



Village Voice

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**Diller-Odell
Elementary Carnival**
Sunday, February 4
2:00—4:00 pm
\$5.00 Arm bands

Diller Shrimp Feed

Saturday,
February 3, 2018

5:00-8:00 pm

Diller Opera House

ALL YOU CAN EAT! Shrimp, Beef Fries,
Ham, Cole Slaw, Potatoes, Roll, Tea and Coffee

In Advance: \$17.00; At Door: \$20.00

Purchase tickets from any C & C Business or Opera
House Member by FRIDAY, February 2



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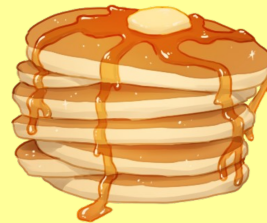
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Ellis United Methodist Church

Pancake Dinner & Whole Hog Sausage

Sunday, February 18; 11:00 am—1:00 pm

FREE WILL DONATION



At the Trails Center:

Bingo: Wed., Feb. 14; 1-3

Cards: Sun., Feb. 4 &

Wed. Feb. 28 @ 1:30 pm

Odell American Legion Fish Fry

Saturday, February 10

5:30-8:00 pm—\$11.50/Adult

All the Fish you can eat! Ham, Sides, and
Salad Bar!

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME!

Sales begin February 2nd. \$4.00/Box

Thin Mints, Carmel DeLites, PB Patties, PB Sand-
wiches, Shortbread, Lemonades, Thanks-a-Lots,
S'mores & Trios. Watch for your Local Girl
Scouts selling them!

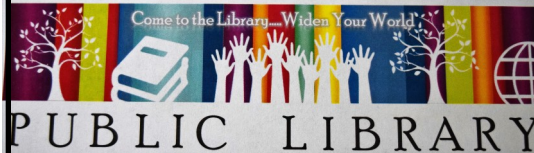
Cookie Booths at State Bank of Odell:

Odell Branch:
Sat. Feb. 17;
9-noon

Diller Branch:
Sat., Feb. 24;
9-noon.



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Official Opening

Saturday, March 3rd @ 10:00 am

Come join us to browse the
collection, make suggestions,
sign up to volunteer,
get your virtual library card
and enjoy refreshments!

February

Events

- 2—Girl Scout
Cookie Sales
- 3—Shrimp Feed
- 4—Carnival,
Card Party
- 10—Heart Run,
Fish Fry
- 14—Bingo
- 17—Valentine's
Meal
- 18—Pancake Feed
- 28—Card Party
- March 2—World
Day of Prayer
- March 3—Odell
Library Opening

State Bank of Odell will be CLOSED on Monday, February 19th



Diller Community Foundation Fund Awards \$18,500

Endowment and General grants totaling \$18,500 were awarded Sunday, January 21 at the annual Diller Community Foundation Fund Granting celebration. A crowd of over 100 gathered to learn what community projects would be funded.

Youth programs receiving \$4,700 in support included the Youth Football program for equipment, Youth Summer Ball program to purchase a scoreboard, St. Paul’s Community Vacation Bible School, and the Diller-Odell Spanish Club to support the travel of 13 students to Yucatan, Mexico in May. Several Main Street projects will be

completed with grant support. The Old Bank Museum will complete front step repairs, and the village of Diller received funds for new Christmas lighting. 3-D Extension Club members will coordinate the painting of lamppost bases.

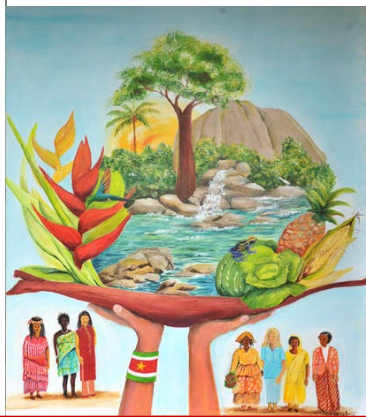
A computer projector will be purchased and installed at the Diller Opera House. The Veteran’s Memorial and flag at the Prairie Home Cemetery will be fully illuminated, and improvements to the Diller Picnic infrastructure will be made with the support of grant funding. The Diller Community Foundation Fund is an affiliated fund of the Nebraska Community Foundation.



A few of the groups given Diller Foundation Fund Grants: Above left: Diller-Odell Youth Football; Above right: Diller-Odell Spanish Club, Below left: Diller-Odell Summer Ball Assoc.; Below center: Diller Bank Museum, and Below right: 3-D Extension Club. Not shown: Diller Picnic Committee, Village of Diller, Prairie Home Cemetery, Diller Opera House and St. Paul’s Lutheran Church.



“Nothing Beautiful asks for attention.”



World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 2, 2018—St. Mary's Catholic Church—Odell—Starts @ 7:00 pm

Theme this year is: “All God's Creation is Very Good!”

Program written by the woman of Suriname.



World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

To learn more go to: www.worlddayofprayer.net (it's a good read!)

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- Come in and check out the collection
- Sign up for your “virtual” library card
 - Make Suggestions
 - Sign up to Volunteer
 - Enjoy Refreshments

Initial Hours of the Odell Public Library are as follows:

Tuesdays: 4-6 pm

Wednesdays: 6-8 pm

Thursdays: 2-4 pm

Fridays: 9-11 am

Saturdays: 10-12 am

Board Members: Janelle Gegg, Amanda McKinney,
Catherine Renshaw, Shannon Novotny, Lea Anne Bogart,
Melina Kostal & Joyce Kostal

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Diller-Odell February Events

- 4—Elementary Carnival
- 8—Parent Teachers Conferences
Engage Dance @ 7:00
- 9—NO SCHOOL;
Home BBall Games @ 4:00 PM;
Soup Supper during games
- 10—9th & 10th BBall Tourney @ Home
- 12—Board Mtg. 7:30 pm @ Elementary
- 16—Boys BBall @ Home—6 pm
- 19-24—FFA Week
- 26—Speech Night

Valentine's Cookies For Sale!

Buy a frosted sugar cookie for your sweetheart or friend from any Junior or Mr. Arnold by February 10th. They will be made and delivered (with your note on it) on Monday morning, the 12th! Cost is \$2.50. Show someone you care and make it a great day!



FREE ENTERTAINMENT!

Speech Night—Monday, February 26th
7:00 pm—Diller-Odell High Cafeteria



Come watch the
Speech Team as they
perform their
competition pieces!

EVERYONE is
invited!

D-O Employee Spotlight

Kristie Sutton serves as the Diller-Odell High School Special Education Para. This is her third year with Diller-Odell Schools. Kristie, and her husband, Spencer, live in Odell, with their two youngest boys. Spencer & Kristie own & operate Sutton Repair in Odell, and have been in business for the past 12 years. Spencer & Kristie, have three boys. Schuyler, lives in Lincoln and currently works for DH Pace of Omaha. Shane, is a Senior at Diller-Odell and is involved in football, basketball, baseball & LYF. During the summer months he works for Theye Construction. He will graduate in May, and plans on attending college @ SCC-Lincoln this July. Kaden, is a 7th grader at Diller-Odell and is involved in football, basketball, track, baseball & LYF.

Kristie grew up in Odell, and graduated from Odell High School in 1993. She graduated from SCC-Beatrice in 1995 with an Associates of Arts Degree and received a Travel Degree from Lincoln School of Commerce in 1996. Kristie enjoys being a Para at Diller-Odell and helping each of the students she gets to work with. Each day brings different challenges and working with them brings great joy seeing them succeed. Kristie is willing to help out with anything going on at the school or with the students at Diller-Odell. Growing up and being part of Odell her entire life, it is great to see the two communities of Diller & Odell work together to make it a great school system, that benefits everyone, especially the children.

When Kristie is not at the school helping students, she's at their repair shop running their business, or out "partying" with her Scentsy. business. She loves spending time with her family, traveling the world, and going to her kids' activities. She enjoys Royals baseball and Nebraska Husker athletics.



Block the Door Party

Once again the students of Diller Odell have surpassed all expectations! The Block the Door Party was again a success! The students brought enough to block each classroom door and enabled them to have “no class” for the afternoon of Friday, January 19. They played games in the gym and also brought enough food to fill each seat of the home side of the bleachers in the gym. The Diller-Odell Student Council then delivered the food to the Wymore Food Pantry. This teaches the students about the **POWER** of giving, and helps put food on the table of those families who need help, whether that’s yearly or just for a month or two. **Keep paying it forward and the world will be a better place because of the students at Diller Odell!** Please see the dillerodell.org for photos of each class



On Wednesday, January 24, 2018 the Odell Cookies 4-H Club and St. Mary’s CCD Classes travelled over to Wymore and helped organize donations at the Wymore Food Pantry (thanks to the Block the Door Party!)

Photo at left: front row, l to r: Peyton Humphreys, Braeden Humphreys, Erin Gegg, Kate Kostal, Jady Hajek, Lilly Swanson, Madeline Swanson and Ruby Hardin (director of food pantry). Back row, l to r: Berkeley Beekman, Sidney Gegg, Melina Kostal, Ashtyn Humphreys, Rachel Stanosheck, TJ Vitosh, Abby Vater & Andrew Klecan.

It's Carnival Time!

Sunday, February 4; 2:00-4:00 pm

Diller-Odell Elementary

Carnival Games

Sweet Treats Walk (25 cents)

Pop Toss, Plinko & Basket Raffle

Basket Raffle Themes:

Preschool: Game Time

Kindergarten: Imagination Station

1st Grade: Rainy Day

2nd Grade: Bedtime

3rd Grade: Cold Hard Cash

4th Grade: Sports

5th Grade: Random

6th Grade: Gift Card Galore

Staff: Defy Gravity

January Student of the Month



The Diller-Odell Elementary Student of the Month is Claire Duis. Claire is an exceptionally kind and respectful student. She is eager to learn and is as equally excited about doing well in her daily work as she is about participating in more fun class projects and activities. Claire can be counted on to assist classmates and to be a positive peer model both in the classroom and outside of class. She is very self motivated and responsible. Claire is a kindergartner and the daughter of Matt & Dusty Duis. Congratulations Claire!

Diller-Odell Public Schools has chartered a FFA Alumni Chapter, open to anyone who supports Agriculture Education and FFA.

The next Alumni meeting will be held at the high school March 15th at 7:00 pm.

If you would like more information please reach out to Ms. Husman at khusman@dillerodell.org or by phone at (402) 766-4210.



Engage Dance—Thursday, February 8

7:00-10:30 pm

\$3.00/Single and \$5.00/Couple

Open to all Diller-Odell Jr. High—High School Students

**Diller-Odell Board of Education
Minutes from 1/8/18 & 1/18/18**

**January 8, 2018—Diller-Odell Board
of Education Regular Meeting**

Present at meeting: Paul Kostal, Toni Landenberger, Chad Lottman, Jill Scheele and Gary Stohs. Dean Engelman's absence was excused. The Board members signed and returned a written Oath to Superintendent Meyerle. A motion was made by Paul Kostal and a second by Jill Scheele to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Minutes were accepted with 5 yea and 0 nay. A motion was made by Paul Kostal and second by Jill Scheele to retain the Board's Respective Offices. Votes were 5 yea and 0 nay to keep the board offices as is: Gary Stohs, President, Chad Lottman, VP, Toni Landenberger, Secretary and Paul Kostal, Treasurer. A motion was made by Chad Lottman and second by Paul Kostal to accept the standing committee appointments as presented. Votes were 5 yea and 0 nay. A motion was made by Chad Lottman and a second by Toni Landenberger to name the Fairbury Journal News the official newspaper of the School District. Motion passed with votes of 5 yea and 0 nay. Motion was made by Chad Lottman and second by Paul Kostal to retain KSB School Law as Legal Counsel, the State Bank of Odell as the official Repository and superintendent Meyerle as the Attendance Officer and Federal Press Director. Votes were 5 yea and 0 nay. Student Representative, Ashtyn Humphreys gave a report on recent and upcoming student activities. A written Principal's Report was provided to the Board by Principal Mezger. The Board reviewed recent applications for the PCD on a possible new gym addition. Mr. Jim Duval attended the meeting and made comment on services that Design Build Procure could provide. Superintendent Meyerle gave a brief report on upcoming facility work for the summer, which included some restroom renovation at the elementary, AC unit replacement at the elementary and replacing the west windows and overhead door of the shop at the HS. He also discussed his desire to take out eh old backstop in Odell and utilize the area for an FFA garden.

Superintendent Meyerle noted that a 2

year offer had been made to the DOEA and the Board Negotiation Committee was waiting to hear back from the DEOA. A motion to approve bills as presented

was made by Jill Scheele and second by Paul Kostal. Votes were 5 yea and 0 nay. The Board agreed to have a special Board meeting on Jan. 18 @ 7:15 with the intent to hire a PCD The Board members discussed who may be able to attend the upcoming NRCSA conference in March. Motion to enter executive session at 8:28 pm to discuss personnel and possible staffing for 2018-19 was made by Toni Landenberger and second by Paul Kostal. Votes: 5 yea, 0 nay. Regular session ended at 8:42 pm. Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Paul Kostal, second by Toni Landenberger. Votes: 5 yea, 0 nay. President Stohs adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm. The next regular board meeting will be 2-12-18 ; 7:30 at the Elementary Media Center.

**January 18, 2018—Diller-Odell
Board of Education Special Meeting**

Present at Meeting: Dean Engelman, Paul Kostal, Toni Landenberger, Chad Lottman, Jill Scheele & Gary Stohs

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A motion was passed by Toni Landenberger and second by Dean Engelman to review, consider and take all necessary action to adopt a resolution (1) selecting and hiring a Performance Criteria Developer (Design Build PROCURE); (2) designating members of the Design-Build Selection Committee; (3) authorizing the PCD and superintendent or his designee to prepare a request for letters of interest; (4) authorizing the publication in a newspaper of general circulation with the District of a request for proposals from a design-builder; (5) referring all design-build proposals to the Design-Build Selection Committee and (6) taking any other action deemed necessary regarding the selection of the design-build contract or required by the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act. Votes: 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chad Lottman and second by Jill Scheele. Votes: 6 yea, 0 nay.

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4-Hers Win First Annual 'Youth Philanthropy' Awards

This spring good things will be growing at Diller-Odell Elementary School and on Diller's Main Street thanks to the vision of two 4-H projects that are recipients of the initial Youth Philanthropy Contest grants of \$500 each.

As contest sponsor, the Diller Community Foundation Fund hopes to promote a climate of philanthropy among young people in their community. Youth leadership and service learning are other results the contest hopes to foster.

Ashtyn Humphreys will set up a vertical garden in each Diller-Odell elementary classroom to explain gardening, its benefits, and encourage students to plant their own gardens. She plans to use this activity to complete her Diamond Clover 4-H project.



Members of the Happy Harbiners 4-H Club will share their time and talents to beautify downtown Diller during the spring and summer. The 25 club members will prepare and fill

Main Street planters right before graduation.

Each project will be assigned a mentor to guide the youth with budgeting and implementation. This new contest offered four grants and was for youth ages Kindergarten – 22 years. The Diller Youth Philanthropy Contest will be an annual opportunity for young people to help their community and school change and grow.

Odell Cookies 4-H Club News Report by Kate Kostal, News Reporter

The Odell Cookies 4-H Club met on Saturday, January 20 @ 4:00 pm in the Diller-Odell High School Library. Roll call was to name a New Year's resolution. Andrea read off the award that our club and members won last year. We elected new officers for the year. (Shown in Photo). We talked about what we wanted to do for field trips, service projects and what we were interested in learning about. Meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were provided by the Humphreys.



Odell Cookies Officers; Back l to r: Natalie Trauernicht (Historian), Shelby March (Treasurer), Emily Rempel (Secretary), Ashtyn Humphreys (President), Melina Kostal (VP), front l to r: Ryan Rempel (Historian), Clara Stuckwisch (Flags) and Kate Kostal (News Reporter)

The Happy Harbiners 4-H Club News: Paige McKenzie, News Reporter:

The Happy Harbiners 4-H club met at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Diller on January, 7th, 2017 @ 3:30pm for their January meeting. The club filled out their Outstanding Club report and elected new officers. I talked to the club about the identification contests at the state fair. Kelsey Schlichtman gave a presentation on her trip to Atlanta, GA for National 4-H Congress. Refreshment were provided by the Brittany Kroeker. The Happy Harbiners 4-H club will have their next meeting on February, 25th @ 4:00pm. They will be visiting the Rock Creek Aquaculture farm in Diller. Meeting adjourned.

“Lord empty me of me, so I can be filled with you.”

Area February Birthdays!

- 1—Dylan Dendinger & Jeff Nelson
 2—Kim Spitsnogle
 3—Perry Gydesen & John Novotny
 4—Stu Vitosh
 5—DeAnna Duis & Kristen Heidemann
 6—Marge Keefover, Steven D. Kostal & Keira Hennerberg
 7—Steve R. Kostal
 9—Sue Goman, Creyton Heidemann, Andrew Henrichs, & Cooper Logan
 11—Travis Robeson, Kenneth Hartwig, Joyce Lahodny & Hope Nippert
 13—Tiffany Schoenrock & Marcie Vitosh
 14—Steve Hemphill & Jim Meyer
 15—Dannie Eggerling
 16—Haley Jones & Troy Koch
 17—Chris Schlichtman, Madison Sherwood, Austin Vitosh, & Chuck Whitehead
 18—Rusty Bodfield & Kay Theye
 19—Ardith Barber & Pat Jurgens
 20—Amy Coufal, Toni Landenberger & Kent Ropers
 21—Bradley Blake, Zeke Jones, & Cindy Stohs
 22—Nick Nelson
 24—John Hemphill & Mark Zabokrtsky
 25—Terry Bures, Betty Hennerberg & Danna Harness
 27—Brooklyn Barr & Chris Clifford
 28—Greg Weers, Geri Ann Henrichs & Tanner Parde
 29—Kathy Menck

HAPPY 40th Birthday on February 2nd to Andrea Humphreys! Love, Jeff, Ashtyn, Braeden & Peyton

Happy Birthday Mommy!
 From Kyler and Kasen.
 We love you so much!

Happy 31st Birthday on February 2 to our daughter Brittney Kotas!
 Love, Mom and Dad

Lordy, Lordy, Andrea is 40!
 Happy Birthday on February 2nd!

Love, Mom, Dad, the Kostals, Andersens and Humphreys

Happy Birthday to Betty Hubka on February 8! Love, Your Family

Happy Birthday on February 16 to Ted Hajek! Love, Donnetta, Alyssa, Bri & Kelsey

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

Happy 14th Birthday to Dalton Bures on February 28th (29th)!
 Love, Grandpa and Grandma Bures

Happy 13th Birthday to Kate Kostal on February 28!



We love You! Dad, Mom and Melina

Humphreys Wins Pigs

Peyton Humphreys: “This fall I entered a 500 word essay about what I would do if I won a sow and a litter of piglets. I won a sow and five piglets. Sadly I no longer have the sow, but I am raising 5 healthy piglets. Soon I will be getting a few more piglets to raise that I will show at the fair this summer.”



Peyton won this contest that was sponsored by SCC, AKSARBEN, NE & IA Pork Producers. Peyton’s essay addressed how his 4-H Project will benefit winning the pigs and how the award will improve the profitability and growth of his livestock project.



8th Annual Healthy Hearts Run Saturday, February 10, 2018 Beatrice, NE

“When your legs get tired run with your heart”
1 mile (\$15) or 5K (\$25) run/walk
5K Couple Division (\$40)

Location: Veteran’s Club/American Legion, Beatrice
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Saturday, February 17, 2018

3 serving shifts (4:45, 6:00 & 7:15)

\$40.00/couple

at Our Savior Lutheran in Odell

Menu: Appetizer: Spinach Artichoke Dip

Dinner Salad with Toppings

Choice of Entrée: Sirloin Tips with Mushroom Gravy, served over mashed potatoes and side of Broccoli

Penne Pasta with a Spicy Cream Sauce and your choice of Chicken or Shrimp

Choice of Dessert: Bailey's Chocolate Cheesecake or "To Die For" Carrot Cake

Proceeds go toward the Youth's upcoming Youth Gatherings.

Please contact Joyce Kostal for reservations.

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