



Village Voice

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Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 15 - 2 pm Odell Legion and Park

Easter Bunny will arrive at 1:30 pm
Ages 0-5th grades

Thanks to the Diller-Odell Spanish Club
for your help!



Diller Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 15 2:00 pm in the City Park Ages 0-5th grades Meet the Easter Bunny! Bring your Basket!



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Odell Community Wide Garage Sales Saturday, May 6th from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. To get your name and location on the map, please call or text Kristie Sutton by Wednesday, May 3rd.

Maps will be available the day of the sales at State Bank of Odell,
Odell Community Market & Sutton Repair - Odell.



Community Blood Drive:
April 12, 2017: 12:30-6:30
ODELL @ the D-O High School

St. Mary's Catholic Church Odell Spring Luncheon

Sunday, May 7; 11 am-1 pm
Smoked Windsor Loin, Baked Potato,
Vegetable, Roll, Dessert, Drinks

Odell American Legion Chicken BBQ

Sunday, April 23;
11 am-2 pm; \$12



Autism Awareness Day is April 2nd

Autism spectrum disorder impacts how a child perceives and socializes with others, causing problems in crucial areas of development — social interaction, communication and behavior.

Some children show signs of ASD in early infancy. Other children may develop normally for the first few months or years of life, but then suddenly become withdrawn or aggressive or lose language skills they've already acquired.

Each child with ASD is likely to have a unique

pattern of behavior and level of severity — from low functioning to high functioning. Severity is based on social communication impairments and the restrictive and repetitive nature of behaviors, along with how these impact the ability to function.

Because of the unique mixture of symptoms shown in each child, severity level can sometimes be difficult to determine.

There are 5 subcategories to Autism Spectrum. More facts and types listed on page 3.

(more on page 3)



April Events

- 1—Relay for Life
Garage/Bake Sale
- 2—Autism Awareness Day & Cards @ OWTC
- 8—60th Anniver.
- 12—Blood Drive & Bingo (OWTC)
- 15—Egg Hunts
- 17—OACE mtg
- 23—Legion BBQ
- 29—Relay for Life
- May 6—Odell
Garage Sales
- May 7—St. Mary's
Spring Luncheon
- May 27—Run 4 Fun



Happy Birthday to Marlys (Holle) Tadtue of Olathe, Kansas. She was born at the Rice Hospital (Rice Lodge) on March 16th. She had a little birthday party here on Thursday night and then her and

her husband, Fred, stayed the night. She is pictured by the baby scale she was weighed on when she was born.

Contact info for the Rice Lodge: Email: ricelodge@diodecom.net phone: 402-806-2174, www.odell-nebraska.us Contact us for tours and reservations.



Odell Run for Fun is a Tradition

2017 is the 12th year for the Odell Run for Fun! This year's event will be on Saturday, May 27. It includes the 1 Mile, 5K & 10K runs. The logo to the right is the logo that will be on the T-shirts. Registration begins at 7 am and the race starts at 8 am.



Please go to: <http://getmeregistered.com/Run4FunOdell> to register online. This link is also available on the Odell Run for Fun Facebook Page. Please contact Joyce Kostal if you need a paper form that can be mailed in. See you there!

At the Trails Center:

Cards: Sunday, April 2 @ 1:30 pm
Bingo: Wednesday, April 12; 1-3 pm

OACE meeting:

Monday, April 17 7:00 pm
at the **Odell Legion**

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SMALL TOWN SERVICE, BIG TIME KNOW-HOW

Autism Awareness Day is April 2nd!

Autism used to be the term used for anyone with this particular condition. Today, there are several different subcategories for the different levels of function. No two children diagnosed will be the same, but there will be many things they have in common.

Asperger’s Disorder: These children are very unskilled with social interactions and have problems with communicating. They have repetitive motions, and are fixated on patterns of all types. They can have above average language skills, though they don’t use them well in social situations. They are often clumsy, as motor skills are under developed. They often have a talent that they focus on almost exclusively, and are considered to be highly intelligent. Recent findings indicate that Albert Einstein may have had this condition.

Kanner’s Syndrome (classic): This particular type of autism was named after a Dr. Kanner. He described and studied it in the 1930s & 1940s. This is the well-known type of this condition that is very common. Those with Kanner’s have very limited emotional connection with anyone, and they are very into their own little world. They want everything to be the

same all of the time, and this includes routine (sometimes down to the exact minute) clothing, food, and television shows or movies. They can be deeply affected by noises, bright lights and smells. They are generally considered to be low functioning, but how well their mind works is largely unknown because of the extremely poor social and communication skills.

Pervasive Developmental Disorder—Not Otherwise Specified (PDD-NOS): This term is used to describe children who have most of the same symptoms as classic autism. They will need the same interventions and help that autistic children require. The differences between PDD-NOS and autism are minor and usually only obvious to researchers and doctors.

Rett’s Syndrome: Rett’s is a rare and relatively little-known type of autism, and it seems to only happen to girls. This branch of autism was first described by Dr. Rett. These patients often have problems with muscle atrophy, and ten to do repetitive hand motions. They are almost always mentally challenged to some degree. These girls are very low functioning and will need care for most of their lives. This particular type of autism has been

diagnosed since the sixties, but in the late 1990s a gene that might cause this condition was found.

Childhood Disintegrative Disorder:

This is also thankfully pretty rare and something that strikes children who appear to have normal development from birth. Usually between two and four years of age this changes. These children begin to regress, and often to not potty train. They will lose the will and the ability to interact with other children, and will lose and interest in play. They will also have problems with motor skills that were something they at one time had mastered. They will stop talking, or their communication skills will regress to some degree. Though there are more autism types out there, these ten to be the most common. They are all things that take parents by surprise and each comes with their own set of difficulties. Most children will need to be cared for long after their peers have established independence, even the will to be on their own is very strong.

(Source: izer.com (internet special education resources)—“Five Types of Autism Explained” by Rachel Evans)

- Autism now affects 1 in 68 children
- Boys are four times more likely to have autism than girls
- About 40% of children with autism do not speak. About 25%–30% of children with autism have some words at 12 to 18 months of age and then lose them. Others might speak, but not until later in childhood
- Autism greatly varies from person to person (no two people with autism are alike)
- The rate of autism has steadily grown over the last twenty years
- Comorbid conditions often associated with autism include Fragile X, allergies, asthma, epilepsy, bowel disease, gastrointestinal/digestive disorders, persistent viral infections, PANDAS, feeding disorders, anxiety disorder, bipolar disorder, ADHD, Tourette Syndrome, OCD, sensory integration dysfunction, sleeping disorders, immune disorders, autoimmune disorders, and neuroinflammation.
- Autism is the fastest growing developmental disorder, yet most underfunded
- A 2008 Danish Study found that the mortality risk among those with autism was nearly twice that of the general population
- Children with autism do progress – early intervention is key
- Autism is treatable, not a hopeless condition



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April Calendar for D-O Schools

- 1—Prom
- 13—Early Dismissal
- 14-17—Easter Break
- 24—Booster Club Mtg. @ 7
- 26—NO School for 7-10th & 12th grades. (Test for 11th grade and Elementary HAS school)
- 27—High School Fine Arts and Music Program

Diller-Odell High School Fine Arts

The Diller-Odell Choir and Band competed in the Mudecas Music Contest held at Tri-County on March 21. Results from the contest:

Excellent Ratings (II): High School Concert Band, Small Vocal Group, Ashtyn Humphreys—Clarinet Solo, Kyleigh Barnts—Vocal Solo, Connor Klecan—Trombone Solo. Superior Ratings (I): Kelsay Schlichtman—Clarinet Solo, Morgan Phillips—Flute Solo, & Melina Kostal—Vocal Solo. Congratulations to all of the Music Students!



Photo: Back row, l to r: Kyleigh, Connor, & Ashtyn. Front, l to r: Melina, Kelsay, & Morgan

Kindergarten

Roundup

Thursday, May 11, 2017
8:30am-11:15am

Diller-Odell Elementary School

Diller-Odell Elementary will be hosting a Kindergarten Roundup for any child who will be 5 years old on or before July 31, 2017. This will be a fun time for children to get to see their classroom and their teacher and some new friends who will be in their class next fall!

Students who attend Little Griffins Preschool can plan to come to school as usual and then return to their preschool classroom for the rest of their day.

An informational letter will be sent out to perspective students that the school is aware of from our area. If you are new to the area and want to be included in the mailing, please contact our elementary school (402)793-5570 or email Mrs. Heble at pheble@dillerodell.org



High School Spring Fine Arts Night

Thursday, April 27; 7:00 pm
Pre-Show Solos & Art Show begins at 6:30 pm
Evening of Music and Art—FREE OF CHARGE!

The Diller-Odell Lady Griffin Basketball Team would like to thank all of the community members from both towns who supported us in helping with our trip to the State Tournament!

The food, decorations, gift bags and moral support were a tremendous help in making our trip very rewarding. The student body, parents, school faculty and community member's support inspired us greatly. You guys are the best!!

Handwritten signatures and names include: Adeline #21, Crowe, Math #12, Barbs, Mollie, Melissa #14, Kelsay #15, Madison #20, Hannah #22, Hannah #23, Hannah #24, Hannah #25, Hannah #26, Hannah #27, Hannah #28, Hannah #29, Hannah #30, Hannah #31, Hannah #32, Hannah #33, Hannah #34, Hannah #35, Hannah #36, Hannah #37, Hannah #38, Hannah #39, Hannah #40, Hannah #41, Hannah #42, Hannah #43, Hannah #44, Hannah #45, Hannah #46, Hannah #47, Hannah #48, Hannah #49, Hannah #50, Hannah #51, Hannah #52, Hannah #53, Hannah #54, Hannah #55, Hannah #56, Hannah #57, Hannah #58, Hannah #59, Hannah #60, Hannah #61, Hannah #62, Hannah #63, Hannah #64, Hannah #65, Hannah #66, Hannah #67, Hannah #68, Hannah #69, Hannah #70, Hannah #71, Hannah #72, Hannah #73, Hannah #74, Hannah #75, Hannah #76, Hannah #77, Hannah #78, Hannah #79, Hannah #80, Hannah #81, Hannah #82, Hannah #83, Hannah #84, Hannah #85, Hannah #86, Hannah #87, Hannah #88, Hannah #89, Hannah #90, Hannah #91, Hannah #92, Hannah #93, Hannah #94, Hannah #95, Hannah #96, Hannah #97, Hannah #98, Hannah #99, Hannah #100.

Students of the Month



The Diller-Odell Elementary February Student of the Month is 1st grader, Bo Sohl. Bo is friendly and helpful to teachers and his classmates. He is responsible and completes his assignments and homework on time. He is respectful and shows Griffin pride daily! Bo is the son of Jeff & Becky Sohl. Congratulations!

Spotlight on D-O Staff

Dr. Christopher Prosocki is the Diller-Odell Schools PK-12 Principal. He has been our Principal for 5 years.

Dr. Prosocki lives in Beatrice with his wife, Jennifer and their 2 year old son, Bentley. Jennifer is the 9-12 Guidance Counselor at Beatrice High School.

Chris is the oldest of 5 children (1 brother and 3 sisters) and attended Primary and Secondary School at Kenwood Elementary, Windy Hills Elementary and Kearney Catholic High School.

His College education included the University of Nebraska at Kearney and Northwest Nazarene University in Idaho.

Dr. Pro's favorite thing about his job is his opportunity to make a difference in the lives of students young and old.

In his free time he enjoys watching movies, working out, watching Nebraska football games and spending time with his family.

UPDATE!: Dr. Prosocki recently accepted the superintendent position at Southern Public Schools in Wymore. In response to his new position, Dr. Prosocki stated, "It is both an honor and it is very humbling to be selected as the new superintendent at Southern Public Schools. I was not looking for a new position when I was approached about applying. Diller-Odell Public Schools will always hold a special place in my heart and I am going to miss all of the students, the staff, the board of education, the parents, and the community members."

We wish much luck and success to Dr. Prosocki. He has done an amazing job while at Diller-Odell and we only wish the best to him!



The Diller-Odell Elementary March Student of the Month is Kindergarten, Emily Wood. Emily is very self-motivated and genuinely enjoys learning. She has an extremely positive attitude and is respectful of both teachers and classmates. Emily participates constructively in class discussions and consistently uses what she has learned to problem solve and add to her creativity. Her parents are Luke and Jessica Wood. Congratulations Emily!



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GARAGE SALE



Garage/bake Sale to Benefit Relay for Life

Gage County Relay for Life teams, Beatrice Community Hospital Sore Feet and Koch Family & Friends, are holding their annual Relay garage sale/bake sale on

Saturday, April 1, from 8 a.m. -2 p.m. at the Beatrice Senior Center, 25th and Court.



All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Donations are welcomed and encouraged. Contact Lori at 402-430-3191 or Corinne at 402-239-3904 for information. Also on that date, the Relay for Life team Twisted Sisters will be managing the Traubel Popcorn Stand at Fifth and Court in downtown Beatrice. Proceeds will go to their team for the Gage County Relay for Life.

The **20th Gage County Relay for Life is on Saturday, April 29, from noon to 10 p.m. at the Gage County Fairgrounds in Beatrice.** Contact Corinne Koch, 402-239-3904, for information or to sign up.

Luminarias are available from participating walkers for a \$10 donation. Donations can be made online at www.relayforlife.org/gagecove. Donations submitted at this site can be specified it to be credited to the participant or team of the donor’s choice.



Calling all pie lovers to get their sweet tooth fix and support the Gage County Relay for Life.

The Collinators Relay for Life team is selling Village Inn pie cards. They are \$12 for each pie with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the American Cancer Society. Pie cards can be redeemed at any Lincoln Village Inn location for a pie of the donor’s choice. Call Tammy at 402-239-1340 to purchase cards.

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*Children with AUTISM aren't given to strong people. They are given to ORDINARY, EVERYDAY people who become strong.
Raising a child with autism doesn't take a special family, it makes a family special!*

Area April Birthdays!

5—Larry Lawton & Bob Wellsandt

6—Terri Kostal, Joseph Stuckwisch & Gwen Vitosh

7—Jayna Novotny & Bill Scheele

8—Mike Riggert

9—Canaan Larsen

11—Skylar Folkers

12—Arlin Koch & Norman Scheele

14—Preston Stuckwisch, Braelyn Parkinson &
Don Klecan

15—Jim Stanosheck & Will Stanosheck

17—Neleigh Weers

18—Judy DeBoer & Shawna Nelson

19—Janel Hynek, Dylan Oberembt &
Gary Sunneberg

22—Carly Meyerle

25—Ed Hajek & Lisa Schultis

27—Madeline Parde

28—Becky Saathoff

29—Justin Henrichs & Avery Logan

30—Ryan Blake

**Happy 56th Birthday to
Brad Vitosh on April 2nd!
Love, Amy, Shane, Laine,
Audrey, Kolin, Brittney, Kyler,
Kasen, J.T. & Morgan**

**Happy 34th Birthday to
Kolin Kotas on April 2nd!
Love, Brittney, Kyler, Kasen, Brad,
Amy, Shane, Laine, Audrey,
J.T. & Morgan**

**Happy Birthday to Krys Bures and
Happy Anniversary to Dave &
Krys Bures on April 6th! Love,
Dad & Mom Bures**

**Happy 85th Birthday to Velora
Wieters on April 18th!
Love, Your Family!**

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

**Happy 34th Anniversary on
April 22nd to my Hubby, Brad!!
I Love You! Amy**

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HAPPY ⁶⁰ YEARS *anniversary*



OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, April 8, 2017
2:00 pm - 5:00pm
Odell Community Building

Don & Olivia Klaus will be celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary with an Open House April 8, 2017 at the Odell Community Building from 2:00pm - 5:00pm. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

SAVE THE DATE - AUGUST 21, 2017

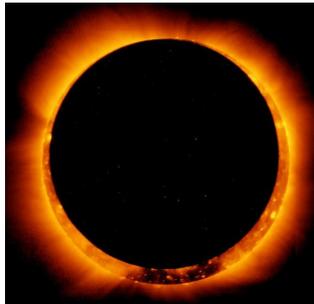
Come view the solar eclipse at the football field or the picnic grounds in Diller, Nebraska. Bring your lawn chairs and sunscreen!

Solar glasses will be available

FUN FACTS:

**Solar Eclipses are the cause for many superstitions and even today are considered bad omens in many cultures.

A total solar eclipse is the **ONLY time when it is safe to look directly at the sun.

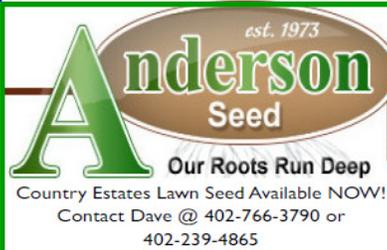


Plans are in the works for a fantastic “TOTAL ECLIPSE” in Odell on 8/21/17! Details coming soon!

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Riverview Jr. Stockman 4-H News: Shelby March, News Reporter.

The Riverview Junior Stockman 4-H club met on February 26, 2017 for their February meeting. We started by introducing our newest members: Ella Miller and Ethen Garrels. Role call was why national 4-H month is important to you. Club dues are \$15 per member. Quality Assurance is also a matter to be finished. Online enrollment deadline is May 1st. We collected our shoes for the Kiwanis Shoe Drive. We performed the installation of officers ceremony. The Yocum, Zito, and Ullman families provided refreshments. Meeting adjourned.



Riverview Jr. Stockman 4-H Club with their collection of shoes that they donated to the Kiwanis Shoe Drive.

Odell Cookie 4H Club News: Kate Kostal, News Reporter:

The Odell Cookies 4-H Club met at the Diller-Odell High School Library on Saturday, March 25 @ 3:00 pm. Our meeting was called to order by President, Ashtyn Humphreys. Secretary minutes were read by Vice President, Melina Kostal. Roll Call was taken by naming your favorite Spring Time Activity. Old and New Business was dis-

cussed including possible Service projects. The Dresses for Africa Project was discussed. Our meeting was adjourned and we each made 2 greeting cards with crafting supplies. Refreshments were provided by the Stuckwisch, Bartlett and Schwab families. Our Club will meet on Sunday, April 9 @ 2:00 pm at the Odell Park. We will pick up trash.



2nd & 3rd Grade Griffin Girls Basketball team placed 3rd in the Hanover League and 4th in the Beatrice Hoopla Tournament.

Back row l to r: Aidan McKinney, Emma Peterson, Erin Gegg, Berkelee Beekman & Kailyn Dendinger. Front row: l to r: Kelsey Barnts, Sidney Engelman, Carly Meyerle & Avery Logan. Coaches for the team: Barb Beekman, Amanda McKinney & Chris Peterson.

2017 Wymore Legion HOME Baseball Schedule:

- Friday, May 26—6:00 & 8:00 pm
- Sunday, May 28—2:00 & 4:00 pm
- Thursday, June 1—5:30 & 8:00 pm
- Sunday, June 4—2:00 & 4:00 pm
- Saturday, June 10—5:00 & 7:00 pm
- Sunday, June 11—2:00 & 4:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 13—6:00 & 8:00 pm
- Thursday, June 15—5:30 & 8:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 20—7:00 pm—Juniors Only
- Sunday, June 25—4:00 & 6:00 pm
- Thursday, June 28—7:00 pm—Juniors Only
- Saturday, July 1—5:30 & 8:00 pm
- Tuesday, July 6—7:00 pm, Seniors Only
- Monday, July 12—7:00 pm—Seniors Only



Raising a child with autism spectrum disorder can be physically exhausting and emotionally draining. These suggestions may help:

- **Find a team of trusted professionals.** You'll need to make important decisions about your child's education and treatment. A team, coordinated by your health care provider, may include social workers familiar with autism, teachers, and therapists who can help explain the resources in your area. Ask if the team includes a case manager or service coordinator who can help access financial services and government programs.
- **Take time for yourself and other family members.** Caring for a child with ASD can put stress on your personal relationships and your family. To avoid burnout, take time out to relax, exercise or enjoy your favorite activities. Try to schedule one-on-one time with your other children and plan date nights with your spouse or partner — even if it's just watching a movie together after the children go to bed.
- **Seek out other families of children with ASD.** Other families struggling with the challenges of ASD may have useful advice. Some communities have support groups for parents and siblings of children with ASD.
- **Learn about the disorder.** There are many myths and misconceptions about ASD. Learning the truth can help you better understand your child and his or her attempts to communicate. With time, you'll likely be rewarded by seeing your child grow and learn and even show affection — in his or her own way.
- **Keep records of visits with service providers.** Your child may have visits, evaluations and meetings with many people involved in his or her care. Keep an organized file of these meetings and reports to help you decide about treatment options and monitor progress.
- **Stay current on new technologies and therapies.** Researchers continue to explore new approaches to help children with ASD. See the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website on autism spectrum disorders for helpful materials and links to resources.
(Source: Mayclinic.com)

Patience—Do You Have It?

The word “Patient” is defined by Webster’s online dictionary as “being able to remain calm and not become annoyed when waiting for a long time or when dealing with problems or difficult people.” or “done in a careful way over a long period of time without hurrying.”

Let’s talk about patience with information and messages received from others.

In 1861, the Pony Express ran from St. Louis, Missouri to Sacramento, California, where it typically took a week to receive a letter – and that was considered “Express”! When looking for riders, the Express advertised that they preferred orphans and riders had to be willing to risk their lives! All for a letter! I am betting when someone sat down to write a letter to be sent to someone, they took their time! Thinking for quite some time over each word and sentence they wrote down. There was no AutoCorrect, no “fails” by writing the wrong words, or no accidentally sending a message to the wrong person!

In 1844, Samuel Morse sent the message “What hath God wrought” over the telegraph. The tele-

phone was patented in 1876, and made for public use in 1877. Now you could call someone with your message and that was quick!

But, alas....sometimes, you had to wait for other people, in other homes, to finish their call before you could make yours....That was the “Party Line”. Even when everyone received their own “Private Lines”, you sometimes made a call and you heard a beep...beep....beep— It was Busy! You would have to call back! And other times, you would make a call and it would just ring and ring...you would have to call back yet again! I remember before I could drive, after extra-curricular activities, I would have to walk down to the Pay Phone and use my Calling Card to call home to get a ride...then I would have to wait 15 minutes for my parents to show up! Imagine!

Then came answering machines! I prayed when I called a friend that they were home so I didn’t have to leave a message—I was scared of those machines! Now, we hope no one picks up so we can just “leave a message”.

In 1973 the first test call was made on a Cellular Phone. In 1987 there were 1

million people with cell phones. 2003 marks the year that the Internet became “untethered”.

Now we jump to the present....where we can send a message as soon as the thought enters our minds. We become impatient when someone doesn’t text back within a minute and might even send a 2nd message that says “Did you get my text?” The number of mobile phones exceeded the world population in 2014.

We are living in an “instant” world. So, the word “Patience” has taken on a whole new meaning. We feel we are being patient if we have to wait a day for someone to respond to a message.

What is the solution? We can’t go back in time. We just need to stop and take a breath and think about what we are saying in each message. Appreciate what we are blessed with and use it for good. Realize that instead of having to wait 2 weeks from the time you hand your message to the Express Rider to when you hear a response, you can find things out instantly. I would love to see the face of one of those Pony Express Riders today if they could step of their horse and send a text from St. Louis to Sacramento within a second instead of risking their life for a letter!

