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Cali Gutz: latest Honor Reader

Osmond Community Schools sixth grader Cali Gutz is the newest AR Honor Reader. Cali is the daughter of Marvin and Melanie Gutz.

Cali began working toward Honor Reader on March 23, 2016 as a fifth grader and met her goal in December of 2016.

Honor Readers must earn 150 points through a variety of genres such as historical non-fiction, biographies, Nebraska writing, classic writing, and more.



(Cali Gutz poses with her parents after receiving her Honor Reader award.)

Cali earned 164 points and said she most enjoyed reading *Heaven is for Real*, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, and *Chasing Lincoln's Killer*.

When asked what she plans to do now Cali replied, "I'll just keep reading!"

Joining Cali to celebrate her accomplishment were her parents and previous Honor Readers: Joshua Gansebom, Drew Krienert, Zachary Alderson, Alex Alderson, Connor vonRenzell, Hannah Gutz, and Kenzie vonRenzell.



(The lineup of Osmond Community Schools' Honor Readers (L-R): Josh Gansebom, Drew Krienert, Zach Alderson, Cali Gutz, Alex Alderson, Connor vonRenzell, Hannah Gutz, Kenzie vonRenzell)

Tigers make Honor Society; earn other awards

The Osmond Tiger high school and junior high school students who achieved academic success were honored Friday, January 20 in the multi-purpose room at Osmond Community Schools.

There were 28 students who made Osmond Honor Society.

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To earn admittance into Osmond Honor Society, students must be on Semester Honor Roll twice in succession.



(TOP ROW: Nick Reikofski, Alex Alderson, 3RD ROW: Drew Krienert, Tyler Reikofski, Tucker Timmerman. 2ND ROW: Aleia Kumm, Hannah Gutz, Shelby Aschoff. BOTTOM ROW: Jessica Jensen, Kendyl Koehler, Haven Schultze)

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Most students on the list were seniors (13). These were Shelby Aschoff, Bailee Gillespie, Hannah Gutz, Brock Johnson, Hailey Johnson, Kendyl Koehler, Preston Koehler, Curtis Kralicek, Diane Kruse, Bryan Manzer, Tyler Reikofski, Tucker Timmerman, and Tyler von Rentzell.



(TOP ROW: Connor vonRentzell, Zach Huwaldt, Zach Alderson. MIDDLE ROW: Alex Brestel, Kennedy Johnson, Landon Stelling. BOTTOM ROW: Josh Gansebom, Grace Gansebom, Bailee Schmit)

There were ten juniors who also made it into Osmond Honor Society: Alex Alderson, Colton Beacom, Leslie Jensen, Drew Krenert, Aleia Kumm, Alex Kumm, Ethan Pfanstiel, Andrea Schmit, Erin Schultz, and Shelby Stelling.

Sophomores Adriona Buchanan, Brandi Gansebom, Nick Reikofski, Haven Schultze, and Mariah Stech also made the list.

Students who earned their way on to Superior Honor Roll and Honor Roll were also honored.

There were twenty-six students on the Superior

Honor Roll, and there were forty-four students on Honor Roll.

On Superior Honor Roll, there were five students: Grace Gansebom (7th), Bailey Schmit (7th), Connor Gutz (8th), Zachary Huwaldt (8th), and Connor von Rentzell (8th).



(TOP ROW: Allison Aschoff, Kiera Moes, Lillie Gansebom, Macy Aschoff. BOTTOM ROW: Riley Wagner, Graysen Schultze, Mason Gansebom, Hunter Beacom)

Ninth graders Zachary Alderson, Grace Broekemeier, Joshua Gansebom, Kennedy Johnson, Landon Stelling, and Ashley Wingert were on Superior Honor Roll. There were two sophomores on the list: Brandi Gansebom and Haven Schultze.

Juniors on Superior Honor Roll were Alexander Alderson, Colton Beacom, Jessica Jensen, Drew Krienert, Andrea Schmit, Erin Schultz, and Shelby Stelling.

There were six seniors on Superior Honor Roll: Shelby Aschoff, Hannah Gutz, Hailey Johnson, Kendyl Koehler, Tyler Reikofski, and Tucker Timmerman.

Several junior high school students earned their names on Honor Roll: Macy Aschoff (7th), Hunter Beacom (7th), Lillie Gansebom (7th), Mason Gansebom (7th), Kiera

Moes (7th), Kenzie von Rentzell (7th), Riley Wagner (7th), Keaton Wattier (7th), Johnson Chishiba (8th), Aleynah Gray (8th), Hayle Krienert (8th), and Graysen Schultze (8th).

There were ten ninth graders on the list: Alex Brestel, Aaron Chishiba, Hannah Ferry, Madeline Huwaldt, Mary Kahny, Brittany Krienert, Alexis Solorzano, Logan Stelling, Keaton Timmerman, and Makenzie Vargas.

Jared Bessmer, Adriona Buchanan, Makenzie Johnson, Nicholas Reikofski, Mariah Stech, and Kayla Wingert were sophomores on the list.



(TOP ROW: Alexis Solorzano, Keaton Timmerman, Logan Stelling, Jarod Bessmer. MIDDLE: Makenzie Johnson, Madeline Huwaldt, Ashley Wingert, Brittany Krienert. BOTTOM: Hannah Ferry, Mariah Stech, Kayla Wingert.)

Brenden Hille, Leslie Jensen, Aleia Kumm, Alexander Kumm, Caitlin Kumm, Ethan Pfanstiel, Kelly Schuettler, and Zachary Sims made it as juniors.

Seniors Bailee Gillespie, Paul Gubbels, Brock Johnson, Preston Koehler, Curtis Kralicek, Diane Kruse, Bryan Manzer, and Tyler von Rentzell were all on Honor Roll.

Beacom, Gubbles fourth at Conference Wrestling

BY MR. McKENNA
WINSIDE—The Osmond
wrestlers competed at the
Lewis and Clark Conference
meet in Winside on Thursday,
January, 19.

The Tigers scored
twenty points and finished in
ninth place. The conference
champion was Plainview
followed by Wakefield and
Creighton.

Osmond had two
conference medalists with
both Paul Gubbels (Sr., 138
lbs) and Colton Beacom (Jr.,
152 lbs.) finishing fourth in
their weight classes.

“We were happy that
both wrestlers were able to
earn a medal at the conference
meet but still feel that we
could have done a little
better,” Tigers Head Coach
Larry McKenna said.

Paul finished second
in his pool but had to forfeit
his last two matches because
of an injury.

“We bumped Colton
up to the 152 lb class we
wrestled well but lost a couple
of close matches; otherwise,
he might have finished a little
higher,” McKenna said.



(Colton Beacom wrestles at the Plainview Meet.)



Beacom wrestles at Plainview Meet

BY MR. McKENNA
PLAINVIEW—The Osmond
wrestling team competed at
the Plainview Invite on
Saturday, January 28.

The Tigers scored
three points and finished in
fifteenth place.

The team champion
was Ord followed by Norfolk
Catholic and Plainview.

Osmond’s lone
wrestler for the meet was
Colton Beacom who finished
with a 2-2 record.

Colton received a first
round bye before losing to
Jake Judge from West Holt in
the second round.

Colton then came back
with a 9-6 decision over Ben
Slaymaker of West Holt
before losing his next match
to Clayton Shoemaker of Ord
by a score of 9-1.

“Because of injury we
were down to one wrestler
but Colton did a nice job
today picking up a couple
wins,” Tigers Head Coach
Larry McKenna.

Several Tigers honored at Conference Instrumental Music

WAYNE—The Osmond
Tigers took ten band members
to Wayne State College as part
of the Lewis and Clark
Conference Instrumental
Music program on Saturday,
January 21.

“What a great day at
Wayne State! We had ten
Tiger band members spend
the day putting together some
amazing music and three
medals earned!” Osmond
Tigers Band Director
Christalin Ginn said.



(TOP ROW (L-R): Anthony Heiman, Kayla
Wingert, Brandi Gansebom, Ashley Wingert.
BOTTOM ROW: Shyann Rohloff-Levos, Mariah
Stech, Leslie Jensen, Jessica Jensen, Shelby
Stelling, Aleia Kumm.)

Several Tigers received
recognition for their
achievements.

Aleia Kumm (Jr.) was
named First Chair Baritone...
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...Jessica Jensen (Jr.) earned First Chair Flute (2). Mariah Stech (So.) earned Second Chair Battery Percussion.

The event also included a 4:30pm concert that featured the freshman/sophomore band that was followed by the junior/senior band.

The Tigers had five participants in the freshman/sophomore band.

Ashley Wingert (Fr.) and Kayla Wingert (So.) both played clarinet.

Brandi Gansebom (So.) played the flute. Shyann Rohloff-Levos (So.) played bass clarinet, while Mariah Stech and Anthony Heiman (So.) both played in the percussion.

Four Tigers were in the junior/senior band including Shelby Stelling (Jr., flute), Jessica Jensen (flute), Leslie Jensen (Jr., clarinet) and Kumm (Euphonium).



(Aleia Kumm and Leslie Jensen at Conference Instrumental Music)

Kumm, Jensen shine at UNK Honor Band, Music

KEARNEY — The sound of music danced through the campus of the University of Nebraska-Kearney (UNK) on Monday, January 23.

Osmond High School juniors Aleia Kumm and Jessica Jensen shined in Kearney at the University of Nebraska-Kearney Honor Band and Honor Choir activity.

In the Honor Band section, Aleia Kumm was given a private lesson through Frank Tracz, the Honor Band clinician.

Christalin Ginn, OCS band director, did not make the trip with the girls, but she noted how impressed she was with Aleia's clinician (who she's worked with before).

"(He) is super funny and out-going," Ginn said.

In the Honor Choir part of the day, Jessica Jensen was recognized for her signing abilities. She sang soprano. Ashley West was the presiding clinician.



(Aleia Kumm with her euphonium at UNK's Honor Band/Choir Day)



(Brett Simmons skies for a rebound in Bloomfield.)

Tigers tackle Bloomfield, Ewing

BY MR. SCHULZE

It was an unusual week (to say the least) for our school and basketball team.

The Tigers played Monday night at Bloomfield, a game that was moved to that evening due to the icy weather event the previous week.

The Tigers controlled the game throughout and squashed the Bees 66-42.

The following two days resulted in no school, no practice, and a cancellation of the Tigers' Tuesday night contest at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge before their rematch at home against Ewing.



(Kyle Swallow looks for a hole in Ewing's defense.)

Osmond got off to a...

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...slow start, leading Ewing at the end of the first quarter 12-11. The second period decided the game, with Osmond outscoring Ewing 26-0 as they cruised to a 65-26 victory.

"Our slow start Thursday night against Ewing didn't really concern me," Coach Schulze said.

"We hadn't had school the previous three days and hadn't seen the practice floor since the previous Thursday, so some rust was to be expected..."

Any bit of rust the Tigers may have had quickly disappeared in the second quarter, sparking a 41-4 run headed into the fourth quarter.

Osmond had an efficient night on offense, converting 53% of their shots, including a 5-for-12 performance from behind the three-point arc.

Osmond added 16 offensive rebounds to their effort Thursday, led by seniors Tucker Timmerman and Cole Moes, who combined for seven of them.

Three Tigers finished in double-figures. Brock had fifteen points; Cole added fourteen, and Alex Kumm (Jr.) scored eleven.

Keaton Timmerman (Fr.) was just out of reach, finishing with nine points on a perfect shooting night, going 4-for-4 from the floor

and converting on his only free-throw.

"I was really happy with how we played against Bloomfield. We shared the ball on offense and forced several turnovers defensively," said Coach Todd Schulze.

The Tigers shot 49% from the floor and 71% from the charity stripe.

Brock Johnson and Cole Moes led the Tigers in scoring, earning sixteen and fifteen points respectively.

Cole dished out a team-high five of Osmond's seventeen assists in the game.

It was a solid team-victory for the Tigers, with ten players scoring and eight handing out at least one assist.

"I thought our bench really played well for us in this game, in particular Brett Simmons and Kyle Swallow, who combined for fourteen points, four rebounds, and two assists," added Schulze.



(Tyler vonRenzell positions himself for a rebound.)

Tiger speakers debut in Pierce

PIERCE— The Osmond Tigers started their 2017 speech season at one of the more difficult meets they'll have: The Pierce High School Speech Meet (Saturday, January 28).

The Tigers had four speakers attend the event. This included Aleia Kumm (Jr., Serious Prose/Duet), Jessica Jensen (Jr., Duet), Leslie Jensen (Jr., Duet) and Anthony Heiman (So., Extemporaneous Speaking).

Heiman had a solid start to his season as he placed eighth out of twenty-six competitors. He won his second round of competition.

Kumm, who wrote "War" the speech she's competing with, had a good first round, but did not place.

The Jensen sisters competed with their duet.

Head Speech Coach Christalin Ginn noted that the girls "...improved tremendously from the first round to the second."

Shaylee Vargas (Jr., Duet) was unable to attend.

While the Tigers only have five competitors, they are competing in one of the more practical activities the Nebraska State Activities Association offers.

These students...
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...practice and improve in public speaking, developing skills that will prove important as they grow into adulthood.



(TeamMates mentors and mentees pose for the camera.)

TeamMates hosts "Thank a Mentor" Day

BY LEAH ORR
"Thank a Mentor" day was celebrated on Thursday, January 19 all across the country; the Osmond TeamMates chapter celebrated also.

Mentees wrote handwritten "thank-you's" to their mentors and a batch of cookies was donated by Board Member Todd Schulze and the boys basketball team for the mentors to enjoy.

On Thursday, January 26, the Osmond TeamMates chapter held a recognition night between the girls' and boys' varsity high school basketball games.

Mentors and mentees were encouraged to attend and sit together to cheer on the Osmond Tigers.

Each TeamMates match was announced and recognized between games.

Afterwards, a group photo was taken. A "thank-you" note for the mentors was given as a token of appreciation from the Board of Directors and Coordinator for their commitment to the youth and the local program.

The TeamMates program also held a raffle for a Tom Osborne autographed Husker football and display case.

All proceeds from the raffle benefit the mentees in the program through various activities each year.

The winner of the raffle was Shailey Orr.

When we asked her father (who is an Iowa Hawkeyes fan) about the prize, he responded with: "I demand a re-draw. I can't be outnumbered by Husker fans in my house already!"

Osmond TeamMates once again would like to thank the mentors for volunteering their time each week to impact the life of a youth in our community.

This year's matches include Jennifer and Mackenzie, Joan and Mary Jane, Chris and Molly, Pam and Holly, Bill and Hunter, Beth and Leia, Jenny and Jessa, Julie and Jesse, Ross and Hayden, Patti and Kayson, Melissa and Keira, Jim and Connor, Scott and Hunter, Lacy and Tessa, Gary and

Logan, Doug and Darren, Amanda and Spencer, and Leah and Elisa.

The board members and coordinator for Osmond's TeamMates chapters include Leah Orr, Jane Brummels, Julie Slagle, Patti Ketelsen, Justin Orr, Todd Schulze, Gary Schieffer, and Beth Manzer (Coordinator).



(Mariah Stech dribbles against a Bloomfield defender.)

Lady Tigers topple Warriors

Despite allowing the Neligh-Oakdale Warriors to score the first seven points of the game and to hold a 14-7 lead at the end of the first quarter, the Osmond Lady Tigers basketball team clawed their way back into Tuesday, January 10's game in Osmond to win 49-33.

While the outlook of the game didn't look good in the first quarter, the Tigers calmed themselves and used the next three quarters to develop a big lead.

This started with a 15-3 run...
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...in the second quarter. The Tigers made a nice push in the final four minutes of the half especially.

Emily Bolz (Jr., G), who scored twelve points in the game, was a big part of the run. She was 5-for-8 from the field and seemed to make all her close-range shots.

In the second half, the Tigers offense caught fire. They outscored the Warriors 17-7 in the third quarter and 27-16 altogether in the half.

In particular, Caitlin Kumm (Jr., G), who had struggled to get anything to work her way in the first half, started to hit her shots.

Kumm scored 19 points and was 4-from-8 from beyond the three-point arc.

The Tigers shot 16-for-43 (37%) overall, their best performance in several games.

Andrea Schmit (Jr., G/F) also had a nice game. Not only did she score seven points, but she had nine rebounds, three steals, and two assists.

In the post, Shelby Aschoff played one of her best games of the year. She had seven rebounds and was aggressive.

Makenzie Johnson (So., F) had a couple really nice assists early in the game. She also had five rebounds.

Kelly Schuettler (Jr., F) and Kendyl Koehler (Sr., F) both helped the Tigers on the

glass. Schuettler had seven rebounds and Koehler added three.

Alex Brestel (Fr., G) had two rebounds, one of which was a strong offensive rebound.

Overall the Tigers out-rebounded the Warriors 44-26.

Mariah Stech (So., G) came off the bench and made a nice contribution to the team's comeback run. She scored five points and made 3-of-5 free-throws.

The Tigers were 11-for-23 from the line (48%).



(Kelly Schuettler hustles for a loose ball against Wausa.)

Vikings outlast Tigers

CREIGHTON—Down one point with the less than a :10 left to go in their Lewis and Clark Conference Tournament consolation game against the Wausa Vikings on Tuesday, January 31, the Osmond Tigers girls basketball team had the ball and a couple chances.

They couldn't get the ball to fall in the hole and lost the contest 33-32.



(Emily Bolz attacks the rim against Wausa.)

"We played a very spirited game and fought right down to the last buzzer," Tiger Head Coach Michael Brown said.

"We had our opportunities to hit several shots at the end of the game, but just couldn't get them to fall."

The game's first half was nearly a draw as the Vikings went into the third quarter with a two-point lead (15-13).

But the Vikings emerged in the third quarter where they hit three three-pointers, including a bank shot from a tough angle.

The fourth quarter belonged to the Tigers who outscored Wausa 12-7.

While the Tigers seemed to play good defense...

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...throughout the quarter, they struggled to hit shots offensively and turned the ball over twenty-eight times.

They were 9-for-55 (16%) from the floor, including a 0-for-7 performance from beyond the arc.

While the Tigers scored nearly half of their points from the free-throw line, they still left 15 points on the court; they were 14-of-29 (48%) from the line.

"We did not shoot very well from the free-throw line, which really hurt us in the long run," Brown said.

Caitlin Kumm (Jr., G) scored thirteen points; nine of these came from the free-throw line. Makenzie Johnson scored ten points.

Kumm, Johnson, and Kelly Schuettler all had nine rebounds each, while Andrea Schmit (Jr., G/F) added six rebounds. This was a bright spot for the Tigers who out-rebounded Wausa 44-38.

Schmit added five points and Emily Bolz (Jr., G) added four points. Kumm also had 11 rebounds.

Shelby Stelling (Jr., F) and Shelby Aschoff (Sr., F) came in and played solid minutes. Stelling had five rebounds and Aschoff had two.

FBLA hosts January meeting

On Monday, January 9 the FBLA held their regular monthly meeting.

The meeting began with another amazing Minute-to-Win-It competition. This motivational activity was led by Shelby Aschoff.

Many members participated in the games: Suck It Up, Stack it, and Grab The Pennies.

the meeting was held after the motivational activity.

New business included creating a committee to plan for FBLA Week activities.

Also members that want to sign up for the Quality Member Awards need to fill out an application and turn it in on February 1.

Members interested in attending State Leadership Conference are asked to write an essay stating "Why I Would Like to Attend SLC".

Due to a short agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 8 P.M.



(Shaylee Vargas Toledo with Caitlin Kumm play games during the FBLA January Meeting.)



(Logan and Landon Stelling play Stack It during the FBLA monthly meeting in Mrs. Manzer's room.)



(Ashley Wingert and Mackenze Vargas play Suck It Up at the FBLA meeting.)



(ABOVE and BELOW: Colton Beacom squares off against an opponent from West Holt at the Plainview Meet.)



(Madeline Huwaldt and Kelly Schuettler have fun at the FBLA January meeting.)



(TOP ROW: Coach Anthony Elias, Kiera Moes, Coach Jim Sykes. BOTTOM: Todd Schulze, Amy Moes, Cole Moes, Mark Moes, Korrine Moes.)



(ABOVE: Logan Stelling and Tyler Reikofski play Stack It in the January FBLA Meeting. BELOW: Shelby Stelling and Mariah Stech play the same game as Madeline Huwaldt looks on.)



(L-R: Coach Anthony Elias, Coach Todd Schulze, Cole Moes, and Coach Jim Sykes.)



(Andrea Schmit-10, and Makenzie Johnson-22 play defense against Bloomfield.)



(L-R: Amy Moes, Kiera Moes, Cole Moes, Korrine Moes, Mark Moes)



(Bailee Gillespie looks for the ball against Bloomfield.)



(Emily Bolz drives in against Wausa.)



(Nick Reikofski going up for a layup against Bloomfield.)



(ABOVE and BELOW: Aleia Kumm and Leslie Jensen)



(Shelby Aschoff passing down low against Clearwater-Orchard.)



(The Tigers play defense against Ewing.)



(Brett Simmons drives against Ewing.)



(A Clearwater-Orchard shooter just gets the ball out of the reach of Cole Moes.)



(TOP ROW: Preston Koehler, Bryan Manzer, Tyler vonRentzell. MIDDLE: Kelly Schuettler, Diane Kruse, Colton Beacom. BOTTOM: Shelby Stelling, Hailey Johnson, Andrea Schmit, Leslie Jensen.)



(Alex Kumm-35, Tucker Timmerman-43, Cole Moes-13, Keaton Timmerman-23, and Brock Johnson-25 play defense against Clearwater-Orchard.)



(Brianna Ruiz and Diane Kruse take a picture after finishing their Voices project for mass media.)

