Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Member News



Holiday Happenings

Members enjoy holiday events and celebrations.

February 2024

The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Declares a "State of Emergency," due to the Extreme Winter Weather Activity.

WHEREAS: The week of January 8, 2024 saw a combination of extreme winter weather affecting the entirety of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Service Delivery Area. Multiple snow events, combined with strong winds, low temperatures, and dangerous wind chills have impacted Tribal properties, services, and members. This dangerous winter event has disrupted Tribal operations and impacted our membership, directly affecting the Ponca Nation.

WHEREAS: These severe winter weather events have affected major roadways, buffalo herd management, member heating and food security. Due to the severe weather events, the Tribe was forced to close medical facilities and limit/cancel public transportations, including our economic and business enterprises, resulting in a disruption of services and revenue.

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council and staff have received emergency phone calls from members unable to leave their homes, heating units failing, frozen water lines, and those seeking shelter or needing immediate basic essentials.

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 Ponca Constitution, Section 1 of Article V of the Ponca Constitution, Title VIII 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 00:00 hours on January 12, 2024, and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED on the 12th day of January, 2024

Candace Schmidt, Chairwoman,
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

On the cover: The Christmas tree at the District 4 holiday celebration inspires wonder and joy. More pictures of the Districts 3 and 4 holiday celebrations can be found on pages 4 and 5.

Chairwoman's Corner

"When a storm is coming, all other birds seek shelter. The eagle alone, avoids the storm by flying above it. So, in the storms of life...may your heart soar like an eagle."

Greetings relatives,

I hope this message finds you in the safety and warmth of your home. On January 12, 2024 the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska declared a state of emergency. All our service delivery areas were impacted by multiple snowstorms, subzero temperatures, and strong winds. If you were impacted by this severe winter storm and have not already, please contact your district representatives to see what assistance might be available to you. Please see the enclosed Declaration.

I wanted to take a moment to thank all those that have reached out to me for my coffee and conversations, along with all the letters, calls, emails, and messages. It is so good to hear from all of you. I sincerely appreciate each and every one. Please continue to reach out to me.

These past couple of months have been very busy. I was able to attend some of the holiday events within the districts and hosted a hot cocoa station in Lincoln and Norfolk. Shout out to the district reps that put on these events for the members in your area and to all the staff that lend a hand. Coming together as one to celebrate is always good medicine.

WiBthaHa (Thank you),

Chairwoman
Candace Schmidt







Other activities/events to highlight:

- Invitation to meet with the Department of Labor Secretary
- USDA Tribal Bison Partnership Event
- Department of Justice and Department of Education Listening Sessions
- Tribal Nations White House Summit
- Great Plains Tribal Health Board Meetings
- Great Plains Chairmen's Association Meetings
- Museum Tours and Planning Meetings
- Weekly Tribal Council Meetings
- Tribal Council Health Subcommittee Meetings
- PGE Meetings
- School Visit with Little Miss Ponca Princess, Alizay Ironheart

EMAIL: candaces@poncatribe-ne.org
PHONE (call/text): (402) 860-1497

Language instructor gives lesson at area school

Ponca Language Instructor Charlie Iron Thunder visited Elliott Elementary school in Lincoln, Nebraska to teach one of the classes about Ponca history, the importance of regalia, the significance of color in regalia, why and who he dances for, and various Ponca words for different colors, animals, and numbers. The Language Instructors will visit Elliott again in the future to talk to one of the fifth grade classes.











Regalia Classes

Saturdays| 11 am-3 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! Light refreshments will be provided. Classes are open to all ages.

Youth Incentives: The first 20 Ponca youth ages 10-18 to register will receive a $20 gift card. Youth with the best attendance will also be eligible to win a sewing machine!

To register, visit https://poncatribeofne.formstack.com/forms/lincoln_regalia_class_registration.

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

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Steadman welcomes members at Holiday Hoops Event

Ponca member Jai Steadman, Head Men's Basketball Coach at Independence Community College in Kansas, hosted Ponca members and their families, as well as other Native American students at a basketball game between Stetson University, and the UNO Mavericks in December. Members were able to enjoy food and drink in conjunction with the game, and received holiday goodie bags. Steadman has hosted the Holiday Hoops Event for several years to honor his uncle Fred LeRoy.









Calling all Ponca Artists!

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members are invited to submit their designs for the 30th Annual Northern Ponca Powwow t-shirt. The artist whose design is selected will be compensated $300 for their art, and have their art credited on the t-shirt. Artists may submit previously submitted art. **Designs MUST be submitted NO LATER THAN 11:59 pm, February 29th, 2024.**

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members only. All artwork must be high resolution, and scalable to t-shirt size. For more information, or to submit designs, please email rwrightjr@poncatribe-ne.org.



Gym Grand Opening!

February 19 | 4-7 pm

1600 Windhoek Drive | Lincoln, NE

Please join us for the Grand Opening of the gym space at Ponca Health Services-Lincoln. There will be a blessing, and refreshments.



District 3 holiday fun

District 3 provided food, fun, and activities for area members at the annual holiday gathering, held for the first time in the Community Space at the new Lincoln office. Members enjoyed a meal, hot chocolate station, games, activities, and a visit from Santa.















The Grinch brings Christmas to District 4!














February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

Thomas Wright, II
Domestic Violence Program Coordinator

February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, and it is essential to shed some light on this topic. It is an unfortunate truth that many episodes of domestic violence occur around (and to) children inside of a home. Violence is a learned behavior, and when youth are exposed to domestic violence, oftentimes those youth will also be violent when they are in relationships. We must also consider that in Native American communities, teen dating violence could have also been shaped by things such as historical trauma, acculturation, and the vast disparity of resources allocated to tribal communities when compared with non-Native communities. Cultural teachings about respecting other people have been lost due to colonization.

We must also think about how the impact of youth not learning the traditional ways to date contributes to teen dating violence. Colonization has eroded many of these teachings for multiple generations, and limited access to educational opportunities, mental health services, and healthy support networks further challenges youth's development by unpacking the trauma of being witnesses to domestic violence. This is not an issue that is easily remedied, and it will take a lot of community support to help end teen dating violence.

How do we empower the youth to stop teen dating violence? Creating awareness with teens is pivotal. It involves acknowledging the issue, fostering open dialogue, providing education, and promoting safe discussion spaces. Empowering young individuals to recognize the signs of abuse, understand healthy relationship dynamics, and access appropriate support services is imperative. To help end teen dating violence will require a multifaceted approach that respects and integrates cultural practices. By combining traditional teachings with contemporary strategies and addressing underlying systemic challenges, this community can work towards fostering healthier, safer relationships among the youth. If you need assistance starting a discussion with your teen, if you are a teen, or if you are a community member who wants to learn ways to help, the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska's domestic violence program is here to help.

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.org





Congratulations to Lora Langley on reaching this remarkable milestone of 25 years with us! Your loyalty, leadership, and expertise have been integral to our journey and success. Wishing you a heartfelt 25-year work anniversary!



Do you have a medical billing concern?

In the event that Ponca Health Services cannot provide the needed specialty care, the PRC program may be available to pay for care administered by private or external healthcare providers. The PRC Program is considered the payer of last resort and Federal Regulations require patients to exhaust all health care resources available to them from private insurance, state health programs (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid) before the PRC program can provide payment. There are several requirements before a patient can be authorized for the program. Please call 402-371-8834 for more information about the PRC program.

Questions to ask yourself when you are referred to an outside doctor:

1. Did your Ponca Health Service provider submit a PRC referral?
2. Did you consult with the PRC Department about your referral?
3. Did you inform the outside doctor's office that you are PRC eligible?
4. Did you provide your insurance card to the doctor's office during your visit?

Steps to take when you receive a medical bill in the mail:

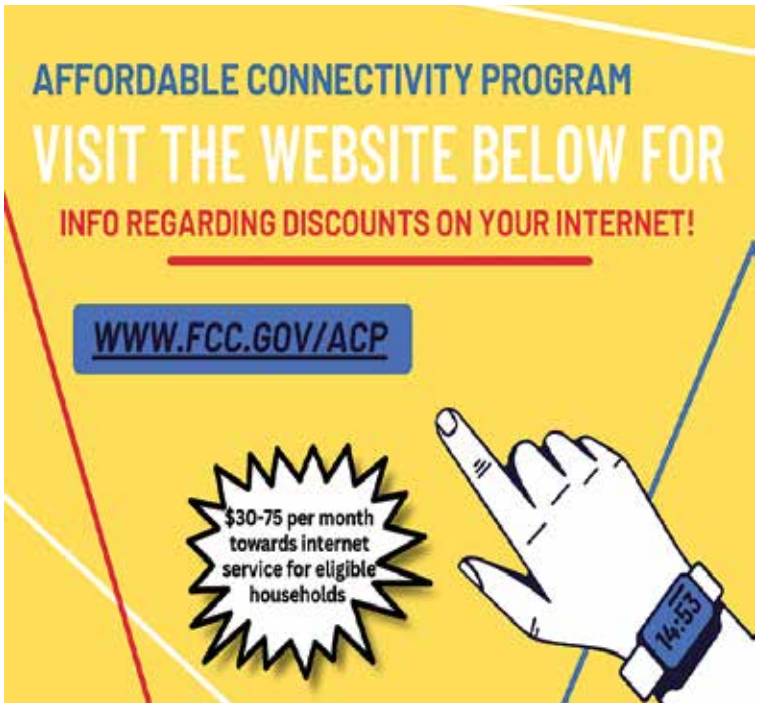
1. **Call the phone number that is located on your patient bill:**
   - Inform the office that you received a bill in the mail.
   - Provide account number and any other information they request.
   - Inquire if they have your insurance information, if not provide it.
   - Inform them that you are Ponca Health Service PRC eligible.
2. **Submit your bill to the Ponca Health Service PRC Department:**
   - PRC does not always know that you have an unpaid medical bill.
   - Please contact a PRC Staff member to discuss your bill.
   - Please submit your most current updated insurance card, so our system can be updated accordingly.

Facts to know about PRC Funds:

1. PRC receives yearly funding. It is used from October 1st to September 30th.
2. All PRC patient referrals must be approved, otherwise PRC funding will not be applied to your patient bill.
3. PRC patients must apply for any alternate resources for which you may be eligible (Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance etc.)
4. PRC funding is a Payer of last resort. It pays only for costs not paid for by your alternate resources.

Ponca Health Services - Purchased/Referred Care (PRC)
1800 Syracuse Ave | Norfolk NE 68701
Phone: 402.371.8834 or 800.405.0365 | Fax: 402.371.0176

Ponca Health Services



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.



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

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: _____

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

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

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Ponca Family Fun Day

February 25, 2024 | 2-5 pm

Kiewit Luminarium
345 Riverfront Dr | Omaha, NE

The Kiewit Luminarium in Omaha is pleased to host a Ponca Family Fun day for enrolled members and their families. Please complete the form at https://poncatribeofne.formstack.com/forms/kiewit_fun_day. Space is limited, so register today!

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Member Mailing Questions



Have questions about tribal mailings (gift cards, checks, etc.)? Please reach out to your District Representatives!

District 1
JoAn Schlotman
712.276.7103

Angie Starkel
402.922.0436

District 2
Becci Sullivan
531.222.4471

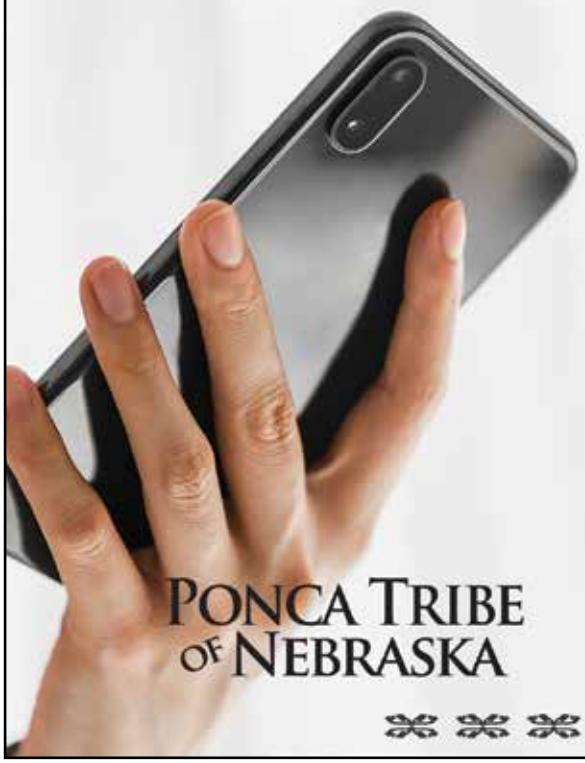
Falon McAlpin
402.208.0297

District 3
Susie Baker
925.788.0649

Shanna Carpenter
402.805.0883

District 4
Alex Taylor
402.750.2045

Kyle Taylor
402.750.4299



Weather Closures?

Get notified right away with Tribal Emergency Alerts!

Members can stay up to date with 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

COMING SOON: FREE Online Cybersecurity in Agriculture Training!



Calling all Farmers, Ranchers, Rural Landowners, Farmers Markets, and related businesses who have an interest in bolstering your technology; Cyber Security and National Security interested people and businesses that want to learn more about how they can work within the $1+ trillion-dollar agriculture industry. We have FREE cybersecurity in agriculture online training coming soon! More to come as we begin to create the modules/training. All training will be available virtually, so you may take it in the privacy of your home. In-person training will also be available as we work to set up locations if that is your preference.

- Do you have an on-line presence related to agriculture or cybersecurity products affecting accounting, feed, inventory, food, planting, land usage or other aspects of the agriculture industry?
- Do you feel the need to be more informed about Cybersecurity?
- How could Ransomware affect you and your business? How could it affect crops, produce, cattle, Buffalo, finances, inventory, and more?
- Are you Ponca, another tribe, or any agricultural producer located in Nebraska currently using some amount of tech for your agriculture? You may be eligible for an additional specific learning opportunity!

Please reach out to lloucks@pedco-ne.org for more information!

No problem. Period.

Female Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members ages 12-24 can order any two menstrual products:

- Period Panties
- Menstrual Cup
- Nighttime Pads

All female Ponca Tribe of Nebraska members **ages 12-24** are invited to participate in the Osni Ponka Youth Council No Problem. Period. Project.

Order any **two** products for FREE online at https://ow.ly/YxtJ50PKLpt. The products will be mailed directly to you.

OSNI PONKA YOUTH COUNCIL

Limit of two products per female Ponca Tribe of NE member. Must be between the ages of 12-24. Must be actively enrolled and information must match that of enrollment. Please allow 2-3 weeks for delivery.



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

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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 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).

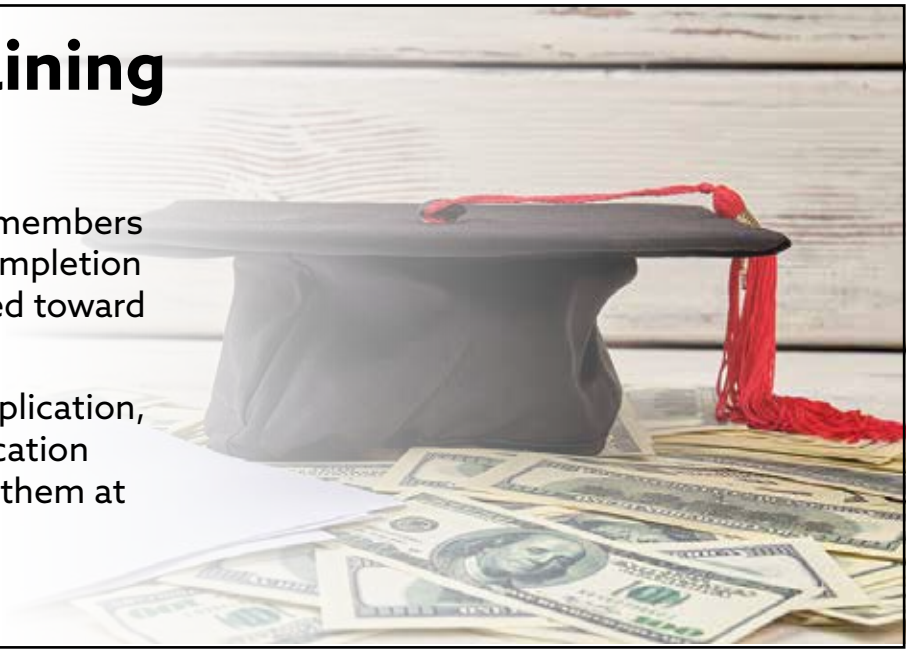
Deadline to apply for the 2023-2024 school year is July 31, 2024.

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

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.org or pate@poncatribe-ne.org.



need cookies?

District 2

Girl Scout Cookie Day

February 10 | 11:00 am-1:00 pm

5805 S 86th Circle | Omaha, NE

District 2 Ponca Members living in the Service Delivery Area are invited to come pick up 2 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies, each!

Limit 2 boxes per member. First come, first served. Members cannot pick up for anyone else, unless they reside within the same household. Must be on the enrollment list at the time the list is pulled. For more information, please call Becci at 531.222.4471 or Falon at 402.208.0297.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA



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.org, or contact the Niobrara or Lincoln offices.

We appreciate your help!

INACTIVE MEMBERS AS OF 2/1/2024

Ahlman, Dylan Andrew
Anthony, Jr., Steven Scott
Arrow, Robert Eugene
Bagent, Wayne Orval
Baggett, Donovon Joseph
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, Todd Joseph
Boone, Marcus Daniel
Boyer, Berlin N.
Branstiter, Brett Theodore
Brownrigg, Steven Francis
Burston, Sandra Lee
Carson, Rita Ruth
Carter, Amber Lynn
Christiansen, Scott Brian
Cooper, Brandy Delphine
Crowder, Delorse Sue
Cutshall, Katline James
Da Moude, Deborah Kay
Danielson, Daniel James
Danner, III, Terry Edward
Delquadri, Dale Chad
Drapeaux, Juston Lee
Eckley, Lane Emory
Eckley, Leigha Irene
Evans, Kaci Antonette
Evans, Kareem Antwon
Ewoldt, Jackson Thomas
Fasthorse, Beverlee Ann
Fink, Alissa Rose
Fitzgerald, Jacob Steven
Flagg, III., George Albert
Flowers, Diamonds Ann
Flowers, Joseph
Foley, Michael Joseph
Foster, Neils Sean
Freeman, Xavier Lee
Garcia, Cia Christine
Glenn, John Allen
Glisan, Cynthia Lynn
Gortarez, Gina Marie
Gortarez, Rudy John
Goss, Mamie L.
Govia, Isaiah Lee
Govia, Mc Kenzie Jo
Grant, III., Jesse Clarence
Green, Brooklyn Marie
Grubbs, Donald Leon
Gutierrez, Vincent Clarence
Haahr, Anneliese Teresa
Haak, Mikayla Patricia
Hallowell Jr., Timothy Eugene
Hamilton, Bobbi-Jo Danielle
Hampshire, Austin Taylor
Hart-La Londe,
Kaedyn Mikael
Hendren, Baylea Mae
Hennek, Gail Howe
Henritze, Joseph Dale
Henritze, Karen June
Henritze, Nichole Rae
Hill, Mary Jane
Hocking-Gosnell, Zalla C.
Hope, Dorothea Jo Ann
Horine, Ashley Danielle
Howe, Richard H.
Howe, Vernon Roy
Humphreys, Belinda Kay
Jeppesen, Zachary Lee
Johnson, Daniel James
Johnson, Lukus Tyler
Johnson, Nicholas Adair
Kelso, James Alan
Kerrigan, Kathleen Ann
King, Gavin Michael
Knudsen, Anthony James
Krueger, Annette Marie
Kyles, Jarred Joseph
La Pointe,
Alejandro Jauquine
Latimer, LaRohn Lewis
Le Roy Jr, Uriah David
Le Roy, Gisele Marie
Lerew Jr, Zachariah Ray
Lieb, Donovan Joseph
Lieb, Sylas Vittorio
Little, Jeromy Todd
Livermore, Lakin Mardell
Lopez, Jr., Juan Francisco
Lurz, Thomas Mitchell
Maben, Jessica Paige
Mann II, Steven Michael
Mann, Sydney Desiree`
Mategko, Lisa Louise
McAtee, Laiya Nicole
McGrath, Bryan Thomas
McGrath, Daniel Patrick
Mercier, Jade Sharice
Mikkelson, Jessica Jean
Morris,
Eddie Atkins White Star
Mullen, Owen Dean
Muscutt, Elias Gordon
O'Hara, Raymond Joshua
O'Meara, Joseph Christopher
Peck, Brandalynn
Peck, Tyler Duane
Petersen, Kevin Lee
Peterson, Ashley Marie
Phillips, Noah Trench
Pierce, Raychel Marie
Pilcher Jones, Josi Marie
Polly, Rachael Anne
Prichard, Joseph John
Prunty, Austin Joe
Quintana Jr, Arthur Jose
Raymond, Joseph Allen
Remmenga, Daniel James
Richards, Robert Brandon
Riddick, Amanda Marie
Roberts, Marquitta Ruby
Rulo, Byron
Russell, Kristina Anne
Sainz, Tritia Jeanene
Sarton, Gwendolyn Lee
Schmidt, Jr., Karl Michael
Scuderi, Jana Marie
Scurlocke,
Athena Larissa Lucille
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
Standsblack, Marko Tulio
Stastny, Rachel Colleen
Steadman, Brittany Jean Ann
Stegman,
Mi'a Miwasa Nevaeh
Stivers, Andrew Jonathan
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
Velder, Tristen Leo Spencer
Voss, Michael Roy
Waters, Deon Koleen
Wayte, April May
Whiting, Jerica Ryan Taylor
Williams, Andrea Michelle
Wintermantel,
Samuel Max Kawakami
Wooten, Kendra Jade
Wright, Cruz Montgomery
York, Gregory Allen
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:_____

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.

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@poncatribe-ne.org
   OR
   You may mail documentation and your
   current photo to:

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

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.

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SIGNATURE REQUIRED DATE

Elder's Committee Meetings

February 5 | 10 am
Ponca Offices | Ralston, NE

March 4 | 10 am
Ponca Offices | Lincoln, NE





Congratulations!

Maci Schott graduated with her undergraduate in 3.5 years and received her Master's in a year, graduating this December! Congratulations Maci! We are so proud of you!!!!!!!

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



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Cultural
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Fax: (402) 857-3652

LINCOLN 68512

Administration
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Ph: (402) 438-9222
Fax: (402) 438-9226

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

Osni Ponca
2756 O Street
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NORFOLK 68701

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