



# Village Voice

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## Diller Community Christmas

Sunday, December 16

Free Will Donation

Soup Supper 6:00-7:00 pm

Santa comes at 7:00 pm!

Diller Opera House

Ham/Turkey/Ornament Drawings

Come Join us!

## Odell Community Christmas

Saturday, December 8

Free Will Donation Soup and Sandwich

Luncheon begins @ 11 am

Piano Students @ noon

Turkey/Ham Drawings @ 1 pm

Santa comes @ 1:30 pm!



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### December Events

8—Odell Christmas

9—Odell Library Christmas Nativitea

12—Bingo @ Odell

16—Diller Christmas

18—Cards @ Diller



**MITTEN TREE  
DILLER TELEPHONE  
DONATE NEW MITTENS,  
COATS, HATS &  
GLOVES.**

**ITEMS GO TO OUR ELEMENTARY**



### ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS

Mon: 4-6 pm  
Tues: 4-6 pm  
Wed: 4-8 pm  
Thu: 2-6 pm  
Fri: 9-11 am  
Sat: 10-noon



Token Sale through Christmas @ Beatrice  
Super Wash: 5/\$20, 30/\$100 or 50/\$150

**OPEN OR CLOSED? What does your mind tend to be?**  
See page 8 for more!

### CHRISTMAS NATIVITEA @ THE ODELL LIBRARY

Sunday, December 9  
2-4 pm Open House  
Come in and enjoy coffee, tea, cookies and the Nativity Sets we will have on display!



AND HE SHALL BE CALLED  
**WONDERFUL COUNSELOR**  
**MIGHTY GOD**  
EVERLASTING FATHER  
*Princes of Peace*  
ISAIAH 9:6



## Rice Lodge & Conference Center, Odell, Nebraska

IT IS FINISHED! The hidden-forgotten stairway at the Rice Lodge, Bed & Breakfast is finished. It turned out better than we thought it could! Thank you Daniel

Craven for creating this masterpiece of history. There was a lot of treasures hidden away under the steps. Susie (Rice) Knott was back in Nebraska a couple weeks ago. We showed her what we were working on here and she remembered her "Uncle Eddie", (Mayor of Friend at the time), telling her that he hid whiskey bottles under some steps. She didn't realize it was here. She sure had a good laugh. This stairway was used by Dr. Rice and the nurses to go from the hospital wing to Dr. Rice's living quarters in the south wing. The top of the stairway is in the Stanosheck room and that was the baby nursery. The bottom comes out near the north entrance to the Rice Suite. To see this area, please contact us and we would be more than happy to show it off! Now we just need to name it. If a family is interested in sponsoring this area, please contact us for more information. To see more photos, visit our Facebook page.

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 We love to give tours!



## State Bank of Odell Upcoming Closings:

The State Bank of Odell's Main Bank in Odell and Branch Bank in Diller will be **closing early on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve**. Both banks will close at 2 PM. On New Year's Eve, all 2018 business that needs to be posted must be at the bank by NOON to go on this year's business. **Both banks will also be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
TO YOU ALL!**

## Bingo and Card Party Schedule

Wed., Dec. 12—1:00-3:00 pm—OWTC—BINGO

Tue., Dec. 18; 1:00 pm @ DCC—CARDS

OWTC=Old West Trails Center—Odell

DCC=Diller Community Building



### Help with the “Mural Refresh” Project

The mural on the north side of The Corner’s building needs to be re-freshed! This is a project that will begin in April 2019. In order to make this happen, they need to raise approximately \$2,000. Can you help with this? Please contact Robin Stanosheck @ 402-766-3725 or 402-520-1661 if you have questions, can donate or can offer your talents and help with the painting!



Checks can be made out to “Odell Community Foundation” and are tax deductible. Donations can be sent to Odell Community Foundation in care of

Larry Stanosheck (Treasurer), Odell, NE or dropped off at the State Bank of Odell.

## OACE NEW OFFICER ELECTIONS

New Officers for OACE will be elected at our January 21st, 2019 Meeting. This meeting will be at 7:00 pm at the Corner in Odell

*We also need Chairs for the following Committees in 2019:*

ODELL DAY

ODELL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

**PLEASE JOIN US AT THIS MEETING TO START OUR YEAR OUT STRONG!**

CONTACT JOYCE KOSTAL IF:

- \* YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE BALLOT
- \* WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BALLOT
- \* WOULD LIKE TO CHAIR AN EVENT IN 2019
- \* OR WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR SOMETHING!

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**Diller-Odell December Events**

6—K-6 Winter Concert @ 7:00 pm

11—Home BBall @ 4:00 pm

13—Preschool Christmas Program

14—Home BBall @ 4:00 pm

17—Art Club Christmas Party

18—HS Winter Concert @ 7:00 pm

21—Early Out—Winter Break Begins

27—Home BBall @ 4:00 pm

28—Home BBall @ 1:30 pm

**October Student of the Month**

The Diller-Odell Elementary October Student of the Month was Greidys Cardenas. Greidys is such a positive young lady. She is very polite, always has a smile, works very hard at everything she does and is responsible for getting her work done. Greidys is a great example of what we want a Griffin to be.

She is a third grader and is the daughter of Ausencio Cardenas Jaimes and Zenia Rodriguez Munoz. Congratulations Greidys!

**Griffin Connections!****Power School:**

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balances and more!

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Notification System. See dillerodell.org for details on this.

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**Birthday Calendars are Here!**

Diller-Odell 2nd Graders will be selling 2019 Community Birthday Calendars in December!

Contact any 2nd grader!

They will be selling them at the Elementary Music Program on Dec. 6 and they are available at the State Bank of Odell—Odell and Diller Branches.

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**Diller-Odell Board of Ed Minutes  
High School Media Center Odell  
Monday, November 12, 2018  
7:30 pm—Regular Board Mtg.**

Members Present: Paul Kostal, Chad Lottman, Gary Stohs, Dean Engelman & Toni Landenberger. Jill Scheele's absence excused.

Motion to approve minutes of last meeting was made by Paul Kostal and seconded by Toni Landenberger. Motion passed with 5 yea and 0 nay.

Skylar Pretzer & Korey Theye informed the Board of recent student activities.

Mr. Mezger was not in attendance, but provided the Board a written report. In his report he had first quarter Honor Roll achievements. He also noted the 2018-19 student enrollment number which is 255, PreK-12. The enrollment is steady. He also reported the 2018-19 poverty trend in the District which is down.

The Board discussed the possibility of a Gage County SRO (Security Resource Officer). Although the Board sees the role as very beneficial, especially in the area of building positive relationships, the Board has concerns over the time the officer would be in our building and the fact that the officer would not serve the elementary school since it is in Jefferson County. The estimated cost to our district would be approximately \$23,000.

Mr. Mezger noted in a report that digital citizenship is a technology goal of the district.

Superintendent Meyerle noted that he will have monthly meetings with the Caspers/Sampson reps on the status of the new gym. They met on November 6, and feel they are on schedule. The frame of the building may begin going up November 14.

Superintendent Meyerle reported that

the EHA healthy insurance rates would go up 4.99% For 2019-20. We have been fortunate with no increase the past couple years. The 4.99% Increase will be total increase of approximately \$24,7— for certified staff premiums.

Superintendent Meyerle reported that certified staff attended the regional In-service at Fairbury Public Schools on November 2. The theme of the day was mental health.

The annual financial report was distributed.

The annual safety audit was discussed. No major concerns were reported.

Motion to approve bills as presented made by Toni Landenberger and seconded by Paul Kostal. Passed with 5 yea, 0 nay Superintendent Meyerle submitted his suggestions of Board Committee assignments for 2019. He congratulated Toni Landenberger on her re-election and congratulated Angie Clifford and Adam Engelman on their election to the Board.

The Board reviewed Superintendent Meyerle's annual evaluation.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Chad Lottman and seconded by Toni Landenberger. Motion passed with 5 yea and 0 nay.

Meeting adjourned by President Stohs at 8:03 pm

Next regular meeting is December 10, 2018 @ 7:30 pm at the Elementary Media Center in Diller.

## NEWS FROM THE ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

### KNITTING FOR BEGINNERS:

Join Catherine Renshaw as she teaches you how to knit! Come every other Wednesday (Dec. 19, Jan. 2, Jan. 16)



### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR:

Fridays: 10:00-10:45 am

### BOOK CLUB:

Monthly-watch for details on Facebook and our website! Dec. discussion will be Wed., Dec. 5 @ 6 pm "The Lacuna"

### AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

Coming soon! Watch for Details!

ALSO WE ARE ADDING MORE AFTER SCHOOL HOURS!

The Library is now open after school on

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays! Come on in!

The Volunteer that is at the Library after school is generally someone who can help your children with any homework, so send them in if they need help! Relax and read!

after school hours!

Keep your eye out for additional seating options at the library!

Odell Community Market

Wishes you a Merry Christmas!

We have Gift Certificates available in any amount! Come in and pick up your Christmas Candy and any groceries you need for the season!

Mon-Sat: 8 am—7 pm

Sunday: 2-7 pm

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## Maple Street Jewelry

Looking for a gift for someone or maybe just for yourself? We have rings, necklaces/pendants, earrings. Items for both men and women [more women's pieces than men's] in assorted colors and assorted natural and man-made stones. Most items are one-of-a-kind and sizes are limited. One item for \$15.00 plus tax. Tax is 6.5%=\$1.47 so one item would be \$16.47. Two or more items \$14.00 each plus tax [6.5%x\$14.00=.91 so each item would be \$14.91 x 2 or more] Please give us a call if interested—leave message if we are not home. 1-402-766-3816. We would also entertain the idea of supplying pieces to someone who would like a side-line business of their own. This would be on a small scale only. Call same number given earlier. Give us a call—it doesn't hurt to look.

## Thank you to everyone who supported St. John-Lanham's Turkey Dinner!

Raffle and Silent Auction Basket  
Winners:

- Quilt: Arlene Duensing
- \$50 Walmart GC: Justin Antons
- \$50 Walmart GC: Pat Spencer
- Fun Time/Bath Time: Linda Warren
- Wine Time: Dusty Duis
- Girl Time: Claire Duis
- Family Movie Night: Ty Becker
- Farm/Race Track: Manetha Holle
- Baby Quilt: Kolin & Taylor Scheele
- Yummy Flavors of Summer: Pat Mueller
- Wildcat Slumber Time: Julie Doebele
- Fun in the Kitchen: Linda Warren
- Fine Time for Jelly Time: Vernita Rippe
- It's Coffee Time: Marleen Eichel
- Patriotic: Rick Witimire
- Cocoa Night: Manetha Holle

## December at The Corner in Odell

I would like to wish everyone a very happy and SAFE Holiday Season! Thank you for supporting The Corner!  
You all have given me so much to feel thankful for!  
I am very blessed to be part of this amazing community!  
Happy Holidays! Angie

We will not be open during Odell's Community Christmas on Saturday December 8, BUT we will OPEN that day @ 2:00 pm

**We will be CLOSED ALL DAY on both Christmas Eve & Christmas Day**

We will NO longer be open on Monday evenings. BUT, we will still be open for LUNCH on Mondays!

Happy Birthday to Dalton Meyer on December 19th!  
From your Friends @ The Corner!

**AT THE CORNER DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!**  
Time to think about your holiday parties? The Corner would be happy to help you out! Special Menu items available such as Prime Rib or steaks. Contact Angie @ 402-766-3692 OR

TEXT 785-325-9808 (text only)

Check out our specials on OFF SALE Liquor!  
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NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY—Watch for details at The Corner and on Social Media!

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## Area December Birthdays!

- 1—Claire Robeson & Hayley Denner  
 3—Darrell Schramm and Amy Schroeder  
 4—Harry Kisling  
 6—Ed Scheele  
 7—Logan Kunc  
 8—Roy Barnts, Peggy Colgrove, Esequiel Cuevas,  
 Kellen Gegg, Carl Lytle, Heather Rupperecht,  
 Langdon Sunneberg & Esdon Weers  
 9—Heather Heble, Jeanette Hennerberg, John Knabe,  
 Jordan Robeson & Kellan Schlichtman  
 10—Rick Wallinger  
 11—Jim Adam, Jarrod Heidemann, Eden Lottman,  
 Shawn Morgan & Lane Yocum  
 13—Matt Schramm, Korey Theye & Loren Wieden  
 14—Peyton Mohr  
 15—Mike Klecan & Kaden Sutton  
 16—Jan Gold, Arlo Koch, Stacy Schlichtman &  
 Jady Schultis  
 17—Sandi Colgrove, Dennis Kostal, Jacob Novotny &  
 Elecea Saathoff  
 18—Cara Collins & Tyler Rash  
 19—Carolyn Schultis & Ashley Yocum  
 20—Dan Rash, Mandi Schramm, Delanie Vitosh &  
 Laurie Vitosh  
 21—Kailee Rupperecht & Ron Wieters  
 22—Claire Duis, Jack Duis, Mahalia Engelman,  
 Mykah Folkers, Ruth Horsky & Paige Vitosh  
 23—Sandy Kotas  
 24—Velora Adam  
 25—Carol Barber  
 26—Davis Becker & Marlys Koch  
 28—Clint Zabokrtsky, Skye Moody & Earl Adam  
 29—Bethelée Beran, Cole Ebeling, Eldine Hays &  
 Ron Holst  
 30—Diane Kisling  
 31—Dalton Andersen & Kendra J Weers

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

Happy Birthday to Mitchell Meyer on  
 December 20th!  
 Love, Grandpa & Grandma Bures

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO  
 JESSE GENRICH & TIM HUBKA ON  
 DECEMBER 13TH!  
 LOVE, YOUR FAMILY!



A HUGE Thanks to  
 the Diller-Odell Com-  
 munity for a success-  
 ful Blood Drive on  
 Tuesday, November  
 27!

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 donated time, food, and blood!  
 We collected 26 units on



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**Closed or Open Minded? Which one do you consider yourself?** OR is it really hard to judge what you are? When we are narrow, or closed minded, how do we know? Here are some tendencies of narrow minded people (I know it's very negative! When I read these I tried to be positive, so I could look within myself and make some changes!)

1. **The “know it all”:** Do you already know “everything” and are always the first to answer anything and think you have all the answers already? An open minded person is willing to listen to others and admit they don't have all the answers or “know it all” and are willing to learn new things.
2. **Easy to Pass Judgement:** Do you pass judgement quickly and without considering someone's “story”? Narrow minded people judge quickly and point fingers in public and tend to follow stereotypes. To some degree, we all judge people, but open-minded people tend to “catch” when they are doing this and adjust, and know when to stop!
3. **Deeply Habitual:** Habits and routine are good for everyone. It's when these habits become obsessions does it affect us negatively. If you become too “habitual” it is bad for you both mentally and physically. So enjoy your “routines”, but be willing to step

away from them and outside your comfort zone.

4. **Tendency to “assume” everything:** Narrow-minded people are pretty much OK with assuming everything. They assume things about others without knowing the truth. They assume everyone else thinks as they do and has the same opinions. They assume “silly” things about themselves like “they don't like flying” or “they don't like storms” or “they don't like animals” without actually trying to step outside that assumption and actually know whether they do or not. They convince them selves of anything.
5. **Get Offended Easily:** narrow minded people tend to stick to their rigid values or things they have always thought because it is part of that “routine”. They are unwilling to think outside the box or change their way of thinking or doing things. They are offended when others test these boundaries they have. They take offense to the littlest thing that is different for them. Open minded people are willing to learn new things and be able to change their values as they live their life, adjusting and growing as necessary.
6. **Xenophobia:** The fear of “Strange” things, but it can relate to anything for

a narrow minded person...age, race, religion, etc. They have a fear and tend to criticize anything, even if it will never affect them directly in their lives.

7. **Having Trust Issues:** This makes sense that a narrow minded person would have trust issues, since there is fears everywhere for them. They distrust anyone who is a bit different or outside their comfort zone with no basis for this distrust.

What did you decide? Are you Open or Closed? I'm assuming we all have a bit of each, but if you lean more heavily toward being close minded, the first step is that you realize it and are “open” to changing...even if it is tiny bit at a time. Trying new things, whether large or small, will help stimulate your mind to be open, learn about different people and lifestyles, listen to new music, do something outside your everyday routine, write more, do not stay idle, overcome your fears instead of being obsessed with them. Most of all, while opening your mind, open your heart along with it. Be open to each and every person as their own being created by God to be here to do good. With open-mindedness comes love and understanding and peace.

Info from: [lifeadvancer.com](http://lifeadvancer.com) & [stevebaichison.co.uk](http://stevebaichison.co.uk)

**C & CS**  
*Upcoming Specials*

- DEC 6-8.....FLAT IRONS & BACONS
- DEC 13-15...FILETS & FISH
- DEC 20-22...SMOKED CHOPS & POLISH
- DEC 27-29...SIRLOINS & CHICKEN BREASTS
- JAN 3-5.....SMOKED CHOPS & BRATS

WATCH FOR WEEKLY SAMPLING!

**LOCAL ADVENT CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES**

**St. Mary's Catholic—Odell—**  
Christmas Eve @ 8:00 pm.

**Ellis/Odell Methodist:**  
Children's Program at Ellis—Christmas Eve @ 6 (Original script “A Christmas Journey—Future, Present, Past.”)  
Odell—Christmas Eve @ 7:30 pm

**Our Savior Lutheran—Odell:**  
Wednesdays (5, 12, 19) @ 7 pm  
Children's Program—Dec. 16 @ 5 pm  
Christmas Eve @ 7 pm, Christmas Day 9 am