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**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!** 2023 has arrived! Hard to believe another year has come and gone! The chamber was very busy in 2022 and we look forward to being the same in 2023 as we continue to support, promote and help grow our chamber member businesses as well as bring more fun and exciting events to our community. We have already been working on St. Pat's and Summerfest for months with hopes of

bringing more to both of those events. Be watching and listening for the Summerfest Concert announcement coming on January 5th. We have not one, but TWO acts coming this year for your entertainment!

We have 2 chamber events happening this month! We will start the new year with the Chamber Ambassadors Bean Bag Tournament on January 7th. Get your teams put together and come enjoy a fun day at the community center. The ambassadors have changed this event to January to give everyone something to do during the long, cold month. Do you still have college kids home that are getting bored? Send them to the community center to work off some of that pent up energy and have the opportunity to win some cash! There are still \$100 sponsorships available! Call the chamber office or drop your payment by to get your business on the sponsorship list. This is a great way to get your business name in front of people from O'Neill and beyond!

The second event we have coming up is the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Wednesday, January 18th. We will be doing the Business After Hours format starting at 5pm. The short awards program will be at 6:30 honoring some chamber members for their contributions to our community. The food will be heavy appetizers and the Knights of Columbus will have the cash bar available. Tickets are on sale now at the Chamber Office for \$25 each.

Here are some other dates for you to mark on your 2023 Calendars. The St. Patrick's Day Celebration will run from Wednesday, March 15th through Saturday, March 18th. The parade will be on March 18th at 1pm. The Summerfest Celebration will be July 14th, 15th and 16th. The rodeo will be the 14th at 7:30pm and 15th at 6pm, so it will be over by the time the concert starts across the road in the community center parking lot. Keep these dates open so you can enjoy the fun and maybe volunteer if you would have a few hours to give back to the community.

The chamber would like to say *thank you* to all the businesses that continue to support the Chamber of Commerce. We will work hard for you in 2023 to "Promote the O'Neill trade area and help our members prosper with services that provide great business climate and quality of life". Being able to take the shamrock bucks at your business is a great shot in the arm for our local economy. Around \$60,000 in shamrock bucks were purchased at the chamber office in 2022! These dollars help our small businesses in our community to keep their doors open and thrive!



## Board of Directors

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Welcome to the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce Family to the Little Disciples Child Development Center! They have been a member since they opened their doors, but we just were able to have their ribbon cutting to celebrate with them!

Here is more about the center: Little Disciples Child Development Center held a ribbon cutting to celebrate their first anniversary on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Little Disciples is a DHHS licensed childcare center that serves children 3 months to 6 years old in the former Avera Veteran's Clinic. Avera St. Anthony's has been very supportive of their efforts, renovating the former clinic and covering on-going utility and maintenance costs. The O'Neill Community Foundation has also been supportive, granting funds to assist with the outdoor play area the children enjoy. Amber Parks is the Center's director, and they have a wonderful, caring staff that provides high quality early childhood care for those they serve.

If you would like to contact the center, contact Amber at 402-340-1444. They are located at 555 East John Street.

They have job openings right now for a Head Teacher and an Assistant Teacher. They are looking for outgoing individuals to join their team! If you would like to make a difference in a child's life, give Amber a call. You must be able to pass a background check.

## HCAS Celebrates Betty White's Legacy

Silent Auction  
Live Music by Neon Lights  
at Neko's Pub  
Catered by  
Uptown Creations

January 15, 2023  
12pm - 3pm  
To donate silent auction  
items, contact Kendra at  
402-370-0432



Would you like to host a chamber coffee in your business? Have you added some services or products that you would like to let everyone know about? Give the chamber office a call to get your coffee scheduled! There are lots of dates open for 2023!



CONGRATULATIONS to our Ugly Sweater Contest Winners for 2022! Pam Maxwell was the "Store Purchased" category winner and Teresa Newton won the "Homemade" category! Thank you to all the people that sent in entries! It is always fun to see what everyone comes up with.

# CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

12th ANNUAL  
O'NEILL CHAMBER  
AMBASSADORS  
BEAN BAG  
TOURNAMENT  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023  
O'NEILL COMMUNITY CENTER

REGISTRATION THE DAY OF THE  
TOURNAMENT FROM 11 AM TO NOON  
\*\*PLAY BEGINS AT 1PM\*\*  
AGES 19 AND UP - \$30 PER TEAM  
CASH PRIZES TO THE TOP THREE TEAMS  
\*\*\*CALCUTTA\*\*\*

Get registered and get in some practice  
time till tournament play begins at 1pm!  
BAR WILL BE OPEN & FOOD AVAILABLE  
Cash Bar provided by the O'Neill Chamber Ambassadors

Do you have a senior that will be  
graduating in May? Now is the time to  
get your appointments made to get  
your carpet cleaned before the  
occasion!



**Little Disciples Christian Childcare Development Center O'Neill NE**

JOB OPENINGS FOR A  
Head Teacher  
and  
Assistant Teacher

We are looking for outgoing individuals to join our team!

Benefits include  
-No weekends  
-Holiday Pay  
-No Nights  
-On the job training  
-Competitive pay

If you want to make a difference in a child's life please contact  
Director Amber Parks at 402-340-1444

The Little Disciples Christian Childcare Development Center is looking for a Head Teacher and an Assistant Teacher. This is a great opportunity to work with children and make a difference in their lives! There are career opportunities here too. Must be able to pass the background check! Give Amber a call and visit with her for more details on the open positions!

## GARTON CARPET CLEANING

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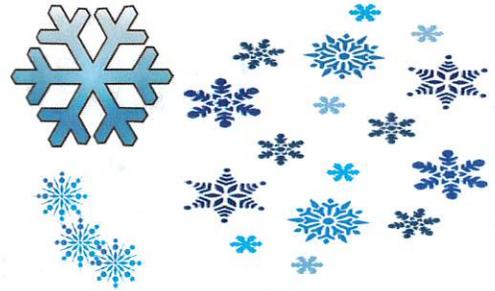
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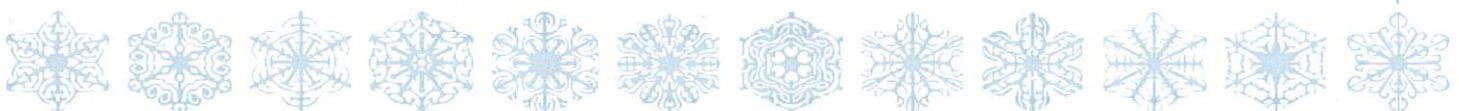
**TODAY!**

# JANUARY

# 2023



- January 2—Chamber Office Closed for New Years
- January 3—Noon—O'Neill Rotary Club meeting at the Evergreen Independent Living Center
- January 4—8am—Ambassadors Meeting at Handlebend
- January 5—Noon to 2pm—Basic Needs Pantry at the United Methodist Church
- January 5—6pm to 7pm—Booze & Bend at Handlebend
- January 6—10am—Ribbon Cutting at The Teal Diner (inside Shamrock Livestock Market)**
- January 6—Noon—Holt County Visitors Committee at the Holt County Tourism Office
- January 7—11am—Registration Opens for the Ambassadors Bean Bag Tournament at the Community Center
- January 9—6:30pm—City Council Meeting at 401 East Fremont
- January 10—8am—Business Boosters Meeting at Handlebend
- January 10—Noon—O'Neill Rotary Club meeting at the Evergreen Independent Living Center
- January 11—Noon—Chamber Board Meeting at the Chamber Office
- January 11 and 12—Northeast Nebraska Farm and Equipment Show at Northeast Community College in Norfolk—Doors open at 9am
- January 12—7pm—Trivia Night at Handlebend
- January 13—5pm—Game Night at the United Methodist Church—Supper provided for Free Will Donation,. Sponsored by the Jr/Sr High School Youth Group as a fundraiser for their 2023 mission trip.
- January 15—Noon to 3pm—Holt County Animal Shelter Celebrates Betty White's legacy with a silent auction, live music by Neon Lights at Neko's Pub. Event will be catered by Uptown Cooking Creations
- January 17—Noon—O'Neill Rotary Club meeting at the Evergreen Independent Living Center
- January 18—Noon—Lion's Club Meeting- Location TBD
- January 18—5pm—Doors open at the O'Neill Community Center for the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet—Tickets are on sale now at the chamber office
- January 19—Noon to 2pm—Basic Needs Pantry at the United Methodist Church
- January 24—Noon—O'Neill Rotary Club meeting at the Evergreen Independent Living Center
- January 25—Noon—Summerfest Rodeo Committee—Location TBD
- January 31—Noon—O'Neill Rotary Club meeting at the Evergreen Independent Living Center



# MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Creative Advantages \*\*\*\*\* One Office Solution  
Reiser Insurance Group \*\*\*\*\* Biglin's Mortuary  
O'Neill Family Pharmacy \*\*\*\*\* Gokie's Fastmart  
North Central Automation \*\*\*\*\* Cole Redi Mix LLC  
Galyen Boettcher Baier PC LLO \*\*\*\*\* Torpins Rodeo Market  
Edward Jones - Adam Cadwell \*\*\*\*\* Emme Construction  
Strope Law PC, LLO \*\*\*\*\* The Storage Company  
Central Valley Ag \*\*\*\*\* Boutique One29  
McCarthy Abstract \*\*\*\*\* Farmers National Company  
Juffer Real Estate \*\*\*\*\* BG&S Transmissions  
Elkhorn Valley Family Medicine \*\*\*\*\* Waldo Realty  
Fox's Food Plaza/Taco Johns \*\*\*\*\* Valley Hope  
Holt County Independent \*\*\*\*\* Hair Junction  
Edward Jones, Randy Hupp & Julie Regan  
Great Plains State Bank \*\*\*\*\* Adamson Distributing  
Super 8 Motel \*\*\*\*\* Gutshall Kohle & Pelster Eyecare  
O'Neill Public Schools \*\*\*\*\* First United Methodist Church  
Great Western Gas \*\*\*\*\* Agricultural Services  
The Advisor \*\*\*\*\* The Coin Guy  
O'Neill Super Foods \*\*\*\*\* Anson Insurance Services  
First Interstate Bank \*\*\*\*\* AKRS Equipment Solutions  
Shamrock Nursery \*\*\*\*\* Cubby's  
Kracl Irrigation \*\*\*\*\* Country Bliss Flooring, LLC  
Rowse Hydraulic Rakes Co. \*\*\*\*\* O'Neill Airport Authority  
St. Patrick Catholic Church \*\*\*\*\* St. Mary's School  
Leonard Management, McDonalds

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER**  
**The Teal Diner**

**O'Neill  
Vet** 

(402) 336-3883

*January Special*

**\$10 VACCINATIONS**

- **RABIES**
- **DHPPV**
- **CVRC**
- **BORDETELLA**



# WELCOME BACK MCDONALDS

**CONGRATULATIONS Leonard Management, Karlene Sterns, Cindy Mosel and all the McDonalds Crew on your new restaurant in our community!**



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Would you like to be more involved in our community? Do you know someone that is looking for a great way to get to know more people in town? Here are a couple opportunities! The O'Neill Rotary and O'Neill Lions Clubs are in need of more members. Both of these organizations play a large part in our St. Patrick's Day and Summerfest Celebrations. Plan to attend a meeting to find out



more about how you can become a member of organizations that give back to the community all year long!

The O'Neill Rotary Club meets every Tuesday, at noon, at the Evergreen Independent Living Facility. If you would like more information about the Rotary Club, please contact President Amy Shane at 402-340-3126.

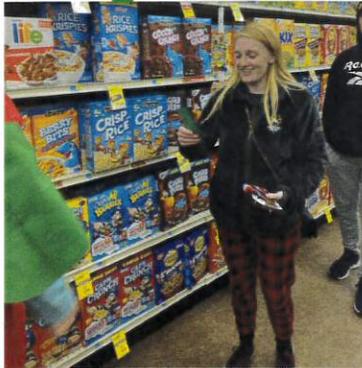
The O'Neill Lions Club meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every month in various locations. To obtain more information about the Lions Club, contact President Kris Koelzer at 308-380-1937.

OR, feel free to stop by the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce office to get more information on both organizations!



# YOU GOT ELFED 2022

Thank you Gina Val Verde and Natasha Harte for being and elf and the Christmas Tree for 2022!



**36th Annual** **WJAG** **106 KIX**  
NEWS TALK 700 AM - 105.9 FM KQKK

## Northeast Nebraska Farm and Equipment Show

**FREE Admission!** **DOOR PRIZES!** **FREE Parking Lot Shuttle**

**Wed., Jan. 11, 2023**  
10 a.m.  
Drone usage in Agriculture  
Brian Anderson  
NECC Instructor  
(Sponsored by Voltant Technologies)

**12 Noon**  
LENRD Drought Management Response Plan  
Brian Bruckner  
Lower Elkhorn NRD  
(Sponsored by Farmers Coop - Lindsay)

**2 p.m.**  
Real Estate Values & Cash Rents  
Jim Jansen UNI Extension  
(Sponsored by Jocks Hybrids)

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**Jan. 11th & 12th, 2023**

**Wednesday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.**  
**Thursday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**  
**Chuck M. Pohlman Ag Complex**  
**Northeast Community College**  
Hwy. 35 & Benjamin Ave., Norfolk

**DOOR PRIZES:**  
250 GALLONS DIESEL FUEL (from Zoulek Oil) **\$500** Cash Drawing  
100 GALLONS PROPANE (from Farmers Price) **\$250** Gift Certificate (from & Home Builders)

Hosted by:

[www.nebraskafarmshow.com](http://www.nebraskafarmshow.com)

**Thurs., Jan. 12, 2023**  
10 a.m.  
Fuel Prices and Supply Outlook  
Justin Fuller & Andrew Ryan  
Refined Fuels Experts - CHS/Cenex  
(Sponsored by Environmental Science of Wiscot)

**12 Noon**  
Farm Succession  
Alan Vynalik - UNI Extension  
(Sponsored by Field Wise LLC)

**1:30 p.m.**  
Cover Crops and Crop Insurance:  
Keeping You Covered  
Center for Rural Affairs  
(Sponsored by Mil Plains Ag Egn)

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Bring on the NEW YEAR!