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Odell Community Christmas Saturday, December 9 **Odell Community Building** Free Will Soup Lunch— Serving begins at 11:00 am 12:00 pm—Sharon Gydesen's **Piano Students Play** 1:00 pm—Turkey/Ham Drawing 1:30 pm—SANTA Arrives! Sponsored by: OACE

A HUGE thanks to Jill Scheele for all of her hard work making the Annual Craft Show year after year. This is the biggest OACE fundraiser for Odell bringing in thousands of dollars to our community.

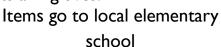
Thank you to everyone who is donating to

this event and helping at it!

Diller Community Christmas Sunday, December 10 Free Will Soup Lunch @ 6:00 pm **Diller Opera House** SANTA Arrives @ 7:00 pm!

Mitten tree @ Diller **Telephone**

Donate new mittens, coats, hats and gloves.



Wishing you all a safe and **Happy Holidays!** Thank you for supporting our **Local Businesses!** Angle and the Corner Crew

NOW Open for Lunch!!

11:30-1:30 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday— Daily Lunch Special and limited menu Open for breakfast on Sunday 9:00-10:30ish

Need a place to have your holiday party? Want a special menu for your event? No Problem!

Call Angie @ the Corner: 402-766-3692 or text 402-806-9717.

We can serve Prime Rib, steaks, etc.....There are many options available!

Customer Christmas Party: Friday, **Dec. 22** Brisket **Dinner 9.95.** all beers-**\$2** and Mixed \$3

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Open House

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Christmas Party 27—Cards @

OWTC

23—Jan 3—NO **SCHOOL**



State Bank of Odell

Odell, Nebraska

The State Bank of Odell will be
CLOSED Saturday, December 23,
Monday December 25,
Saturday, December 30 and
Monday January 1, 2018. Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year to everyone!
The Bank will be OPEN as usual on
Friday, December 29. All business for the year
of 2017 will need to be at the bank by 1:00
pm that day, or it will be on 2018 business.

At the Trails Center:

Bingo: Wed., Dec. 13; 1-3 Cards: Sun, Dec. 27 @ 1:30



Token sale through the month of December.! Tokens make great gifts. Beatrice Superwash

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Tours and reservations can be set up by contacting us several different ways: website: www.odell-nebraska.us; email: ricelodge@diodecom.net;

phone: 402-806-2174

ODELL



PUBLIC LIBRARY

The opening of the Odell Public Library has been delayed, so the Open House and Christmas Tea scheduled for December 9th will be postponed until a later date. Please watch the Village Voice and our Facebook page for updates and more information! Thanks for you support!



Kristie Sutton
Independent Scentsy Director
http://odellsutton.scentsy.us
402-806-2468



The Homestead Harmonizers are looking for any gentleman who enjoy singing barbershop style music to come check us out! We rehearse at the Presbyterian church in Beatrice on most Monday nights at 7:30 pm.

If you would like more information, please call Perry Gydesen @ 402-766-3816

(reading music is NOT a requirement!)

Turkey Run Farms is owned by Tim and Jill Scheele

Turkey Run Farms Open House

Thursday, December 14th 4:00 pm—8:00 pm

*Tour a new 6000 turkey lay barn

*Enjoy a free smoked turkey sandwich, sides and drink!

Address: 40078 SW 89th Rd., Odell, NE

Directions from Odell—go 6 miles north on Odell Blacktop (SW 61st). Turn west (left) on PWF Road and go 2 miles. Turn south (left) on SW 89th Road and go 1/2 mile to farm. Watch for signs.

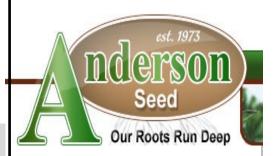
For more information contact: Jill Scheele (402)766-4377

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The winner of the quilt raffle for St. John's Lanham Turkey Supper on Nov 15 was
Rick Whittemire, Diller, NE.
Two \$50 Walmart gift cards were won by Ashley Duis, Odell, NE, and Pietro Elia, Nevada City, CA.



Anderson Seed Fall Specials

*NuPride 8381 GT Soybeans— \$30.00

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School Youth News

Diller-Odell December Events
4—Home JV BBall @ 6 pm
5—Home BBall Games @ 4:00
7—K-6 Concert @ 7 pm
8—Home BBall Games @ 4:00
16—Home BBall Games @ 2:00
19—7-12 Concert @ 7 pm
21—Home BBall Games @ 4:00
Spanish Club Taco Bar
22—Early Dismissal

23-Jan 3—Winter Break

Student of the Month

The Diller-Odell Elementary
Student of the Month for
October is Scarlett Steensnes.
Scarlett is a very friendly, helpful
and hard-working individual.
She goes out of her way to
make others feel good about
themselves. Her smile is
contagious! She is a welcome
addition to Diller-Odell Schools.
Scarlett is the daughter of Tyler
and Crystal Snyder of Beatrice
and Anthony and Chelsey
Steensnes.



Congratulations Scarlett!

Whoop! Here it is! The 2nd Graders have been busy creating and putting together the 2018 Birthday Calendar. Calendars will be for sale soon and the cost will be \$2. Contact any 2nd Grader or Mrs. Hynek to purchase a calendar. Calendars may also be purchased at the State Bank of Odell in both the Diller and Odell locations. We will also be selling the calendars before the Elementary Music Concert on Dec. 7.

We use the money we earn for our field trip in the spring.



Thank for your support of this community project.



Diller-Odell Spanish Club TACO BAR!

Thursday, December 21st—serving starts @ 5:30 pm—at HS during Home BBall games
\$6 Combo Meal: Tacos, Beans, Rice, Desserts,
Drinks, Root Beer Floats





Spotlight on D-O Staff

Beth Roelfs serves as the Diller-Odell Elementary Special Education Teacher. Beth, and her husband, Dean live south of Diller. Dean farms with their son, Adam and has a herd of angus cattle. Beth's son, Adam lives in the Diller area and is a Griffin graduate. The Roelfs' oldest son, Allen, is a mechanical engineer and works at ExMark in Beatrice. Allen is partner with Dean and Adam with their cattle herd, and was a graduate in the last graduating class of Diller High School. His wife, Stacy is also a Griffin graduate and works in marketing at Exmark. Allen and Stacy's daughter, Aubrey (a kindergartner at Stoddard) is Beth's only grandchild and is a true JOY! She loves coming to the farm and helps with cattle chores. Beth grew up living on farms near Diller and Odell and started Kindergarten in Odell and completed her 4th grade year as an Odell Tiger. Her family moved into the Diller district as she began her 5th grade year, and she graduated in 1973 as a Diller Eagle. Mrs. Roelfs received her Bachelors Degree from Doane College in Elementary and Special Education and has enjoyed teaching for 22 years, and started in the Diller-Odell district when it began in 2000. Her first year she taught Title I, and then she was given the special education position (current position) Beth began her teaching career with Odell Public Schools, where she was the 2nd grade teacher for 4 years, from 1977-1981, under the direction of superintendent, Milford Smith. She had the pleasure of teaching a number of young people (including me!) who have grown to become community leaders, businessmen, and parents in Odell and Diller. Beth took time away from teaching to raise Allen & Adam and work beside Dean on their farm and with their hog operation.

In 1996, Beth began her Graduate Degree at Doane. She served as an AmeriCorps member for Blue Valley Community Action from 1997-1998, receiving training in school and civil mediation. Beth served as the Disabilities' Coordinator for Blue Valley Community Action Head Start and Early Head start over their 9 county region in 1999. She graduated from Doane with a Masters Degree in Curriculum and Instruction in 1999 and has completed 19 hours of post

graduate classes from UNL, Peru and Doane.

"My favorite part of teaching at Diller-Odell is the joy I find in working with the children as they move through their learning journey. I also take great pride in helping to build the knowledge and character of the young people in MY COMMUNITIES."

Mrs. Roelfs serves on the Reading Improvement, Improving Learning for Children with Disabilities and School Improvement Committees, and Student Assistance Team at the elementary.

Beth is also very involved within the community—volunteering for the Diller Summer Reading Program, serving as a Sunday and VBS teacher and as a board member on the Diller Community Foundation Fund, where she works to ensure the future of the Diller Community and the Diller-Odell Schools. She also LOVES to build floats and help make the Diller Picnic a success.

When Beth is not involved with school activities, she enjoys garage sales and thrifts shops. She loves reading and taking vacation days with family and friends, and hopes to travel more in the years to come. The photo shown is one of Beth and Dean on one of their

"rare" travels.
They were able take a trip to
Maine to celebrate their
40th anniversary this last
summer.

When Beth
"grows up",
she dreams of
being a children's story
teller and has
started collecting books, hats,
props and
parts to her
"Mother
Goose" costume.



Thoughts from the Editor......Are you a selfless or selfish parent?

This time of year usually brings up thoughts of giving and selflessness. This got me to thinking about how we develop these traits. The best way would be for us to learn them when we are young and growing so they are instilled within us.

In our fast-paced word I am convinced it is extremely hard for parents to keep up with things because they seem to be changing at a sonic pace, (but this doesn't mean we can't stop trying and working hard at it.)

It seems because of this we are missing giving our children things they need.

Yes, we are getting them to all of their practices, lessons, and activities. Yes, we are making sure they are eating right and brushing their teeth. Yes, we are making sure to watch their grades at school and make sure they are selling enough at all of their fundraisers! We lecture them about how they did at the game, how they did at an event, how they did on a project. Yes, we make sure they get to church and youth group and take their turn at some community service. (but do they really know why they are serving?)

There is a common trend in all of this.

and it is the fact that it is just about YOU. We are always concerned with ourselves and our own family, not taking time to show concern for others. We are teaching our kids to only think of themselves and how they are doing. They are becoming streamlined in their thinking because they are so busy and mom and dad are encouraging this because they are even busier.

Instead we need to be asking our children about other people in their lives. We need to compliment others to our children. We need to point out other kids' accomplishments. We need to focus on how we are all working together instead of strictly just our own lives.

When you are talking at home or in the car as family are you complaining about others and pointing out their faults? Are you trying to make your kids feel great by making others look bad? Do you complain about other parents and adults in front of your kids? All of this negativity about others and constant focus on how great you are, is basically brain washing our kids into thinking it is just about them.

Instead, when you talk to them, ask how their teammates felt about the game. When they complain to you about something or someone ask turn their thoughts away from complaining to something positive. Simply tell them NOT to talk that way. Do they complain openly to others about an activity they are doing, even when the group is for it? If they constantly just want their way when it comes to activities and show no concern how the bigger group feels, tell them that is wrong.

By doing this we will make our kids have more open minds to the world. They will "see" others and their needs, making them better people. They will want to serve because it is the right thing to do and helps others. They will see the "big picture". They will be KIND.

It starts with us as parents. IF we stop complaining about other kids and adults...if we stop just thinking of ourselves and our family only....if we stop focusing solely on our own children's accomplishments......If we, as parents ARE KIND......this can change the world. It may take time, but if we don't start now, things will only get worse.

I know this may seem like a lot of work, but don't think that way. Think of it as a positive change for your family. It gets easier the more you practice!

Being that kind of parent to your child is the best



"Be curious....not judgmental."

Area December Birthdays!

1-Hayley Denner

4-Darrell Schramm, & Amy Schroeder

4-Harry Kissling

6-Fd. Scheele

8-Roy Barnts, Peggy Colgrove, Kellen Gegg, Carl Lyle, Heather Rupprecht, Langdon Sunneberg & F sdon Weers

9-Heather Heble, Jeanette Hennerberg, John Knabe & Kellan Schlichtman

10-Rick Wallinger

11-Jim Adam, Jarrod Heidemann & Eden Lottman,

13-Korey Theye & Loren Wieden

14-Peyton Mohr

15-Mike Klecan

16—Jan Gold, Stacy Schlichtman & Jadyn Schultis

17—Sandi Colgrove, Dennis Kostal, Jacob Novotny, & Flecea Saathoff

19—Carolyn Schultis

20-Delanie Vitosh & Laurie Vitosh

21-Kailee Rupprecht

22-Paige Vitosh, Claire Duis, Jack Duis, Mahalia Engelman, & Ruth Horsky

23—Sandy Kotas

24-Velora Adam

26—Davis Becker & Marlys Koch

28-Farl Adam

29-Bethelee Beran, Cole Ebeling, Eldine Hays& Ron Holst

30- Diane Kisling

31-Dalton Andersen & Kendra J. Weers

Happy Birthday to Steph Ware on December 19! Love, Your Friends!

Happy Birthday to Shawn Morgan on Dec. 11 and Cara Collins on Dec. 18! Love, Mom, Lexi and Cooper

Happy Birthday to Jesse Genrich and Tim Hubka on December 13th! Love, Your Family!

Happy Birthday to Helen Swanson on December 26th! Love, Your Family and Friends!

Happy Birthday to Mitchell Meyer on December 20th!

From: Grandpa and Grandma B!

Happy Birthday to Lane Yocum on December 11 and Ashley Yocum on December 19th! Love, Your Family

Happy Birthday to Kaden Sutton on December 15 and his Papa Ron on December 21st! Your Family Loves You!



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Local Church Services

St. John's Lutheran in Lanham

will have Candlelight
service and
Holy Communion at
4:30 on December 24.
(No Services on Sunday
morning, December 24,
Christmas Day or
New Year's Eve)

Our Savior Lutheran—Odell

Wednesday Advent Services
@ 7:00 pm
with a meal at 6:00 pm
(Dec. 6, 13 & 20)
Sunday, December 24th—
9:00 am (with Communion)

Monday, December 25 @ 9:00 am Sunday, December 31 @ 9:00 am

& 7:00 pm



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