



PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA Member News



June 2023

29th Annual Northern Ponca POWWOW

August 11, 12 & 13, 2023

Follow us on Facebook for the most up-to-date information regarding the Powwow: [facebook.com/PTNPowwow](https://www.facebook.com/PTNPowwow)

Grand Entries: Fri - 7 pm | Sat - 1 pm & 7 pm | Sun - 1 pm
 Meals provided 1 hour before each Grand Entry

Diabetes Fun Run
 August 11 | 5 pm

Join us for a fun walk/run before Friday Grand Entry

Cornhole Tournament
 August 12 | 10 am

1st Prize: \$350
 2nd Prize: \$210
 3rd Prize: \$140

Horseshoe Tournament
 August 13 | 10 am

1st Prize: \$350
 2nd Prize: \$210
 3rd Prize: \$140

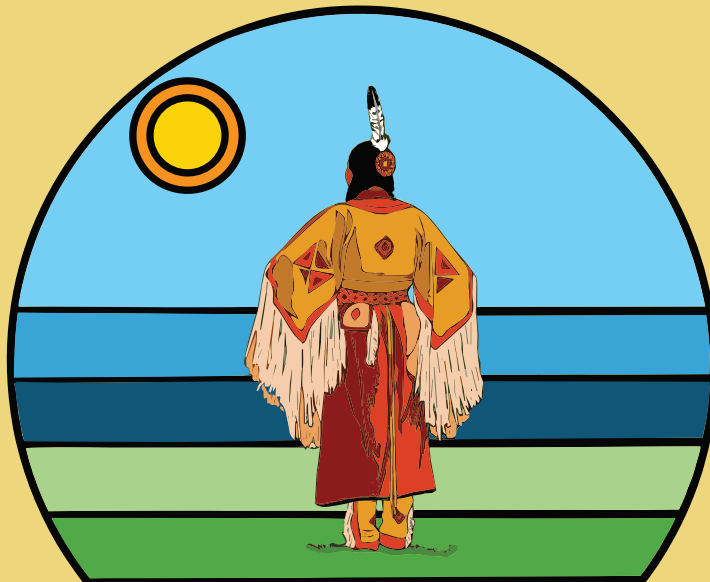
Team Dance Contest

3-5 dancers, all dancers must be in regalia
 1st Prize: \$400
 2nd Prize: \$250
 3rd Prize: \$150

Archery Range

Come experience language and culture through the medium of traditional archery. No experience required.

All Dancers, Vendors and Spectators Welcome.



T-Shirt and poster artwork created by Ponca member Troy Laravie-Spencer

Head Man
 Terry Danner

Head Woman
 Gwendolyn Wright Santiago

Head Boy
 Nester Lemus III

Head Girl
 Zaida Teboe

Arena Director
 Dennis Lewchuk

MC
 Shannon LeRoy

Head Drum
 Drowning Creek

Invited Drums
 Omaha Whitetail
 Standing Eagle
 New Breed
 Young Generation
 Mazakute
 Hilltop

Senior Princess
 V'Unna Givens

Junior Princess
 Lyla Boggs

Little Miss
 Mila Taylor

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:

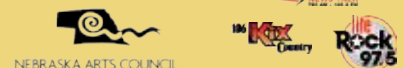
One mile West of Niobrara on Highway 12. Turn left at the Ponca Sign, located across from the Niobrara State Park. Follow the pavement to the Powwow Grounds.



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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@poncatribene.org

With the support of the Nebraska Arts Council.



On the cover: Anton G. Hajjar, vice chairman, with U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors; Ponca Tribal Chairwoman Candace Schmidt; Judi M. gaiashkibos, executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs look on as the Chief Standing Bear Stamp is unveiled.

Chairwoman's Corner



Broadband/Digital Equity Meeting hosted by Chairwoman Schmidt in Norfolk

Greetings Relatives,

Before I get into my update, I wanted to take a moment to congratulate all our 2023 Ponca Graduates. Whether you graduated from preschool, high school, or college we are extremely proud of you for completing this milestone. I'd like to share a favorite quote of mine as it relates to your accomplishment. "Go into the world and do well. But more importantly, go into the world and do good." We look forward to seeing and hearing about what comes next for you. Enjoy the journey.

As it relates to graduation ceremonies, I am working with the Nebraska Intertribal Council on putting together a resolution for Tribal Chairs to sign that would address Native American students being allowed to incorporate tribal regalia including beading and eagle feathers within their graduation attire. Once finalized any of our

students may request a copy of this should they run into any issues at graduation time.

Recently, we hosted a meeting at our Norfolk office with Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota officials to discuss broadband and digital equity. At the meeting we shared information about our tribe and potential areas of need as well as received potential resources that might be available to us in helping with some of the needs identified. (See info regarding the Affordable Connectivity program to the right.)

Additional highlights from these last couple of months:

- Tribal Council participated in a Robert's Rules and Governance Training together along with some of our executive staff
- Diabetes Healthy Living Walk/Run and Powwow

- Hand Game with Southern Ponca relatives
- United Nations Forum on Indigenous Issues
- Sacred Corn Planting
- First General Membership Meeting
- MMIW/R Awareness Events held
- Ponca Heights Elder Community Housing Ground Breaking
- Joey Nathan, Executive Director of NPHA, received an Outstanding Lifetime Service Award

- United States Postal Service Chief Standing Bear Stamp Dedication

In closing, Tribal Council will be holding strategic planning sessions with executive staff later this month. We will be reaching out to membership to get input through a needs assessment that we will be incorporating into our strategic plan. Wi Btha Ha (Thank you) for allowing me to share with you. Take care.

Candace Schmidt, Ponca Tribal Chairwoman

Norfolk youth group growing gardens and creating art

Under the guidance of Leah Franklin, Youth Specialist, the Norfolk youth groups are off to a great start!

The 5th-8th grade group began prep work for a container garden this summer, while the 9th-12th grade group took to the sidewalks, creating chalk art to greet visitors.

Youth groups have also recently started in Lincoln and Omaha. Watch the newsletter and our Facebook page for more information!



District 3 Membership Meeting Saturday, June 24 | 12 pm

1600 Windhoek Drive | Lincoln, NE
Lifesize available for those wishing to attend virtually

District 3 Ponca Tribe members are invited to join District 3 Tribal Council Representatives Susie Baker and Shanna Carpenter for a District 3 Membership Meeting at the new Ponca Tribe of Nebraska offices in Lincoln. This meeting will be a time to share your ideas, comments, and concerns with your District 3 Tribal Council Representatives, and collaborate with other District 3 members. Members from both within and outside the Service Delivery area are invited. Lunch will be served at noon, followed by the meeting at 1 pm.

Please RSVP by June 16 if you plan to attend in person. Tribal members wishing to participate virtually must contact Shanna Carpenter at 402.805.0883 shannac@poncatribene.org.



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US Postal Service honors Chief Standing Bear with stamp

Chief Standing Bear was honored Friday, May 12, 2023 with the unveiling of a U.S. Postal Service stamp featuring his portrait.

“For so long people didn’t know his story or the Ponca story — our own trail of tears,” Candace Schmidt, chairwoman of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska said. “We are finally able to tell his story of perseverance and how we as a tribe are resilient.”

Judi M. gaiashkibos, executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs, called the issuing of a Chief Standing Bear stamp a milestone that she hopes “provokes necessary conversations about race, sovereignty and equality in the United States.”

“It’s remarkable, that the story of Nebraska Native American civil rights leader Chief Standing Bear has progressed from a native man being considered a non-person by the U.S. Government in 1879, to today, being recognized by the Postal Service with a stamp honoring him as an American icon,” gaiashkibos said.

The Postal Service, which released the stamp at a ceremony Friday in Lin-



Descendents of Chief Standing Bear gather to celebrate the release of a stamp in his honor coln, Nebraska, has printed 18 million stamps. The stamp features a portrait of Chief Standing Bear by illustrator Thomas Blackshear II, based on a black and white photograph taken in 1877, the Postal Service said.

In attendance at the ceremony was Anton G. Hajjar, vice chairman, with

U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors; Candace Schmidt, chairwoman of Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Judi M. gaiashkibos, executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs; Steve Laravie Jr., a descendent of Chief Standing Bear; Joseph Starita, author of *I am a man: Chief Standing*

Bear’s Journey for Justice; and Maggie Stuckey-Ross, parks the recreation director of the City of Lincoln. Ponca drum group, The Horse sang at the event.

The unveiling ceremony was also attended by several members of the Ponca Tribe, including a number of descendents of Chief Standing Bear.

Anton G. Hajjar said the post office has been issuing stamps that honor the legacy of great Americans since the 1800s. In issuing the stamp of Chief Standing Bear, Hajjar noted, “It took our country far too long to recognize the humanity in many of its people – including the American Indians who lived in these lands for thousands of years.”



L-R: Senior Ponca Princess V’Unna Givens, author Joe Starita, Lincoln Parks & Rec Director Maggie Stuckey-Ross, Chief Standing Bear descendent Steve Laravie, Jr., USPS Vice Chairman Anton G. Hajjar, Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs Executive Director Judi gaiashkibos, Ponca Tribe of NE Chairwoman Candace Schmidt, Little Miss Ponca Princess Mila Taylor, and singer Mike Meagher

Members gather for Diabetes Powwow April 22 in Norfolk





Beading and regalia classes continue in multiple locations with more class offerings

There are now even more opportunities for members of all ages to learn beading and sewing techniques for regalia.

media for more information on these and future offerings!

In addition to beading classes in Norfolk, and the beading and regalia classes offered in conjunction with Healing Ribbons in Omaha, there will now be three more regalia classes offered by the Tribe in Omaha, Norfolk, and Lincoln.

Please watch the newsletter on the Tribe's social



Beading Class

Thursdays | 5:30-7:30 pm

Every 3rd Saturday | 12-4 pm

Please note there will be no Thursday class on the weeks with a Saturday class.

Norfolk Gym Cafeteria
1800 Syracuse | Norfolk, NE

Please join us for materials and instruction on beading.

For more information, please contact Ricky Wright, Jr. at 402.371.8834

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Beading Class

1st & 3rd Friday of each month | 6-9 pm
(unless otherwise specified)

Ralston Transit Building
5701 S 85th Circle | Omaha, NE

Please visit the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Facebook page for updated information on dates and class topics.

For more information, please contact: Valery Kills Crow Copeland at 402.612.3348.



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Regalia Classes

Wednesdays | 6 pm

Learning Nest | North side of building
1600 Windhoek Dr | Lincoln, NE

Learn to create your own regalia, and enjoy time spent working together on regalia projects!

May 17, 24, 31: Moccasins and flat beading
No class June 7

June 14: Loom beading

June 21 & 28: Dance fans

July 5 & 12: Porky Roaches

Further classes to be determined based on turnout and class suggestions.

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

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NPHA breaks ground on new Elder housing complex

Mud and cold temps didn't stop the Northern Ponca Housing Authority from breaking ground in Ralston on April 21 for the Ponca Heights Elder Community. NPHA Executives and Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council Representatives spoke about the project and what this will provide to the Ponca Tribe.

Ponca Heights will open in December 2024 with 20 two-bedroom homes, a community center, and a walking path.



Weekly Sewing Classes
 Sundays | 1-4 pm
 Fred LeRoy Health & Wellness Center | 2602 J Street | Omaha, NE
 Join us for sewing classes, and enjoy learning new skills and techniques for creating your own regalia. Classes start Sunday, May 21, and run through the end of August.
 For more information, contact: Marissa Wright at mwright@poncatrIBE-ne.org.



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Norfolk Sewing Classes
 Ponca Tribe Transit Building | 1800 Syracuse Ave | Norfolk, NE

Join us for sewing classes and enjoy learning new skills and techniques for creating your own regalia.

Sunday, May 21 | 1:00-4:00 pm
 Thursday, June 1 | 5:30-8:00 pm
 Sunday, June 4, 11, 18 & 25 | 1:00-4:00 pm
 Sunday, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 | 1:00-4:00 pm
 Sunday, August 6 | 1:00-4:00 pm



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For more information, contact: Rebecca Wright at rlwrightbex@gmail.com.

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:

- Tatum Comer
- Melissa Puz
- Nate Thannum
- Price Eveloff

Yearling group supporters:

- Terry Hassenstab
- Carolyn & Brett Carlson
- Ramona Henry

Herd Bull Supporters:

- Kendra Haberkorn

Herd Group Supporters:

- Daniel & Annabel Stour
- Luna, Kaleb, Josie Kehl



Meaningful and symbolic events held throughout PTN office locations

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska DV program held several MMIR events during the month of May.

For a number of years, our Indigenous relatives, across the United States and Canada, have gone missing and/or were murdered. Often times, the families of these relatives do not receive the justice they deserve because of the lack of resources, a lack of assistance, a

lack of credibility, or other circumstances.

Because of this, these cases fall between the cracks and go unsolved for long periods of time, with most never getting solved. The red sand used at our events serves as a reminder of these lost relatives.

Although our relatives are not physically with us, we still hold

space for their spirit. To represent this, we place a red shawl over an empty chair. The color red on the shawl is a symbol of the loss of sacred lifeblood through violence. The empty chair symbolizes the physical space their spirits fill in our lives. It brings awareness to Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons.





Celebrate LGBTQ Americans during Pride Month

Thomas Wright, II
Domestic Violence
Program Coordinator

June is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month. This is when time is taken to celebrate LGBTQ Americans and how they have strengthened our communities and country by utilizing their talents, creativity and passion to help create awareness and goodwill. In a lot of Native American tribes, the term Two Spirit (or 2 Spirit) is used for a person who identifies as having a masculine spirit and a feminine spirit in them.

The word pride is a central cultural concept within the LGBTQ2S community, representing solidarity, collectivity, and identity as well as resistance to discrimination and violence. The symbolism of Pride communicates to individuals that LGBTQ2S people are welcome as valuable members of the community.

The Domestic Violence numbers for the LGBTQ2S population are often inaccurate and this is due to many factors. A lot of DV situations go unreported due to the victims' fear of what may come, such as: judgment from DV advocates, police officers, and community members; a lack of justice

by the justice systems; or accidentally "outing" themselves or their partner.

More awareness needs to be provided to all communities. Even though we are all different, we are all human and still need to be compassionate to one another.

For Pride Month, the LGBTQ2S communities may host several events: parades, marches, fund raisers, drag shows, or festivals.

What can you do to celebrate Pride month?

Rep your flag!

Grab a rainbow, bi, lesbian, pan, ace, or any other flag of your preference and wave it with pride. Don't have a flag? You can wear rainbow colors on a T-shirt, a hairband, or on the laces in your shoes. You could even paint your face with the colors, be as creative as you like to show your support.

Join in a pride parade

Run, walk, skip, or dance in a pride parade. You don't need to identify as LGBTQ+ to attend a pride march. Everyone is welcome to show their support for gay rights and equality for all, so check out what's happening in your community and go join in the fun!

Take some time to learn
Watch a movie that will give you more information about the serious message behind Pride Month. It isn't just about festivals, rainbows, and glitter. So take some time to learn about the people who helped bring this movement together.

Donate to a LGBTQ2S organization

Many LGBTQ2S focused organizations are the life support to the LGBTQ2S communities they serve. Not only do they provide a sense of safety and se-

curity but many also offer programs and services that are vital to the community such as; HIV prevention, testing, and treatment, access to culturally competent and affirming health-care, social and support groups, housing, public spaces and much more.

Your input is needed!

Complete the survey to be entered into a prize raffle.

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Domestic Violence Program is conducting a Domestic Violence needs assessment to assess domestic violence and available services within our communities.

Participation in this survey is completely voluntary and anonymous.

All data collected will assist in the planning of future education events and to improve services addressing the needs of survivors of domestic violence and the community.

Participation in the survey does qualify you to be entered into a prize raffle. A separate form is provided for entering the raffle, so that all survey responses remain totally anonymous.

Surveys are available at all office locations or online at <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7316578/Domestic-Violence-Needs-Assessment> or by scanning the QR code below.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

Hand game held in conjunction with Diabetes Powwow



Fun-Plex | 70th & Q | Omaha

District 2 Ponca Members are invited to make a splash this summer with FREE tickets to Fun-Plex! Tickets are good during regular business hours, throughout the 2023 swim season, and can be picked up from Shannon Malone at the Fred LeRoy Health & Wellness Center starting June 1st.

Tickets are for active enrolled District 2 Service Delivery Area Ponca Members (at the time the list was pulled from Enrollment, no exceptions). One ticket per member. Lost tickets will not be replaced. Tickets issued on a first-come, first-served basis. You may only pick up tickets for members of your household, unless prior authorization has been given.

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.org or aknudsen@poncatrIBE-ne.org, or via mail:

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

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The deadline to apply for Higher Education assistance for summer term is May 15th. All on-going students also need to re-apply as summer term is not considered a part of the normal school year.

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.

Fall 2023 deadline: August 15, 2023

Winter 2023 deadline: November 15, 2023

Spring 2024 deadline: December 15, 2023

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 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 school year is July 31, 2023.

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.org. **Ponca tribal enrollment is required for ALL education programs**



Zachary Adams

Millard North High School | Millard, NE

Zachary plans to attend Metro for general studies, then transfer to UNO for Cybersecurity Coding

Parents/Grandparents:

April Adams & Mike Adams, Carolyn Brewer, Amy Rochholz

We are so proud of Zachary. He has grown to be an amazing young man and has such a bright future ahead of him.



Lakota Atz

Hastings High School | Hastings, NE

Attending the University of Nebraska Lincoln, studying Psychology in hopes to fulfill her dreams of becoming a psychologist.

4x great grand daughter of Chief Standing Bear, 3x great grand daughter of Fanny Standing Bear, 2x great grand daughter of Benjamin Laravie, great grand daughter of Florence Snoozy, grand daughter of David Laravie daughter of Tracy Laravie. Niece of Stacy Laravie.

We love you Kota Sue, and are so proud of you.



Tristan Bachmeier

Minnesota online High School

Tristan plans on attending college

Mom-Alexis Phongsavat, Grandma-Dianne Carr, Grandpa-Duane Halverson (deceased), Sister-Tia Phongsavat, Brother-Tyler Phongsavat, Sister-Maslynn Phongsavat

Tristan, Congratulations on your graduation! You've made me very happy with your success of you and all your hard work. It only makes me prouder that you're my son. I am so excited for the adventures you will have in the rest of your life. Make a difference. Live the dream. Relish the adventure. Make your mark. Happy graduation son! I want you to know that more than anything, I want to tell you how much I love you.

Jacory Beauvais

Norfolk Senior High | Norfolk, NE

Jacory achieved the B honor roll each year of high school.

Attending Northeast Community College in the fall, studying Criminal Justice

Mother-Nicole Beauvais , Grandmother- Janice Beauvais, Late Great Grandmother- Velma Beauvais

We are very proud of you!!



Parris T Buffalochief

Oregon State University | BA in Music Production

Parris is planning on a career as an Audio engineer/Producer

Child of Parris Buffalochief and Grandchild of Carole Buffalochief

I want to thank my parents and the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska on supporting my journey to succeed as a college student.



Sadie Campbell

Coweta High School

Sadie plans to attend college and earn her degree in Electrical or Aerospace Engineering. Great Grandparents Don and Nelda Woodlee, Grandparents (her grandfather David (Dugan) recently passed but was and would be very proud of her) David and Linda Shaw, Parents Richard and Amanda Campbell, older brother Joseph Campbell, younger brothers Charlie Kifer, Layne Campbell, Jaxon Campbell, and Benjamin Wallace, uncle Robert Forister.

Sadie is a constant source of joy to those who know her. She's an amazing student and an exceptional person. She's kind and thoughtful, clever and funny. She's had to work harder than some of her peers because of hardships she endured through no fault of her own. She has continued to excel nonetheless. We're all so very proud of her. Congratulations Sadie!



Carly Christiansen

San Jose State University | BS in Justice Studies

Grandmother- DeLores Christiansen

Congratulations! We are so proud of you!



Maile Chung

University of Washington

Masters Degree in Library and Information Sciences

With her many classes in Native Studies, her plan is to work in museums to preserve and protect indigenous community records and resources.

Daughter of Hyo and Diann Kennedy Chung, granddaughter of Herman and Donna Franklin Kennedy, great granddaughter of Gordon and Gladys Franklin and descendant of Mele Lacharite Sherman.

Congratulations! The family is very proud of your accomplishments!



Sebastian Collin

Boyd County School

Sebastian will be starting a welding apprenticeship.

Parent: Emilia Collin, Grandparent: Gloria Hamilton

So very proud of Sebastian for overcoming many obstacles in his life, and still succeeding in school. Always want the best for him in life in whatever he wishes to do, and to always know he has a place to call home.



Alizae Droescher

Norfolk High School
 Daughter of Cesar and Lacy (Bear) Figueroa and Erich Droescher

You are so smart and beautiful and can accomplish anything you set your mind to. We love you! -Mom and Cesar



Jamin Enquist

Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University
 Juris Doctorate

Attending Northeast Community College

Will be working at an Immigration Law firm in New York City.



Amanda Fitzgerald

Trinity Valley School

Attending Vanderbilt University in the fall with a major in Human and Organizational Development and a minor in Spanish

Amanda is the daughter of Michael and Allison Fitzgerald and the sister of Reagan Fitzgerald.

We're so proud of you!



Ian Hansen

University of South Dakota
 Bachelors in Psychology, minoring in Child & Adolescent Development.

Attending University of Kansas in the fall for their Counseling Psychology Program to get his Masters.

Crystal Mundorf and Scott Hansen-Parents, Rozlyn (Boettger) Barta-Grandmother, Maxine (Birdhead) Boettger-Great Grandmother

We are so proud of you! Also, a big thanks to the Ponca Tribe Education Department for all of their help in making this happen!



Sofia Hegstrom

West High School

Sofia plans to work as a teacher's aid at Cubby Care Preschool during the summer break and visit family in Missouri, attending the University of South Dakota for Music Education in the fall.

Daughter of Jay and Antoinette (Toni) Hegstrom and descendent of Lizzie Jones-Laravie

We are so proud of you and all the hard work and effort you put in to your school work, student council, Youth Tribal Council, your dedication to all the Musical rehearsals every night, the early morning Jazz Band practices and your contributions to your family and community. We wish you the very best on your next chapter in life. We know you will be singing and dancing all the way. Way to go Girl!



Hunter Henrickson

Pierce Jr/Sr High School

Attending Northeast Community College for Diesel Mechanics.

Parents - Jeff & Kayla (Boettger) Henrickson, Grandparents - Troy Boettger & Kristine (Hille) Williams / step-grandparent Charles Williams & Shirley Henrickson, Great Grandparent - Connie Hille

Congratulations on graduating High School, good luck in what the future may hold for you.



Maximus Heppner

Norfolk Senior High

College bound, undecided on Northeast community or Wayne State college, majoring in Business Administration.

Parents Kristin Ironthunder and Waylon Heppner, grandparents Ernest Richard Ironthunder, Margaret Ironthunder, also Joann Heppner and the late Dallas Heppner.

Don't take anything for granted, and be thankful for everything you have. So you can live your life to the fullest, cause you have a family that loves you to the moon and back in anything you decide to accomplish in your life.

- Love, your mom and dad



Stevie Nicole Horse

Bryan Community School

Attending Cosmetology school.

Parents-Jerry Horse and Mary Robertson, Grandparents-the late Bruce and JoAnn Robertson, and the late Jerry Horse Sr and Hildreth Redeyes, Great granddaughter of the late Ernest and Amelia "BABE" Ironthunder.

We love you and are very proud of you!



Anna Lee Howe

California State University-Fullerton

Bachelors of Science in Marine Biology, minor in Art, with University Honors

Commissioning as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps

Daughter of Vernon "Rusty" and Jennifer Howe, granddaughter of Vernon and Bonny Howe, and 3rd-great granddaughter of George Washington Howe and Lucille Leclair.

Anna, we are so proud of the young woman you have become. You have overcome many trials and hardships to get where you are and you continue to work hard to make your way in this life. You will be an inspiration for generations to come. Congratulations! You deserve the world!



Devin Ideker

Tea Area High School
 Shelley Johnting / Mother,
 Sharon Ideker/ Grandmother
 Congratulations Devin! We
 are so proud of you and your
 accomplishment!!



Natalie Jessen

Heritage High School
 Attending Oregon State with
 a Degree in Biology
 Pamela and Steven Jessen-
 Grandparents, Brian and
 Audrey Jessen- Parents



Megan Kennedy

Marin Catholic High School
 Graduated with Honors
 Attending University of California - Santa Barbara, majoring in Environmental Studies
 Daughter of Matthew and Teresa Kennedy, Granddaughter of Leon and Donna Kennedy,
 Great Granddaughter of Gordon and Gladys Franklin and a descendant of Mele Lacharite
 Sherman.
 Congratulations! We are very proud of you.



Sara Kennedy

California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo
 Bachelor of Science in Food Science
 Sara plans on being a Food Technologist for Oobli Corporation
 Daughter of Matthew and Teresa Kennedy, Granddaughter of Leon and Donna Kennedy,
 Great Granddaughter of Gordon and Gladys Franklin and a descendant of Mele Lacharite
 Sherman.
 Congratulations! We are very proud of you.



Oscar James Kyriss

Norfolk Senior High School
 Parents: Jacquelyn and Mario Munoz, the late James Kyriss and Diane (Apreciado) Reyes,
 Grandparents: Joey (Taylor) and Brandon Nathan, Bryan Kyriss and Joanne Appreciado, Great
 Grandparents: the late Oscar and Inez (Wright) Taylor and the late Frank and Emma (Crowe)
 Kyriss.
 Oscar, we are so proud of the smart, talented, and charismatic young man you have
 become. Dream big and keep reaching for the stars.



James LaPointe

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Master of Arts in Educational Administration, with a specialization in Higher Education
James will continue to make a positive impact at Gallup as a Education Solutions Associate
Son of Anna Lisa LaPointe and grandson of Carmen and Clarence LaPointe

James, We are all beaming with pride as you've achieved the incredible milestone of being the first to complete your Master of Arts degree! As a first-generation student, your dedication, resilience, and hard work have inspired not only us but future generations of all Natives across the world! Your passion and expertise will undoubtedly make a difference in the world, and we can't wait to continue to see the amazing things you'll accomplish in the future. Remember that our love and support are always with you on your journey.

Keep reaching for the stars! You are a true inspiration to us all!

-All our love, Mom, Harold, Michael, Shana, and Steven



Nathaniel Laravie

Lincoln High School

After high school, Nathaniel plans to attend trade school.

Parents: Steve Laravie Sr. and Cindy Laravie, Grandparents: The late Steve Trudell and Pearl Laravie, Great-grandparents: The late Daniel Laravie Jr. And Lola Laravie, Great-great-grandparents: Daniel Laravie Sr. And Ella Knudsen-Buffalo Chief-Laravie, Great-great-great-grandparents: Alfred Laravie and Fanny Bear-Laravie, Great-great-great-great grandparents: Standing Bear and Lali Primeaux-Standing Bear

Bam we are so proud of you and the honor you bring to your people, family, and ancestors. Take courage in your endeavors of life and always remain true to who you are.

-Much love, Your brothers and sisters!



Samantha LeClaire

Roseburg High School

Pursuing a Master degree in psychology & Doctoral degree in clinical psychology

Father- Charlie LeClaire, Mother- Nita LeClaire, Grandfather- Charlie LeClaire, Grandmother- Helen LeClaire, Great grandfather- Peter LeClaire



Kicea Lopes

West Valley High School

Attending the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York to study business marketing with a baking and pastry emphasis.

Kimberly Pratt- Mom, Robbie Coulter, Braden Lopes, Van Austin- brothers, Gary Johnson- Grandpa, Carri Timmer- Aunt, Jamison Johnson, Ben Johnson, David Johnson- Uncles, Dennis Johnson- Great Uncle

Your determination, passion, work ethic, and desire to succeed has helped you achieve your life-long goal to become a chef. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments and know the CIA will bring you joy, experience, an education, and fulfill your dreams.



Caleb Moormeier

Akron High School

Caleb plans to one day work with the BNSF Railroad.

Mother: Jackie Moormeier, Grandparents: Craig & Nancy Moormeier

Caleb, we are so proud of you and everything you've accomplished. You're such a sweet young man and we can't wait to see where life takes you!



Tanner Oestreich

Northeast Community College
Associates of Science in Wind Energy

Tanner plans to move and work with Skyclimber in O'Neill.

Parents Mark and Rhonda Oestreich and Claude IronThunder, Grand parents Ernest and Ameila IronThunder. Brothers: Hunter, Markie, Justin, Nestor, Landon. Sisters: Jamie, Donna, Taya, Jersey.

We want to say how happy and proud we are of you. Being a student athlete is hard and you did it!!! Congratulations!!! We all love you. Good luck with your new job and what ever the future brings.



Raymond Phillips

Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis
Masters in Social Work, American Indian/Alaskan Natives Communities

Plans include working with the Tribes Behavioral Health or Social Services department

Phillips and GoodTeacher Families

Your spirit

Was prayed for in Ceremony

Blessings turned into breath of kin.

Your spirit

Carries intergenerational wisdom.

A vessel with inconceivable stamina.

Made by the love of many, to carry you forward



Shelby Pickell

Oakland Craig Public School

Attending Northeast Community College for graphic design

Parents: Matthew and Erika Pickell, Grandparents: Richard and Melanie Pickell, Grandparents: Paul and Joni Novak

We are so proud of you Shelby. Congrats and reach for the stars!



Rylee Rich

Yuma Catholic High School

Rylee will be attending Arizona State University pursuing a degree in psychology and criminal justice and hopes to join the FBI in the future

Parents- Davin & Ginna Rich, Brother Davin Rich II, Grandparents Melvin & Kelly Baker

Rylee,

We are so proud of all that you have accomplished, but even prouder of the young woman that you have become. Your strong character, determination, and hard work will take you far in life. Enjoy your success! There is so much ahead of you and we are so proud of you. We love you so much Rylee Rae.

Love Mom, Dad & Davin



Corbin Rolf

Burke High School

Future plans include farming and ranching.

Son of Marc and Melissa Rolf, grandson of Richard Tietgen, and Great Grandson of Robert Tietgen



Isabella Saiz

West High School

Will be attending the University of Washington or Oregon State University, majoring in Environmental Science

Parents - Sean Saiz and Nancy Saiz, Siblings - Jorge Saiz and Gabriel Saiz, Grandmother - Janet Saiz, Great Grandmother - Clara Peniska-Velasquez

Congratulations on all your educational accomplishments Isabella, but most of all for staying true to your Ponca values of kindness, caring for others, and giving to those in need. We love you very much!



Eleanna Sanchez

West High School | Iowa City

Attending Community College in the fall

Kalista Sanchez-Mother, Jenny Whitebeaver-Grandmother



Ben Sandoz

Wayne High School

Attend Wayne State College Majoring in Criminal Justice

Son of Cory and Gina Sandoz -- Grandson of Diana (Hamilton) and Dean Wavrunek, and Don and Carolyn Randa all of Verdigre.

Congrats Ben on your accomplishments!!



Haliey Smith

North Star High School
Parents- Christy and April
Conrad, Grandfather- Bill
Smith V, Great grandfather-
Bill (Peace Maker) Smith IV
We are all so proud of you!



Andrea Thomas

Nebraska Indian
Community College
Associates in Environmental
Science
Attending Wayne State
College to pursue a Bachelor's
degree.
Gary Alan Lasley (Dad), Bertha
Wolfe Lasley (Grandma),
Jenny Standing Bear (Great
Grandma), Chief Standing
Bear (Great Great Grandpa)



Sawyer Tietgen

Burke High School | Burke, SD
Sawyer will be attending Doane University, majoring in Elementary Education. He will also be jumping on their track and field team.
Sawyer is the son of Michael & Rochelle Tietgen and the grandson of Robert Tietgen.
Sawyer's accomplishments include Football, Basketball, Track & Field, Baseball, Band, Choir, Academic All-State, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, C Club, National Honor Society, Educators Rising, Boys State and Regents Scholar. He has also been active in VFW Youth Group and 4-H.
Always remember that you are braver than you believe, stronger that you seem, smarter than you think, and loved more than you'll ever know. We are so proud of what you have accomplished and what you will become!!



Colt White

Mustang High School
Attending OSU-OKC for Engineering
Dawn M. Halley-Stanford (mother)
Congratulations Colt!
Love you to the moon and back!
- Mom, Luke, Gabe, & Delaney



Levi Wright

Wayne State College
Bachelor Degree in Human Services
Attending Grad School in the fall
Charlie Wright is my father, DJ Wright is my mother (whom is deceased) my reason for going to school, Adolph Wright is my grandfather, Cherry Wright is my grandmother
You put water into a bottle and it becomes the bottle. You put it in a teapot, it becomes the teapot. Now, water can flow or it can crash. Be water, my friend. - Bruce Lee



Zoë Tiana Marie Wright

University of Central Oklahoma
 Bachelors/Associates in Fashion Marketing/Photography (Korean emphasis)

Becoming a Fashion Stylist

Greg & Tawnaya Wright - parents, Xander Wright - brother, Adam & Roxanna Foster - grandparents, Ronald & Neta Wright - grandparents, Ronald Gagnon - grandfather

Zoë, we are all so incredibly proud of the young woman you have become... you are strong, determined, dedicated, so intelligent, wicked artistic, but most important you have a benevolent heart. You now have all the tools to create your beautiful canvas. Go out into the world knowing you are loved beyond measure. We can't wait to see what masterpiece you create. Thank you for the support we've received from the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska in Zoë's continuing education! Mvto.

Atiyana Zephier

Wagner Community School

Conceta Zephier

Building for the Future

Ponca students nationwide are invited to apply by August 15, 2023 for this need-based scholarship focusing on career development.

Selection:

- All eligible students will be identified.
- On August 15th of the relevant school year, a drawing will be held; and
- The student whose name is drawn will be awarded the scholarship. (One winner per school year.)

Provisions:

- The student must have his/her paperwork complete by the August 15th deadline:
- If awarded, funds will go directly to the school and will be applied to the student's "unmet need."

Eligibility:

- The student must be enrolled in some type of Adult Vocational Training Program or working toward a bachelor's degree.
- The student must provide proof of enrollment in the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
- The student must provide proof of graduation from high school or completion of their GED.

- The student must complete and submit the following forms: Application, Contract, and Financial Need Form.

Requirements:

- The student must maintain satisfactory academic progress with an accumulative GPA of 2.5 or better for the term funded.
- If the student does not maintain the required 2.5 GPA, they must refund the scholarship.
- The student must also submit an official transcript to the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Department of Education for the term funded.

Scholarship amount is \$1,000.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.

For more information, please contact the Education Department at 402.371.8834, or via email at pate@poncatribene.org or aknudsen@poncatribene.org.



**PONCA TRIBE
 OF NEBRASKA**



Updates regarding Tribal ID replacement cards

The Enrollment Department is notifying members of some changes and the process for tribal IDs. Moving forward, a \$5 fee may be charged for replacement IDs, depending on the reason for replacement. This is due to the number of requests coming in for multiple replacements each year. All money received will go towards paying for the materials needed to create tribal ID cards.

ID forms must be completed. A signature is needed for adults

(18 and older). Social security numbers are optional. A photo must be submitted. Tribal IDs are available to all members, regardless of age. Requests may be done in person or sent by email or mail.

There will be a \$5 fee charged for replacement IDs. Exceptions to the fee may include the following:

- Expired ID's (after 5 years)
- Name changes
- Updated address (once per year)

Payment must be received prior to the issuance of the replacement ID and must be in the form of a check or money order. Payment should be made out and sent to:

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Enrollment Department
PO Box 288
Niobrara, NE 68760

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us at enrollment@poncatribene.org. Thank you.

PTN Youth Council Summit Saturday, June 24, 2023 | 10 am-2 pm

Metro Community College | Fort Omaha Campus | Omaha, NE

Ponca Youth ages 14-24 and their families are invited to attend the **first ever Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Youth Council Summit**, featuring **guest speaker Dean Jacobs!** A meal will be provided for all participants. The Youth Council will also be providing one gas card per household to assist with travel for the Summit.

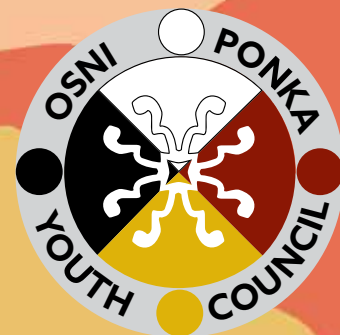
To register, visit: https://poncatribefne.formstack.com/forms/summit_registration. Please include the names of all household members attending. Registration closes June 9, 2023.



Dean Jacobs, a native of Nebraska, left a secure job with corporate America to pursue a dream: a dream to travel around the world and to understand the world we share.

The experience of exploring in over 50 countries has exposed Dean to the goodness of humanity and the magnificence of the natural beauty throughout the world.

Dean brings his experiences to children and adults everywhere through school presentations and keynotes that focus on the goodness of humanity and the awe of nature. By offering his audiences the opportunity to see these qualities in others and themselves, Dean leaves them inspired and empowered to make their world a better place in which to live.



Technology training for tribal members the focus of recent PEDCO efforts

PEDCO is heavily invested in pursuing innovation and technology grants from U.S. Federal Government departments like the Department of Economic Development, National Science Foundation, and funding placed in the CHIPS ACT. Access to these fundings will provide multi-year program rollouts that will aid in workforce and economic development further aiding projects that we are pursuing with the health department. Additionally, it will help the tribe qualify for

significant designations like 8A to leverage government contracts. These designations will mark Ponca as the Tribe of Innovation.

While pursuing these new and exciting funds we are also exploring future internship opportunities. The focus would be to recruit qualified candidates based on the interested department's needs in an effort to eventually hire the candidate full-time, reinforcing Ponca's growing infrastructure needs. Additionally,

we are expanding our Workforce Development through:

- Online Training
- Technology Certifications
- Software
 - o Microsoft Windows
 - o Word
 - o Excel
 - o Outlook
 - o Office 365

- Entrepreneur and start-up tools

For questions regarding the future internship opportunities and current workforce development offerings please find the list of free resources on our site <https://pedco-ne.org/> or contact Larry Loucks lloucks@pedco-ne.org

Are you a young adult 18-25 with experience in the Nebraska state/tribal child welfare system?
 We want your voice to be heard!
 Tribal youth are not accessing services to help in the transition to adulthood. We want to change that.
YOU can help!
 Please contact us by emailing kitty@nicwc.org or scan the QR code to get started.
 Incentives and travel reimbursements available




FREE Virtual Solar Energy Training Available!

FSPV: Fundamentals of Solar PV Design & Installation

July 24-28 | 10 am-5 pm EST

Solar Storage Workshop

August 9-11 | 10 am-5 pm ET

Two virtual renewable energy training opportunities are available FREE to skilled workers in Native American communities.

- Contractors
- Electricians
- Plumbers
- Roofers
- Builders
- Engineers

For more information, or to register for these free training opportunities, visit

<https://web.cvent.com/event/23ee6633-4cad-4216-9bab-7dda8f4a238e/summary>





The 2nd Annual
MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES POW WOW
JULY 14-16, 2023 - RIVERSIDE PARK IN SIOUX CITY, IOWA

- Blessing of the Ground**
 William St. Cyr Omaha/HoChunk (Winnebago, NE)
- Gourd Dance Staff**
Head Man
 Mark White Eyes Omaha (Walthill, NE)
Head Lady
 Angel Peer loway (Kansas City, MO)
Head Boy
 Bernard Verde-Vance Omaha (Lincoln, NE)
Head Girl
 Talia Tatsinuupi Ata Paya-Qulroga Comanche-Otoe (Lawton, OK)
Head Gourd Drum
 Standing Eagle (Walthill, NE)
Omaha Tia-Piah Society Gourd Organization
- Pow Wow Dance Staff**
Head Man
 Maurice Phillips Omaha (Lincoln, NE)
Head Lady
 Nicole Jay Nesahkuah Apache (Wichita, KS)
Head Boy
 Jaden Painter HoChunk (Winnebago, NE)
Head Girl
 Kamimilla Waei Win Coons HoChunk/Oglala Lakota (Winnebago, NE)
Host Drum
 Steven Little Cook - Yellow Hammer (Ponca City, OK)
Master of Ceremonies
 Allen Hare Yankton Sioux (Marty, SD)
Announcers
 Terry Medina Santee Sioux (Dakota City, NE)
 Josh Taylor Omaha (Sioux City, IA)
Arena Director
 Kenny Cook Yankton Sioux (Marty, SD)
 VFW Post #363 (Winnebago, NE)

TENATIVE AGENDA

Note: Point system will begin Friday evening. Registration opens Friday at 5pm and closes after Saturday's 1pm Grand Entry

FRIDAY
 Gourd Dance at 5pm
 Grand Entry at 7pm

SATURDAY
 Gourd Dance at 11am
 Grand Entry at 1pm
 Supper Break
 Gourd Dance at 5pm
 Grand Entry at 7pm

SUNDAY
 Gourd Dance at 11am
 Grand Entry at 1pm

- DANCE CATEGORIES**
TINY TOTS PAID DAILY
 Cash prize for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- GIRLS (7-12)**
 Traditional 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
 Fancy 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
 Jingle 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
- BOYS (7-12)**
 Traditional 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
 Grass 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
 Fancy 1st - \$150 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$100
- TEEN GIRLS (13-19)**
 Traditional 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
 Fancy 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
 Jingle 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
- TEEN BOYS (13-19)**
 Traditional 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
 Grass 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
 Fancy 1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100
- WOMEN'S (20-49)**
 Traditional 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
 Fancy 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
 Jingle 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
- MEN'S (20-49)**
 Traditional 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
 Straight Dance 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
 Grass Dance 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
 Fancy 1st - \$500 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200
- GOLDEN AGE WOMEN'S(50+)**
 Traditional 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
 Fancy 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
 Jingle 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
- GOLDEN AGE MEN'S(50+)**
 Traditional 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
 Straight Dance 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
 Grass Dance 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200
 Fancy 1st - \$800 2nd - \$500 3rd - \$200

ALL DRUMS WELCOME DRUM SPLIT

#MMIR PRINCESS SPECIAL
 WOMEN'S RED DRESS SPECIAL 1st - 1000 2nd - 750 3rd - 500 Dance your own style

1st ANNUAL RUFUS WHITE TRADITIONAL CONTEST (19+ years) 1st - 800 2nd - 500 3rd - 200
 Breaking Mourning for Rufus White Ron and Thelma Thomas (Santee Sioux) will lead this for some of the family members of the late Rufus White (Omaha) who would like to break their mourning

FOOD VENDOR FEE \$200 ARTS/CRAFTS/NON-FOOD VENDOR FEE \$100 \$50 DEPOSIT BY 6/1 DEADLINE 7/1

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@poncatrbe-ne.org, or contact the Niobrara or Lincoln offices.

We appreciate your help!

INACTIVE MEMBERS AS OF 6/1/2023

Alvarado, Mischelle Lynn	Eilers, Richard James	Krueger, Annette Marie	Scurlocke,
Anthony, Jr., Steven Scott	Esser, Jeremiah Joseph	Kyles, Jarred Joseph	Athena Larissa Lucille
Arrow, Robert Eugene	Evans, Kaci Antonette	Latimer, LaRohn Lewis	Sherman, Brian Nicholas
Bagent, Wayne Orval	Evans, Matthew James	Le Roy, Gisele Marie	Sherman, Cody Lee
Baggett, Donovan Joseph	Fasthorse, Beverlee Ann	Leach, Dominic Charles	Sherman, Harold Dewayne
Baker, Dakota Dean	Fink, Alissa Rose	Lerew Jr, Zachariah Ray	Sherman, John Glenn
Baker, Jacob Jessie Bowen	Fitzgerald, Jacob Steven	Lieb, Donovan Joseph	Sherman, Michael Ray
Banuelos, Christa Rose	Fitzgerald, Stephanie Joy	Lieb, Sylas Vittorio	Sherman, Mitchell Everett
Barber, Gabriela Marie	Flagg, I I., George Albert	Linn, Micayla Naomi	Sherman, Robert Le Roy
Bear, Joshua Gilbert	Flowers, Diamonds Ann	Little, Jeromy Todd	Sherman, William Edward
Beaver, Jason Chaska	Flowers, Joseph	Livermore, Lakin Mardell	Skinner, Jessie Russell
Becker, Jr., Anthony Arnold	Foley, Michael Joseph	Loftis, Timothy James	Smith, Ashley Nicole
Becker, Sr., Anthony Arnold	Franklin, Crystal Lee	Lopez, Jr., Juan Francisco	Smith, Joni Sue
Becker, Tyller Randell	Freeman, Xavier Lee	Maben, Jessica Paige	Smith, Linda Louise
Bell, Darian Patrick	Garcia, Cia Christine	Mann, Sydney Desiree`	Smith, Matthew Shannon
Bell, Shaune` Kay	Glenn, John Allen	Martin, Andrea Lynn	Standsblack, Marko Tulio
Bennett, Erica Paige	Glisan, Cynthia Lynn	Mategko, Lisa Louise	Starks, Brandon Michael
Berg, Jayla Jean	Gortarez, Gina Marie	McGrath, Bryan Thomas	Stivers, Amanda Katherine
Blowe, Dominick Adams	Gortarez, Rudy John	McGrath, Daniel Patrick	Stuczynski, Drake Keegan
Blowe, Isaiah Fredrick	Goss, Mamie L.	McGraw, Jagr Richard	Swinarski, Alicia Estrada
Blowe, Tyrone Richard	Govia, Isaiah Lee	McGraw, Landon Harris	Thomas, II,
Boettger, Dakota Birdhead	Govia, Mc Kenzie Jo	McGraw, Mackinzie Jo Ann	Scott Richard Herbert
Boettger, Jarell Duncan	Grant, I I., Jesse Clarence	Mercier, Jade Sharice	Thomas, Jenny Anne
Boyer, Berlin N.	Haahr, Anneliese Teresa	Peck, Brandalynn	Thomas, Natana Lynn
Branstiter, Brett Theodore	Hamilton, Bobbi-Jo Danielle	Peck, Tyler Duane	Thomas, Robin Diane
Brownrigg, Steven Francis	Hart-La Londe,	Perry, Hannah Noelle	Todd, Amanda Rose
Buckley II, Sentwali	Kaedyn Mikael	Antoinette	Treichler, Jasmine Dawn
Onyemachi	Hennek, Gail Howe	Petersen, Kevin Lee	Tubbs, Shea Micah
Buffalo Chief, Martel	Hill, Mary Jane	Phillips, Noah Trench	Vaughan, Linda Lou
Buffalo Chief,	Hocking-Gosnell, Zalla C.	Pierce, Raychel Marie	Veals, Clifford James
Santana Marquerite	Holiday, Vessa Cheriss	Polly, Rachael Anne	Veals, Frances Lou
Burston, Sandra Lee	Hope, Dorothea Jo Ann	Prichard, Joseph John	Velder, Tristen Leo Spencer
Carter, Amber Lynn	Horine, Ashley Danielle	Prunty, Austin Joe	Voss, Michael Roy
Cooks, Jeremy Jurai	Howard, Michelle Leigh	Quintana Jr, Arthur Jose	Waters, Deon Koleen
Cournoyer-Galindo,	Howard, Truman Ardell	Raymond, Joseph Allen	Wayte, April May
Monique Rosabelle	Howe, Richard H.	Richard, Robert Brandon	Wells, Isaiah David
Courtright, Michael Todd	Humphreys, Belinda Kay	Roberts, Marquitta Ruby	Williams, Carlos Tre` Von
Crawford, Audrey Jean	Iron Thunder, Norman Noel	Roten #82144, Justin Phillip	Williams, Faythe Nichole
Crowder, Delorse Sue	Jeppesen, Zachary Lee	Rulo, Byron	Willis, Sophie Lorraine
Cutshall, Katline James	Johnson, Daniel James	Russell, Kristina Anne	Wilson, Clarence Roy
Da Moude, Kyle Nash	Johnson, Lukus Tyler	Sainz, Tritia Jeanene	Wilson, Justice Carrie Marie
Danielson, Daniel James	Kelso, James Alan	Sarton, Gwendolyn Lee	Wright, Kaylee Patrice
Drapeaux, Juston Lee	Kerrigan, Kathleen Ann	Schmidt, Jr., Karl Michael	Wright, Kiera Michelle
Eckley, Daniel Joseph	King, Gavin Michael	Scuderi, Jana Marie	Wright, Mariono Lorenz
Eckley, Lane Emory	Klug, Jeremy Tyler		

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

OTHER ENROLLED PONCA TRIBE MEMBERS IN HOUSEHOLD:

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

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

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

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

I _____ I

TRIBAL MEMBERS
(please print)

NAME: _____ DOB: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ PHONE: _____

DO YOU WANT YOUR SS NUMBER ON YOUR ID CARD? YES _____ OR NO _____

If yes, please check one of the following: Full SS number _____ or Last 4 digits only _____

By marking **Yes** you understand it is your responsibility to keep your SSN confidential and acknowledge that the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is not responsible if the card is lost or stolen.

WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR BLOOD QUANTUM ON YOUR ID? YES _____ OR NO _____

**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 can email a current photo (without filters) to - enrollment@poncatribene.org

OR

You may mail documentation and your current photo to:

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Enrollment Department
PO Box 288
Niobrara, NE 68760-0288



Dear Ponca Tribe of Nebraska,
 I am so very appreciative of how much you've helped not only me, but my family through rough times. Thank you very much for all the financial help especially throughout the COVID 19 pandemic. Also, thank you for the laptop to help with online learning through COVID. I use it almost every day for my schoolwork and it was made possible because of you guys. Sincerely, Shubby Pickell



Elder's Committee Meetings

July 10 | 10 am

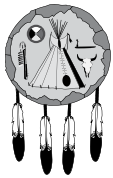
Ponca Tribe of NE | Lincoln, NE

June 5 | 10 am

Admin Building | Ralston, NE



Elder Resource Guides for 2023 are now available! Elders can pick one up at their nearest office location, or call 402-438-9222 or email info@poncatribene.org to have one mailed to them. Elder Resource guides are available on a first-come, first-served basis.



PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA Office Locations

NIORRARA 68760

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Fax: (402) 857-3736

Enrollment

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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: (712) 258-0762

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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