

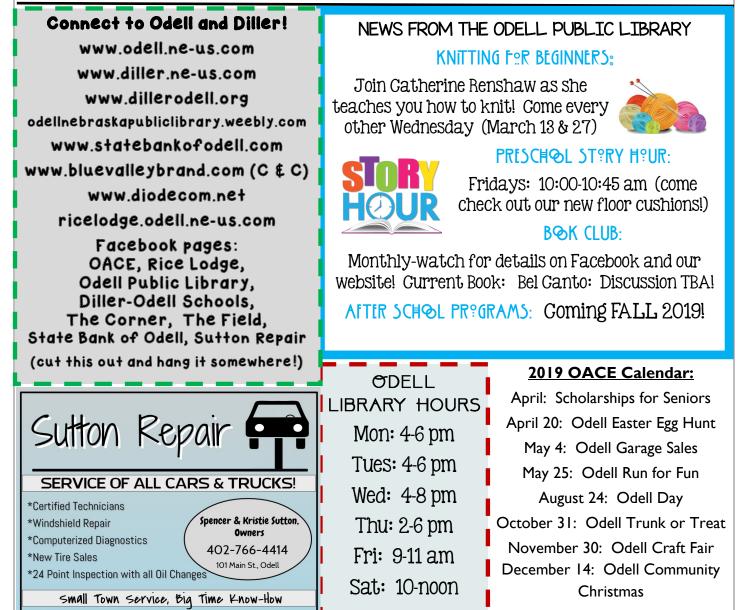
OACE MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 25-7 PM @ THE CORNER

### Mural "Refresh" Project Continues to Fundraise and Needs Volunteers!



The mural on the north side of The Corner's building needs to be refreshed! This is a project that will begin in April 2019. In order to make this happen, they need to raise money that will cover the Tuckpointing Costs and the Paint and Materials. What is tuckpointing? It is when a mason removes old mortar and replaces it

with new so that the remaining brick remains intact. If this isn't done when necessary the brick will deteriorate further. CAN YOU DO-NATE? ALSO NEEDED: Reliable, Volunteer Painters to help with the work. 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.



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## "Do something today that your future self will thank you for."

### Diller Nutrition Site to Close on March I.

March 1st will be the final day that the Senior Citizens of Diller will be able to come to the Community Center in Diller for lunch. Following this date only Home Deliveries will be offered.

The Nutrition Site opened on July 11, 1983, following the construction and opening of the Diller Community Center in May of that year. Betty Hubka was hired as the Site manager for the Senior Nutrition Site upon prior to its opening. They celebrated their "Grand Opening" on August 30, 1983, where 118 people signed the

guest book for that day.

Upon opening, each Senior Diner had a suggested meal donation of \$1.25/meal. There was an average of 25 people per day dining back in the 80s and 90s. Today the number has gone down to just a couple diners with Betty. So, with Betty's retirement on March 1st, the Diller Nutrition Site will be closing its doors.

Evelyn Siefford and her husband Pearl, served as the Site's first custodians and drivers to transport food from Wymore. Other Custodians and/or Drivers through the years for the site included: Diane Kisling, Jan Parker, , Linda Crome & Lucille Pralle.

The Nutrition Site formed its first Site Council in 1983 and the first

### **Bingo and Card Party Schedule**

Wednesday, March 13—Bingo @ Odell Market Coffee Shop; 1-3 pm Tue., March 19 & 26; 1:00 pm @ Diller Community Center—CARDS

Council included: Mattie Long, Jan Grone, Betty Wiemers, Vivian Grone, and Reverend Wolfe. The tradition of having a King and Queen began in 1984 and the first pair was: Lorene Bergmeier & Lloyd Pefferman.

The Site also started having card parties in 1984 on the 3rd Tuesdays.

In 1993, Betty started transporting the meals from Wymore and no longer had a hired employee doing it. Home Deliveries have been offered since the program began in 1983, and Odell was added to the delivery route in 2000.

1986 was the first year that the Kindergarten class came down and entertained in their Halloween Costumes. Susan Meyer was their teacher.

In 1988 the 6th grade class partnered with the Site on Telecare where the kids took turns calling the Senior Citizens to check in on them and make sure everything was ok.

The Seniors began their Greeting Card Recycling Program in 1990. Originally, and for many years, the Site had a different activity for those who came to eat. These activities included: Cards, Bingo, Screamo, Show and Tell, and Exercises and games such as Bowling/ They had a monthly birthday party, celebrated holidays together, had blood pressure clinics, many educa-

tion clinics and nutritional programs. Sing alongs, current events, and visiting entertainment were also enjoyed. Odell Senior Citizens



Photo: Betty Hubka & Linda Crome in the Diller Community Center in 1991 posing in front of their monthly program calendar

visited the site once a month and they all had a good time together visiting and playing cards.

On my own personal note, I have very fond memories going to work with mom on different days in the summer. I especially remember Arnold Henrichs bowling with me. They all were so nice: Eunice Henrichs, Jan Grone, Martha DeBoer, Ed Behrends, Christena Weers, Eleanora Bunting, Ed Weers, Grace Baumfalk, and many more wonderful people.

An article from February 1986's Beatrice Daily Sun states that the Diller Community Center is the "Liveliest Place in Town." In that same article when asked about the Senior Citizens she serves, Betty stated, "Screamo, the nutritional meals, and all the other programs, as well as the beautiful new center, help keep them young!"

# School/Youth News

#### **Diller-Odell March Events**

7 & 8—NO SCHOOL 15—Reading Classics at Beatrice Armory. 3 & 4th grades at 12:15 pm, 5th & 6th to follow (approximately 2:00 pm)

16—Prom 19—Mudecas Music @ HS—NO SCHOOL 29—8th Grade Dance April 1—Booster Club Meeting 7 pm @ Diller

### Diller-Odell Continues Reading Classics Tradition

Reading Classic began in Nebraska in 1989. It began as a literacy event sponsored by the Nebraska State Reading Association to promote the love and excitement of reading. In 2015 a Reading Classics Committee was formed to continue the program. Reading Classics still promotes and encourages Nebraska Schools to form teams to help recognize outstanding young readers in Nebraska. Schools around the state of Nebraska can participate and compete to answer comprehension questions about the books on the Reading Classic book list.

The Nebraska Reading Classic Committee chooses books for the reading list for each Division with input from coaches, team members and many other sources. The list includes awardwinning books such as Caldecott, Newbery, Golden Sower and many other awards. Division I is for third and fourth grades, Division II is for grades fifth and sixth, and Division III is grades 7th, 8th, and 9th. If you would like to start a Reading Classic team at you school please check out our website for more information or contact the Reading Classic Committee at ReadingClassicCommittee@gmail.com.

The Diller-Odell Teams will compete in the County Contest on Friday, March 15 at the Beatrice Armory. Division I begins at 12:15 pm and Division II is following, approximately 2:00 pm. Our 3rd & January Student of the Month The Diller-Odell Elementary January Student of the Month was Valerie Lottman. Valerie is an outstanding student in the Kindergarten Class. She tries her best in all she does whether it be practicing reading and writing independently, listening to the teacher as well as her classmates, using



her time well, and being a great friend and role model to those around her. Valerie is responsible, respectful, kind and caring. She is the daughter of Shawn and jill Lottman. Congratulations Valerie!

# TIME TH RHUND UP THE 2018-19 KINDERGARTENERS!

WEDNE\$DAY MAY 1 - 9:00-11:15 AM

Kids who will be 5 years old on or before July 31 are eligible to attend. (Little Griffin Preschoolers may follow their regular preschool routine for coming to and leaving school. They will attend the round up and then finish their day in their classroom.)

Call the Elementary Office for more



4th grade team is coached by Mrs. Helen Swanson and includes: Peyton Humphreys, Sidney Engelman, Clara Stuckwisch, Jayna Novotny & Logan Penner. The 5th & 6th grade team is coached by Susan Meyer and includes: Aidan McKinney, Jacob Novotny, Berkelee Beekman, Scarlett Steensnes & Morgan Steensnes. Good Luck to both teams on March 15th! "You will never influence the world by trying to be like it."

#### Diller-Odell Board of Ed Minutes Elementary Media Center Diller Monday, February 11, 2019 7:30 pm—Regular Board Mtg.

Members Present: Paul Kostal, Angie Clifford, Gary Stohs, Adam Engelman, Toni Landenberger & Jill Scheele.

Motion to approve minutes of last

meeting was made by Paul Kostal and seconded by Angie Clifford. Motion

passed with 6 yea and 0 nay.

A student report of activities was provided by Skylar Pretzer for the Board to review.

Principal Mezger reported on the positive donations through the Block the Door Party. All goods were donated to the Wymore Food Pantry. He also reported on Inservice activities from Feb. 8 and the upcoming ACT assessment date of April 10. He noted that he and Mrs. Becker would be attending workshops on ways to improve the 8 period day.

Motion to approve the School Calendar for 2019-20 passed with a motion by Jill Scheele and a second by Adam Engelman.

Motion to approve Senior Sneak Schedule for May 2 was made by Angie Clifford and seconded by Jill Scheele.

Passed with 6 yea, 0 nay.

The Board discussed the possible policy change relation in to volunteer coaches.

The change would read:

Volunteer Coaches will be assigned with the Head Coach making a request to the Activities Director and assigned with the approval of the Superintendent. No person shall be approved as a volunteer coach if the volunteer has children playing on the respective sports team that the coach would volunteer for.

This policy change would not prohibit someone with children on a team to be offered a paid position as a coach, should the school feel it is the teams'

best interest to employ that person.

The board will consider the change at future meetings.

Mr. Mezger have an update on the ACT software and ELPA software.

Superintendent Meyerle answered questions on the new gym construction and facility updates. Superintendent Meyerle gave an update on teacher negotiations that would be gin in the fall of 2019. The teachers have a contract for 2019-20. Negotiations in the fall would be for 2020-21 and 2021-22 should the district continue with a 2 year contract. Motion to approve bills as presented made by Angie Clifford and seconded by Paul Kostal. Passed with 6 yea, 0 nay Motion to approve administrative salaries for 2019-2020 was made by Paul Kostal and second by Toni Landen-

berger. Motion passed with 6 yea and 0 nay.

Superintendent Meyerle noted that a 3% raise for administration Is the same percentage increase that is given to noncertified staff. Mr. Meyerle's salary for 2019-20 would be \$128,419. Mr. Mezger's salary for 2019-20 would be \$98,713.

President Stohs provided the Board with some legislative news. The Board agrees that property tax relief needs to come from a growth of new revenue and hopes the state legislature moves toward the future and new revenue sources.

Superintendent Meyerle plans on all the Board members attending the upcoming NRCSA in Kearney.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Adam Engelman and second by Angie Clifford. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned by President Stohs at 8:47 pm

Next regular meeting is Tuesday, March 12, @ 7:30 pm at the High School Media Center in Odell.

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## "Don't let the bad days make you think you have a bad life."

## Gage County Relay for Life set for April 27-In Planning Stages Now!



the 2019 Gage County Relay for Life planning is set for Tuesday, March 5, at 5:30 p.m. in the lower level of Centenary United Methodist Church, Beatrice.

The 2019 Gage County event is on target to reach a one million dollar total in contributions since 1998, the first year the relay was held in Gage County, a county that is home to just over 21,000 people as of 2017, according to census.gov.

Cancer survivors are invited to the annual meal that day but preregistrations are needed. The meal will be served following a cancer survivor walk at 4 p.m. Any survivor who would like to attend this complimentary meal, and who has not received an invitation, may contact Marian DeBuhr at 402-520-2350 as soon as possible. Complimentary T-shirts will also be available for survivors. The meal is sponsored by Beatrice Community Hospital and Health Center.

A live and silent auction are again planned for the 2019 Relay for Life being held Saturday, April 27, from 4 p.m.-11 p.m. at the Gage County Fairgrounds. Donations for this are being accepted.

A moving video tribute to honor past and current cancer patients will be played throughout the evening of April 27. The photos have been compiled throughout

The next team captain meeting for the 21 years of the Gage County relay. New photos are welcome and encouraged. For more information on the video or to submit a photo, contact Zach Coffin at 402-223-2341, or email him at:zachcoffin@att.net. Over the past 100 years, the American Cancer Society has been working relentlessly to end cancer. Since 1946, the ACS as invested \$4.8 billion in research programs. In addition, 8.5 million free rides to treatment have been provided to cancer patients.

> Organizers are asking for the community's help in providing funds to continue the work of the ACS by walking, donating, volunteering, or just showing up to lend a word of encouragement or a hug for a cancer survivor.

> Contact Corinne Koch, people/team lead, at 402-239-3904, for more information. Any civic group or business interested in having an ACS Relay speaker for their meeting may contact Kathy Steinkamp at 402-228-1844. Interested persons may also contact any other committee member: Kari Jobman, 402-239-9403; Alisa Pesek, 402-239-7307; Mary Wieters, 402-520-0258; Verdella Vetrovsky, 402-223-4041; Brian Saathoff, 402-223-5179; SuAnn Saathoff, 402-223-6547.

Registrations, donations, or more information is also available online

at www.relayforlife.org/gagecone



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"Forget the mistake, remember the lesson."

### Area March Birthdays!

1-Eva Renz

2-Josh Carpenter

3—Blakely Freitag, Jamie Hennerberg & Corinna Vrbka

4—Sherry Henrichs, Tyler Klecan, Steve Krause, & Isaiah Weers

5-Janice Duntz, Lana Hemphill & Mason Troxel

6-Austin Hood

7—Ben Sohl

10—Kaden Rupprecht

12—Jim Bures, Franklin Damrow, Linda Holtmeier, Darnelle McCown, Hannah Oltmans & Doyle Wolken

13-Jeff Barnts, Ellen Krueger & Brian Weers

14—Mark Billesbach, Loreene Stein, & Michael Stuckwisch

15—Ann Hajek, Brian Hennerberg, Tim Hynek & Jennifer McLaughlin

16—Adrien Ficke, Wendell Lane, Sam Scheele & Judy Weers

17—Jaedyn Hajek & Art Nietfeld

19—Traci Carpenter, Peyton Denner, Michelle Penner, Ron Weers, & Marlene Wolken

20—Jeanette Bangert, Ronda Duis & Robert Newby

22—Brenda Miller, Pat Barnts & Zach Heble

23—Becky Bellin, Brett Landenberger & Barron Schoenrock

24-Joyce Carpenter & Larry Engelman

25—Tom Koch & Francine Salcido

26—Evan Harness, Carolyn Vitosh & Tom Zarybnicky

28-Kennedy Belknap & Kate Hynek

29—Zach Milligan

30—Terry Arnold

31—Lisa Bohling & Tom Penner

HAPPY 15TH BIRTHDAY TO MADELINE SWANSON ON MARCH 1ST! LOVE, YOUR FAMILY

Happy 14th Birthday to Karli Heidemann on March 2nd! Love, Your Family & Friends

Happy Birthday to Peggy Hemphill on March 6! Love, Your Family & Friends

Happy 17th Birthday to Ashtyn Humphreys on March 25! Love, Your Family & Friends

Happy 13th Birthday to Lilly Swanson on March 27! Love, Your Family!

Happy 1st Birthday to Kyler Michael Snyder on March 29! Love, Mom, Dad & Kimber

Happy 25th Birthday to Colton Rupprecht on March 30! Love, Heather, Dylan, Kailyn, Mad, Chloe and the rest of your family

Thank you to everyone for the support, love, condolences, help and prayers for our family. Sid was called too soon for us. He was a loving father, husband, friend, uncle, and much more. He will be deeply missed by so many. Thank you is not enough for the amount of support we have been given.

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Thank you,

Tracy Vitosh, Kids, and Family

Thank you to the Good Samaritan who bladed the whole block of sidewalk in front of the Methodist church. Thank you so much. It is greatly appreciated by us older folks who are responsible for scooping that sidewalk. It made our job much easier! Thanks again! Sharon Gydesen





"To have a strong heart you must first lose your mind."

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

The Odell Cookies met on Sunday, February 24 @ 1:00 pm in the Diller-Odell High School Library. Roll Call was your meeting is on Sunday, favorite snow day activity. We had a Valentine's Gift Exchange. Then

Emily Rempel showed us how to put together dried potato soup mixes in jars. We attached recipes and we each need to give our lar of soup mix to someone who would appreciate it. Our next March 24 @ 1:00 pm in the High School Library.



Photo above: Back row, I to r: Berkelee Beekman, Ashtyn Humphreys, Alex Tate, Melina Kostal, Shelby March, & Emily Rempel. Front row, I to r: Ryan Rempel, Kate Kostal, Jaedyn Hajek, Hannah Penner & Jake Penner. These members of the Odell Cookies 4H Club are holding their "Gifts from the Kitchen" Projects,

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#### **Unloading Your Problems**

We seem to each have some issues we need to unload daily, or maybe its something that's been building up over time. Who is it appropriate to "unload" these problems onto? If you have a spouse, that is most likely the best option. If you are the spouse, be understanding and not always trying to solve the problem, but just listen. If you have a good friend, that is also another good option.

BUT, if you are an adult, please do not "unload" your issues or confide in a child or teenager. We should not be telling our "adult" problems to our kids, or anyone else's kids! If you are a teacher, please don't expect one of your students to be a good choice to give your complaints or grievances to. This is not their job and their minds most likely won't be able to handle it and especially won't be able to solve your problem. It is unfair to ask them to do this. If you are someone who does "let off their steam" to kids or teens, one day you might find that these kids no longer hang around you because they don't want the responsibility any more. Do not take offense and do not get mad at them. Adjust your mind and realize you need to be talking to other adults about things and letting adults be the one to help you.



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"Let light shine out of darkness."-2 Corinthians 4:6

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Monday, April 1-7:00 pm

St. John's Lutheran Church-Lanham, KS Sign up by contacting: Pastor Donna: jmf143@yahoo.com or call 719-291-5340

## Create this "He is Risen" Wooden Tag Sign:

\$35 will hold your spot for a fun evening creating this sign. (right) The wooden tag surface will be provided for you to create the design using the 2 transfers and 4 color options shown below:

Each person will bring home their finished project, the 2 reusable transfers and some goodies to get you started on your next project. To browse and purchase any of the ChalkCouture reusable transfers, colors accessories and surfaces offered visit: aimeeduis.chalkcouture.com. You may also call Aimee anytime with questions: 785-243-0812:





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Mark your Calendars: Diller Picnic: June 27-29

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