adults and working with employers to expand job opportunities.
- 19. Each year, an estimated 50,000 teens with autism age out of school-based autism services.
- The cost of autism across a lifetime averages \$1.4-\$2.4 million.



Upcoming April Events

4—IH Quiz Bowl @ Freeman 6—HS Quiz Bowl; State FFA Convention 9—Prom

13—IH Quiz Bowl @ TC; Blood Drive @ High School Gym 15—NO SCHOOL

18—JH Quiz Bowl; FFA Banquet 21 & 22—District Music @ Fairbury 22—5th & 6th grades to Lied Center

25—Booster Club Meeting—7 pm Diller 26—FBLA Cookout

28—Kindergarten Round up



Congratulations to the Diller-Odell 3rd & 4th Grade Reading Classics Team on their 2nd Place Finish! (after a double tie breaker!) Team members from left: Callan McKinney, Tatum Schroeder, Ellie Weers, Preston Stuckwisch and Coach Mrs. Helen Swanson. Good job Griffins!



Anyone interested in hosting a Foreign Exchange Student for the 2016-17 School year, please contact Jan Rogers @ 402-821-2428

Student of the Month



The February Student of the Month at Diller-Odell Elementary was Kate Kostal. She is a 5th grader and works hard every day and always strives to be the best she can be. Kate is the daughter of Paul and Joyce Kostal. Congratulations!

garten

Thursday, April 28; 8:15-11:15 am Boys and girls who will turn 5 years old by July 21, 2016 are eligible to start kindergarten next fall.

On April 28: Children who attend Little Griffin preschool will follow their normal daily routine. They will visit the Kindergarten classroom in the morning and return to Preschool for lunch and the rest of their afternoon.

Children attending the Round Up may be dropped off at the Elementary between 8;15-8;30, then picked up between 11;10-11;30. Mrs. Heble will be available after 11:15 to visit with parents and answer any questions you might have. A folder filled with forms and information will be sent home with each child that day as well.



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Volunteers Recognized! Those who donate their time by volunteering at the Diller-Odell Elementary School were recognized Thursday, March 31 by the Diller-Odell Booster Club. This happened just before the Elementary Fine Arts Concert Began. Pictured in photo I to r: Charlene Barnard, Judy DeBoer, Lana

Hemphill, Jane Pretzer, Kathy Schroeder, ChelRae Cuevas (interpreter), and Pastor Mark Liscom. Not pictured: Kate Schnuelle. Thank you to these volunteers for all of their time offered during the school year! We couldn't do it without you!



Congratulations Avery Logan!

All Girl Scouts were successful in their cookie sales this year.
But, reaching the 500 box mark, puts you in a category called the "500 Club". This is a big accomplishment in Girl Scouts!
This season Avery Logan was able to reach this goal! Avery is the daughter of Jason & Heather Logan.
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Local 4-H News

Riverview Jr. Stockman 4-H News: .The Riverview jr. stockman 4-H club met on March 20,2016 at the Wymore good Samaritan center. They played Bingo with the residents . After bingo we had a short meeting. We discussed ideas to celebrate our 60th anniversary. Some ideas were a float in the Sam Wymore parade,, a sign at the fair, a alumni gathering, open house. There is a possibility of visiting the artificial breeding center at the k state vet school. If we do we will have to wait till June as this is a busy time for them right now and would be hard for them to do a

tour. Online enrollment is due May 1st.. Public speaking contest is April 21st. Camp renegade is June 22-23. Contact the extension office if you are interested in any of these. Chickens are back this year at the fair. Enrollments for the workshops is due April 15th at the extension office. Refreshments were provided by March ,Beekman, Donavan families. Next meeting is April 24th the time will be announced.. The refreshment committee for the April meeting will be Bales, Siems, and Zimmerman families. Shelby March, News Reporter

Odell Cookie 4H Club News:

The Odell Cookies 4-h club met o Saturday March 19th at 2:00 at the Odell legion. Roll call was favorite March Madness team. Our field trip to orange owl painting studio was discussed. Leader Andrea will check into dates and times and let us know. There is going to be a documentary on the quilts of valor project which supports local service members. Bake and take days are March 26-27. This is a good community service project. Bake something and take to a neighbor

or teacher or someone in your neighborhood. The local outing for the third graders at the fairgrounds on May I I th called "the day at the farm". Again our club will help fill the goody bags. Andrea will let us know when the supplies are here and we will meet at the fair office to fill these. Camp Renegade is June 22-23. The extension office has had a donation of several bolts of felt. Think of a project you can use felt for and go to the extension office and get

what you need.

The speech contest is April 21st. The registration forms will be at the extension office or online. The fashion show is July 15th. We talked about doing a simple sewing project with the club members that would like to learn to sew. We made a spring flower pot decoration for door decoration for the Good Samaritan Residents. The March's and Duis family provided refreshments. The April meeting will be announced.



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Area April Birthdays!

2-Dennis Holst

5-Bob Wellsandt & Larry Lawton

6—Marlene Bures, Terri Kostal, Gwen Vitosh, Athene Wendland & Joseph Stuckwisch

7—Jayna Novotny

12-Norman Scheele

14-Preston Stuckwisch

15-Jim Stanosheck & Will Stanosheck

17—Neleigh Weers

18—Judy DeBoer & Shawna Nelson

19-Janel Hynek, Dylan Oberembt & Gary Sunneberg

20-Roger Barnts & George Pavlik

21-Karen Stohs

22-Carly Meyerle

25-Ed Hajek

27-Madeline Parde

28—Darlene Keuten, John Richards, Becky Saathoff and Kelly Theye

29-Justin Henrichs & Avery Logan

20—Ryan Blake



Happy 4th
Birthday Elliot
Parker Mynatt
on April 22nd!
From Nana,
Aunt BeBe,
Uncle Parker,
Peepee and
Gigi.
We Love you!

Happy 55th Birthday on April 2nd to Brad Vitosh & Happy 29th Birthday to Kolin Kotas on April 2nd! We love you! Your Family

Happy Birthday to Krys Bures and Happy Anniversary to Dave & Krys Bures...both on April 6th!

Love, Dad and Mom.

Happy Birthday on April 18 to Velora Wieters! Love, Sandy, Scott & Families

Happy Birthday on April 20th to Courtney Scott! Love, Grandpa & Grandma B

Happy 33rd Wedding Anniversary on April 22nd to by Hubby, Brad! Love, Amy



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ANNOUNCING!

120th Annual Diller Picnic

June 23-25

Mark your calendars....more details to follow!



Kross-Eyed Kricket Upcoming Events and Food Specials

OPEN AT 7 PM

April 2—Prime Rib Sandwiches
April 9—Chicken Fried Steak

April 16—Burger Night w/ Homemade Sides

April 23—Mexican Night & Side Track Band

9 pm—1 am (Steph Meyerle's Birthday Celebration)

April 30—CLOSED

Happy April Birthdays to the Following!

2—Joslyn Edmond

10—Brady Meyer

16—Kari Fringer

17—Jeff Sohl

20—Claudia Fringer



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