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DILLER FOUNDATION CELEBRATION

The Diller Community Foundation hosted their Annual Granting Celebration on Sunday, January 17. Over \$15,000 was granted to local groups. Meal was complimentary and sponsored by Diller Telephone Co., C & C and East Court Dairy Queen. Please see page 10 for photos and grant amounts. Photo: Andrew Klecan and Toni Landenberger accept an award for the Bullets Shooting Stars.

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OACE 9th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Meal

Sunday, February 28; 5:30 pm—Odell Legion

ALL Volunteers invited; Meal Provided by OACE

IF you have volunteered in any way, shape or form for ANYTHING in Odell, please come to this annual event and enjoy a good meal and good company.



Sliders Softball

Pancake Feed Fundraiser



Sunday, February 7th

9:30am-12:30pm - Odell Fire Hall

Free Will Donation

Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee and Juice

Diller Shrimp Feed



Saturday,

February 6

5-8 pm; Diller

Opera House

All you can eat

Shrimp, Beef Fries, Ham, Cole Slaw, Potatoes, Roll, Tea or Coffee

Tickets at any C & C Business or Opera House Member

\$17 in advance; \$20 at door



Mercy Meals Blue Rivers Area

Mercy Meals Blue River Area is planning to "LEAP" into action once again! **150 Volunteers are needed to help package 50,000 meals at the Odell Community Building on Leap Day, Monday, February 29th and on Tuesday, March 1st. (March in like a lion!)** If you would like to take part in this wonderful experience of "feeding the hungry", please call Gwen or Deb at the State Bank of Odell, 402-766-3720 or you may text or call their cells: Gwen 402-806-2174 Deb 402-520-1795. If you would like to help, but are unable to participate in this packing

event, you may make a monetary donation. Since we now have a food storage container (by the Odell city park) this will be an ongoing project. Money is needed to restock the food container in Odell. Once we have funds to purchase more packing material (Rice, Soy, chicken flavored vitamin & mineral powder, dehydrated veggies), we will order and get onsite in the container for future packaging events. If you have questions, please feel free to call. You may also keep up with us on our new Facebook page "Mercy Meals Odell".

February Events

- 5—GS Cookies Sales
- 4-11—School Survey
- 6—Diller Shrimp Feed
- 7—Pancake Feed; Card Party OWTC
- 10—Bingo OWTC
- 12—NO SCHOOL
- 13—Hearts Run; Cookie Booth at Bank; Legion Fish Fry
- 14—Valentine Dinner at Our Savior
- 15—NO SCHOOL
- 17—OWTC mtg
- 20—Cookie Booth at Bank
- 27—Go Red Heart Celebrity Waiter Dinner
- 28—OACE Volunteer
- 29-Mar 1—Mercy Meals

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALES BEGIN FEBRUARY 5!



2016 is here and we are looking forward to a great year once

again. Odell's Rice Lodge opened as a Bed & Breakfast in August of 2012. Since that time, we have gotten busier and busier. Word has spread about the Rice Lodge and we hope that continues. Here are a few stats from 2015: The Rice Lodge had 375 rooms rented in 2015. The Rice Lodge had guests 134 days in 2015. The guests came from a wide variety of places which included 25 states. Overnight guests consisted of families, good friends, weekend get-away, quilters, girlfriends, wedding guests, artists, couples reunion, girl scouts, classmates, bicyclists, sisters, golfers, Dr. Rice babies, crafters, and hunters. In 2015, the Rice Lodge was used for bridal showers, Tupperware parties, baptism party, family reunions, class reunions, birthday par-

ties, baby showers, funeral get-together, girl scout meetings, Thanksgiving get-together, Scentsy parties, and Christmas parties. Please continue to spread the news of this wonderful Bed & Breakfast in Odell, Nebraska. We have 10 bedrooms each with private bath (we can sleep 26), 13 TVs, free Wi-Fi, 4 outdoor deck areas, 2 kitchen areas, and a Conference room that will hold 25. We can be reached by phone: 402-806-2174; email: rice-lodge@diodecom.net; or internet: www.odell-nebraska.us. Let the Rice Lodge's hospitality take you 'home'!

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 (hit Rice Lodge Tab)
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 ~ 10 Bedrooms with Private Baths ~ Sleep 26 ~
 ~ Retreats ~ Reunions ~ Meetings ~ Parties ~

At the Trails Center:

Sunday, Feb 7: 1:30 PM—

Card Party

Wednesday, Feb. 10;

1-3 pm—BINGO

Wed, Feb, 17 @

8:30 am—

Mtg @ Coffee Shop

New Exhibit at the Old West Trails Center

If you have an opportunity to stop by the OWTC, please do. They have a wonderful new exhibit entitled "The Changing Face of Agriculture". It will be on display for several months. Their hours are: 10-4 on Saturdays and 12-3 on Sundays.



Odell Legion Fish Fry
 Saturday, February 13;
 Serving 5:30-8 pm.

\$10 for all you can eat fish, ham, salads, baked beans, scalloped potatoes and drinks.

**OACE meeting Monday, March 21—7:00 pm at the Odell Legion—
 Make plans to attend!**

C & C's UPCOMING SPECIALS

Feb 5th & 6th -----Sirloins & Chicken Wings

Feb 12th & 13th -----Flat Irons & Fresh Salmon

Feb 19th & 20th -----Fresh Seafood & Filets

Feb 26th & 27th -----Pork Chops & Fresh Cod

March 4th & 5th -----Ribeyes & Fresh Salmon

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“Because He lives...] can face tomorrow.”

Are you or a group of you up for a new business challenge! Consider this!

A MESSAGE FROM ODELL MARKET:

We can hardly believe we've had the Market for 9 years! What an adventure it has been! We are so happy to we have been able to provide this service to the community. And we thank all of you for being so supportive of us and the store. The store is a vital and important part of our community!

But, have you ever thought about owning a business? Or maybe you and your friends have thought about going into a business together? Here is a perfect opportunity. All the coolers and freezers have been replaced or worked on. The lighting, heating and air have all been upgraded. The north roof has been redone, so it no longer leaks! It's almost a new place! Much as I love the store, it's time for me to retire, again. We are not as young as we used to be and have things we want to do while we still are able. We are also missing out on grandchildren's activities.

So, please give the idea of store ownership some serious thought. Summerfield, KS has a store owned by several people and it has certainly seemed to work well for them. Then come talk to me and we will see what we can work out!

Thanks, Perry and Sharon Gydesen

Odell Market For Sale



Thank you again to all those volunteers that helped with the Odell Consignment Sale in October, 2015. All profits from this event were donated to the Odell Community Building to help with the kitchen renovation which will get the kitchen in the building up to code with the State Health & Food Inspector. The total donated was \$1,386.28.



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Upcoming February Events

11—Parent-Teacher Conferences

12—NO SCHOOL

15—NO SCHOOL



Students Collect for Wymore Food Pantry

Diller Odell Student Council hosted a "Block the door Party", a unique food drive that offered the students the ability to block assigned doors in order to miss class in that room for the day. Each class, 7th-12th grade, were assigned a classroom door to cover from top to bottom with canned food items.

Classes were given 15 minutes to "block the door", if all doors were covered all students were able to participate in planned activities hosted by the Student Council. However, if a door was uncovered any student that had that teacher had to attend that class. The entire student body managed to not only block all doors, but fill an enclosed trailer with pantry items. Donations were given to the Wymore Food Pantry.

Little Griffins Preschool is Now Accepting Applications

Little Griffins Preschool is now accepting applications for 2016-2017 Preschoolers who have turned 4 on or before July 31st, 2016. Applications can be downloaded from the dillerodell.org website or picked up at the Elementary Office.

Please submit applications to: Little Griffins Preschool, PO Box 8, Diller, NE 68342

The application deadline is March 1st, 2016.

Families will be notified of formal acceptance following the application deadline.

Student of the Month



The Diller-Odell Elementary Student of the Month for December was Kailyn Dendinger. Kailyn is a hard working student. She always tries to do her best and is respectful of her classmates and her teachers. She listens well in class and participates. Kailyn is the daughter of Colton & Heather Rupprecht and Jason Dendinger. Congrats Kailyn!

DILLER-ODELL SCHOOLS NEEDS YOUR FEEDBACK!



During the week of *February 4th – February 11th*, we will be administering the 2016 Parent/Patron Survey on our school website. We are encouraging both parents and patrons to give us feedback on our current operations and about how we can improve our school system as a whole. **We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey.** Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated.

Students in grades 4th – 12th will also take a student survey at school during the week of February 4th – February 11th.

If you have any questions about the 2016 Parent/Patron Survey please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Christopher Prosocki, Ed.D.; PK-12 Principal

Website: <http://www.dillerodell.org>



The Diller Foundation awarded \$2,250 towards the Youth Leadership Summit. Front row: Carson Ebeling, Corina Lottman, Kailee Rupprecht, Bailey Schroeder, Paige Arnold & Alexis Collins. Back row: Bladen Ahl, Reese Hennerberg, Tybor Smith & Rita Becker

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE BOOTH AT BANK FEB. 13 & 20

COMING SOON! Fitness Center!

The current Diller-Odell weight room at the high school is dated, space is limited and is not an area that is logical to invest much money in to make better. The decision has been made to construct stand alone Fitness Centers in both Odell and Diller. Odell's is scheduled for Spring 2016 and Diller's in the Spring of 2017.

These stand alone centers would not simply be weight rooms, but would have the same equipment one would use at any fitness center. There would be a number of treadmills and other cardiovascular machines. The centers would be outfitted with audio-visual technology to make workouts as enjoyable as possible. These centers would help and provide each community with something they currently do not have.

These centers would not only

benefit the school, but everyone who wishes to utilize them for a healthier lifestyle. They would be open to community members with the purchase of a membership.

A single membership would be \$50 a year or a family membership \$80 a year. This is much less expensive than memberships at other local fitness centers in Beatrice and Fairbury. The purpose of the centers is to serve and better the community, thus they are not trying to make money on the sale of memberships.

CAN YOU HELP?

The school would be willing to stand the cost of the structure, but would like community assistance in the cost of putting equipment in the centers. It is their hope to have \$50,000 in community contributions. There will not be an increase in the tax levy to build these

centers. Can your organization or building help with this?

The School Board has advertised for bids to build a school/community fitness center in Odell. They plan to do the same in Diller.

The administration and School Board feels these ventures would greatly benefit the students as well as community members. They do not believe in standing still.

They are believers in continuing to make our communities as strong and progressive as we can.

Questions about the 2016 project in Odell can be directed to Mike Meyerle 402-766-4171, Travis Kostal 402-239-3244 or Brittney Kotas 402-520-2047. If you would like to make a financial commitment, please contact Mike Meyerle, superintendent.

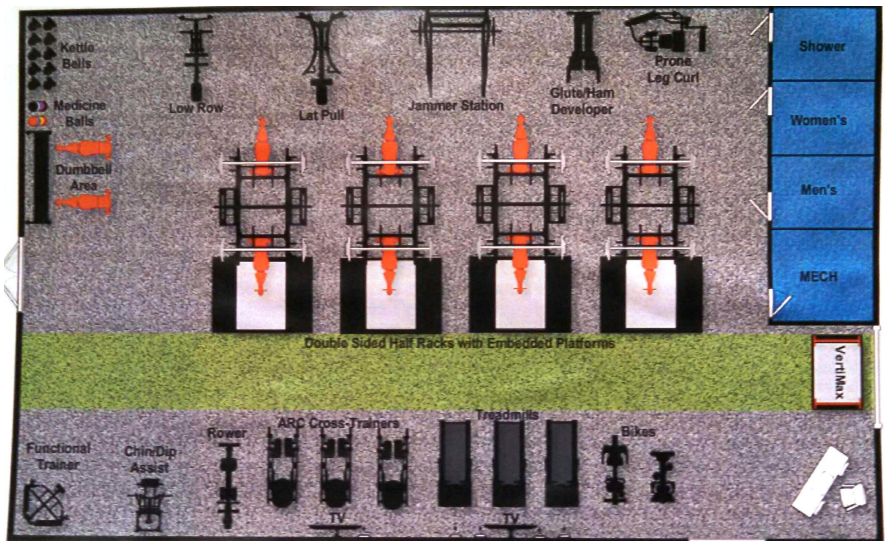


Fitness Center Donors

Any individual or family donation of \$1,000 toward the fitness center project will receive a 5 year membership.

By doing so, a donor would:

- **Have no membership dues for 5 years
- **Have a possible tax deduction
- **Help equip a new local fitness center
- **Be recognized in the center by a plaque or nameplate as a \$1,000 donor



Looking for something to do on Valentines Day?

The Our Savior Lutheran Church of Odell LYF Group is hosting a Formal Valentine's Dinner for couples of ALL AGES!

Sunday, February 14—\$30 a couple

Call soon to get your reservation!

3 available Reservation Times: 5-6 pm, 6-7 pm & 7-8 pm

Menu: Salad, Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, choice of 2 desserts, tea, coffee, water or punch.

The Youth will offer you Great Formal Service for your evening!

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Please Contact: Joyce Kostal for reservations or if you have any questions

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Stateline Promotions

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VALENTINE GIFT SPECIALS ALL WEEK!

8 9 AM - 6 PM	9 9 AM - 6 PM	10 VALENTINE TREATS & SPECIALS ALL DAY LONG! 6:30 Norwex Demonstration 9 AM - 8 PM	11 Last day to order Custom Items! 9 AM - 6 PM	12 9 AM - 6 PM	13 FOR LAST MINUTE GIFTS 9 AM TO 4 PM
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We have lots of personalized gifts for everyone! Children and Adults! Check out our Facebook page for more information and to see the specials. Search Stateline Promotions.

Order Your Personalized Gifts for Easter. Easter Eggs are back.

New Easter Bunny Personalized Totes Perfect for Egg Hunting! See us on Facebook.



\$15 with Personalized Egg, Personalized Stuffed Animal & Candy

"I like you a lottle. It's like a little. Except a lot."

Area February Birthdays!

- 1—Dylan Dendinger & Jeff Nelson
- 2—Andrea Humphreys, Brittney Kotas & Kim Spitsnogle
- 3—Perry Gydesen & John Novotny
- 4—Stu Vitosh
- 5—Kristen Heidemann
- 6—Marge Keefover, Keira Hennerberg & Steve D Kostal
- 7—Steve R. Kostal & Adam Schultis
- 9—Creyton Heidemann & Andrew Henrichs
- 10—Tybor Smith & Chris Hill
- 11—Kenny Hartwig, Joyce Lahodny & Hope Nippert
- 13—Tiffany Schoenrock
- 14—Jim Meyer & Steve Hemphill
- 16—Haley Jones
- 17—Madison Sherwood
- 18—Sidney Engelman & Kay Theye
- 19—Ardith Barber
- 20—Toni Landenberger
- 21—Cindy Stohs, Zeke Jones & Bradley Blake
- 22—Janis Kenning & Nick Nelson
- 23—Jean Schnuelle
- 25—Terry Bures & Betty Hennerberg
- 29—Kathy Menck

Happy 40th Birthday to Chris Clifford on February 27th!

Love, Angie, Sam and Cale

Happy 12th Birthday to Dalton Bures on February 29!
Love, Grandpa and Grandma B.

Happy Birthday to Cathy Bures on February 28th!
Love, Dad and Mom

Happy 89th Birthday to Berniece Wieters on February 10th!

Cards and letters may be sent to:
205 S. Hanover St., Hanover, KS 66945
Stop by anytime! She would love to see you!

Happy Birthday to Dorothy Schramm on February 7th!
Cards may be sent to: 1704 F St., Fairbury, NE 68352

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It’s time to “Rock the Red!”

Women in the Fairbury area will once again be treated to an evening of fun, education and frivolity! The Second Annual American Heart Association Go Red for Women Celebrity Waiter Dinner will be held on Saturday February 27, 2016 at the Tasting Room in Fairbury. The event will feature local gentlemen as our celebrity waiters whose only goal is collecting the most in tips from their table of guests. Our program consists of two speakers; a woman whose life was changed due to heart disease and a nationally known humorist. The evening includes a raffle, auction, food, fun and lots of festivities! Tickets for the event are available at JCHC, Stagecoach Mall or by contacting Erin Starr at 402-587-0495. A limited number of tickets are available and will be sold individually or in groups of 4, 6 or 8. **All proceeds from the event are donated to the American Heart Association.**

Women will begin gathering at the Tasting Room for a social hour at 5:00 p.m. where they can view the raffle items, purchase raffle tickets, enjoy a glass of wine, and have their picture taken with

friends and family. Dinner will be served by the celebrity waiters at 6:00 p.m. followed by the program and conclude with the raffle and auction.

According to the American Heart Association, one out of every three deaths among women in the U.S. each year is attributed to cardiovascular diseases including heart disease and stroke, making it the No. 1 killer of women in this country and causing more fatalities than all forms of cancer combined. However, only one in five American women believes that heart disease is her greatest health threat. Go Red for Women is an effort to raise awareness of heart disease and empower women with the necessary tools to lead heart healthy lives.

An estimated 43 million women in the U.S. are affected by cardiovascular disease, resulting in over 400,000 deaths each year, according to the American Heart Association. The symptoms of cardiovascular disease, such as shortness of breath, nausea, back pain and sweating, can be easy to miss and sometimes not outwardly apparent, causing it to be known as a

“silent killer.” However, by knowing the risk factors and taking simple steps like stop smoking, regular physical activity, eating a heart healthy diet and blood pressure monitoring, women can decrease their chances of heart illness.

Heart disease claims the life of nearly one woman in the United States every minute; however, many women continue to falsely believe the disease is one that just targets men or the elderly and don’t take enough action to reduce their personal risk. The American Heart Association established “Go Red For Women” in 2004 to encourage women to know their risk factors and adopt healthy lifestyle practices to help prevent heart disease. Since the creation of the program, more than two million women have participated by taking the “Go Red Heart Check Up” and an estimated 627,000 lives have been saved.



Advertising Rates for Village Voice

Beginning in 2016 these will be the Village Voice Advertising rates for businesses. Proceeds go to OACE.

Per Month Rates:

Business Card size \$1.00

¼ page \$2.00

½ page \$3.00

Full page \$4.00 (limited to once every 6 months)

Birthday/Anniversary

Greetings in Special Boxes will be 25 cents and you can pay at the end of the year.

Our Savior Lutheran Lenten Services:

Wednesdays, Feb 10, 17, 21 Mar 2, 9 & 16: 7 pm

Maundy Thursday: 7 pm

Good Friday: 7 pm

Easter Sunday: 7 am



6th Annual Healthy Hearts Run

1 mile or 5k run/walk on the Homestead trail 701 Dorsey, Beatrice Saturday Feb 13. Hosted by the Homestead Running Club. Registration starts 12:30 pm with run 1:30 p.m. \$15 1 mile/\$20 5k, family discount available. Wear red for healthy hearts month! Entry includes: race shirt, Valentino's pizza & refreshments. Proceeds to the Homestead Conservation & Trail Association for maintenance of the new trail south from Beatrice to Marysville. For more info contact Julie at: jfeist85@gmail.com, see Facebook or online entry www.getmeregistered/healthyheartsrn.



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Kross-Eyed Cricket Upcoming Events and Food Specials



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Feb. 6—Chili and Chili Dogs

Feb. 7—SUPER BOWL party—Potluck and Drink Specials

Feb. 9—Mardi Gras Party with Drink Specials

Feb. 13—Valentine's—Prime Rib Dinner & DJ at 9 pm

Feb. 20—Chicken Fried Steak & Hamburger Steak

Feb. 27—Mexican Night



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Diller Foundation Granting Celebration



Diller Blood Drive: \$50.00



Prairie Home Cemetery: \$2,300



Diller Picnic Committee: \$1,600



Wymore/Diller/Odell Legion Baseball: \$500



Diller Bank Museum: \$2,500



Prairie Home Cemetery: \$3,000



Diller-Odell Spanish Club: \$600



Diller Youth Football: \$2,200



Diller Community Club: \$1,500



Village of Diller: \$1,000



Diller Opera House: \$1,000



Corner Bar February Events

Sunday, February 7—Chili Cook-off

2016. Prizes awarded for favorite chili—
Super Bowl on 9 Screens at 5:30 pm



Saturday, February 13—Mardi Gras Celebration

****Featuring the Bryton Stoll Band**

****Free Valentine Roses to First 24 Ladies**

****Mardi Gras Decorations and Beads**

****Come in Costume for Prizes**



FOR SALE: ODELL CORNER BAR

Yes, the Corner Bar is for sale. Wanda and I bought it 20 months ago for 2 reasons. First, we felt Odell deserved to have a nice, clean, modern Bar-eatery open every evening of the week. Second, we had hoped my son, James, would live in the apartment next door and eventually take over managing and working the bar. This did not happen. Wanda and I are at retirement age and want to slow down and focus on our remaining businesses. We encourage you to continue frequenting the bar as we solicit a good buyer. D'Andrae Reality is our Agent. Call Linda at 402-239-0705

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