

Information from Joan M. Reznicek, Superintendent of Schools

The first semester comes to a close on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> with students dismissed at Jackson Elementary at 1:50 p.m. and Ponca Elementary and High School at 2:10 p.m. School will reconvene on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. The Christmas Break is scheduled from Wednesday, December 21 through Tuesday, January 3.

The Phase Two construction of our new gymnasium, locker rooms, music room, and auditorium is coming along with the great weather we have been experiencing. The construction workers have been able to pour cement, erect walls, and will assemble the roof on the gymnasium after the Thanksgiving break. With the roof on the gymnasium, the entire Phase Two of the school will be enclosed to begin the inside work on the project. Again, the great weather we have experienced has enabled steady construction on the building.

#### The Christmas Concerts are as follows:

Grades 3 - 6 ----- December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Gymnasium Grades PK - 2 ----December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Gymnasium Grades 7 - 12 ----December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Gymnasium

With the cold winter days approaching, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for school especially the elementary students when they are outside for recess. We do not have outside recess if the wind chill is below 10 degrees. Please make sure your child has a coat, stocking cap, mittens/gloves, and boots to stay warm.

With all of the school activities taking place along with the requirements of the classroom, please make sure your child is getting an ample amount of sleep every night. An elementary student needs 9 to 10 hours of sleep every night. A Jr. High - Senior High students needs 7 to 8 hours of sleep every night. The most important aspect is keeping a routine as to when your child goes to bed every night. There is no such thing as a person "catching up" with their lack of sleep during the week over the weekend.

Ponca Public School is interested in purchasing a CodeEd Emergency Communication Network. The CodeEd Emergency System would give telephone alerts for no school, late starts, early dismissals, lockdown situations, or any other type of emergency calls to the parent and student landline, work, and /or cell phones. We are waiting to hear if we have received a grant to purchase such a system. More information will come later.

Please watch the local T.V. stations if the weather causes closure of school, a late start, or an early dismissal. The announcement will be on the local T.V. stations plus the radio stations.

<u>Days of NO SCHOOL:</u> Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> Have a wonderful Christmas Season and a Joyous New Year!

Notes from the High School office...

Two hundred twenty-six students from seven conference schools came together on November 7, to practice and form one mass choir that performed in an evening concert at Wakefield. Of the 226 students, twenty-four students were selected for the Conference Honor Choir. Thirteen of the twenty-four honor choir members were Ponca students. Congratulations is extended to honor choir medalists Lauren Brickett, Nellie Logue, Christiana O'Neill, Kelsi Stoos, Cheyenne Brown, Alexis Eifert, Kianna Kramper, Isaac Bennett, Colin Brandt, Josh Masin, Jacob Oswald, Dustin Brewer, and Zach Heaton.

Our first semester will end on December 21, 2011. Students in grades 7-12 will write semester tests on December 20 and 21. The semester test schedule is printed in this newsletter. Students in grades 9-12 who have a study hall during the first or last testing period may be released during this time on semester testing days with written permission from a parent. Practices, rehearsals, wrestling meets, basketball games, concerts, and holiday family events, can all get in the way of academics. It is important during this busy month of December that students stay focused on their class work and finish their first semester strong.

Positive or negative, sportsmanship is a reflection of the individual, school, and community. Positive or negative, sportsmanship influences everyone involved. Poor sportsmanship takes away enjoyment of the activity from participants and other spectators. As we open the winter sports season students and Ponca Indian fans are reminded that positive sportsmanship is our expectation in the stands, on the court and on the mats.

The NAIA identifies the following eight good sportsmanship "musts" for fans:

- Treat coaches and players from both teams with respect.
- Acknowledge outstanding efforts from both teams.
- Respect officials and accept their decisions.
- Avoid negative comments or signage.
- Avoid foul language.
- Maintain enthusiasm, composure and a positive attitude.
- Act as a role model of good sportsmanship for other fans.
- Stay in areas designated for fans. Avoid disrupting play.

Ponca Indian fans are challenged to adopt and practice these eight "musts" for fans this winter sports season. Remember your job as a fan is to provide positive and enthusiastic support for your team, respect the opponent and honor the decisions of the officials.

Second semester report cards will be given to students the first week they return to school from Christmas break. This is a great time to sit down and talk with your child about the grade report. Be sure to ask to see your child's report card. Talk with your child about his/her first semester performance. Start out by congratulating your child on the positive. Talk about the grade the child is proudest of and why. For good grades, ask, "What went right?" and discuss how to apply it to problem areas. When looking at an unsatisfactory grade, focus on discussing the class itself. Spend time brainstorming a plan of action for improvement. Evaluate whether the child is spending enough time to complete homework or if extracurricular activities or a job is taking up too much after-school time. If you know your child has been trying hard and continues to struggle academically, contact the teacher about opportunities for assistance. Remember that grades 7-12 students may get academic assistance at "Homework Club" each Tuesday and Thursday after school.

Selected instrumental music students will be traveling to Wayne State College in January. The Lewis and Clark Conference Instrumental Music Clinic is scheduled for January 21, 2012, at Wayne State College. During the day students will be rehearsing with a guest clinician to prepare for an early evening concert. Everyone is invited to attend the conference clinic concert at 5:00 p.m. in the Ramsey Theater on the Wayne State College campus.

Ms. Rinas, High School Principal

# **Elementary News**

The holiday season has arrived and it is a busy time of year. We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We are in a constant battle with the flu. **If your child is not feeling well please do not send them to school.** We have a number of students come to school running a temperature or complaining of stomach flu before school begins. If your child has vomited the previous evening or the morning of school it's probably an indicator not to send them to school. The standard rule from health care officials is: **a child should be fever free and have not vomited for 24 hours before returning to school.** Please make a special effort to check students before they return to school; this will help keep the flu from spreading.

Although it is a busy time of year, the end of the 1st semester is approaching very quickly. The semester ends on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Students need to remain focused on academics and finish the semester with a strong academic performance.

With the winter season upon us, we are asking parents to make sure their children have the following items with them at school: **boots**, **hat**, **coat**, **snow pants**, **and gloves**. Please dress students appropriately for a normal winter school day; flip-flops, shorts, spaghetti-strap tops, and no socks are not appropriate attire for winter weather. The students go outside for recess on most days and winter clothing items are essential.

With the winter weather being unpredictable a big concern is school cancellation, early dismissal, and late starts. We will make every effort to make a decision as early as possible. We will try to make decisions on late starts and cancellations by 6:00 a.m. The announcement will be broadcast on the Sioux City television and radio stations. Please have emergency arrangements made in case of an early dismissal. The early dismissal will be announced in the same manner as a cancellation. In the case of an early dismissal, the Jackson Elementary will be dismissed 20 minutes earlier than Ponca. This means if Ponca is dismissed at 1:30 Jackson will be dismissed at 1:10. Please remember an early dismissal means conditions are dangerous. We need to get students and staff out of the building and home as quickly as possible. If your emergency plan is different than the usual pickup procedure, please notify the school.

Parents, we love the fact you come to eat lunch with your children. If you are coming to school to eat lunch please do not bring fast food to school. We would appreciate it if you would eat the school lunch or bring a traditional sack lunch.

Last year we had a problem with elementary students not sitting down at basketball games. This creates a dangerous situation for players, referees, students, and spectators. Please make sure your child is seated and watches the games. Students under the 4th grade are not allowed on the stage during games. If your child is asked to sit down more than once during a game they will be required to sit with their parents. Please realize the safety of everyone in the gym is of the utmost importance.

Many different teams and individuals have reserved the gym for various activities in the next few months. Please remember to respect school property and supervise everyone that enters the building during your scheduled time. The school equipment will not be available during these times. Please bring your own equipment for practices and activities.

#### Dates to mark!

Christmas Concert for Grades 3 - 6 ----- December  $2^{nd}$  at 7:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Gymnasium Christmas Concert for Grades PK – 2 -----December  $9^{th}$  at 7:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Gymnasium December  $21^{st}$  ----- End of semester

Jackson Elementary dismisses @ 1:50 p.m., Ponca Elementary dismisses @ 2:10 p.m. December 21<sup>st</sup> -----3 thru 6 Trip to the Movie (TBA), Pre K thru 2 Christmas Parties Jan. 4th School Resumes, start of 2nd Semester

## HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

# PONCA PRESCHOOL December January



Μ	Tues	Wed	Th	Fri		
			1	2 Starfish		
5 Starfish	6	7 Starfish	8	9 Starfish Christmas Concert		
12 Starfish	13	14 Starfish	15	16 No PreK		
19 Starfish	20	21 Starfish Christmas Party	22 No School	23 No School		
26 No School	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School	30 No School		

#### December - In Our Classroom

During the month of December we will be exploring the world of opposites. We will even use snow to talk about the difference between hot and cold. We will be having lots of holiday fun along the way. For a special Christmas treat we will make magic reindeer food for Rudolph and his friends! Happy holidays!



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16 Starfish	17	18 Starfish	19	20 No PreK
23 No School	24	25 Starfish	26	27 No PreK
30 Starfish	31	1 Starfish	2	3 Starfish

#### January - In Our Classroom

During the month of January we will be exploring all kinds of jobs. From farmers to grocers we will discover that there are many jobs that people must do in order to make a town work. In January, we will also be learning about estimation. During circle time each morning we will have an estimation jar to help us practice this useful skill.



## 2011-2012 Semester 1 **Test Schedule**

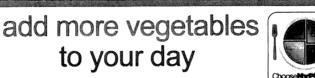
#### **TUESDAY (DECEMBER 20)**

08:15-09:15	PERIOD 1	TEST
09:20-10:00	PERIOD 2	
10:05-11:05	PERIOD 3	TEST
11:10-11:46	PERIOD 4	
11:46-01:03	PERIOD 5	TEST
01:06-01:45	PERIOD 6	
01:50-02:50	PERIOD 7	TEST
02:55-03:30	PERIOD 8	,

#### WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 21)

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10 tips Nutrition Education Series





10 tips to help you eat more vegetables

It's easy to eat more vegetables! Eating vegetables is important because they provide vitamins and minerals and most are low in calories. To fit more vegetables in your meals, follow these simple tips. It is easier than you may think.

stock up on veggies

discover fast ways to cook Cook fresh or frozen vegetables in the microwave for a quick-and-easy dish to add to any meal. Steam green beans, carrots, or broccoli in a bowl with a small amount of water in the microwave for a quick side dish

be ahead of the game Cut up a batch of bell peppers, carrots, or broccoli. Pre-package them to use when time is limited. You can enjoy them on a salad, with hummus or in a veggie wrap.



choose vegetables rich in color Brighten your plate with vegetables that are red, orange, or dark green. They are full of vitamins and minerals. Try acom squash, cherry tomatoes, sweet potatoes, or collard greens. They not only taste great but also are good for you, too.



check the freezer aisle Frozen vegetables are quick and easy to use and are just as nutritious as fresh veggies. Try adding m neas green beans, spinach, or sugar snap

Canned vegetables are a great addition to any meal, so keep on hand canned tomatoes, kidney beans, garbanzo beans, mushrooms, and beets. Select those labeled as "reduced sodium," "low sodium," or "no salt added." visit your local farmer's market.

make your garden salad glow with color Brighten your salad by using colorful vegetables such as black beans sliced red bell peppers, shredded

radishes, chopped red cabbage, or watercress. Your salad will not only look good but taste good, too.



sip on some vegetable soup Heat it and eat it. Try tomato, butternut squash, or garden vegetable soup. Look for reduced- or low-sodium soups.

#### while you're out

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If dinner is away from home, no need to worry. When ordering, ask for an extra side of vegetables or side salad instead of the typical fried side dish.

savor the flavor of seasonal vegetables Buy vegetables that are in season for maximum flavor at a lower cost. Check your local supermarket specials for the best-in-season buys. Or



try something new You never know what you may like. Choose a new vegetable---add it to your recipe or look up how to fix it online.



Go to www.ChooseMyPlate.gov for more information.



# Notes from the High School Guidance Office....

# Financial Aid Meeting Is Scheduled...

On Monday, December 5, 2011, at 6:00 P.M., a representative from Education Quest Foundation (Omaha, Nebraska) will present a financial aid workshop for students in grades 9-12 and their parents. The meeting will be held in the Commons Area of Ponca School. While the first part of the session will include general financial aid information for all grade levels, the second part of the meeting is specifically designed for seniors and their parents. Since financial aid is a critical component of post secondary education, any student considering training beyond high school, would benefit from this meeting. Discussion will include how to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA). Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. *SENIORS & PARENTS: This is an excellent local opportunity for you to learn about the FAFSA process.* 

# Mark Your Calendar....

Mark your calendars.... For the P.H.S. Student Council Holiday Cake RaffleIII Thursday, December 8th @ the Boys/Girls Basketball Doubleheader vs. Randolph

# Senior Citizen Passes Available...

Passes are available in the Business Office for those <u>patrons</u> of the district who are 65 and older. The passes are good for any activities at the school.

## 7-12 Parents:

Be sure to check the 7-12 Guidance icon on the school's webpage.

We will be posting information on college, scholarship, and career opportunities on this page. Additionally, there will be articles of interest regarding personal and career information for your children. You will want to check it weekly. Thanks!

## **PARENTS:**

Are you looking for great summer academic camps for your kids in grades 8-11?

Check out the: "Big Red Summer Academic Camps" @ the following website! <u>www.bigredcamps.unl.edu</u>

# Practice ACT Test scheduled at **Ponca High School**

A *practice ACT Test* will be given to voluntary juniors on Saturday morning, January 28, 2012.

The test is an actual ACT assessment which includes the following sections: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and Writing.

--Registration is scheduled from 7:30 A.M to 8:00 A.M.

--Testing begins at 8:00 A.M. and should be completed by 1:00 P.M.

Juniors need to pre-register for the practice ACT test by Monday, January 16, 2012, at 3:30 P.M. Students pre-register in the high school guidance office.

Testing will take place in Mrs. Balvantin's Room at Ponca High School. The test will be proctored by Mrs. Hassler.

Those students completing the practice test will then have an opportunity to review their results with the English, math, and science teachers this spring. This opportunity is provided as all P.H.S. juniors are encouraged to register for an actual ACT test scheduled year: February 11, April 14, and June 9, 2012.

This is a terrific opportunity for our students to learn how to prepare for this college entrance exam. It is great practice!

Parents...make sure your junior son or daughter has registered for the practice ACT test! Contact the high school guidance office today (755-5702).

Packet Registration Deadline....January 13. 2012 Testing Date......February 12, 2012



# Save Your Box Tops!

Classrooms are collecting Box Tops for Education again this year. So please save and send Box Tops to Ponca and Jackson schools.

Last year, Ponca Elementary redeemed the Box Tops and received a check for \$1153.60!!

(Please make sure you check the expiration date on all box tops).



All parents of <u>Junior High & High School</u> students in <u>band & chorus</u> are considered "Music Boosters". Music Booster Parents/Guardians are asked to support the cause by working a shift in the concession stand. If you are unable to work your assigned time, <u>please find a replacement</u> or contact the contact person of your shift.

#### 2011-2012 MUSIC BOOSTERS CONCESSION STAND WORK SCHEDULE for GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL GAMES

Please check school newsletter/calendar for starting times.

#### Thursday, December 1, GBB&BBB vs Hartington Public

Contact person: Wendy Masin Greg & Amy Utech Jeff & Heidi Rush Jeff & Hallie Salmen Nick & Kristina Sullivan

#### Thursday, December 8, GBB&BBB vs Randolph

Contact person: Rhonda Criddle Chad & Lynn Eifert Bernie & Lindy Gill Bruce & Karlena Krueger Jason & Paula Cook

#### Tuesday, January 10, GBB &BBB vs Wakefield

Contact person: Julie Kramper Staci Holgate Mary Granato Doug & Stacey Janssen Roger & Becky Bentz Treff & Elizabet DeRoin

#### Friday, January 20, GBB&BBB vs Bancroft-Rosalie

*Contact person: Kari Richards* Doug & Terssa Markworth Sheldon & Cyndi Koeppe Leonard & Kim Walker Tyson & Beth Bodlak

#### Thursday, January 26, GBB vs Newcastle

Contact person: Christina Luebe Willson & Kim Johnson Tracy & Angela Anderson Blane & Misty Bennett Todd & Lesleigh Hammer

#### Friday, February 10, BBB vs Homer

Contact person: Rhonda Criddle Mary Rager Jennifer Hartman Rod & Holly Brown Brett & Jenny Eifert Kevin & Angie Niemeyer

#### Tuesday, December 6, GBB vs Elk Point

Contact person:Christina LuebeLaurie ZavadilMarcia MillardBob LogueHeather TibbettsMark BrewerRhonda CriddleDoug PetersonKoni Lundin

#### Thursday, December 22, GBB vs Dakota Valley

Contact person: Christina Luebe Terry & Kris Goetz Max & Lana Oswald Shawn & Staci Fethkenher Bob & Michelle Finnegan

#### Saturday, January 14, BBB vs Elk Point

Contact person: Kari Richards Jack & Sally Eiler Dean & Kelly Lieber Rick & Marcella Schweers Mike & Kelly Brewer

#### Tuesday, January 24, GBB&BBB vs Hartington CC

*Contact person: Julie Kramper* Kevin & Amy Crosgrove Jim & Jessica Kastning Brian & Carmen Schweers Doyle & Jennifer Van Dyke

#### Thursday, February 9, GBB vs Homer

Contact person: Wendy Masin Bob & Carrie Lux Shawn & Sue Sullivan Eric & Patti Goodier Mindy Kinnear

#### Friday, February 17, BBB vs Creighton

*Contact person: Julie Kramper* Les & Cheri Albrecht Chad & Missy Chicoine Greg & Donna Pollard Dan & Debbie Stowe

# Music Booster's Soup Supper

January 20th 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Lunch Room

Bancroft-Rosalie vs. Ponca Basketball Game

## Music Booster Meeting December 7, 2011 and January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 6:00 p.m. Outlaw Pizza

More members are needed at the meetings to better represent the entire group. If you are the parent of a music student, you are a Music Booster!

# 2011 CONFERENCE HONOR CHOIR

#### <u>Sopranos</u>

- 1. Nellie Logue-Ponca
- 2. Christian O'Neill-Ponca
- 3. Victoria Zamzow-Wakefield
- 4. Morgan Bathke-Allen
- 5. Kelsi Stoos Ponca
- 6. Darien Gustafson -Wakefield
- 7. Katelyn Hermelbracht B-R

### <u>Altos</u>

- 1. Kianna Kramper-Ponca
- 2. Hannah Paxton-Wakefield
- 3. Cheyenne Brown-Ponca
- 3. Alexis Eifert Ponca
- 4. Lindsay Sullivan Allen
- 5. Lauren Brickett Ponca
- 6. Cherish Mallory Winnebago

#### <u>Tenors</u>

- 1. Daniel Muller Wakefield
- 2. Colin Brandt -Ponca
- 3. Josh Masin Ponca
- 4. Jonathan Larsen Ponca
- 5. Sebastian Adams Homer
- 6. Takota Burnham Allen

### <u>Basses</u>

- 1. Jacob Oswald-Ponca
- 2. Zach Heaton Ponca
- 3. Dustin Brewer Ponca
- 4. Isaac Bennett Ponca
- 5. Brandon Sullivan- Allen
- 6. Brandon Abts Allen

# 2011 CONFERENCE HONOR BAND

The following Students selected to represent Ponca at Lewis and Clark Conference Honor Band on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Lauren Brickett Brandon Bauman Dustin Brewer Samra Eiler Kayla Crosgrove Zach Heaton Allie Albrecht Spencer Criddle Krystal Richards Kelsi Holgate Ethan Swick Lauren Conrad Katie Anderson



CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Grades 3 – 6 ----- December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m Grades PK – 2 ----December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m Jr. High/High School ----December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.



All concerts will be held in Ponca's High School Gymnasium

### NOTICE TO PARENTS OF PONCA SCHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS WHO MAY BE CONSIDERING ENROLLMENT OPTIONS FOR THE 2012 – 2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Parents or guardians considering the use of the enrollment options program to enroll their child/ren in another public school district in the state of Nebraska should be aware of the following date:

March 15, 2012 - Deadline for filing enrollment option application for the 2012-2013 school year unless a waiver of dates is granted.

Limitation - The enrollment option shall be available only once to each student prior to graduation unless:

- (a) the student relocates in a different resident school district,
  - (b) the option school district merges with another district.

**Eligibility** – Eligibility will be considered for transfer students who have transferred from one school to another when there is not a change of domicile by the parents. Those students who have their transfer papers signed and filed on or before March 15 shall be eligible immediately in the fall. Those students who do not have their transfer applications signed and filed on or before March 15 shall be ineligible for 90 school days.

**Transportation** – The parents of the optioned student shall be responsible for required transportation to the option district.

If you have questions regarding the enrollment option program, please contact the Ponca Superintendent's Office at 755-5700.

National Honor Society Coat Drive



This winter, it's important to remember those who can't afford a warm coat.

Ponca's National Honor Society will be collecting new or slightly used coats to be delivered to KMEG 14. Coats may be dropped off between now and December 21st at Keller Pharmacy, the Trading Post, or either of the Ponca Public School facilities.

Davenport Cleaners will dry clean the coats before they are taken to the Salvation Army to make sure they get to the people who need them.

Thank you for your support.



# **LIBRARY UPDATES**

Thank you to author Blane Brummond, for presenting excerpts from his children's book, Hannah and the Well-Mannered Wood Sprite of Ponca State Park to the students at Ponca and Jackson Elementary Schools in November.

Many thanks to the following for their book donations: Kylie Krueger, Jamie Fethkenher family and Pat Leslie



# Ponca Public School Veterans' Program



In honor of Veterans Day Thursday, November. 11, 2011, Ponca Public School hosted a school and community-wide program entitled, "Bless Them All".

Veterans and auxiliary members from the Ponca, Jackson, Dakota City, South Sioux City, Allen, Newcastle, and Homer Legions, and the Martinsburg Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and current military personnel attended the observance.

Elementary and high school student council presidents, Sophie Kramper and Patrick Watchorn gave the welcome. Elementary student council vice president Kelsey Fields led everyone in saying the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the band playing the National Anthem, directed by Mrs. Amy Hansen. High school student council member Colin Brandt read a proclamation by President Obama.

Mrs. Kari Lowe directed the third through sixth grade students in singing "I Pledge Allegience" and the Jr. High/High School Chorus in singing "Thank You Soldiers" which included solos by Rachel Krause and Jacob Oswald.

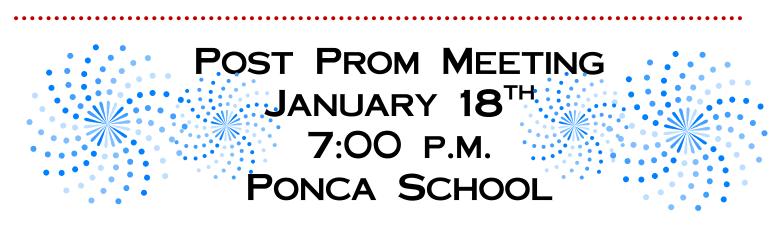
A video tribute to our local veterans, which was set to the song, "Heaven Was in Need of a Hero", by Jo Dee Messina was shown. High school student council students Zach Heaton and Josh Block gave a bell chime recognition to deceased soldiers. The Ponca High School Band played "Amazing Grace". High school student council members Kayla Beacom and Krystal Richards recognized all veterans and military men and women in attendance at the program. The Ponca United Methodist Church Chime Choir played, "Salute to America".

The Ponca Elementary and High School Student Councils sponsored a fund raising project for the Siouxland Freedom Park Campaign. Students, staff, and school organizations were invited to donate money to this project.

Colonel Mark Foreman along with First Lt. Jennifer Carlson from the Iowa Air Guard, 185<sup>th</sup> Refueling Wing gave an update on the Siouxland Freedom Park. They were presented a check and cash donations of approximately \$1,036.00 for the Freedom Park in honor of Ponca, Jackson and Martinsburg Veterans by Ponca students, Paul Masin and MacKenzie Boyle, children of 185<sup>th</sup> Refueling Wing pilots, Sean Masin and Duane Boyle.

Ms. Joan Reznicek, Ponca School Superintendant, gave the closing remarks.

During the entire program a series of computer visuals were projected up on the large screen by Ponca School's technologist Mrs. Kristie Hayes.



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The Ponca Public School requests your help in locating handicapped children. The school implements the Federal Handicapped Children's Act (PL 94-142) and Nebraska statute, which guarantees a free appropriate educational program for all children between birth and 21 years of age. If you have students or know of any young person who meets these criteria, please contact Superintendent's office.



# December 2011



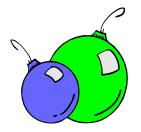
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11	12 Chicken Fajita Lettuce Potato Rounds Cinn. Applesauce	<b>13</b> Chic. Fried Steak Mashed Potato Corn Peaches Roll	14 Chili/Crackers Carrot Sticks Pears Cinnamon Roll	<b>15</b> Chicken & Noodles Peas Pineapple Roll	<b>16</b> Tavern Scalloped Potato Green Beans Fruit Cocktail	17
18	<b>19</b> Mini Corn Dogs Nacho Cheese Cole Slaw Pears	<b>20</b> Scrambled Eggs French Toast Sticks Peaches	21 Scalloped Potato/ Ham Corn Pineapples Roll	22 NO SCHOOL	<sup>23</sup> NO SCHOOL	24
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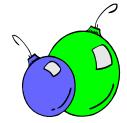




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15	16 Shrimp Popper	17 Pizza	18 Chicken Patty	19 Tavern	20 Chicken & Noodles	21
	Potato Wedge	Lettuce Salad	Mashed Potato/Gravy	Cheesy Potato	Peas	
	Cole Slaw	Chips	Green Beans	Baked Beans	Pineapple	
	Fruit Cocktail	Pears	Rasp. Applesauce	Peaches	Roll	
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22	23 Beef Taco	24 Hamburger/Bun	25 Chicken Potato	26 Hot Dog/Bun	27 BBQ Meatballs	28
	Lettuce	Tri-Tater	K Casserole	Nachos/Cheese	Scalloped Potato	
	Banana	Baked Beans	Green Beans	Corn 🐇	Peas	
	Choc cake/choc sauce	Apple	Strawberries	Peaches	Pineapple	
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29	30 Burrito	31 Chili/Crackers			N3	
	Lettuce Salad	Carrot Sticks			(	
	Chips	Cinnamon Applesauce				7 -
	Pears	Cinnamon Roll				
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