

PCDA WEEKLY UPDATE



THE DAY AFTER... the Ponca City Chamber Banquet is always a Friday. Yup, that is the kind of busy week it has been here at PCDA. We are taking the obvious and running with it. Congratulations to all those receiving very well deserved awards last night. Clayton Johnson, current U.S. Marshall and former Ponca City Police Chief, was the MC and he performed his duties well. Very well, actually. We will let the Chamber share all the winners last night with the exception of one: Industry of the Year. ...Congratulations to Continental Carbon, the 2016 Ponca City Industry of the Year. We here at PCDA couldn't be prouder if they were one of our own, because they are one of our own. Our very own company being involved with the Chamber, volunteering at events around town, and of course the announcement and groundbreaking of the \$110 million dollar co-generation facility, with construction employing 300 people in the short term. The plant will ultimately add 30+ permanent jobs at the facility. So hats off, hip hip hurrah and Congrats to the entire Continental Carbon crew and their families. Job well done.



Construction in the Airport Industrial Park

CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION..... continues on the Sykes Blvd extension. Cookshack is moving product even if their parking lot isn't completely ready. Cookshack's neighbors in the AIP, Log10, are being neighborly and sharing their parking lot with Cookshack employees as they wait for the parking lot to cure. PCDA staff loves these kind of stories. Below, Cookshack is moving and grooving at the new location: getting product built, assembled and shipped. Staff has also heard that employees are loving the new building. The Ponca City economy does love a busy building!

Congratulations to Cookshack for completing the move to their new building.



WEDNESDAY MORNING.... dawned clear and cold, but for a group of caring, career women in Ponca City there was excitement brewing in their hearts. The Soroptimist Club is sponsoring a program with Ponca Works called "Dream it, Be it". This program invites 40 eighth grade girls to lunch to chat about their future career. There will be four meetings like these before the end of the school year, and will serve to shape the future of our next generation of workforce! The girls were chirping with excitement on our brisk walk from East Jr. High to the Methodist church where lunch was ready for them. The students responded well and participated with their Soroptimist table hosts and with the speakers for the meeting. As they left and shouted their goodbyes, the room felt full of life. The table hosts shared their funny stories about the girls, the spit balls that were shot, and the future lunches we have scheduled were spoken of with great anticipation. These are the kind of activities which can happen when the community of people and businesses care; PoncaWorks is excited to work with this group to continue to mold and shape our next generation.



PCDA STAFF.... were caught together at the Chamber Banquet last evening. We couldn't do things like have this picture taken without the help of our partners, so thanks Johnny T for keeping it real. We are not sure if he was just fascinated by our shoes or he meant to do this! Staff is back to work today with projects like City Center grant information gathering, PoncaWorks postings and resumes and meetings, meetings, meetings.



Upcoming Events

Saturday, Feb 4, Father/Daughter Dance
Sessions all day. [For more information or tickets click here.](#)

Feb 5 - 26, 2017 - Ponca City Art Center
[Regional Art Show - High School Students](#)

Tuesday, Feb 14, Stardust Melodies 7:00 pm
[Ponca Playhouse - Valentine's Day Celebration](#)

Wednesday, Feb 15 "Wellness in the Workplace"
Sponsored by SHRM at [Pioneer Tech Center. Click here for more info.](#)

Tuesday, April 25: Small Business Competition "Pitch Off"
More information to come, so stay tuned.

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