Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Member News



Hopping Happenings!

Districts celebrate Easter with movies, meals, and family fun!

May 2024

30th Annual Ponca Tribe of Nebraska POWWOW

4-DAY POWWOW!
August 8-11, 2024

Grand Entries: Thurs- 7 pm
Fri & Sat - 1 pm & 7 pm | Sun - 1 pm
Meals provided 1 hour before each Grand Entry
All Dancers and Spectators Welcome.

Head Man
Čaní Mązè Įgɗą́ 'Hút'à
Charlie Iron Thunder

Head Woman
Talia Jennings

Head Boy
Trayton Henrickson

Head Girl
Destiny Rich

Arena Director
Stan Smith, Jr.

MC
Eagle Rhodd

Head Drum
Drowning Creek

Invited Drums
Maza Kute
Hilltop
Standing Eagle
Omaha White Tail
White Eagle Park
Bad Moon Rising

Senior Princess
Stevie Horse

Junior Princess
Talilah Zephier

Little Miss
Alizay Ironheart

Hand Game
August 8 | 10 am

Diabetes Fun Run
August 9 | 5 pm

Cornhole Tournament
August 10 | 10 am

Horseshoe Tournament
August 11 | 10 am

Team Dance Contest

Archery Range

Security and First Aid Provided. Restrooms, Running Water, and Limited Camping on Site.

Elders receive priority parking, additional parking provided near grounds, with shuttle.

PTN POWWOW GROUNDS DIRECTIONS:
One mile West of Niobrara on Highway 12. Turn left at the Ponca Sign, located across from the Niobrara State Park. Follow the pavement to the Powwow Grounds.

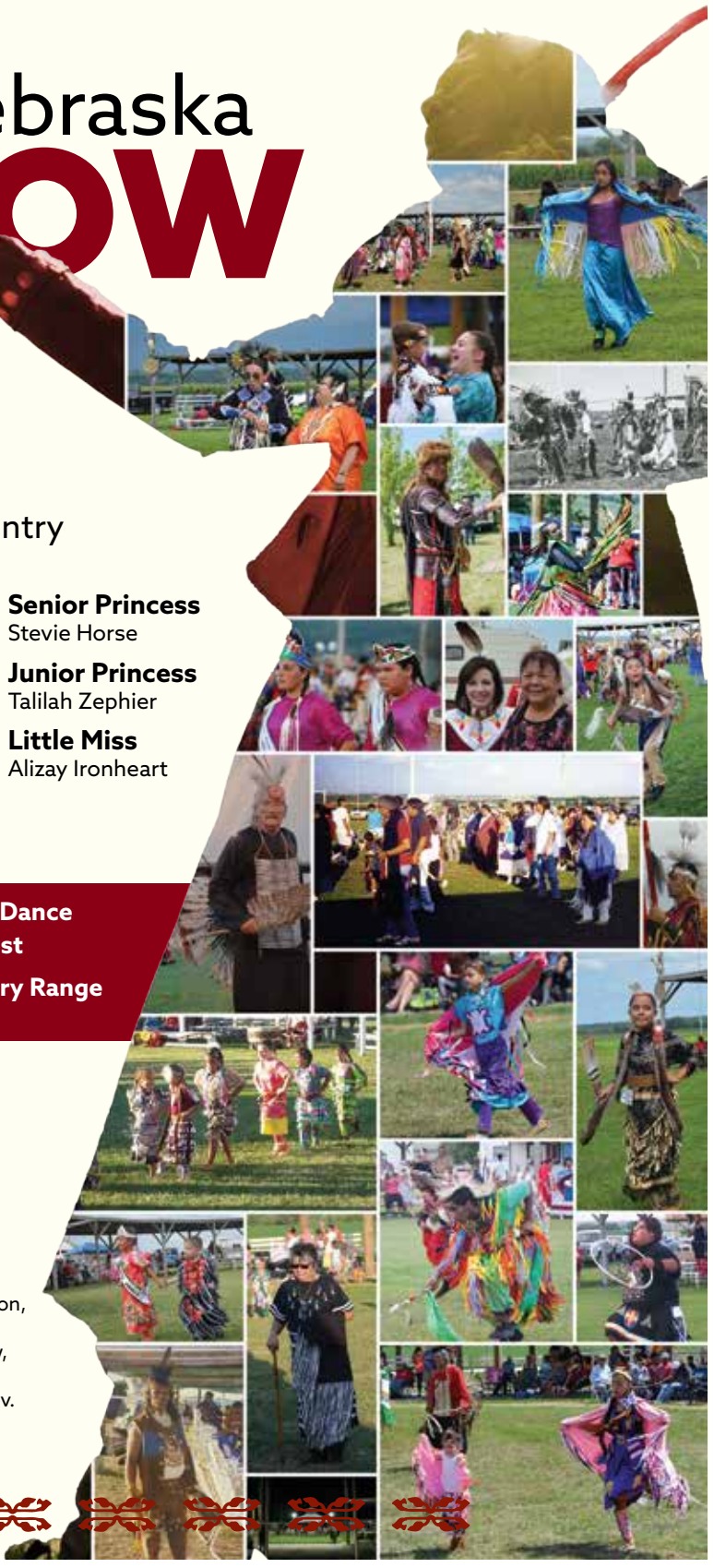
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For the most up-to-date information, follow us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/PTNPowwow, call: 402.857.3519 or email: rwrightjr@poncatribe-ne.gov.

With the support of the Nebraska Arts Council.

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On the cover: District 3 Ponca youth have a photo op with the Easter Bunny at the District 3 Easter Brunch, Saturday, March 23.

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PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Declares a "State of Emergency," due to damages from severe thunderstorms and tornadoes.

WHEREAS: On April 26, 2024, the entirety of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Service Delivery Areas and adjacencies saw severe thunderstorms and damaging tornadoes impacting Tribal properties, services, and members. This dangerous severe weather event has disrupted Tribal operations and impacted our membership, directly effecting the Ponca Nation.

WHEREAS: These severe weather events have affected members across Ponca Nation, with many members experiencing damages. Due to the severe weather events, the Tribe was forced to limit/cancel public transportations. These weather events also impacted our economic and business enterprises, resulting in a disruption in services and revenue.

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council and staff have received emergency phone calls and reports from members who have experienced significant damages.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairwoman of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska under Section 3 of Article X of the Constitution, Section 1 of Article V of the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, Section 8-1-2 of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Code, and the Emergency Management Plan of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska:

I HEREBY proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the Service Delivery Area of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska as defined by the Ponca Restoration Act, Public Law 101-484, Oct. 31, 1990, and all amendments thereto, and direct the plans and procedures of the Tribe's Emergency Management Plan be implemented. Tribal agencies and departments are directed to utilize Tribal resources and to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected Service Delivery Areas and Tribally owned businesses in an effort to respond to and recover from the severe weather event.

I FURTHER REQUEST State and Federal agencies to cooperate with and support the Tribe upon its request, as may be appropriate and lawful.

I HEREBY activate the Emergency Management Plan of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska and declare this to be a Level 2 Emergency pursuant to the Plan.

I HEREBY direct all Tribal Departments to take such steps as they deem necessary to meet these emergencies, and to continue these actions until such time as the threats to life and property created by these situations have been alleviated.

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE the Executive Staff of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska to activate such elements of the Tribe's Emergency Management resources as are appropriate to deal with this emergency and to expend such funds, within the limitations of availability, from the Tribe's General Fund to support these actions.

This Declaration shall take effect at 14:00 hours on April 26, 2024, and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED on the 26th day of April 2024

Candace Schmidt

Candace Schmidt, Chairwoman



Need weather-related assistance?

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is providing assistance to those affected by recent storms. If you have been impacted by these storms, please reach out to our Human Services team, or fill out the assistance form by scanning the QR code.

Human Services Contacts:
Niobrara: Stephanie Pospisil, **402.649.3187**
Sioux City/Iowa: Brad Johnson, **712.212.4278**
Omaha/Lincoln/Bellevue: Donna Larson, **402.646.4103**
Norfolk/All other cities: Thomas Wright, **402.266.1652**



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

June 22 | 10 am

Lincoln Community Room
1600 Windhoek Drive | Lincoln, NE

Tribal members are invited to attend the first General Membership meeting of 2024. Tribal Council will be in person at the Lincoln office where lunch and refreshments will be provided. **Please RSVP by June 17** if you plan to attend in person or online. As a reminder, you **must** be logged in to the members side of the Ponca Tribe website in order to access the General Membership meeting online. Please make sure that you have a working log-in prior to the day of the meeting.

Questions submitted by **June 17** will be addressed first. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. To RSVP or to submit a question, please contact Candace Repenning at crepenning@poncatribe-ne.gov or at 402.857.3391 Ext. 5009.

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From a storm comes beauty

These benches were created by Mat Pickell from a few trees blown down in a storm. They were placed in our Ponca cemetery Saturday April 13th for all to use.

Enjoy a peaceful moment with our ancestors in comfort.







Ponca Cemetery Cleanup

Hosted by the Culture Department

May 18 | 10 am-2 pm

Members are welcome to come to the Ponca Cemetery for a day to tend and honor the resting places of their loved ones. The day will include a small prayer ceremony at 10 am. Lunch will be provided by the Elders Committee.

Meet at Ponca community building for instruction. We will have trashbags for clean up. If bringing your own small maintenance tools, such as shovels, shears, or small gardening shovels, please label them. Please wear tennis shoes or closed-toe shoes, as there are small cactus and sandburs at the cemetery. If children are coming, please be mindful as this is a sacred place.

THPO will be on site with a cemetery map. If you know where any loved ones or ancestors are buried, THPO is respectfully requesting information. We will be providing flowers, handkerchiefs, fruit, veteran flags, flowers, etc. for the graves. Those that are unable to participate physically are still encouraged to come and visit.

Event is subject to change in the event of inclement weather.

For questions, please contact:
Richard Wright Jr., Culture Director, at 402.371.8834 ext. 2037
or email rwrightjr@poncatribe-ne.gov
Theresa Foley, THPO, at 402.315.2760
or email tfoley@poncatribe-ne.gov

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KIPÍNĄGE ÚTI

by Steve Laravie, Sr., Language Program Coordinator

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WÉGĄZÈ - Ruler
WÉĐĮBEXI - Rake
WÉBABEXÌ - Broom
HAŽĮGA - Rope
TĄDEINĄŠPÈ - Shovel
WÉÈ - Spade
MĄZEPÈ - Pliers
WÉĐIHIDÈ - Tools
WÉBAUDÈ - Drill
MĄZEPÈ - Axe
WÉBAMĄ - Handsaw

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PONCA ORTHOGRAPHY

ACCENT MARKS:

The **acute [á]** accent indicates primary stress on a syllable, while the **grave [à]** accent indicates secondary stress.

BASIC VOWELS:

A/a /ä/ as in the *a* in "father"
E/e /ā/ as in the *a* in "ate"
I/i /ē/ as in the *e* in "me"
Ì /ʃ/ as in the *i* in "tip"
O/o /ō/ as in the *o* in "go"
U/u /ü/ as in the *u* in "flu"
ə /ə/ schwa as in the initial and final sounds in "America"

NASALIZED VOWELS:

Nasalized vowels are indicated by the diacritic **ogonek** [˛]. The nasalized vowels in Ponca are pronounced in the same way as their counterparts above except that the air passes through both the mouth *and* the nose.

SPECIAL CONSONANT SOUNDS:

Š/š /sh/ as in the *sh* in "show"
Ž/ž /zh/ as in the *s* in "leisure"
Č/č /ch/ as in the *ch* in church
Đ/đ /th/ as in the *th* in "them"
X/x /x/ as in the ch of German "Bach"

APOSTROPHES:

The **apostrophe** (') indicates a glottalized release (or "ejective") when it follows the consonants *p*, *t*, or *k* (and sometimes *x*). **Following all other letters**, the **apostrophe** indicates a glottal stop, which is a brief closure of the vocal cords, as in the English expression *uh-oh*.

Interested in obtaining your GED?

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska offers members a $250 incentive upon successful completion of the program plus $60 to be applied toward testing fees.

For any questions or to obtain an application, please contact Aubrey or Pat in Education at 402.371.8834 or you may email them at aknudsen@poncatribe-ne.gov or pate@poncatribe-ne.gov.



Meet Your Language Instructors: Charlie Iron Thunder

Q: Introduce yourself in Ponca.

Iżáže witąke Čaní Mazè Įgđą 'Hút'ą, my name is Charlie Iron Thunder in Ponca. My Ponca given name is Čaní, which means Charlie.

Q: What are you passionate about?

I am very passionate about my job, it gives me meaning and purpose. I'm able to be able to use a platform to be able speak my language, learn my culture. I'm a traditional straight dancer, I'm just very passionate about, my goal is to be a fluent Ponca speaker in time, and I would like to teach our people who are willing to learn. I feel like it's really important and crucial for our Tribe as a whole that we get our language and our culture back.

Q: What family do you come from, your ancestor, clan, and do you have a traditional given name?

My traditional given name name is Čaní, which means Charlie in Ponca. I'm not really sure of my clan yet, I'm currently seeking that. I'm a descendent of the Iron Thunders though, I'll eventually find out the clan name in time.



Q: What do you wish to achieve out of the Language Program?

To be a fluent speaker, I plan on achieving to be a fluent speaker, along with the other instructors, and hopefully to be able to communicate in Ponca.

Q: Where are you from?

I was born and raised in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Q: Do you have any nicknames?

Charlie, Chuckles, Chuck.

Q: What's your favorite movie and/or book?

Well, my favorite movies is, I'm a Star Wars guy, I like Star Wars. I've read a couple books, one of the books was Carlisle Vs. Army, and it was about Jim Thorpe and how he played college football against our soon to be president at that time Harry S. Truman. It was a very good book and it talked about how popular their school was and how athletic Jim Thorpe was and how he ran away from that school to go back to his home in Oklahoma, which was a boarding school. It's a very good book. Also, the book that I like to read was In the Spirit of Crazy Horse, it's about, it's a real political book, it's about a little bit about the AIM, the American Indian Movement, some of you guys don't know about that, it's just a book you'd have to read.

Q: What's your favorite childhood memories or memories growing up?

Two of my childhood memories was my grandfather, Ernest Iron Thunder, always taking me for ice cream on Sundays. And the second biggest moment of my life was I was in Boys Town, Nebraska and I got to be in Sports Illustrated, December 21st, 1992, and that was a big highlight of my life.

Q: Anything else you'd like to add about yourself or the Language Program?

I encourage all Ponca members to learn your language, learn how to read and write it, and walk it. We can't do this alone, it takes a team effort, and I encourage all Tribal members to try to pick up the Ponca language.



District 2 enjoys Kung Fu Panda

On the morning of Sunday, March 24, D2 SDA members and their families were welcome to attend the movie, Kung Fu Panda 4 at the Majestic Theater in Omaha, NE. The attendees were provided popcorn and pop for the 10 am movie. Special thanks to Candy Schott, Shannon Malone, Ben Schott, and Cassandra Svagera for assisting with this event.











Family Movie Outings

Hosted by District 2 Tribal Council

Doors open - 9:30 am | Movie - 10:00 am

Majestic Theater | 14304 West Maple Road | Omaha, NE

Sunday, June 23 - Inside Out 2
Sunday, July 14 - Mufasa

District 2 SDA Ponca tribal members and their immediate family members are invited to an morning showings of upcoming popular movies! Small combos of popcorn and a drink will be provided for each attendee. First come, first served. Everyone must check in at the PTN table upon arrival.



For more information, please contact Becci at 531.222.4471 or Falon at 402.208.0297.

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Elder's Stories Wanted!

Are you interested in sharing Ponca culture and knowledge with others? The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Culture Department is seeking Ponca Elders interested in recording Ponca stories and history that will be incorporated into the Education Trail at the community grounds.

If you are interested in sharing or recording stories and historical information, Elders are encouraged to reach out to Kitrina Key at kitrinak@poncatribe-ne.gov or 402.857.3519.



District 2 families enjoy egg hunt, Easter Basket, a meal and more



On Saturday, March 23, the D2 SDA had an Easter Celebration at the Ralston Transit building. Between 200 - 300 people attended the event which started with an Easter egg hunt for the kiddos. The hunt included toys, balls, boxes of Girl Scout cookies, and candy-filled eggs. The Osni Ponka Youth Council provided the eggs for the event and Chair Maci Schott was the lead on this project. After the hunt, the kids picked out their Easter baskets. D2 Head of Household members received a $25 Walmart gift card. Thanks to Shannon Malone for handling this task.

Special thanks to Elder Joann Knudsen, who gave a beautiful prayer before the Easter meal. Members and their families enjoyed spiral ham, turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, green bean casserole, and buns. Our families enjoyed frosted sugar cookies, apple pie, and pumpkin pie for dessert.

And thanks to those who assisted with the event including Candy Schott, Cassandra Svagera and family, Courtney Chavez, Maci, Ben Schott, Cami and Nick Vala, and Janelle Rodgers and family.









District 2 SDA

Henry Doorly Zoo Tickets

Ralston Administration Building
5805 South 86th Cir. | Omaha, NE

District 2 Ponca Tribe of NE members are invited to tickets for FREE access to the Henry Doorly Zoo! Tickets are good for one admission throughout the 2024 season and can be picked up from Candy Schott at the Ralston Administrative Office starting April 1.

Tickets are for actively enrolled District 2 Service Delivery Area PTN members. One ticket per member and are given on a first-come, first-served basis. Lost tickets will not be replaced. You may only pick up tickets for members of your household unless prior authorization has been given.

District 3 hosts Easter event and brunch

On Saturday, March 23, District 3 held an Easter Brunch for members. The day was chilly, but youth enjoyed an Easter egg hunt and plenty of fun in the new gym. Members enjoyed a good meal, and all the youth in attendance each got an Easter basket.









District 3 enjoys family movie





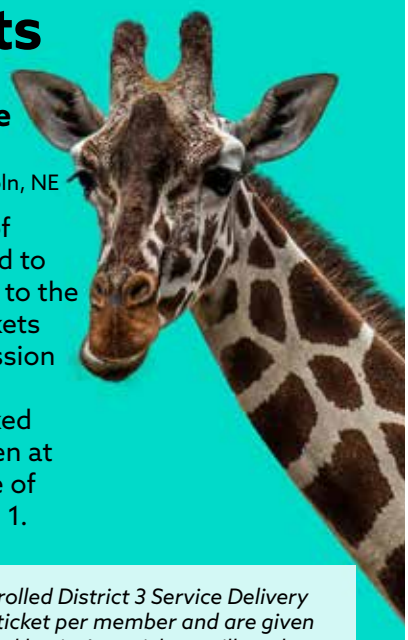


District 3 SDA

Henry Doorly Zoo Tickets

Lincoln Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
1600 Windhoek Drive | Lincoln, NE

District 3 Ponca Tribe of NE members are invited to tickets for FREE access to the Henry Doorly Zoo! Tickets are good for one admission throughout the 2024 season and can be picked up from Dezarae Hansen at the Lincoln Ponca Tribe of Nebraska starting April 1.



Tickets are for actively enrolled District 3 Service Delivery Area PTN members. One ticket per member and are given on a first-come, first-served basis. Lost tickets will not be replaced. You may only pick up tickets for members of your household unless prior authorization has been given.

District 4 hosts movie morning for members

District 4 members enjoyed a showing of Kung Fu Panda 4 on Saturday, March 23. Popcorn and a soda were provided for each member in attendance, and every child received an Easter basket to take home after the end of the movie.











2023-2024 Johnson O'Malley End of Year Banquet

Wednesday, June 5 | 6:00-7:00 pm

Ponca Tribe Transit Facility
1800 Syracuse Ave | Norfolk, NE

The Johnson O'Malley Program and Title VI would like to invite all JOM enrolled students to the annual end of the school year banquet.

The 2024 High School Graduates will be honored with a star quilt. All JOM enrolled students will receive a certificate and gift card. Refreshments, snacks, and cake will be served.

Deadline to apply for the 2023-2024 school year is May 15th, 2024. Pre-K through 11th grade students only as the senior deadline has passed.

For more information, please contact Aubrey Knudsen, 402.371.8834 or aknudsen@poncatribe-ne.gov.



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This event is for enrolled JOM students only who attend a public school in Madison County, NE. Students must have a complete file in order to participate in the banquet.

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATES!

Submit your photos and information now to be included in our Honoring Graduates Section in the June newsletter. ***Use the QR code to submit your information no later than May 18.***



Did you know?

Our PTN Education programs are open to members nationwide!

- Need based funding in our Higher Education, Adult Vocational Training, and Graduate programs at the post-secondary level.
- K-12 Youth Incentive Program
- GED Incentive Program and GED testing fee assistance

For more information on any of these programs, please contact the Education Department at 402.371.8834, via email at pate@poncatribe-ne.gov or aknudsen@poncatribe-ne.gov, or via mail:

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, Department of Education
1800 Syracuse Ave | Norfolk, NE 68701

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Attention All AVT/HIED Students Nationwide:

Please remember to submit your official transcripts after **EACH** term funded in order to be eligible to receive future funding. Students must apply each school year.
Summer 2024 deadline: May 15, 2024
Fall 2024 deadline: August 15, 2024
Winter 2024 deadline: November 15, 2024

The Ponca Educational Trust Fund is available nationwide to students who enroll at one of the University of Nebraska Campuses/Online Courses: Lincoln ~ Omaha ~ Kearney (Must be enrolled in 12 or more credit hours per semester to be eligible)

Attention All K-12 YIP Students Nationwide:

- High School Seniors for the 2023-2024 school year are eligible to receive a $500.00 Graduation Incentive!
- Our department is accepting projects for incentives in the following areas: Art, Essay/Poetry, and Student of the Month. **Winners may receive $100.00 for 1st place, $50.00 for 2nd place, and $25.00 for 3rd place*. Grade divisions are as follows: Primary (K-2), Intermediate (3-5), Middle (6-8), and High School (9-12)
- Perfect Attendance $100.00 (0-.49 days of absenteeism), $50.00 (.5-3.49 days absenteeism), and $25.00 (3.5-5.49 days of absenteeism).

Deadline to apply for the 2023-2024 school year is July 31, 2024.

All Education Department Applications and Program Information are available online on our tribal website. If you have any questions for the education department, please feel free to contact Aubrey Knudsen at: office (402)371-8834, work cell (402)844-0957, or aknudsen@poncatribe-ne.gov. **Ponca tribal enrollment is required for ALL education programs**

NPHA honored at annual UNAHA Banquet

On Monday, March 25, 2024 in Lakewood, Colorado, the Northern Ponca Housing Authority (NPHA) attended the United Native American Housing Association's (UNAHA) Awards Banquet.



Robert (Bob) Gauthier was honored with the Indian Housing Lifetime Achievement Award, serving Indian Country since 1983. Bob has been a big part of NPHA's growth over the last 10 years. We met Bob in 2014 at the first UNAHA meeting we attended. Bob has been an inspiration to the team since we first met him. We have had great mentors in our time, and Bob is definitely one of them. He has met with the NPHA team, the Board of Commissioners and some of the Tribal Council, and has left a positive impression on all of us. We have gained knowledge and expertise through Bob's teachings that has made us confident and strong. We cannot thank Bob enough for his insight and guidance throughout the years.

At this event, NPHA was recognized by receiving a Certificate of Achievement from the HUD Office of Native American Programs for the completion of the Sioux City Tri-Plex and the purchase of the Norfolk Elder Tri-Plex. This was made possible by using the FY 2019-2020 ICDBG and the FY 2021 ICDBG-ARP Imminent Threat Program.

Alex Villalpando, the Director of Maintenance was also awarded on this special night for his many years of dedicated service to NPHA, and for consistently displaying exceptional skills and dedication. He has played a significant role in helping our team reach impressive milestones. Alex manages the rehabilitation and maintenance of our housing stock; he also plays a significant role in planning, applying for, and managing grants. More specifically, the ICDBG grant. NPHA is thankful to have been a recipient of many times; coming out to a total of $7.7 million dollars, that Alex has helped manage. Over the last few years, Alex has been working tirelessly to help plan and oversee new construction development activities for our elderly housing projects in our Service Delivery Area, adding another $9 million plus to manage through competitive grants.

Joey Nathan was recognized this year as a Legend in Indian Housing. Bob said that Joey brings enthusiasm, positivity, intelligence and leadership to each task she is assigned. For over 10 years, Joey has operated one of the best Housing programs in Indian Country. She has built a dynamic staff of housing professionals who have helped her capture $7.7 million in ICDBG funding. She has a home ownership program, and several new construction projects. She has served as UNAHA Treasurer for over 10 years, assuring that funds are reviewed

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Bob Gauthier



Alex Villalpando



Joey Nathan

Ponca Tribe and Indian Center partner on Circle of Health Events








Tribal Sweat Lodge at Fred LeRoy rebuilt

In April, the Tribal Sweat Lodge at the Fred LeRoy Health and Wellness Center was rebuilt by spiritual leaders Robert Sweeney and Rose BirdHead, with the help of several volunteers. The Tribe is pleased to be able to offer this traditional healing again soon. For more information on services, please contact Robert at 402-637-1372 or Rose at 531-255-8088.



Tribal Home Visiting Now Enrolling!

The Tribal Home Vising Program (THV) will begin assisting families prenatal to kindergarten who are enrolled in any federally recognized Tribe and living in the Lincoln and Lancaster County areas. This resource is completely free of charge.

Our certified THV Visitors conduct the visits where they will implement high quality, culturally relevant, evidence-based visits in our community that will ensure our families have access to knowledge and resources. Number of visits and length of service will vary by family, but each visit will be 90 minutes minimum.

For more information on this program, please contact our team:

Abbi Miranda-Carreto, *402.670.7976*
amiranda-carreto@poncatribe-ne.gov

Jessica Upton, *402.315.2760*
jupton@poncatribe-ne.gov

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WE RAISE OUR OWN
PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Community Health Workers learn more about health programming for Elders



Mid-March, the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Community Health Workers (Beth, Miranda, Klarice, and Nancie) and our health grant writer (Deidre Rivera) traveled to Washington, DC for the Title VI National Conference. We were able to learn more about nutrition, traditional foods and exercises for our Elders.

We also learned how to find and implement more programs into our Elders congregate meals. We look forward to sharing what we learned with our Elders and Caregivers.

HeartSaver Training



The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is offering HeartSaver (CPR/AED) courses for Ponca members. These are 3 1/2 hour classes, are limited to 12 students per class, and are first-come, first-served. All participants will receive a $25 gift card. Childcare and food are provided.

CLASS LOCATION/DATES:

Ralston: Saturday, May 4 | 10:00 am-1:30 pm
Lincoln: Friday, May 17 | 5:00 pm-8:30 pm
Niobrara: Saturday, June 15 | 10:00 am-1:30 pm
Norfolk: Saturday, August 24 | 10:00 am-1:30 pm
Sioux City: Saturday, October 5 | 10:00 am-1:30 pm

Members must sign up NO LATER THAN 7 days prior to the start of the class. Enrollment must be verified to participate. Please note, a valid email is necessary to receive your AHA certification. To sign up, visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080845A4A62EABFF2-47059579-ponca.

For more information, **or if you require childcare** please contact Tori Champaign at 402.315.2760 or vchampaign@poncatribe-ne.gov.

Tee-Time for Members!

Tatanka Golf Club
53138 NE-12 | Niobrara, NE

Ponca Members can now request one tee-time per day for one foursome of golfers at the Tatanka Golf Club. **Some exclusions apply.

To book a tee-time, please book with the QR code For more information, please contact Kyle Taylor at ktaylor@poncatribe-ne.gov.

***The tee-times for these golfers may be booked 120 days in advance with a minimum 2 days to book. Holidays are excluded. Sunday through Thursday tee-times can be booked any time after 9:00 a.m. and on Fridays and Saturdays can be booked after 10:00 a.m. Exact tee off times are not are not guaranteed for date requested. There is a $20 per person golf cart rental to be paid at the course when checking in at the clubhouse. Tee times may not be changed. Members must cancel their current request, and submit a new one.*

NPHA: Ongoing efforts recognized



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each year and a tax return was submitted on behalf of the organization. Joey was honored recently for her superb efforts in maximizing the Department of Treasury Rental Assistance program.

We would like to send a big thank you to the Tribal Council for your ongoing support of NPHA! Special thanks to Councilwoman Schlotman and Chairwoman Schmidt for attending the award banquet to show support of our staff and board members.

No problem. Period.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER! DEADLINE TO ORDER IS JULY 13!

All female Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members **ages 9-27** are invited to participate in the Osni Ponka Youth Council No Problem. Period. Project.

Scan the QR code to order any **two** products for FREE online. The products will be mailed directly to you.

Female Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members ages 9-27 can order any two menstrual products:

- Period Panties
- Menstrual Cup
- Nighttime Pads

Limit of two products per female Ponca Tribe of NE member. Must be between the ages of 9-27. Must be actively enrolled and information must match that of enrollment. Final orders will be mailed July 15.

Reel Mentors Youth Fishing Event

June 2 | 10 am-2 pm

Platte River State Park
14421 346th Street
Louisville, NE 68037

D2 youth ages 8-16 are invited to a day of fishing and fun!
Register by scanning the QR code or online at https://poncatribeofne.formstack.com/forms/reel_mentors_reg_june2024

Participants MUST register online! Contact Becci at 531.222.4471 for more information.



PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Hazard Mitigation Plan Open House Meeting

We need your input! Attend any of the following open houses to talk about your experiences from severe weather events and what you would like to see done in the future.

Monday, May 20, 2024
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Ponca Health Services
(use North doors)
1600 Windhoek Dr
Lincoln, NE 68512

Monday, June 3, 2024
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Tribal Headquarters
2523 Woodbine St
Niobrara, NE 68760

Monday, June 10, 2024
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Norfolk Office
(Transit Building)
1800 Syracuse Ave
Norfolk, NE 68701

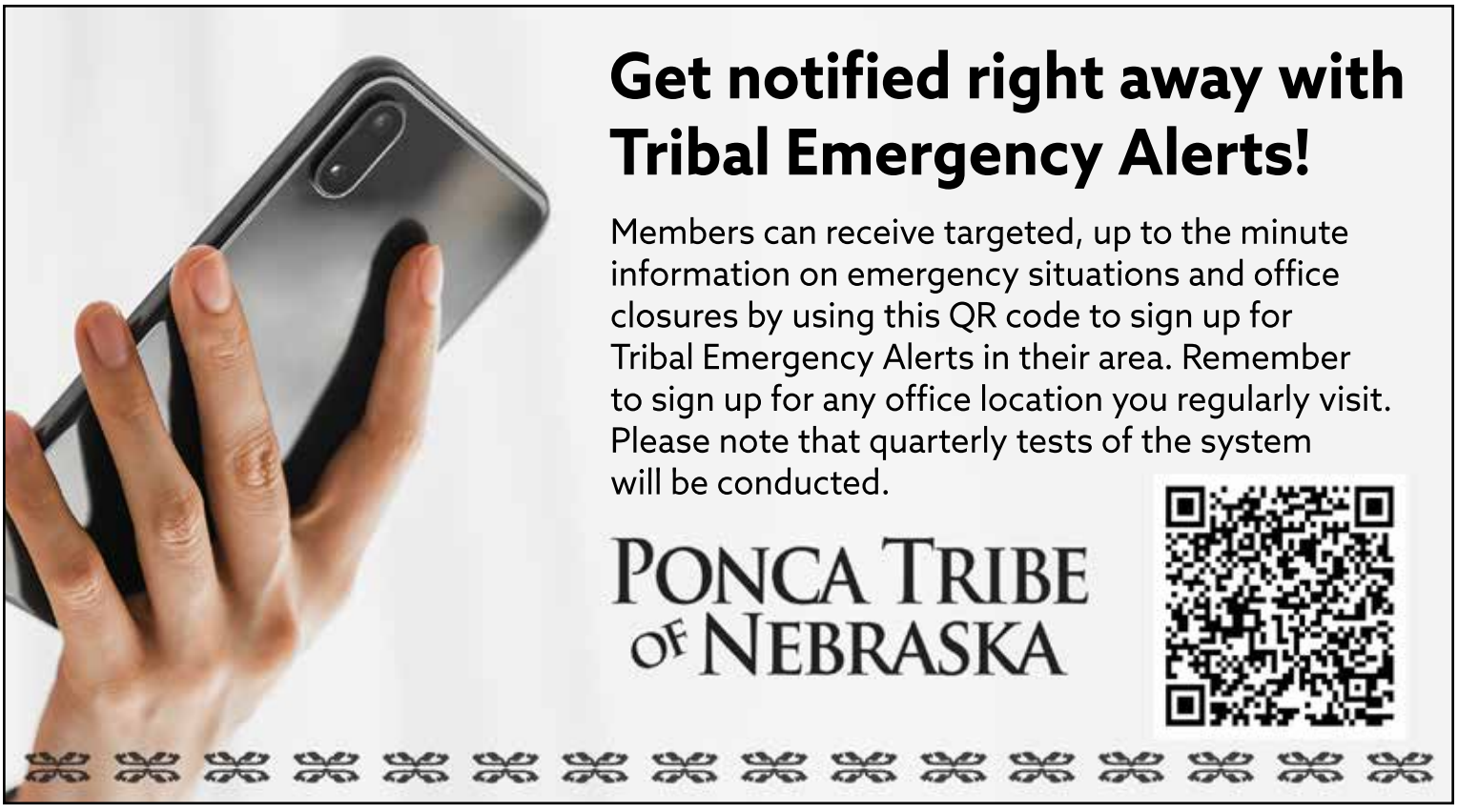
PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is developing a Tribal-specific Hazard Mitigation Plan to identify vulnerabilities to natural disasters. The primary focus of the plan is to preserve and protect Tribal infrastructure, facilities, members, elders, and culturally significant sites in the service area.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.jeo.com/ponca-tribe-hmp

Brooke Seachord
bseachord@jeo.com



Get notified right away with Tribal Emergency Alerts!

Members can receive targeted, up to the minute information on emergency situations and office closures by using this QR code to sign up for Tribal Emergency Alerts in their area. Remember to sign up for any office location you regularly visit. Please note that quarterly tests of the system will be conducted.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

2024 Youth Indian Police Academy

Seeking Highly Motivated High School Students

BIA-BIE Youth Indian Police Academy

The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education are hosting the second annual Youth Indian Police Academy for high school students held at the Riverside Indian School. Students will leave the program with an understanding of community policing, which is focused on providing encouragement, hope, inspiration, and mentorship for participants.



How to Apply:

Twenty-eight students will be chosen to participate and receive travel, housing, and meals. Students must submit a five-paragraph essay explaining who they are, their life goals, and why they want to attend the Youth Indian Police Academy. Final essays must be emailed to Carla.Whiteman@bie.edu on or before May 17, 2024.

Note for Guardians:

Upon student selection, guardians must complete an admissions package, which will be emailed after selections are finalized.

FACTS & TASKS

When:

June 16-28, 2024

Where:

Riverside Indian School
Anadarko, OK

Deadline:

May 17, 2024

HANDS-ON LEARNING:

- Accident Investigation & Crime Scene Labs
- Driving Under the Influence Simulations
- Emergency Medical Services Certification
- Full Immersion Learning Field Trips
- K9 Demonstrations
- Nightly Team Building Events
- Special Weapons & Tactics Demonstrations
- Tactical Training Exercises



Interested in working with the Ponca buffalo?

GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR PONCA YOUTH AGES 18-27!

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska has formed a partnership with The Nature Conservancy to give Ponca youth the rare opportunity to gain hands on experience working with buffalo by visiting a variety of different buffalo ranches and tribal herds. There is a potential for the experience gained from this program to provide a career path towards working full time with the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Buffalo herd. For more information, please contact Courtney Chavez at 402.500.9979 or cchavez@poncatribe-ne.gov.



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Be ready for the next step.

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act- Indian and Native American Program

The Ponca Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program is funded by a Department of Labor Grant. The program assists individuals with education and training, job search activities, and employment related supportive services.

Information about hiring events, job listings, educational opportunities, and more is available on the Ponca Tribe WIOA Facebook page at **www.facebook.com/ptnwioa.**

If you are interested in obtaining education and training, contact the WIOA Program to see if you qualify for assistance.

The WIOA Staff are:

Colleen Plasek—Ralston | 402.315.2765
Bianca Marino—Norfolk | 402.371.8834
Lisa Agans—Lincoln | 402.438.9222

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
WIOA

Recognizing the crisis of our Missing and Murdered Relatives

Wathina Porter
Domestic Violence Case Manager



The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska's Domestic Violence Program would like to inform our community on the crisis of our Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives (MMIR) and what the Domestic Violence Program has been doing to bring light this crisis affecting our relatives.

Starting in January 2024 and leading up to May, the Domestic Violence Training and Outreach Specialists have showcased 2 MMIR cases each month from around our communities. The Domestic Violence Program has been sharing our Missing Relatives Information on social media, at local community centers, with program partners, with local news stations, and we have met with law enforcement and several other organizations. The point of these meetings has been to educate our community on the crisis of our Missing Relatives, in hopes of creating an alliance, understanding, and to broaden the awareness of this crisis.

May 5th has been the National Day of Awareness for Missing Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. We wear red to acknowledge the thousands of young women and girls who go missing each year without a search party. According to the National Crime Information Center, 84% of Native women experience violence in their lifetime, 56% experience sexual violence, and of the victims who experienced sexual violence, 97% were victimized by non-Native perpetrators. Native American people face some of the highest rates of violence in this country, experiencing violent crime at higher rates than the national average.

Based on National Institute of Justice; May 2023 Missing and Murdered Indigenous individuals made up from 4.3 percent to 5.9 percent of Nebraska's missing-person population. Native Americans go missing becauseof domestic violence, substance abuse, mental health challenges, lack of affordable housing or homelessness and poverty.

When Native American community members were interviewed about barriers to reporting or investigating missing relatives, they included: Lack of communication between different types of law enforcement, fear of re-victimization, stereotype-informed belief among law enforcement that Native Americans with substance abuse or other problems are not missing, a lack of understanding of the criminal justice system on the part of victim service providers.

From a service provider perspective, the barriers included: Lack of collaboration between law enforcement, victims, families and service agencies, lack or resources among small tribal agencies, and lack of trust between service provider clients and law enforcement.

The Domestic Violence Program has done an outstanding job in educating local law enforcement agencies in addressing and educating them on this crisis and how we can work together moving forward. The Domestic Violence Program provides a welcoming arm to victims of Domestic Violence and we continue our cultural understanding of our relatives to program partners, community resources, law enforcement, and other advocacy organizations.

Highlighting a few solutions implemented to address our missing relatives:

March 6, 2019: LB-154 was signed into law by Governor Pete Ricketts that mandates a study to determine how to increase state criminal justice, protective, and investigative resources for reporting and identifying missing Native American women and children in Nebraska.

October 2020: Savannah Act was signed into law to improve the federal response to missing or murdered indigenous peoples (MMIP), including coordinating with Federal, Tribal and local law agencies.

October 2023: Nebraska Attorney General Mike Hilgers announced our Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons; Grace Johnson. led by Bureau Chief of Criminal Bureau. Grace will coordinate with tribal, federal, state and local entities in reporting and investigating our Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives.

DV Program hosts Honoring Women Events

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Domestic Violence Program held Honoring Women Events at all office locations in March. Culture Department staff gave a presentation on women in Ponca culture, and DV staff presented a slide show of women submitted by members and staff to be honored.








Child Care Development Fund

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska uses the Federal government's Child Care and Development Fund to provide assistance to families who need child care due to work, work-related training and/or attending school.

In order to qualify for this benefit program:

- You must be a parent or primary caregiver responsible for children under the age of 13 years of age, or under 19 if incapable of self-care or under court supervision who needs assistance paying for daycare
- The children must be enrolled Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members or have their enrollment pending
- In order to qualify you must be either employed or enrolled in a training or education program
- You must reside in one of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska's Service Delivery Areas
- Your daycare provider must have their business in one of the tribe's Service Delivery Areas
- Once you have confirmation from the State of Nebraska showing denial for their Child Care Subsidy Program, you are eligible to be considered for our Child Care and Development Fund program.

For more information or to see if you qualify for acceptance into the program, contact the program coordinator:

Stephanie Pospisil, Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
1600 Windhoek Dr | Lincoln, NE 68512
531-248-3030 x 1108 | spospisil@poncatribe-ne.gov



Important Notice:
Families with Loved Ones in the Ponka Cemetery

In an effort to honor and memorialize our ancestors and loved ones who rest in unmarked graves in our Ponka Cemetery, the Culture Department is requesting your assistance.

Our goal is to create a comprehensive record that pays tribute to the legacy of our relatives. Your participation will contribute to the preservation of our shared heritage, ensuring that each individual is remembered with the respect they deserve.

Your assistance will help us compile vital information, including location of the grave, and name, date of birth, and date of death of the relative buried there.



If you have family members laid to rest in unmarked graves, please reach out to **Theresa Foley** at **tfoley@poncatribe-ne.gov.**

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PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Call Now to Secure Your Place in the Circle!

Mondays | 10 am - 2 pm
Fred LeRoy Health and Wellness Center
2602 J St. | Omaha, NE

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Behavioral Health Department is offering group sessions for Relapse Prevention Therapy. The program will last 14 to 16 weeks.

For more information, please contact JoAnn O'Connell at 402.738.3170.

Ponca Health Services
Behavioral Health





Calling all Ponca Veterans!

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) is working to create a comprehensive list of all Ponca veterans for present and future recognition of service. As such, the THPO is respectfully requesting members who are veterans, or those who have family that have served, help provide information, including:

- Branch of service
- Dates served
- Details or a story from that service
- Wars served
- Photographs

This information will be featured on a veterans honor wall in the Ponca Tribe Museum, and will be used to honor veterans.

To submit veteran information, please contact Theresa Foley, THPO via email (tfoley@poncatribe-ne.gov) or via mail:

Theresa Foley, THPO
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
5805 S 86th Circle
Omaha, NE 68127

Youth groups stay busy with great activities for children!

Norfolk, Sioux City, and Niobrara has youth group running in full swing!

We have been doing a variety of activities that include talking circle, awareness month activities, culture, crafts and family gatherings.

If you would like more information about how to get your child/children signed up for youth group please reach out to Leah Franklin by email or phone lfranklin@poncatribe-ne.gov or 531-269-0276

Norfolk: Every Wednesday from 2:30 pm-5:30 pm

Sioux City: Every 3rd Monday of the month from 3 pm-5 pm

Niobrara: Every 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:00am-Noon









Regalia Classes

Sundays| 1-5 pm
January 20-July 6
(no class March 30 due to holidays)

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
1701 E Street | Lincoln, NE

Learn to create your own regalia, and enjoy time spent working together on regalia projects! Classes are open to all ages.

For more information, contact:
Christy Conrad at
christy.smith2@gmail.com
or call 402.975.5648.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA



Regalia Classes

Sundays | 12 pm - 4 pm
Classes begin February 25
(no class March 31 due to holidays)

Fred Leroy Health & Wellness Center
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
2602 J St. | Omaha NE 68107

Learn to create your own regalia and enjoy time spent working together on regalia projects. All supplies will be provided and classes are open to all ages.

The instructor is Marissa Wright. Contact her at 402.841.1728 or marissajanewright@gmail.com for more information.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

First Ponca buffalo calves born April 2nd!





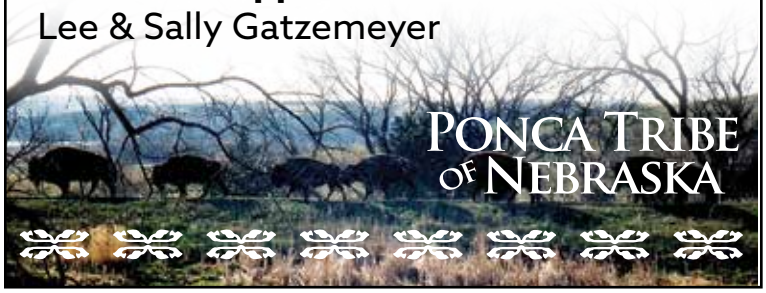
Adopt-A-Buffalo Sponsors

These friends have helped our buffalo herd prosper by adopting herd members through our Adopt-A-Buffalo program! Thank you for your support and preservation of this majestic symbol of Native America.

Yearling group supporters:
Breanna LeRoy

Herd Group Supporters:
Cheryl Fogg

Herd Bull Supporters:
Lee & Sally Gatzemeyer



Adopt a buffalo today!



You can help our buffalo to prosper by adopting one or more members of our herd. Our Adopt-A-Buffalo program is open to both Tribal members and Non-Tribal friends. You will receive a photo of your buffalo along with an official adoption certificate. Just choose from the three categories of yearly support listed below:

$25 for the Yearling Group
$50 for the Buffalo Herd Group
$100 for the Head Herd Bull Group

Make Checks payable to: Northern Ponca Buffalo Program
Mail to: Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
P.O. Box 288
Niobrara, Nebraska 68760
ATTN: Northern Ponca Buffalo Program



Taylor excelling in all fields

CeCe Taylor, daughter of Alexia Taylor and William Knudsen, and granddaughter of Barbara Taylor, Clifford Taylor, and Melvin and Joanne Knudsen, attends Norfolk Junior High School for the 2023-24 school year and is in 8th grade. She was Student of the Month in November 2023 and made 1st semester Honor Roll for the 2023-2024 school year. She also was named to the Principal's list fall term of the same school year. This list recognizes students who have all A's and grade point average of at least 94. As noted by her mother, CeCe also plays violin in the school's orchestra and has been playing violin since 4th grade. She is in both the Show Choir and regular choir. Cece is also active in sports. She participates in both wrestling and track. Her family is very proud of all her accomplishments!

A chance meeting at the Capitol

Maci Schott and Judi gaiashkibos, Executive Director of the Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs, at a chance encounter at the Nebraska State Capitol. Maci is a 4th grade teacher at Elkhorn and was on a field trip with her students when they saw each other.



Congratulations!

Rylan Richards, Sixth grade, from Alexandria, VA was chosen from his elementary school to participate in the Mount Vernon High School art show.





Our website has moved!

You can now find the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska website at **www.poncatribe-ne.gov**.

Your login information for the website remains the same as before.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA



Elder's Committee Meetings

May 6 | 10 am
Ponca Offices | Norfolk, NE

June 3 | 10 am
Ponca Offices | Ralston, NE

NEBRASKA'S NEW VOTER ID LAW

What ID can I use to vote?

ID must have your **name** and **photo**. It can be expired. Acceptable forms of photo IDs include:

- Nebraska driver's license/state ID
- U.S. passport, military ID, tribal ID
- Hospital, assisted-living facility or nursing home record
- Nebraska political subdivision ID (state, county, city, school, etc.)
- Nebraska college or university ID

What will NOT be accepted?

- Birth certificate
- Medicare/Medicaid card
- Out-of-state driver's license
- Out-of-state college ID
- Social Security card
- Store membership card
- Utility bill/bank statement
- Voter registration acknowledgement card

Contact Nebraska SOS
for more information on voter ID.
VoterID.Nebraska.gov
sos.elect@nebraska.gov
(402) 471-2555

Contact Nebraska DMV
for more information on a free state ID for voting purposes.
dmv.ne.gov

Contact Nebraska DHHS
for more information on a free certified copy of your Nebraska birth certificate to get a free state ID for voting purposes.
dhhs.ne.gov

Revised February 2024



Nebraska Secretary of State

When does voter ID take effect?

The first Nebraska election requiring voter ID will be the statewide primary in 2024:

May 14, 2024

All elections in Nebraska after that will require voter ID.

In 2022, Nebraska voters approved a constitutional amendment requiring voter ID. In June 2023, the governor signed into law LB514, the bill putting voter ID into effect.

What if I forget my ID?

You will fill out a provisional ballot. For your ballot to count, you will need to present an acceptable form of photo ID to your county election office **on or before the Tuesday after the election**.

How do I vote with voter ID?

IN PERSON
Present an acceptable form of photo ID or vote provisionally.

EARLY IN OFFICE
Present an acceptable form of photo ID or vote provisionally.

EARLY BY MAIL
Write driver's license/state ID number on **early voting application** or enclose a copy of acceptable form of photo ID or reasonable impediment certification with application.

BY-MAIL PRECINCTS OR BY-MAIL SPECIAL ELECTIONS
Write driver's license/state ID number on **ballot return envelope** or enclose a copy of acceptable form of photo ID or reasonable impediment certification in ballot return envelope.

What if I can't afford an ID?

You can get a **free state ID** for voting from the DMV. If you were born in Nebraska and need your birth certificate to get a free state ID, you can get a **free certified copy of your birth certificate** from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. A birth certificate is not an acceptable form of photo ID.

What if I can't get an ID?

If you have a reasonable impediment, you can complete a certification instead of presenting a photo ID. Reasonable impediments are:

- Inability to obtain a valid ID due to:
  - Disability or illness
  - Lack of birth certificate or other required documents
- Religious objection to being photographed

Contact your county election office or the Secretary of State's Office for more information.

Enrollment Department – 2024 Census

Dear Tribal Member;

Each year, in the month of April, the Enrollment Committee will conduct a census of the members of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska. The information that is received will help to update the enrollment records. When completed please mail back to: PO Box 288, Niobrara, NE 68760.

Your name:_____ Date:_____

Is there a member or relative that you know has passed away in the last 5 years? Yes:_____ No:_____
If yes, please list the name of the individual(s) that you know of and who we may contact for further information.

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Are we sending your mailings to the correct address? Yes:_____ No:_____
If not, please list your complete physical and mailing address. (Don't forget to include apartment numbers.)

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Please list all of the Ponca members who reside in your home, including yourself.

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If you have a child that has recently moved out of your household, please list their name and address. (Mailing & physical)

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If you have recently had a name change due to marriage, divorce or otherwise, please list your previous/new name below and attach a copy of your marriage certificate, divorce decree, etc. for verification of your name change.
Previous name:_____
New name:_____

Are you a registered Tribal voter? Yes:_____ No:_____ (You may contact the enrollment department if you are unsure.)
If you are not registered would you like a Tribal Voter Registration form mailed to you? Yes:_____ No:_____

Have you or do you currently serve in the military? Yes:_____ No:_____ Branch:_____
Date of service:_____/_____/_____

Thank you! We appreciate your response!

**If you know of any Ponca members that are not receiving their mailings from the Ponca Tribe please have them contact the enrollment department.

HELP US UPDATE OUR MEMBER INFORMATION!

Hello Members,

The Enrollment Department is doing their best to keep our members information current and up to date but we can't do it without your help. If you've moved or need to report a death please contact us to let us know.

Below is a list of members that are inactive. **This means that we do not have a current address for them on file or maybe a death was never reported or documents were never received.** If you see the name of someone you know who has moved please contact them and tell them to update their information with us. If there is the name of someone you know who has passed please contact us. We need a death certificate or document on file in order to change their status.

You may contact the Enrollment Department at enrollment@poncatribe-ne.gov, or contact the Niobrara or Lincoln offices.

We appreciate your help!

INACTIVE MEMBERS AS OF 5/1/2024

Alvarez, Marie Lynn
Anthony, Jr., Steven Scott
Bagent, Wayne Orval
Baggett, Donovon Joseph
Baker, Skylar Dominick
Baker-Ferguson, Jared Riley
Banuelos, Christa Rose
Bear, Joshua Gilbert
Beaver, Jason Chaska
Becker, Jr., Anthony Arnold
Becker, Klaudia Solee
Becker, Sr., Anthony Arnold
Becker, Tyller Randell
Bell, Darian Patrick
Bell, Shaune` Kay
Birdhead, William Randolph
Blowe, Dominick Adams
Blowe, Isaiah Fredrick
Blowe, Tyrone Richard
Boettger, Dakota Birdhead
Bonge, Angela Marie
Bonge, Todd Joseph
Boone, Marcus Daniel
Boyer, Berlin N.
Branstiter, Brett Theodore
Brooks, Angela Ellen
Brown, J. Wesley
Brown, La`Trel Lucious
Brownrigg, Steven Francis
Buckley, X`zavia Shereese
Burston, Sandra Lee
Cantu, Angela Marie
Cantu, Denairo Franc
Carter, Amber Lynn
Chwalowski, Kaitlin Martika
Clark, Michael Carl
Cutshall, Katline James
Da Moude, Deborah Kay
Danielson, Daniel James
Danner, III, Terry Edward
Davis, Mary Frances
Delquadri, Dale Chad
Drapeaux, Juston Lee
Eckley, Lane Emory
Eckley, Leigha Irene
Ertzner-Kitto, Jared Logan
Evans, Kaci Antonette
Evans, Kareem Antwon
Ewoldt, Jackson Thomas
Fasthorse, Beverlee Ann
Fitzgerald, Jacob Steven
Flagg, I I I., George Albert
Flowers, Joseph
Foley, Michael Joseph
Freeman, Xavier Lee
Glenn, John Allen
Glisan, Cynthia Lynn
Gortarez, Gina Marie
Gortarez, Rudy John
Goss, Mamie L.
Govia, Isaiah Lee
Govia, Mc Kenzie Jo
Grant, I I I., Jesse Clarence
Green, Brooklyn Marie
Gutierrez, Vincent Clarence
Haahr, Anneliese Teresa
Haak, Tehya Joe
Hallowell Jr., Timothy Eugene
Hamilton, Bobbi-Jo Danielle
Hampshire, Austin Taylor
Harris, Paul Joseph
Hart-La Londe, Kaedyn Mikael
Hazelwood, Zachary Ben
Hennek, Gail Howe
Henritze, Joseph Dale
Henritze, Karen June
Henritze, Nichole Rae
Hocking-Gosnell, Zalla C.
Hogie, Jamie Lyn
Hope, Dorothea Jo Ann
Horine, Ashley Danielle
Howe, Richard H.
Humphreys, Belinda Kay
Jeppesen, Zachary Lee
Johnson, Lukus Tyler
Kelso, James Alan
Kerrigan, Kathleen Ann
King, Gavin Michael
Krueger, Annette Marie
Kyles, Jarred Joseph
LaPointe, Alejandro Jauquine
Latimer, LaRohn Lewis
Le Roy, Gisele Marie
Lerew Jr, Zachariah Ray
Lieb, Donovan Joseph
Lieb, Sylas Vittorio
Little, Jeromy Todd
Livermore, Lakin Mardell
Lopez, Jr., Juan Francisco
Maben, Jessica Paige
Mann II, Steven Michael
Mann, Sydney Desiree`
Mategko, Janet Louise
Mategko, Lisa Louise
Mategko, Michael Steven
Matthews, Jett Haden
McGrath, Bryan Thomas
McGrath, Daniel Patrick
Mercier, Jade Sharice
Moniz, Sydney Louise
Morris, Eddie Atkins White Star
Mullen, Michael Thomas
Mullen, Owen Dean
Muscutt, Elias Gordon
O'Flynn, Shania Marie
O'Meara, Joseph Christopher
O'Meara, Sheila Faye
Peck, Brandalynn
Peck, Tyler Duane
Pedroza, Jacob Roberto
Petersen, Kevin Lee
Peterson, Ashley Marie
Picotte - Felde, Diamond Rose
Pierce, Raychel Marie
Pilcher Jones, Josi Marie
Poafpybitty, Misty Brook
Polly, Rachael Anne
Prichard, Joseph John
Prunty, Austin Joe
Quintana Jr, Arthur Jose
Raymond, Joseph Allen
Remmenga, Daniel James
Richards, Robert Brandon
Roberts, Marquitta Ruby
Rowe, Crystle Anette
Rulo, Byron
Russell, Kristina Anne
Rydstrom, Jeric LeDrew
Rydstrom, Miranda Kay
Rydstrom, Nevaeh Renee-Irene
Sainz, Tritia Jeanene
Sarton, Gwendolyn Lee
Schmidt, Jaye Anthony
Schmidt, Jr., Karl Michael
Scuderi, Jana Marie
Scurlocke, Athena Larissa Lucille
Scurlocke, Jolene Ann
Sherman, Britney Leslie May
Sherman, Cody Lee
Sherman, Harold Dewayne
Sherman, John Glenn
Sherman, Michael Ray
Sherman, Mitchell Everett
Sherman, Robert Le Roy
Sherman, Savannah
Shiltz, Shirley Ann
Simpkins, Sebastian Ray
Smith, Ashley Nicole
Smith, Danial Ray
Smith, Stephanie Rae
Sparks, Dakota Bradley
Standsblack, Marko Tulio
Stastny, Rachel Colleen
Steadman, Brittany Jean Ann
Stegman, Mi'a Miwasa Nevaeh
Stolle, Ryan Matthew
Stuczynski, Drake Keegan
Sutter, Summer Lynn
Swinarski, Alicia Estrada
Taylor, Ka`ili Brianna
Thomas, II, Scott Richard Herbert
Thomas, Jenny Anne
Thomas, Natana Lynn
Thomas, Robin Diane
Todd, Melody Louise
Treichler, Jasmine Dawn
Vaughan, Linda Lou
Veals, Clifford James
Voss, Joshua Le Roy
Voss, Michael Roy
Waters, Deon Koleen
Wayte, April May
Wells, Eric Damien
White, Abrianna Aliya
White, Tianna Alexia
Whiting, Jerica Ryan Taylor
Williams, Andrea Michelle
Williams, Summer Rose
Wintermantel, Samuel Max Kawakami
Wooten, Kendra Jade
Wright, Chaz Adolph
Wright, Cherita Alberta
Wright, Cruz Montgomery
Wright, Tessa Jean
Wright, Yesenia Carmen
York, Gregory Allen
Young, Darius Alonzo
Young, Ma Kenna Kay

(Please sign your name in the area below with a BLACK felt tip marker)

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TRIBAL MEMBERS
(please print)

NAME:_____DOB:_____

MAILING ADDRESS:_____

_____ PHONE: _____

PHYSICAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING):

_____

_____

EMAIL:_____

VETERANS ONLY: MILITARY BRANCH:_____

*****Service papers must be submitted to the enrollment department if you are requesting a military seal.**

FOR A PHOTO ID PLEASE SIGN AND FILL OUT THIS PAGE.
DON'T FORGET TO SEND (EMAIL) YOUR PICTURE AS WELL

Photo ID Instructions

1. **Signature**
   Please completely fill in the information on the bottom of the signature page. With a **black** felt tip marker please sign your name in the middle of the top of the signature page. **(Please note that children do not require a signature for theirs.)**

2. **Clear readable copies of the following must be submitted:**
   a: State Driver's License, State ID Card or other valid Picture ID card
   (It **must** have your picture and signature on it)

   b: If you are **not** an enrolled member of the Ponca Tribe, but your child is, you must still submit a copy of your State Driver's License, State ID Card or other valid Picture ID and a copy of your child(s) Social Security Card and Tribal Enrollment Card for proof of enrollment.

3. **Photo Options:**
   You must submit a current photo without filters and a solid colored background. You can email it to - enrollment@poncatribe-ne.gov or you may mail documentation and current photo to:
   Ponca Tribe of NebraskaEnrollment Department, PO Box 288, Niobrara, NE 68760-0288
   *****Please note that we can/will NOT use a photo from your state ID or driver's license.**

4. Military Seals:
   Military branch seals are available for veterans. Military service papers must be submitted to the enrollment department to show proof of veteran status.

Change of Address Form

Mail to: PTN Enrollment Dept PO Box 288 Niobrara, NE 68760 Fax: 402-857-3771

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD MUST BE AN ENROLLED PONCA TRIBE MEMBER

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OTHER ENROLLED PONCA TRIBE MEMBERS IN HOUSEHOLD:

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PREVIOUS ADDRESS: (Street/P.O. Box, Apt #, City, State, Zip, County)

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NEW ADDRESS: (Street/P.O. Box, Apt #, City, State, Zip, County)

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PHONE NUMBER:_____

ALTERNATE/CELL NUMBER:_____

E-mail: _____

DATE NEW ADDRESS IN EFFECT:_____

To provide better services to Ponca tribal members, this information will be shared with all PTON Departments as needed. Any service may be suspended until this information is corrected and/or updated.

_____ _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED DATE

Calling all Ponca Member Owned businesses:

If you are interested in receiving RFP/RFQs to be able to bid on Tribal projects, please use the form below to share or update your business information with Procurement.

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Bidders List Contact Information:

Full Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Business Address: _____

_____

Business Phone Number: _____

Business Email address: _____

Business Fax: _____

☐ Ponca Owned ☐ Native Owned ☐ Women Owned ☐ Veteran Owned ☐ Other

Please provide a copy of Proof of Indian Ownership*

GSA Contract #: _____

Duns #: _____ NAICS# _____ Fed ID _____

Social Security #: _____

Description of Business: _____

_____

When completed please return to:
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Attn: Chris Minarik
2523 Woodbine Street
Niobrara, NE 68760

christinem@poncatribe-ne.gov
402-857-3391

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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Niobrara, NE 68760

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PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA Office Locations

NIOBRARA 68760

Headquarters
2523 Woodbine St., P.O. Box 288
Ph: (402) 857-3391
Fax: (402) 857-3736

Enrollment
2523 Woodbine St., P.O. Box 288
Ph: (402) 857-3391
Fax: (402) 857-3771

Cultural
P.O. Box 288
Ph: (402) 857-3519
Fax: (402) 857-3652

LINCOLN 68512

Administration
1600 Windhoek Dr.
Ph: (402) 438-9222
Fax: (402) 438-9226

Ponca Health Services-Lincoln
1600 Windhoek Dr
Ph: (531) 248-3030

Osni Ponca
2756 O Street
Ph: (402) 434-2127
Fax: (402) 434-2128

NORFOLK 68701

Administration Building
1800 Syracuse Ave.
Ph: (402) 371-8834
Fax: (402) 371-7564

Gym Building
1800 Syracuse Ave.
Ph: (402) 371-8834
Fax: (402) 379-0988

Ponca Hills Clinic
Ph: (402) 371-8780
(402) 371-5726
Fax: (402) 379-4291 - Pharmacy
(402) 379-4293 - Registration
(402) 371-4094 - Medical Lab

Ponca Express
Ph: 877-769-3111

Northern Ponca Housing Authority
1501 Michigan Ave.
Ph: (402) 379-8224
(800) 367-2320
Fax: (402) 379-8557

Purchased/Referred Care
Ph: (800) 405-0365
Fax: (402) 371-0176

OMAHA 68107

Fred LeRoy Health & Wellness Clinic
2602 "J" Street
Ph: (402) 733-3612
Fax: (402) 733-3487

Administration
5805 South 86th Circle, 68127
Ph: (402) 315-2760

Dental
2602 "J" Street
Ph: (402) 733-1325
Fax: (402) 733-3487

Northern Ponca Housing Authority
10635 Birch., 68134
Ph: (402) 505-3055
Fax: (402) 505-3066

SIOUX CITY 51103

Administration
125 6th Street
Ph: (712) 258-0500
Fax: (402)939-0297

OTHER RESOURCES

Child Abuse Hotline
800-652-1999 (Nebraska)
800-362-2178 (Iowa)
877-244-0864 (South Dakota)

National Child Abuse Hotline
800-422-4453

National Suicide Hotline
800-273-8255

Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-7233

National Human Trafficking Hotline
888-373-7888

National Problem Gambling Helpline
800-522-4700

Elder Abuse Hotline
800-252-8966

Boys Town Crisis Line
800-448-3000

Drug Treatment & Referral Hotline
877-726-4727

Nebraska Family Helpline
888-866-8660

Veterans Crisis Line
800-273-8255

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