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## Crowning The New Miss Indian Colorado



## Udall Introduces Bill To Improve Irrigation & Flood Control In SW CO

In a Press Release sent to the Drum, on June 15, 2009, United States Senator, Mark Udall introduced a Bill in Washington, D.C. that would help the Southern Ute Tribe assess needs and make repairs to Pine River Indian Irrigation Project thus ensuring water supply needs. What follows is the official press release and remarks by Senator Udall for Congressional Record.

**Washington, D.C. –** Today (June 15, 2009), U.S. Senator Mark Udall introduced a bill that would make much-needed and long-deferred repairs to the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project, ensuring that the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and other Southwestern Colorado residents have access to adequate water supplies.

The Pine River Indian Irrigation Project was first created by Congress in 1936 to provide water for over 63,000 acres of land in Southwest Colorado, protecting the region from spring floods and summer droughts. Today, the demand and need for a quality water delivery system has never been greater, yet the Pine River Irrigation Project hasn't been able to keep up. The Government Accountability Office has declared the project severely deteriorated because of neglect and lack of funding.

Senator Udall's Pine River Indian Irrigation Act of 2009 would help the community rebuild the infrastructure and again provide adequate water to the region. It is co-sponsored by Colorado's junior Senator Michael Bennet.

"Years of neglect by the federal government have taken their toll on the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project. Serious leaks and deferred maintenance now threaten the safety and supply of water to the region – as well as the Southern Ute Tribe's ability to control the use of their land," Senator Udall said. "I'm introducing the Pine River Indian

Irrigation Act to make sure the federal government fulfills its responsibility and ensures both Indian and non-Indian residents have access to the water they need when they need it."

Senator Udall's bill would direct the Interior Secretary, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to fully assess the needs of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project. It would also grant the authority to the Secretary to provide grants to and enter into cooperative agreements with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of Colorado to assess and repair infrastructure so that the project more suitably meets user needs.

**The following are Senator Udall's full remarks as submitted for the Congressional Record:**

Mr. President, today I introduced a bill that seeks to rehabilitate an important irrigation and flood control system that is vital to serving the agricultural and flood protection needs in Southwestern Colorado.

More than 100 years ago, both Indian and non-Indian communities utilized the water from the Pine River to irrigate areas of Southwest Colorado. As the population and local agriculture grew, so did the need for more advanced infrastructure. In 1936, the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project was authorized by Congress in the Department of Interior Appropriation Act, and in 1937 the Project grew the system's capacity to provide water for over 63,000 acres of land. The development of this project provided much needed protection for crops and communities from spring floods and summer drought.

Today, similar forces of population growth and a steady demand for irrigated water are exacerbated by aging and deteriorating infrastructure, creating a need for a stronger system. The Government Accountability Office has found the deterioration of key project facilities to be

severe. As deferred maintenance and upkeep mount, there is a growing threat to water conservation efforts, a reliable water supply, growth in agricultural production, economic sustainability, a safe community, and, equally important, the preservation of culture and livelihood of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Though the Southern Ute Tribe and others who live along the Pine River understand the hazards presented by aging infrastructure, more needs to be done to comprehend the full extent of these hazards.

As a result of failed structures, leaks in the system, overdue maintenance, and inadequate funding, tribal members who would like to bring idle lands back into agricultural production and continue as good stewards of the land cannot be sure if much-needed water will get to their lands. Now, the estimated costs to rehabilitate the system far exceed the ability of water users to pay for improvements while managing profitable operations.

The Pine River Indian Irrigation Project Act of 2009 would fix decades of neglect and inadequate funding for the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project. This legislation would direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to fully assess the needs of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project. It would also grant the authority to the Secretary of the Interior to provide grants to, and enter into cooperative agreements with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of Colorado to assess and repair infrastructure so that it more suitably meets user needs.

The funding that would be provided in this bill is an essential step toward assuring that both Indians and non-Indians have access to the water they need, when they need it. I look forward to working with my colleagues to move this bill toward passage.

The 7th annual Sky Ute Casino Resort Powwow, held in the new casino, from June 12-14, 2009, honored incoming the Miss Indian Colorado Royalty. On Saturday, June 13, 2009, Samantha Mayes (right), passed on her title and crown to the in-coming Miss Indian Colorado, Kelsi Monroe. Also honored were Jr. Miss Indian Colorado, Patricia Lakota Rose Leroy, and Future Miss Indian Colorado, KennalLee Teagues and 1st Alternate - Future Miss Indian Colorado, Avaleena Nanaeto, more Royalty photos on Page 12 of this issue. Pictured in background (l-r), Cayla Armstrong, Snow Wing former Miss Indian Colorado, and out-going, Jr. Miss Indian Colorado Valerie Armstrong.

## Colorado Commission Of Indian Affairs Meet With Ute Tribes

by Robert L. Ortiz  
Drum Media Manager

The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs once again sat together with Ute leaders of the two Colorado Ute Tribes (Southern and Ute Mountain), in Towaoc, on Friday, May 29, 2009 at the Ute Mountain Ute Casino. Member of the Northern Ute Business Committee were also present during the meeting. The meeting was hosted by the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe



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Ernest House, Jr., (left) CCIA Executive Secretary and Barbara O'Brien, Colorado Lieutenant Governor, during CCIA Meeting.

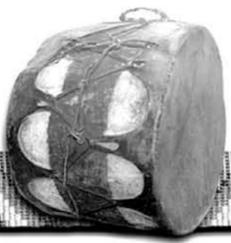
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## J&R Host Justice Conference

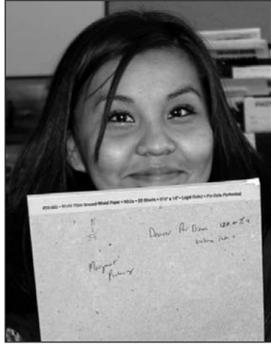
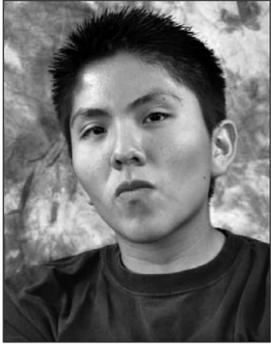


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Beckie Murdock, the Assistant Director of the Criminal Justice Center for Innovation introduced Elaine Newton, Chief Judge of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Court to discuss the Indian Law during the American Indian Justice Conference held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on June 9, 2009. Murdock acknowledged Judge Newton for the turtle pin given to her years ago at a past conference. The 1st Annual Indian Justice Conference was hosted by the Southern Ute Justice & Regulatory Department, and Chief Judge, Elaine Newton.



The Southern Ute Drum Introduces...



The Southern Ute Drum would like to introduce our Southern Ute Community Actions Program, The Training Advantage (SUCAP/TTA) summer workers. These students will be with us until August, as well as many other summer workers in other Tribal departments. You may see the Drum's TTA workers on assignment, snapping photos and conducting interviews, so please give them a warm welcome..

**Zachary Russell (left):** Learning Photography and Journalism, and his hobbies include photography, video media, animation, football, baseball and playing the guitar. Zack is from the Navajo Nation and lives in Farmington, NM. His family are: Jeri Russell, Patrick Russell, Monique Russell.

**Taylor Riley (center):** Learning Photography and Journalism, and her hobbies

include art, painting, photography, drawing and writing. She is a member of the Laguna Pueblo, of Laguna, NM and lives in Ignacio, CO. Her Mom is Ronica Cheromiah.

**Mouneek Wing (right):** Learning Photography and Journalism, and her hobbies include art, sports, camping, fishing, hunting. She is Ute and lives in Ignacio, CO. Her mother is Corita Wing.

“Thank-You” For The Blessings Of Bear Dance

By “tiny” Lisa Gray-Garcia POOR Magazine

The color of nature is much larger than mere words. Like many of the Creator's gifts on mother earth – words alone cant begin to describe the poetry, art, and spirit of our beautiful lands, Since I returned this week from a journey to Southern Ute Indian Reservation to attend the Bear Dance, I have been struck with a calm silence. When I think about writing, which as a self-described, revolutionary journalist and poet I am inclined to do; my brain and heart remain in prayer, uninterested in producing mere words.

As a traveler to the sacred land of the Southern Ute Bear Dance, hosted by POOR's indigenous peoples media coordinator, Mari Villaluna, I was not there as a writer, or tourist, but as a sister indigenous Taina (The Taino people are indigenous peoples from Puerto Rico) guest celebrating the gifts of spring through a dance brought to the Utes by a she-bear many, many moons ago So for this gift of shared ceremony, music and dance, I feel I must craft some words to gift back to the land and its peoples, the Southern Utes.

**Our Journey By Car...** After wayyyyy too much packing of this diva's belongings, and then the subsequent stuffing into a wayyy too small rented car, myself, my five year old son and three fellow staff writers and family members at POOR Magazine embarked from San Francisco, California on a journey by car on May 21st to Ignacio, Colorado. (POOR Magazine is an indigenous people led, non-profit , grassroots, arts organization dedicated to providing media access, education and advocacy to communities of color in poverty locally and globally.)

“I love mother earth”, said my son, Tiburcio as he began a series of drawings he did for the journey. In addition to my beautiful son our tiny car included the intergenerational cru of Phil Adams, staff writer and adminiskollah at POOR, Ruyata (RAM) Mcglothlin, Poverty scholar, POOR Press author and member of the Po Poets of POOR Magazine, Joseph Bolden, elder poverty scholar and founding member of POOR and me, poverty scholar, daughter of mama dee and mama of tiburcio. We were all on this journey for many reasons, for me it was a spirit journey for my mama dee, an indigenous Taina elder who passed to the other side in March of 2006 and whose birthday fell right on the week of our journey.

My mama dee, an orphan who had suffered through countless abusive foster homes and had managed by any means necessary to survive and get her education only to be shot down by the struggle of being a poor woman of color in the Amerikkka, even-

'BearDance' in the rain  
From the end until the start  
Too bad on Tiny's birthday we must depart  
All great things must come to an end  
I built so family ties here, much more than friends  
Sky still lovely, multi-colored clouds  
Thunder in the distance, sound so loud  
Flowing river waters threw the whole town  
Colorado boulders that be surrounding  
Earth colored gente (people)'BearDancing' getting down  
Music filled air of screaming eagles  
Horses, cows, dogs, sheep, elk, eagles  
Goats, crops, pastures, slops  
Stretches of land, black Mex-Indians  
R.V.'s, trucks, Palomas (doves), ducks  
Tractors on grass under construct  
Salmon, creeks, buffalo meat  
Roads, highways, dirt covered streets  
They showed up on every scene  
Only and the one  
POOR MAGAZINE  
...A poem for Bear Dance by RAM

which works to restore families in struggle rather than separate them.

That afternoon we returned to the Bear Dance corral to hear the deep sounds of the multigenerational group of growlers, led collectively but with direction by the calm focus of Tribal Chairman, and Bear Dance Chief Mathew Box- son of Betty and Eddie Box, native elders who met us with smiles and love at the entrance of the corral and cat-man extraordinaire Kenny Frost-who kept us all in line, literally and figuratively.

tually became unable to work and when I was 11 years old we became houseless on the streets of Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Me and my mama stayed together and I became her sole caregiver through years of disability, poverty and homelessness and from this struggle and later gifts of consciousness we received from elders like Angela Davis, Velia Garcia and Jose Cueller through teachings in Ethnic Studies and Womens Studies at San Francisco State University and we launched POOR Magazine in 1996 I owe all of my gifts of tenacity, artistry, caregiving and visionary thinking to my Mama dee, for without her there would be no me.

I have done a ceremony each year on her birthday since she passed. This year we both enjoyed the blessings of the Ute Bear Dance.

**Our Arrival...** Early Friday morning our damp, confused party arrived to a rain-filled sky in Ignacio Beginning with our groups witnessing of the four directions blessing by Tribal elders of the Bear Dance corral, our own collective offering of tobacco for the corral we proceeded to the Leonard C. Burch Building to meet with Robert Ortiz from the Southern Ute Drum who showed us the beautiful building and told us the story of resistance of Leonard C. Burch, we went on to meet folks from the Tribal radio station, KSUT, the Southern Ute museum where we heard the histories and herstories of repression and resistance of the Utes and Della Romero from SUCAP (Southern Ute Community Action Project) who practices a fascinating version of therapy called Multi Systemic Therapy

And then we received one of our most beautiful gifts. Due to a sky that threatened rain, the small group of POOR Magazine folks were the only ones dancing in the corral on Friday afternoon. We held each other's hands and prayed to our elders and the creator for giving us this day of beauty, song and dance. We prayed for the spirit of Mama Dee and Uncle Al Robles and the strength to come forth with the power of our revolution and change manifesto.

**The Final Day...** After three days straight of Bear Dance the final day seemed to come to soon. The sun shined bright. Aromas of fry bread and fresh lemonade filled the air, mixing with the soft wind and brown dirt kicked up by all the beautiful dancers. The final day of Bear Dance was made complete with one of the best buffalo stews I have ever eaten (of course, this is the only buffalo stew I have ever eaten!?)

The silence of nature's prayer began to take hold on the beautiful drive home. Consumed by Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona sky-lines and endless plains of burnt brown and orange, we were all humbled, I perhaps more than the others, because I haven't traveled many places in my life and never this way by car. I was left with the following poem.

**The Journey (Poetry) Home**  
Mountains with faces  
Rocks peel chards of time  
Deep blue, blood orange cover sky  
Speaking stories of silenced struggle  
Landless people  
Becoming landed  
Groundless people  
Becoming grounded  
US government lies transformed into  
What we turn into  
But the sky will save us  
The soft wind will change us  
And the day becomes night and our small car becomes a kite to fly  
Away into the hearts of our ancestors  
Thank-you to the Utes for the blessings, the prayers and your time

Thank You from Our Sister's Keeper

We wish to thank each and every person who helped us have a successful Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Without you, this would not have been possible. Together, we have broken the Silence that Violence against Native American Women and Children is not our Native Way.. We have began the healing and creating a safe community.

SAGE - 1st Annual Southwest Indigenous Prevention Summit

- Anna Marie Garcia Ayla Olguin Betty Box Betty Howe
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S. Ute Councilman Steve Herrera S. Ute Councilwoman Barbara Scott-Rarick
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Candlelight Vigil in Towaoc

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I want to thank each of you from the deepest part of my heart. I am so grateful to be part of this work with you all. It hurts physically, mentally and spiritually but we can heal one person at a time. May the God our Creator watch over each of you and your loved ones. If I have forgotten anyone, please accept my sincere apology.

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Onto The Spirit World



**HOWE** - Michael Lynn Howe died Wednesday, June 10, 2009, in Farmington, N. M. Michael Lynn Howe was born June 19, 1971, in Durango, Colo. Michael worked at Smith's in Albuquerque for many years and was a night manager. He enjoyed riding his mountain bike, playing computer games, bowling, music and football. He was an avid New York Giants fan. Michael loved animals, especially his cats.

He is survived by his daughter Caela Jean Hollenbach of Albuquerque, mother Dora Howe of Ignacio, father Larry Valdez of Durango; brothers Edward Howe of Ignacio; Vance and Eddy Wyrositek of N.M.; aunts Josephine Howe of Ignacio and Crystal Whitehawk of N.M.; uncles Clayborn Scott, Daniel Weaver, and Kenneth Burch Jr. of Ignacio; cousins Danielle, Robert and Brian Hight of Ignacio; Lillian and Kehneeta Whitehawk of N.M.; nieces Akasha Whitehawk and Margarita Archuleta, nephew Lastat Archuleta, and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Rosemarie Howe and Jerry Cloud of Ignacio; foster grandparents Bud and Inez Seavy of Pagosa Springs; Bill and Katie Whitehawk of N.M. and cousin Patrick Hight of Ignacio.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Michael's name to the American Cancer Society.

**HERRERA** - Jose Ignacio Alfonso "Horse" Herrera, Jr., 49, died Saturday, June 13, 2009, in Denver, Colo. Mr. Herrera, Jr. was born September 3, 1959, in Durango, Colo., the son of Jose Ignacio Alfonso, Sr. and Mary Washington Herrera. Mr. Herrera was a lifelong resident of Ignacio. He did attend high school in Tucson, Ariz., but returned and began working for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. In addition to his civil work, he also did carpentry work all around the Ignacio area. He was an accomplished artist, creating handmade glass etchings, wooden flutes and marble animal carvings. He was baptized Catholic and was a member of the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe. He enjoyed socializing with friends and family and they all called him "Horse." In May of this year, he went to visit his children in Denver, but his health declined and that is where he passed away.

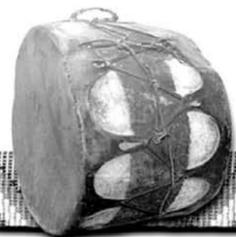
He is survived by Jose Ignacio Herrera, III (son) of Denver, Colo., Renalda Herrera (daughter) of Ignacio, Colo., Angel Herrera (daughter) of Denver, Colo., Kimberly Taylor (daughter) of Denver, Colo., Debra Browne (sister) of Ignacio, Colo., Leona Howe (sister) of Ignacio, Colo., Mark Herrera (brother) of Klamath Falls, Ore., Steve Herrera (brother) of California, Eduardo Herrera (brother) of New Mexico, Tino Herrera (uncle) of Denver, Colo., Sylvia Weaver (aunt) of Ignacio, Sadie Martinez (aunt) of Dulce, N.M., Shirley Esparza (aunt) of Ignacio, 11 grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his brothers Roldan Herrera and Steven Herrera.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Sat., June 20, 2009, at 10:00 A.M. at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Father Doug Hunt, St. Ignatius Catholic Church will be officiating. Burial will occur at Ignacio West Cemetery.

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## Tribal Update

### “WildCats” Girls Basketball Team Fundraiser/Bake Sale

3rd/4th Grade, on Sunday, June 21, 2009 from 11 am to 5 pm, behind Shur Valu in Ignacio. The WildCats: Chastity Bean, Caitlin Garcia, Veronica Gonzales, Lacey Hoselton, Shelsy Lagerstrom, Destaney Reynolds and Skyla Ruybal. Coaches: Naomi Russell, Amber Hillis and Gabriela Garcia. Funds will be used for expenses for their tournament in Farmington, NM and to attend Basketball Camp in Flagstaff, Arizona. Both will take place in July, 2009. Please support your local youth! Donations welcome and appreciated!

### “Summer Art Exhibit”

Ignacio Community library invites local artist of all ages and medias to exhibit their artwork in the “Summer Art Exhibit”. This exhibit will show from July 1, 2009 until September 30, 2009. If you are an interested artist please come in to pick up an Art Exhibit Request form or you may also download it from our website at [Ignacio.colibraries.org](http://Ignacio.colibraries.org). All requests must be turned in by Friday June 19, 2009. If you have any questions you may call Beatrice at 563-9287.

### Free Rabies Clinic For Cats & Dogs

ONLY cats and dogs will be vaccinated. ONLY RABIES vaccine will be provided. Cats and dogs must be older than three (3) months and in good health. Please have animals on leashes. For More information contact Southern Colorado Ute Service Unit of Ignacio, CO (928) 563-9443.

- **Ignacio, CO:** At Veteran’s Park, July 14, 2009 from 10 am – 2 pm
- **Towaoc, CO:** At Community Center Parking Lot, July 21, 2009 from 10:30 pm – 2:30 pm
- **White Mesa, UT:** July 23, 2009 from 11 am – 2 pm

### Fourth Annual Mountain Spirit Campout, Logo Contest

**Deadline for submissions is July 17, 2009!** Logo Guidelines: The Mountain Spirit committee is requesting an image that represents the spirit of recovery and is colorful and graphically appealing. You must use a visible, original image (no clipart, please). The image will be used on large and small posters and possibly used on tshirts. Image should include the following year, date, and location: **4th Annual Mountain Spirit Campout, August 14-16, 2009, Lake Capote**. Include colors! A maximum of four colors may be used in the design INCLUDING BLACK & WHITE! You can use one color as a background. Solid colors only; NO water color, gradients or air-brush. Those techniques look wonderful, but they are too costly to reproduce on shirts, posters, etc.

- Image must reproduce well in black and white.
  - Lettering must be identifiable and easy to read.
  - No electronic submissions, we ask that you send your entry on paper.
  - All entries, images and artwork become the exclusive property of the Mountain Spirit Committee.
- The Mountain Spirit Committee reserves the right to reject any and all entries, and to request reasonable, minor design modifications from the proposed winner. Following the steps will allow you to properly prepare your artwork and save lots of time doing so. Have fun creating! Contact Elaine Newton at (970) 563-0240 with any questions. Send your artwork to: Elaine Newton, PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO, 81137.

### Fabric Donations For Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club is providing our youth with a quilting class every Monday. In order to make that happen, we are looking for any extra fabric that you may have at home or in your departments (all patterns, all sizes). Please drop any fabric donations off to SunUte by next week if you’d like to participate!

### “Ute Language Adult Beginning Course” Completed

The Ute Language & Culture Expansion Project Grant has completed the production of the “Ute Language Adult Beginning Course”. As part of the objectives of the Grant project, we are offering a FREE copy of the DVD to each Tribal member upon their request. If you would like a FREE copy, please email Diane Wilkening ([dwilken@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:dwilken@southern-ute.nsn.us)) or leave a phone message at (970) 563-0253 ext. 2759, with your name and a copy will be available for you to pick up at the front desk of the LCB building. We hope these copies will expand language learning among the Tribe.

### Annual SUCAP Duck Race Tickets On Sale Now!!!

The SUCAP’S Annual Duck Race tickets on sale now through Saturday, July 25, 2009 - day of the San Ignacio Fiesta. This is a fundraiser for the SUCAP Early Head Start Program. Buy your tickets at the SUCAP Central Administration Offices at 285 Lakin Street in Ignacio, Colorado or call (970) 563-4517. Tickets are \$5.00 each. 1st Place: \$400; 2nd Place \$300; 3rd Place \$200; 4th Place \$100 in Cash Prizes!!! Over 40 years of promoting the health and well-being of families and neighbors through social, educational, and economic growth

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(UMU) and coincided with the first day of the Ute Bear Dance. The Lieutenant Governor Barbara O’Brien chaired the meeting and actively took part in the first dance to start the Bear Dance. Among the participants were Ute Leaders from the three Tribes, Colorado representatives, and the youth of the Ute Tribe.

The meeting brought about many issues, concerns and updates from the two Ute Tribes, of these highlights from the meeting will be summarized here.

Southern Ute Chairman, Matthew Box began by giving an update of the new Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum saying, “my Elders are not here, but we are all happy to see the foundations being built.” Chairman Box also pointed out how pleased the Southern Ute Tribe is in the Government, helping fund Bayfield’s efforts in cleaning up their wastewater issues concerning the Pine River.

SU Councilwoman, Barbara Scott-Rarrick asked that the two Ute Tribes collaborate in celebrating the Animas-La Plata Project, now completed as of May 2009, and bring together all those that took part in the vision, implementation and construction of the ALP, and honor these individuals in a ceremony celebrating their collaborative efforts.

Ute Mountain Ute Chairman, Ernest House, Sr., spoke of the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe doing what they can in Towaoc, to utilize the Stimulus money in an effective manner to benefit the Ute Tribe. One of the concerns was the repairing of highways in Southwest Colorado. Chairman House, Sr., also introduced Ute Mountain Ute Royalty members: Miss Ute Kaylisha Cottons, Jr.

Miss Ute Ayesha Clark, and Little Miss Ute Talia Whyte.

After a history of the Bear Dance by Ute Mountain Ute NAGPRA Representative and Tribal Elder, Terry Knight the CCIA meeting adjourned to assemble at the Bear Dance grounds to partake in the first dance. Chairmen, Matthew Box, Ernest House, Sr., and Curtis Cesspooch all entered the corral along with other delegates of the CCIA meeting and started the Ute Bear Dance with many smiling faces abound.

After lunch was served the meeting progressed into the afternoon, Chairman House, Sr., reflected to the mornings update concerning Stimulus Monies to be utilized to help with the development of the Youth Detention Center, while also helping to provide services for the youth of the Towaoc community.

The Colorado Department of Education introduced “Race To the Top”. The following information is from the Lt. Governor O’Brien’s website: [www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/LeftLtGov/LLG/1190968674172](http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/LeftLtGov/LLG/1190968674172). Race to the Top is a \$4.35 billion fund available from the U.S. Department of Education. It is one of the sources of funds available to states for preschool through postsecondary education systems through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Requirements of Race to the Top has not yet released final guidelines concerning this grant opportunity, though public statements by USDE representatives and U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan have provided informal guidance, not knowing what will be included in the Race to the Top RFP, the USDE has indicated that it will solicit proposals from states

that seek to advance four key assurance areas. They are: Making progress toward college-and-career-ready standards and rigorous assessments that will improve teaching and learning; Improving student learning, teacher performance and college-and-career readiness through longitudinal data systems; and Making improvements in teacher effectiveness and ensuring that all students have highly qualified teachers.

Improving achievement in low-performing schools by providing intensive support and effective interventions in schools that most need them.

SU Chairman Box, expressed, “how funding by the Government will impact our area, and we (SU Tribe) are looking forward to sitting down with meaningful suggestions to achieve better testing scores”.

SU Councilwoman, Scott-Rarrick added, “we need to recognize our differences within our relationships, being as loud as we can in unity, when we stand together.”

Our Sisters Keeper Coalition Director, Diane Millich received a belated Honorary Proclamation from the Lt. Governor O’Brien, as representative of Governor Bill Ritter, Jr. The Proclamation was to be presented to OSKC on the steps of the Capitol in April, but was postponed due to adverse weather conditions, proclaiming April 5, 2009 as Native American Sexual Assault Awareness Day.

The next CCIA meeting is scheduled, to be held in Ignacio, Colorado on September 10, 2009 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort to coincide with the Southern Ute Tribal Fair and PowWow, to be held the weekend of September 11-13, 2009.

# StarWheels

Horoscopes by “The Starlady”

### ♋ CANCER (June 22-July 22)

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS CANCER!** Big news Moon Kids! A Solar Eclipse in your sign on the 21st means that it’s time to lose the old baggage. Review your current lifestyle and determine which activities are working well and which of them are not. Eclipses have a way of eliminating the dead wood. The New Moon represents the beginning of another cycle. This is your month to make a new start. Make it a good one Moon Kids!

### ♌ LEO (July 23-August 22)

Typically at this time of year many Leo’s are taking stock of their achievements. This month you’ll have the perfect opportunity to plan ahead. Your Fairy Godmother shows up in the form of VENUS and MARS as they activate the “make a wish” area of your chart. Be clear about your goals and keep your focus. The reward for diligence is a successful outcome Lions. Clarity returns with the SUN on the 22nd.

### ♍ VIRGO (August 23-September 23)

Not one but two favorable eclipses animate your chart in July. The Lunar eclipse on the 7th releases the old cycle and clears the way for a fresh series of events. On the 21st the Solar Eclipse launches a more satisfying phase. Fix your sights on your goals and expectations Virgo and stay focused. Saturn’s heavy presence in your sign means following responsibilities through to completion. But you already know that and are prepared to do that very thing.

### ♎ LIBRA (September 24-October 23)

The SUN’S brilliant rays brighten the career area of your chart offering opportunities to make points with superiors. This may very well be your chance to shine Libra. Take steps to secure finances and protect your monetary reputation. Making payments on time, and spending responsibly will keep you on track. It will also keep family members happy, and you know how much you like peace and harmony Libra.

### ♏ SCORPIO (October 24-November 22)

Planetary influences suggest an expansion of plans and ideas. Travel possibilities offer you a change of scene and welcome relief from the daily grind. Be flexible Scorpio, a fixed mind set will only slow you down. Best course is to be open to breezy new potential. There is always something new to learn. With the SUN and MERCURY energizing the mind expansion area of your chart, new studies may be in the works for you Scorpio.

### ♐ SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21)

Your financial prowess will be put to the test this month. There are two important eclipses taking place this forecast period. They may be influential in altering your spending habits. First up is a Lunar Eclipse on the 7th that encourages practicality with your finances. Later on the 21st a Solar Eclipse targets joint funds and prompts you to start conserving your resources more attentively.

### ♑ CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20)

The inspiring trio of NEPTUNE, JUPITER, and CHIRON deliver a message of hope regarding finances. The important point this month is that you maintain a determined attitude. With both of July’s eclipses bearing down on you, it will be a snap to initiate a new beginning. Old outworn ideas should be put to rest on the Full Moon of the 7th. Relationships may demand extra attention Capricorn. Tread lightly around sensitive issues and be prepared to meet your partner half way.

### ♒ AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19)

The wish granting trio of NEPTUNE, JUPITER, and CHIRON are presently in your sign stirring all kinds of ideas related to your personal desires. But there might be delays in putting some of them into action. URANUS your ruling planet goes into retrograde motion on the 1st slowing down your initiative. Not to worry Aquarius there will still be plenty of action taking place this month to keep you satisfied.

### ♓ PISCES (February 20-March 20)

It’s all about putting more enjoyment and love into your life this month Pisces. VENUS and MARS in the domestic area of your chart encourage happy times at home with friends coming to visit. Single Pisceans may be planning romantic dinners by candle light. A lively energy is in the works for you little fishes. Get ready as it will be released on the 21st with the Solar Eclipse.

### ♈ ARIES (March 21-April 20)

July’s focus centers on home and domestic matters. This is a good month to take care of those, “I’ll get around to it” jobs. Clearly the planetary positions denote activity regarding property, signing papers, and settling long-standing family issues. When possible sidestep domestic arguments. Family members might be extra sensitive around the 21st. Do what you can to restore the peace and tranquility Rams.

### ♉ TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Happy news Taurus! July’s planetary influences present a lively mix of activities. As your daily events increase much of your time may be taken up with mini trips, and limitless conversations. It’s all good Taurus because your ruling planet VENUS snuggles up to action-prone MARS all month promoting new friendships and gaining a more spirited social life. Aren’t you the lucky one!

### ♊ GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

Money is the grand focal point for July Twins! Even though you can be very clever with your spending, there’s still room to learn a few new tricks. The Solar Eclipse on the 21st may stimulate novel ideas regarding your financial habits. It may be worth the effort to incorporate more moderate methods where your money is concerned. VENUS and MARS both currently in your sign enhance your personal power, and attract resources your way. Enjoy it Twins!

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## NEW EMPLOYEES



Pathimi M. GoodTracks

Job Title: Serving as a Culture Department Developer

Description of Duties: The Southern Ute Tribe is exploring the formation of a comprehensive Culture Department. Initially, her primary duties include the collection of information on the cultural functions within the Tribe and affiliated organizations. Later alongside Tribal Council, she will identify how the proposed department can be designed to meet cultural goals and determine what actions will be required to establish the department.

Her main interests are nature and the outdoors, stewardship of the family allotment, engaging in cultural endeavors alongside her family, and caring for her two horses and puppy. Her hobbies are nature photography, documenting family history, hiking, and most recently bowling.

Pathimi is a Southern Ute Tribal member living in the Ignacio area. Miss GoodTracks has held several positions within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe since 1988. She began as an Air Quality Technician and

became an Air Quality Specialist before moving to the Natural Resource Department in 1995 as a Lands Field Coordinator. Over the next seven years, she served as a Lands Specialist and then Lands Division Head until 2002 when she chose to continue her employment as the Animas-La Plata Cultural Resource Coordinator, a position whose term ran concurrent with the A-L P Project’s cultural resource work. That work ended in 2007 and she pursued personal goals until her recent appointment within the Tribe.

### Francine Jessi James

Job Title: Detention officer

Description of Duties: Ensure safety and compliance of the Southern Ute Detention Center  
Hobbies: Riding horses, Reading, camping, fishing, spending time with family and watching USC football!

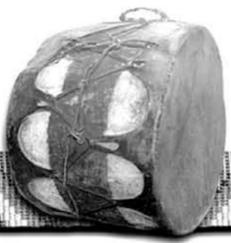


### Harley David Joy

Job Title: Ground Maintenance Labor

Description of Duties: Maintenance of all Tribal grounds.





## Of Four Corners Interest

### Durango Motor Expo, June 20, 2009

The Durango Old Car Club presents the 2009 Durango Motor Expo, a show of antique, classic, muscle and special interest cars, truck and other motorized vehicles in downtown Durango on Main St. all day on Saturday, June 20th 2009. Spectator entry is free. The show is being held in conjunction with the "Who's Your Daddy" event, also on Main St., benefiting the Durango Discovery Museum. For more info call 970-247-8761 or go to Durangomotorexpo.com. Contact person for this PSA: Elaine Nobriga 883-5346

### La Plata County Comprehensive Plan Photo & Logo Contest

La Plata County has embarked on an 18-month community process to update the Comprehensive Plan. As a kick off to the Comprehensive Plan Update, the County is sponsoring a photography and logo design contest. The theme for the contests is "Shaping the Future of our County: Capturing What We Care About." The deadline for entries is June 24, 2009. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three photographs and logo design winner. For contest submittal requirements and rules, as well as to upload images go to Flickr groups at: [www.flickr.com/groups/laplataphotocontest](http://www.flickr.com/groups/laplataphotocontest) and [www.flickr.com/groups/laplatalogodesigncontest](http://www.flickr.com/groups/laplatalogodesigncontest). For additional information, contact Jason Meininger, Comprehensive Plan Project Manager for La Plata County Planning Department at (970) 382-6267 or by email at [meiningerjl@co.laplata.co.us](mailto:meiningerjl@co.laplata.co.us).

• **Photo Contest:** The County is seeking photographic images that help define what makes La Plata County a great place to live. The County is inviting all residents to share their photographs of people, places, and things that illustrate what is special about La Plata County. These images will then be posted online and at a community meeting for citizens to vote on the top three.

• **Logo and Tagline Design Contest:** A logo and tagline will be included on all outreach documents throughout the planning process to help citizens identify information related to this process. The County wants a logo that reflects what makes La Plata a special place to live and shows the community has an eye on the future. Design ideas are welcome from all ages and it is not necessary to be a professional artist.

### Summer Slam High School Basketball Tournament

July 9, 10 2009 (Thursday & Friday) for Boys & Girls. Entry Fee is \$150.00. All games played at the Ute Mountain Ute Recreation Center in Towaoc, Colorado. Awards given for 1st thru 4th Places, MVP. Deposit will be required and proof of grade. For more info call Ute Mountain Ute Recreation Center, Jonathan (970) 564-5360 or (970) 426-8691 or Nicole (970) 564-5368.

### Ladies Camp Offered to Improve Mountain Bike Skills

Sarah Tescher and Elke Brutsaert have teamed up with Cindy Dahlberg and Durango Mountain Bike Camp to offer an expanded selection of clinics for women. I have attached an image and bio for both Sarah and Tescher, they have been very active in mountain biking. There will be a series of clinics, 10% of all proceeds from the clinics will be given to local charities, including Mercy Medical Center-Breast Care Center, Women's Resource Center, DEVO and Fort Lewis College Cycling team. \$50 per clinic or \$225 for the series. For reservation please visit [www.durangomountainbikecamp.com](http://www.durangomountainbikecamp.com). Sarah Tescher (970) 779-8480, Elke Brutsaert (970) 749-2946, Cindy Dahlberg (970) 385-0411.

**Clinic #4:** Sat., July 11th, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Location TBA. Groups: Intermediate & Advanced.

**Clinic #5:** Sat., Aug. 22nd, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Location TBA. Groups: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

### Youth Programs Have Openings

Durango Parks and Recreation has several openings in many popular summer activities for children. Check out the 2009 Summer/Fall Park and Recreation Activities Guide for more information about these and many more great programs. Sign up today at the Recreation Center, Mason Center or Chapman Hill or online at [www.durangogov.org](http://www.durangogov.org). For more information on these great programs, contact John Robinette at (970) 375-7323. Programs include the following:

- **Trail Trekkers:** Kids are led on supervised weekly hikes
- **Youth Basketball Clinics:** Ages 8-10, Tuesday Nights • Ages 11-14, Thursday nights
- **Sandlot Baseball:** Ages 9-12, Monday & Wednesday
- **Intro to Youth Baseball:** Ages 4-8, In July
- **Start Smart Golf:** Ages 5-7, Monday & Wednesday

## SU Higher Ed./PRCLC GED Information

The Southern Ute Department of Higher Education announces GED test dates for the summer months. To test at The Higher Education Center, you must pre-register in advance by the Wednesday before the test. Registration consists of 4 forms: Online confirmation at [www.ged123.com](http://www.ged123.com) • GED registration form • GED candidate orientation checklist • Verification Eligibility Form

There are 5 sections on the GED test, each section costs \$20.

All GED test candidates are advised to enroll at The Pine River Community Learning Center.

Summer test dates are: July 10th, and August 7th.

PRCLC Summer Hours: T, W, Th: 9-3 in June • T, W, Th: 1-3 in July • T, W, Th: 9-3 in August

For more information call PRCLC (970) 563-0681 or Donna Broad (970) 749-1953

## PowWow Trails

### Thunder Butte Traditional Wacipi

June 26-27, 2009

12 Miles North of Dupree, SD

Phone: (605) 365-5715, Codi

(605) 365-5577, Danelle

### Kayenta Fourth of July PowWow

July 3-4, 2009

Kayenta, AZ

Phone: (928) 697-8445, Hattie Gray

Email: [hattie\\_gray@yahoo.com](mailto:hattie_gray@yahoo.com)

### 41st Annual 4th of July PowWow

July 2-5, 2009

PowWow Grounds • Fort Duchesne, UT

Phone: (435) 722-8541

Web: [www.utetribe.com](http://www.utetribe.com)

### 4th of July PRCA ProRodeo Contest PowWow

July 4-5, 2009

Navajo Nation Fair Grounds • Window Rock, AZ

Phone: (928) 550-1775, Wanda Nelson/Benita Jay

Email: [powwowbuzz@yahoo.com](mailto:powwowbuzz@yahoo.com)

Web: [navajonationfair.com](http://navajonationfair.com)

### 24th Annual Taos Pueblo PowWow

July 10-12, 2009

Taos Pueblo PowWow Grounds • Taos, NM

Phone: (575) 741-0181, PowWow Committee

Email: [taospueblopowwow@gmail.com](mailto:taospueblopowwow@gmail.com)

Web: [www.taospueblopowwow.com](http://www.taospueblopowwow.com)

### 51st Annual Little Beaver Celebration

July 17-19

Jicarilla Fairgrounds • Dulce, NM

Phone: (575) 759-4325, Miranda Harrison

Web: [www.jicarilla.net/events.htm](http://www.jicarilla.net/events.htm)

## Many Moons Ago



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## 10 years ago...

Everyone enjoyed a beautiful evening on June 10th, promotional night for the summer Heritage Program. The local media and honored guest admired the heritage performers, (l-r) Ian Doughty, Lindsay Box, Ivory Harris, Loren Doughty and Jolette Peabody, dancing gracefully to the beats of the drum, Yellow Jacket in the background. The performances took place every Thursday night starting June 24th through August 26th, 1999 at Veterans Memorial Park.

This photo was published in the June 18, 1999 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

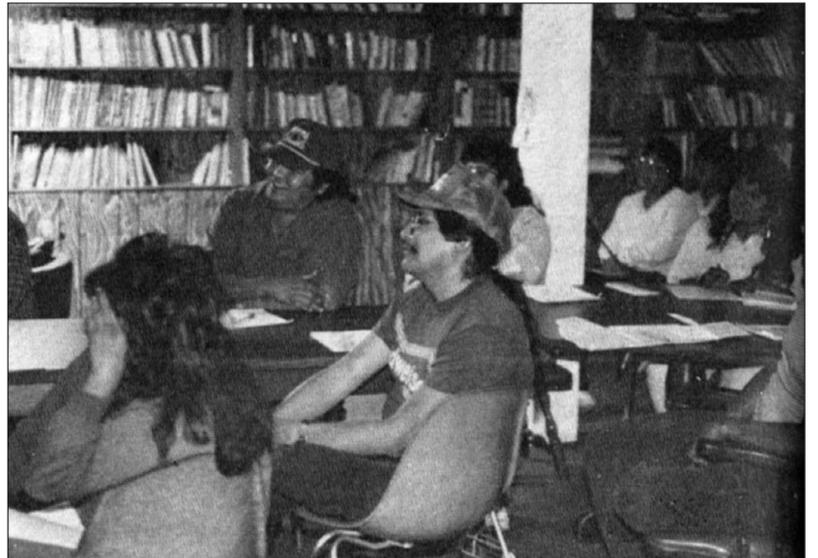


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## 20 years ago...

On June 7, 1989, the Southern Ute Personnel Office and the Adult Education Department held a Flagging Certification class for interested tribal members. The one day class was conducted by Ms. Yolinda Latham from the Colorado Department of Highways. Eight Southern Ute Tribal members are now certified to flag on Colorado highway project.

This photo was published in the June 23, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



## 30 years ago...

Federal fish and game people checking Capote Lake for fish condition. They checked the weight, size and general appearance of the fish to make sure they are not catching any kind of disease.

This photo was published in the June 22, 1979 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

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## Ute Language

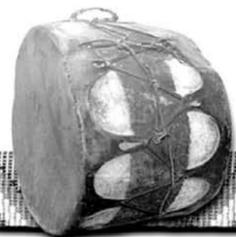
tagunikapÙ

"Sun Dance"

Muan ura taguwüni

"My father is Sun Dancing"

Editor's Note: The Ute Language and "Translation" are provided from the 2000 Ute Dictionary, ©1996



## Healthy Perspectives: “Summer Safety For Kids”

by **Dr. Matthew Clark, MD**  
Southern Ute Health Clinic



Despite the fact that we have had a cold and moist spring, I'm certain that summer is just around the corner. The official beginning of summer is this weekend.

Summertime is a time when kids can enjoy many healthy physical activities in the warm outdoors. Whether it is swimming, biking, hiking, or playing outdoor sports, this is the kind of physical activity that all children need to build strong muscles and bones, an efficient cardiovascular system, and a healthy love for being active.

There are many summer activities for which preventive strategies can reduce the risk of injury or illness. Now is a good time for parents to talk with children to reinforce certain healthy behaviors.

Many kids enjoy activities such as bicycle riding, skating, rollerblading, and skateboarding. While these are great activities for children to engage in, they also pose some risk for injury.

helmets themselves when engaging in activities such as cycling or skating. While certainly not as physically demanding, activities such as 4-wheeling or jet-skiing should also be performed only when wearing a safety helmet.

Water sports are another favorite activity for children during the summer months. The important health issue with water sports is protection from drowning. First, young children should always be accompanied when in or around water by an adult who can swim. Second, children should wear proper safety equipment such as a life vest during activities such as boating. Finally, enrolling children in swim lessons is an excellent way to both ensure long-term water safety as well as to promote a healthy enjoyment of the water.

Many children love exploring nature and hiking in the backcountry and the beautiful mountains. To make this a healthy activity, consideration should be given to adequate hydration, nutrition, sun exposure, and changing weather conditions. During the summer heat and with heavy physical exertion, adolescents and adults need about 1 liter of water per hour to maintain adequate hydration and to prevent overheating.

Healthful snacks such as trail mix, fruits, and nuts can be packed for a long hike. Children should also plan to apply sunscreen early and often during outdoor summer activities to reduce the risk of sunburn and the other harmful effects of the sun. Extra clothing is often needed, especially in the high country, in case cold or moist weather is encountered and to reduce the risk of hypothermia.

By paying attention to a few basic preventive measures, children should be able to get out and enjoy physical activity this summer. It sounds like a healthy plan.

Among the most serious injuries related to these activities are head injuries. These common injuries can be prevented through routine and proper use of a protective helmet.

Helmets need to be examined each year for size or defects. The helmet should always be latched under the chin and should fit snugly so that they do not move when worn. Previously damaged helmets as well as those that no longer fit should be replaced. Also, parents should enforce helmet use as a requirement and should also model this safe behavior by wearing appropriate

## The Kidney Corner: “Urinalysis”

by **Dr. Mark Saddler, MD**  
Durango Nephrology Associates

“My doctor asked me for a urine specimen. What was he/she looking for?”

There are many tests which can be done on a urine specimen. Today we will discuss the most common: urine analysis, commonly called simply “urinalysis”. This is usually collected as a “clean catch” urine specimen, from the middle of the stream of urine, with care taken to avoid contamination of the urine.

The initial step is to do a “Dipstick” test. The dipstick is an ingenious way of testing for a number of chemical constituents of the urine in a single step. It comprises a plastic strip with small squares at intervals along the strip. Each square has a chemical indicator designed to look for a specific substance in the urine. For example, one square turns green when there is

protein in the urine, another changes color when there is blood in the urine, and so on. There is some variation in the exact types of substances tested, but most test for protein, blood, white blood cells (and sometimes other indicators for urine infection), and another shows how concentrated the urine is. This test takes 1 to 2 minutes and is very useful for screening for a variety of problems in a short time.

Although this is a good screening modality for protein in the urine, it is usually necessary to confirm urine protein with a more specific chemical test in the laboratory. This lab evaluation has the added advantage of being “quantitative”, that is it can give an absolute amount of protein in the urine, which can be important for monitoring the success of treatment, for example in treating for diabetic kidney disease.

The next step in a routine urinalysis is to examine the urine

under the microscope. The urine sample is placed in a centrifuge to concentrate the cellular elements, then a slide is made with a drop of the concentrated urine. Usually, no staining is necessary, so this can be done quite quickly—the centrifuge usually takes about 5 minutes. This enables a direct view what is present in the urine and this can be tremendously useful in diagnosing the type of kidney disease. White blood cells are usually present in urine infections, and in some forms of inflammation of the kidneys. Red blood cells are always abnormal, though they can of course come from anywhere in the urinary tract, and the shape of the red cells can give a clue to where they came from. Small amounts of protein coming through the tubules of the kidneys can sometimes form “casts” which can trap cells or fragments which can give important diagnostic clues about kidney disease.

### Southern Ute IHS • Pregnancy Sessions

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm • SunUte Community Center, Ignacio, CO  
Nutrition will be covered during Lunch Breaks & Snacks.

- July 17, 2009: Basic Health During Pregnancy, SunUte
- July 31, 2009: Growth Development, Mouache-Capote Bldg., Conf. Rm.
- Aug. 14, 2009: Breast Feeding, SunUte
- Aug. 28, 2009: Labor and Delivery, SunUte
- Sept., 11, 2009: Post-Natal Support, SunUte

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Email: [gmounts@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:gmounts@southern-ute.nsn.us)

### Shining Mountain Diabetes June 2009 Schedule of Events

Every Wed., 9 am - 11:30 am, Cooking Demo at IHS  
Every Wed., 3 pm, On KSUT 91.3 FM, “Feeding The Spirit”  
Every Thur., 12:15 pm, Fitness Walk, Veterans Park

Sun., June 21, Fathers Day

Mon., June 22, 8:30 am - 10 am, Fathers Day Breakfast, SunUte  
Wed., June 24, 11 am - 1 pm, Health Screen & Beading, Senior Cntr.  
Thur., June 25, 1 pm - 3 pm, Elder Fit/Well Program, Senior Cntr.  
Fri., June 26, Employee Appreciation Poker Walk, Lake Capote  
Mon., June 29, 9 am - 12 pm, Foot Massages, MCB

Please Call Julie or Henry for information or rides.  
(970) 563-4741

### Father’s Day and Birthday Wishes



Wishing our “Little Man” Ambrose Valdez a Happy 2nd Birthday on June 11th. You have brought so much joy and laughter into our lives, and we love you very much!!

**Mama Julia, Grandpa Grandpa, Grandma, Uncle Isiah & Auntie Sherisa**

#### Happy Birthday!

No matter how near, or how far, loving memories always keep a son close in heart. Having you for a son means more than you’ll ever know—and there’s no better time than your birthday to wish you all the happiness the world can offer. Happy Birthday son & God Bless you Always.

Love, MOM

#### To my Son

**Kyle Thompson on 7/16/09**  
You’re a wonderful son, and that’s why your birthday means so very much because it’s a day to look back and celebrate all you past accomplishments, a day to look forward & anticipate all your future successes... But whatever path you choose, whatever future you make for yourself, know that you are already a success in my eyes.

For it has been a great joy to have a son like you to love, to watch you grow & mature into a responsible man... All that we have shared through the years has only reinforced what a very special person you are & how deserving you are of life’s best.

Love Always,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

To my grandpa Alden Naranjo Jr., Happy Father’s Day! Love you Grandpa, thanks for everything. May the Creator watch over you everyday.

Your granddaughter,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

I would like to wish my dad, Dennis H. Vicenti, of Towaoc, Colorado a Happy Father’s Day! Dad, thank you for being there for me when I needed you! May the Creator watch over you Everyday.

Love your daughter,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

I would like to wish my brother-in-law Nick Weaver a Happy Father’s Day! You are a good person and a good dad to your daughter and Jace, Jazzy & Jordan. They amy be far and near but always in your hearts. Thank you for being in their lives and doing what you can for them. May the Creator watch over you everyday.

Your sister in law,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

I would like to wish my Uncle Clement Frost a Happy Father’s Day! Uncle, thank you very much for everything you do for me and I can’t tell you how much I am grateful. May the Creator watch over you everyday.

**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

I would like to wish my husband, James Murray Jr., a Happy Father’s Day! I know things are hard and you are miles away, but things will get better just wait and see. I love you and miss you, just know you are being thought of on this Father’s Day. One day we will see each other again. May God watch over you as you make your way and keep you safe and out of harm’s way.

Love Always,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

I would also like to wish my mama Star Reed’s husband Jon Reed “Big Jon” a Happy Father’s Day and you too mom. LOL!!

Just me,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

To my Uncle Nelson Naranjo, Happy Father’s Day, may the Creator watch over you.

Love your niece,  
**Ashely Vicenti-Murray**

Happy Birthday to Jen and Uncle Raymond! Many more, many more to celebrate with you both! Love you guys!

**Amy, Mario, Tyler & Grace**

Happy Father’s Day to Mario, Pres, Uncle Ray, Nuf, Big Joe Gonzales and Little Joe!

**Amy, Mario, Ty & Grace**

I would like to wish my dad Hardy Joy a very Happy Birthday and a wonderful Father’s Day! Thanks dad for all you do for me and my kids and always being here for me when no one else is! Thanks dad with lots of love and respect.

Your daughter,  
**Ella Joy and your grandkids**

We would like to wish our daddy Steve A. Burch a very Happy Father’s Day. We love you daddy for always being here for us. With lots of hugs & sending tons of daddy kisses.

Your baby Burch twins,  
**Mamie-Ruth “Mamacita, Damitre “Bubb-Bub, June Bug, Nikki & your wife Ella**

#### “Daddy”

A Father is not only a Dad, he is a “Daddy”. The word that bring joy my aging heart. To see my child grow and making her own way in this world. Their life now rests on what they learned from you Dad. Believe in them! You will always be, Daddy.

# Sunrise Special

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Two Eggs cooked your way, Breakfast Potatoes, and two Pancakes!  
In the Aspen Room from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Your choice of Ham, Bacon or Sausage for \$4.99



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# Justice & Regulatory Host 1st Justice Conference



by Taylor Riley, Zack Russell and Mounneek Wing  
SUCAP/TTA with the SU Drum

The American Indian Justice Conference was held at the Sky Ute Casino Event Center on June 9-11, 2009. The role of the conference was to understand Indian Law and to know how it started. Elaine Newton, Chief Judge of the Southern Ute Tribal Court introduced 12 Gauge Drum Group, the Academy Drum Group Boys, and the Veterans Honor Song.

Judge Newton then welcomed Beckie Murdock, Assistant Director of Criminal Justice Center for Innovation. Murdock shared a short story about her turtle pin passed to her from Elaine Newton. Murdock believes the turtle represents what the justice system does. "The journey is slow like the turtle but we still continue moving, though it may be hard."

Beverly Watts Davis, Director of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention from San Antonio, Texas, informed the participants

about Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services. Davis informed the participants about Access to Recovery. Access to Recovery provides treatment for people seeking help with an alcohol and drug addiction. Only twenty-four states have an Access to Recovery program that supports the people after they leave recovery. There are eight components of recovery: family, faith, community, prevention, treatment, employment, peer-to-peer, and housing. Davis also talks about a treatment locator, which can also be found on the SAMHSA website or can locate by phone: 1-800-662-HELP.

Carey Vicenti, Assistant Professor of Sociology at the Fort Lewis informed the participants about Tribal State Comparative Law. Professor Vicenti discusses the opportunities for collaboration, and also the differences and similarities in Tribal and State Law.

Janelle Doughty, the Director

of the Department of Justice and Regulatory of the Southern Ute Tribe, demonstrated and discussed issues such as the Adam Walsh Act, Fish and Game, and Air Quality.

Later in the day the participants broke out into workshops. The workshops were based on many different discussions. One of the workshops presented was CASOM (Comprehensive Approach to Sex Offender Management) by Michelle Parks, the Associate Director of the Tribal Judicial Institute, University of North Dakota School of Law. This provided information to the participants concerning the need for tribal codes that support sentencing alternatives and pre-sentence requirements when managing sex offenders. Parks also informed the participants about the Tribal Courts Assisting Program containing the new training and technical assistance.

Dave Rogers the Tribal Law

Enforcement Programs Manager, also from CASOM informed the participants that his session features sex offenders management from a tribal probation officer's perspective. In addition sex offender management programs have interested more tribal communities.

On June 10, Scott Moore, Associate Judge of the Southern Ute Immediate Sanctions Program, discussed Alternatives to Incarceration. Judge Moore shared ideas of how Alternatives to Incarceration can help Tribal Courts. Later throughout the day participants again broke out into workshop sessions. Another session was JASAP (Juvenile Alcohol Safety Action Program). The session overviewed the consumption of alcohol by minors. Discussion was to reverse the progression of alcohol and drug abuse of juvenile clients. It provided participants the necessary tools to develop their own MCA (Minor Consuming Alcohol) community diversion program.

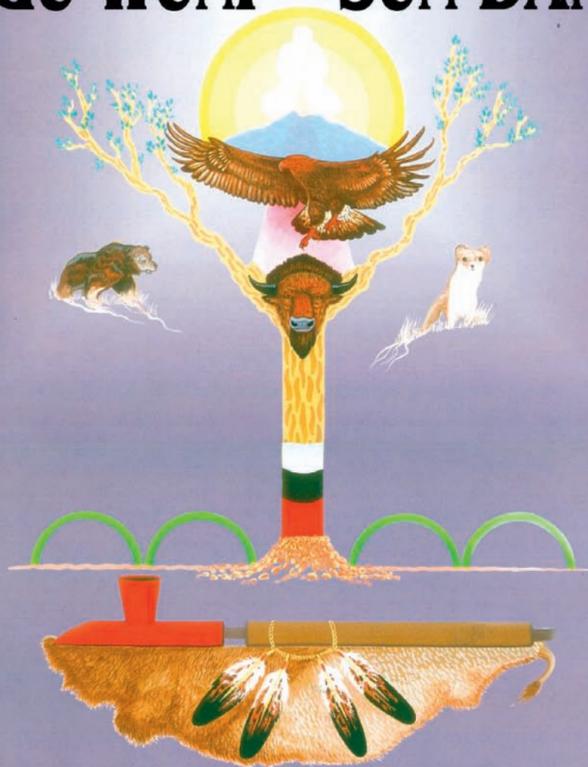


All photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Chief Judge, Elaine Newton of the Southern Ute Tribal Court welcomed everyone to the 1st Annual Indian Justice Conference, followed by an honor song from the 12 Gauge drum group. Andrew Frost, Executive Officer of the Southern Ute Tribe, shakes hands with Michelle Parks, Associate Director of Tribal Judicial Institute. Beckie Murdock, Assistant Director of the Criminal Justice Center for Innovation introduced Janell Doughty, Director of the Department of Justice and Regulatory of the Southern Ute Tribe, and Carey Vicenti, Assistant Professor of Sociology at Fort Lewis. Southern Ute Veterans Association members Rod Grove, VSO, Jack Frost Jr., and Ronnie Baker bring in the Colors.

## Southern Ute Tribe TAGU-WUNI SUN DANCE



JULY 10-13, 2009 • IGNACIO, COLORADO  
Chief: Byron Frost

ALL DRUMS ARE WELCOME

Because of the sacred nature and solemnity of the Sun Dance,

the following rules of good manners and decorum should be observed by all:

1. The entrance of the Medicine lodge should have a passage at all times. Children should not be allowed to play around the Medicine Lodge.
2. Women on their menstrual cycle should not be permitted near the medicine lodge, due to the sacredness of the Sun Dance.
3. Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on the Sun Dance grounds.
4. Cameras, tape-recorders, food and water, are not allowed in the area of the medicine lodge.
5. No metal chairs allowed inside the medicine lodge.
6. No cell phones or electronic devices in the area of the medicine lodge.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR LOSS OF PROPERTY

## Cub On Campus



photo courtesy Esther Rima

A Brown Bear cub was spotted Saturday, June 13, 2009 roaming on the Southern Ute Tribal Campus, Esther Rima snapped this shot of the cub making a run for it. The cub was also spotted milling around the Mouache-Capote Building earlier in the day as well. Bears are known to scavenge for food in residential areas, when food sources are low, it may be tempting to approach a cub, but beware it's mother may be lurking close by, never approach a bear! BEAR-WARE!



# Local Youth Hooked On Lake Capote



photo Zack Russell/SUCAP TTA



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



photo Taylor Riley/SUCAP TTA



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## It's All About The Ride!



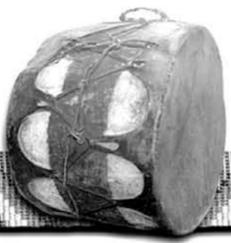
The Morning of June 11, 2009, The Environmental Learning for kids showed up to Lake Capote. The Denver participants gave presentations about proper fishing techniques. Clockwise from top left, Kids from Boys and Girls Club get their Fishing poles ready to go fishing. The Boys and Girls Club lined up to receive a fishing pole. Glassy water sets the mood for fishing. Denver Instructors getting his fishing pole ready to cast. Kids were then out fishing on the pier and on the shore casting their poles out into the lake. Instructors from the Denver Environmental Learning for Kids program teaching kids from Boys and Girls Club Aquatic Ecosystem and proper fishing techniques early afternoon at Lake Capote June 11, 2009. A younger girl from Boys and Girls Club untangling her fishing string.

photo Zack Russell/SUCAP TTA



Moon's Custom Cycles, Blackhawk Trading, and the Town of Ignacio collaborated with Ignacio High School art teacher Jill Peterson and students to paint a full color wall mural adjacent to Moon's. Students pictured from left are Tiffany Bluehouse, Springwind Frost, Jasmine Bluehouse, Krystofer Winterhawk and Jesse Maez. Students not pictured who also contributed were Santaysha Gallegos, Samantha Maez, Ashley Seibel, and Kree Lopez. Tiffany and Springwind are shown here signing their names to the art project above. Students, friend and family celebrated the accomplishment with a potluck dinner in front of Moon's Custom Cycle.

photoS Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



## Elbert J. Floyd Award



Ignacio High School Junior, Mariah Pena, a Southern Ute Tribal Member and the daughter of Kenneth and Shasta Pena, was the latest recipient of the Elbert J. Floyd Award. The annual award is given to a Southern Ute Tribal member of any age, residing either on or off the reservation and formally enrolled in an education program at any level. The recipient must have a desire to continue to pursue an education, and return serve the Tribe and the community. A Selection Committee of the Director of Education and the Tribal Chairman and Vice-Chair make the final selection of those who were nominated by letters of recommendations.

Mariah plans to continue her pursuit of becoming a teacher after she finishes High School next year.

photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

## B&G Club Summer Program



photo MounEEK Wing/SUCAP TTA



photo courtesy Mari Villaluna/B&GC

The Southern Ute Boys and Girls Club, SMART Moves class (top photo) discusses feelings, breathing and relaxation techniques with our guest speaker Della Romero. The members did an awesome exercise with cornstarch, where they learned they could not get through the cornstarch if they punched it, yet only when they touched softly they could get through the cornstarch. Thanks to Della Romero for being our guest speaker!

The Leadership Council, were visited by honorable elder, Larry Tucker and the Southern Ute Culture Department Developer, Pathimi GoodTracks. Mr. Tucker shared what it truly means to be a leader, and talked about the roles of silence and listening in Leadership. Pathimi GoodTracks shared why giving tobacco is important when knowledge is shared, and how there is a distinction from cigarettes. The Leadership Council loved spending time with our two guests, and will be remembering the lessons learned throughout our Council. Thank you Larry Tucker and Pathimi GoodTracks!

The Boys and Girls Club has many enrichment classes offered every Monday during the summer. One of the weekly favorites of club is Break dancing class taught by BGC staff, Ryan Duffy-Wirth. Each class starts out with a warm-up which is a freestyle circle, where each member jumps in the circle and shows what they got. Showcased here is Ouray Watts, Southern Ute Tribal Member who is one of the best B-boys (boy break dancer) you will ever meet.



photo courtesy Mari Villaluna/B&GC

## Building Funds



photo Taylor Riley/SUCAP TTA

The Shiloh Baptist Church from Tennessee helps the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start raise money on June 17, 2009, by helping cook and serve for the community outside the Head Start building. The Head Start is raising the money to provide a new Head Start building and supplies after it is built. The Head Start staff brought the kids out for a meal of hot dogs, potato salad, chips and fruit.

## Congratulations!



The family of Robbin Santistevan would like to congratulate Robbin on a job well done at Motorcycle Mechanics in Phoenix, Arizona. Robbin completed a 16 month course being in the 98% of his class and not to mention with "perfect attendance" graduating on April 24, 2009. Robb, your family is so proud of you and love you very much. We missed you everyday you were away and thank the Lord for bringing you home safely. You truly are a "biker" in our eyes. **Your Family, Lori, Mike, Ricki, Lawrence, Nick and all your grandchildren.**

## Boys & Girls Club Power Hour Poetry

Shoshone Thompson  
(Southern Ute Tribal Member)

by Shoshone Thompson

Snake  
House  
Off  
Slid  
Hop  
Office  
Nose  
End

Top  
Hat  
Opps  
Moose  
Pop  
Soft  
Ouch  
Now

## Scholarship Applications Are Due!

The Southern Ute Higher Education Department scholarship application deadline is **July 1, 2009 by 5:00 pm, NO EXCEPTIONS!** The application must be complete, no exceptions. For information call (970) 563-0237 and speak with any staff member in regards to the application.

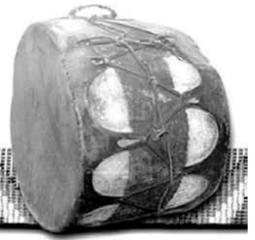
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Full line of natural and organic groceries, produce and body care. Many local products.

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**Tues-Sat 10-6 ~ 563-1234**



# Camp, No Tent: Summer Spikers Sought Ex 'Cat Darling Dandy At CNFR

by Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Having commenced earlier this week down in Farmington, N.M., the Four Corners Volleyball Club summer camp series for Four Corners area girls (ages 10-18) still has several opportunities for prospective players to sharpen their skills in Ignacio before the fall season. Interested campers should register early, as space is limited, and camps tend to sell out.

Up first is the FCVBC Mid-School Camp for incoming seventh and eighth graders, to be June 30-July 2 at the SunUte Community Center, and running from noon until 5 p.m. each day. Offering work in all skill areas, plus position training and game-action scenarios, the cost is \$35.

The July 7-9 Klub Digz Beginner Camp (incoming fourth-sixth graders) follows at SunUte, running between the same hours daily and offered at the same price. Beginning play-



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

Keeping the play alive, Arla Duran (left) scores a sweet save of a netted pass attempt during the 2009 'Fun In The Sun' Doubles Tournament held June 6 at Bayfield's Wolverine Country Stadium. Her opponent at right, meanwhile, is simply trying, unsuccessfully to avoid a dreaded net violation. Duran paired with Jennifer Sirios in the Women's 'SILVER' bracket, and the pair ended in first place with a 3-0 match record.

ers are encouraged to attend, as basic fundamentals will be stressed in a team-based atmosphere.

Third up is the FCVBC Advanced High School Camp (incoming ninth-12th graders, cost \$60), to be held August 5-7 from 12-5 p.m. daily. Upper-level junior varsity and varsity-level players will undergo intense fall preparations these three days at SunUte—a 'survival course' of sorts for the top-end high school battles.

But take note: There are camp registration deadlines for all

campers, and walk-ins may not be guaranteed a place. The cut-off date for the first two camps above is June 26, and August 3 for the Advanced High School Camp.

Campers and parents can download all brochures and registrations online by following links at [www.fourcornersvolleyball.org/news.html](http://www.fourcornersvolleyball.org/news.html) or by contacting FCVBC Director Terene Foutz, at [CoachT4U2@aol.com](mailto:CoachT4U2@aol.com).

**HITTING THE CLUBS:** Several Ignacio Volleycats have picked up extra reps this spring in FCVBC's chain of USA Volleyball-sanctioned teams. Coached by former IHS assistant Samantha Kenner and 2008 Kirtland [N.M.] Central grad Jourdan Bennett-Begaye, the short-season Klub Red 18's included Vernetta Carel, Autumn Gallegos, Morgan Gantt, Rylie Jefferson, Abeth Okall, Kristie Ribera, Santana Rodriguez and Ashley Self.

Kayla Lewis, meanwhile, played for former Wisconsin Badger standout (and 2002 Pagosa Springs grad) Katie Lorenzen's 18's—also a USAV 'Regional' team, as opposed to a 'Travel' squad.

by Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Aviation is currently his field of study.

But this week it's been Travis Darling's emotions taking flight, as the former Ignacio Bobcat broke out of his first College National Finals Rodeo chute this week.

Competing right in his adopted backyard—though to be fair, it's much closer to his pre-Ignacio hometown of Steamboat Springs—of Casper, Wyoming at the 61st CNFR, the sophomore saddle bronc-buster stood a solid third in the event's average as of Tuesday morning, midway through the second go-round.

His 69.5-point ride aboard contractor Harry Vold's Coyote Kid, starting Monday's slack session, gave him a two-head score of 143.5, although the ride was holding in a tie for just ninth in the go. His opening 74 in Sunday's performance put him in a tie for fifth in the first go, but only 2.5 behind 2008 champion Chuck Schmidt of Black Hills

State (Spearfish, SD), who was in second place.

Leading the first go was Jake Wright of Western Texas College (Snyder, TX) with a 79.5—right before Darling's ride—while his twin brother Jesse (College of Southern Idaho; Twin Falls, ID) was tied for tops in the second with a 78.

Darling's next try was listed for Wednesday, early in the second section of the third go.

Riding for Casper College, he ranked second in SB at the end of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association—Central Rocky Mountain Region season, which concluded the first week-end of May. His 1,015 points also ranked 13th in the NIRA's season-ending standings before the ultimate finale at the Casper Events Center began.

The top three riders in each event, and top two men's and women's teams from the NIRA's 11 regions qualified, though Darling's Thunderbirds missed out as a unit (finishing third in the CRMR). Over \$200,000 in scholarships from the U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Co.

Scholarship Awards Program will also be up for grabs at this year's CNFR, which wraps up on Saturday.

**BARREL SEASON ROLLING:** Results from the National Barrel Horse Association—Colorado District 8 competition on May 31 at the Montezuma County Fairgrounds outside Cortez at last were reported, and a pair of locals placed among the total field of 101 entrants.

In the Open 1D class, Patti Carlile took second in 15.673 seconds, just off the 15.603 booked by Teigan Adams of Castle View, Utah. And in Open 3D, Jessie Walker (16.610) finished third in an even tighter battle with Hesperus' Stephanie Skogland (16.608) and Cortez's Karen Delay (16.604).

After an early summer break, including this weekend's Western Nationals in Ogden, UT, the next D-8 event will be July 19 at the MCFG with action beginning at 10:30 a.m. Best part is, there's no charge to watch! The next Ignacio stop will be the following week on the 26th.



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

IHS head coach Terene Foutz rises for a kill shot during the 2009 'Fun In The Sun' Doubles Tournament. Foutz/Howard (match record 2-1) placed second in the heated Women's 'GOLD' bracket, falling 20-22, 21-19, 14-16 to the Tessa Andrews/Adrienne Dettler duo. The former is a current Mesa State player, the latter Fort Lewis College's all-time digs leader.

See [SkyUteCasino.com](http://SkyUteCasino.com) for all gaming promotions & entertainment information!

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[www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com)

## Youth Volleyball Summer Camp 2009

SunUte Community Center

CAMP I: Incoming 7th & 8th Grade Girls • June 30 - July 2, 2009, 12:00 - 5:00 pm  
CAMP II: Incoming 4th - 6th Grade Girls • July 7 - July 9, 2009, 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Deadline To Register: June 26, 2009  
Entry Fee: \$35.00 per child, Registration starts may 13, 2009.

Four Corners Volleyball Coach Terene Foutz and Ignacio Junior High Assistant Coach, Jenn Sirios will be running the program. Space is limited! Bring your swimming suit, a healthy snack, knee pads and tennis shoes. Sign up at SunUte Front Desk.

For more information contact Jennifer Sirios (970) 563-0214.

## San Ignacio Softball 2009

Men's & Women's Teams  
July 25th & 26th, 2009  
Deadline: July 24, 2009  
Entry Fee: \$250.00

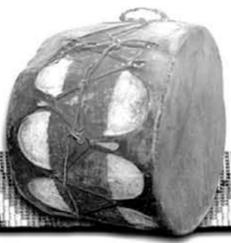
Visa/Master Cards Accepted  
All teams MUST pay by Wed. Jul. 24 to hold a spot in bracket. Teams will hit their own Core .44, ASA Softballs. Awards will be given for 1st - 3rd Place. All Tourneys, MVP and Homerun Derby. No homerun limit.  
To sign up or more info (970) 563-0214.

## Give Me Shelter

Josh Batchelor and staff members from the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife put some final touches on shade structures at Lake Capote on Thursday, June 4, 2009 in preparation for upcoming summer events. The Southern Ute Employee Appreciation Picnic will be held at Lake Capote this year, with a variety of events and activities.

Lake Manager Dusk Edwards and Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Staff are all working hard to prepare for this annual event previously hosted in Ignacio, Durango, and at Vallecito Lake. This event is returning to Tribal lands in order to raise awareness of the excellent facilities and recreation opportunities that the Tribe has to offer at Lake Capote. Working in the field on Thursday alongside Josh, were Ben Zimmerman, Ron Price, Darius Smith, and Jon Broholm.

photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



## It's Happening In Ignacio, Planning For Future Growth West Of Town

**Media Release**  
*Town Of Ignacio*

On Thursday, June 11, 2009, the Town of Ignacio hosted the consultant's team that has come together to conceptually plan the infrastructure needed for the town to eventually grow all the way to Rock Creek west, north and south to Southern Ute Tribal lands.

The purpose of the meeting was to explain to town and area citizens what areas will be ana-

lyzed and put into a Master Plan. The purpose of a Master Plan is to have a systematic and integrated way to guide residential growth. The following areas will be covered by the Master Plan:

- Water Distribution
- Rock Creek & Local Drainage
- Transportation (roads)
- Natural Gas Distribution,
- Telephone
- Wastewater Collection
- Irrigation
- Electrical Distribution
- Cable Television

### • Parks & Trails

The possibility of doing such a comprehensive plan came as a result of a grant from the Department of Local Affairs, with monetary participation from the GF Development Group LLC, a business entity of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund, and the Town of Ignacio.

The next meeting for citizens will be a focus group for those interested in Parks & Trails and an open house to review and comment on a draft of the Master Plan.

## Do Something Cool With Your Father on Father's Day! Sunday, June 21, 2009 (First Day of Summer)

### Request For Proposal (RFP)

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES  
SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

To request a copy of the RFP, contact:  
**West Office Exhibition Design**  
Attn: **Kate Bell, Exhibit Developer**  
225 Third St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(510) 251-9633

West Office Exhibition Design is requesting proposals from qualified professional photographers for original photography which will be incorporated into exhibitions at the new Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum. The photographs will document contemporary life on and around the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

Responses to the RFP will be received by West Office Exhibition Design, at the above address until 5:00 PM PDT, July 2, 2009. Submittals

received after that time may not be accepted and may returned unopened.

In accordance with the requirements of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) for contracting and subcontracting, preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned companies must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at (970) 563-0117.

West Office Exhibition Design reserves the right to reject any and all submittals, to waive any informality in submission and to accept those deemed, by its officers, to be in the best interest of the project.

## May Meteorological Data

UTE I Monitoring Station • Ignacio BIA Forestry Compound

AVERAGE (Day) HIGH TEMP.		AVERAGE (Night) LOW TEMP.	
May	21.40 C 70.5 F	May	5.6 C 42.1 F
AVERAGE DAILY TEMP.		PRECIPITATION DATA	
May	13.9 C 57.0 F	Date	Daily Total
AVERAGE WINDSPEED		May 2	.336"
Monthly Average	6.1 MPH	May 21	.04"
Maximum Hourly Average		May 22	.07"
May 8, 2009	21.9 MPH	May 23	.56"
		May 24	.08"
		May 30	.02"
		Monthly Total	1.106"

## Request For Bid Proposal (RFBP)

JANITORIAL SERVICES  
SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN MONTESSORI ACADEMY BUILDING

The Southern Ute Tribe's Property & Facilities Department is requesting bid proposals to perform Janitorial Services at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy School Building. Located on the Southern Ute Tribal Campus.

A mandatory pre-bid walk thru is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. MST, Monday July 6th, 2008. Contractors will meet in front of the Academy Administration Building, located at 275 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137. Those who are not in attendance will be considered non-responsive and their proposal will not be accepted.

The scope of work will consist of Janitorial Services for approximately 21, 000 Sq. Ft. of office space.

The Scope of work may be picked up at the Property & Facilities Department, 116 Mouache

Drive, Ignacio, CO during the hours of 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M., Monday – Friday. Contact Ernest Pinnecoose at (970) 563-0100 ext.2220 for a copy.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO code has established a preference for contracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. A bid preference of 5% will be given to any qualified Native American owned company, providing they are qualified through the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO Department. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at (970) 563-0117.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## Request For Proposal (RFP)

MOBILE STORAGE SHELVING  
SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

OWNER:  
**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**  
Construction & Project Management Dept.  
P.O. Box 737  
116 Mouache Drive  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
(970) 563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe requests proposals from vendors to provide mobile storage shelving for the new Cultural Center & Museum.

Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 3:30 PM MDT, Thursday, June 25, 2009. Submittals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Marquita Gonzales for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or [mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us).

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## Request For Proposal (RFP)

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR  
LAKE CAPOTE DAM ABSORPTION BED WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM

OWNER:  
**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**  
Construction & Project Management Dept.  
P.O. Box 737  
116 Mouache Drive  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
(970) 563-0138  
Contact: **Sandra K. Stiles, Construction Project Administrator**

Separate sealed bids to provide construction services for the Lake Capote Dam Absorption Bed Wastewater Disposal System shall be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, CO 81137 until 2:00 P.M., MST, on Thursday, June 25, 2009. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., MST, Thursday, June 18, 2009 on site at the entrance of Lake Capote Dam located at Hwy 160 E. and Hwy 151.

The Request for Proposals may be picked up at the Construction & Project Management Dept., 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO during the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday or you may contact Marquita Gonzales at (970) 563-0138 or [mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us).

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### IN THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COURT OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE • ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION

#### IN PROBATE NO. 09-080-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NAOMI ELIZABETH RABBIT LOPEZ, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009 AT 10:00 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 5th day of MAY, 2009.  
**DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk**

#### IN PROBATE NO. 09-086-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: SHONIE SPRINGER BAKER, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009 AT 9:00 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 20th day of MAY, 2009.  
**KELLY HERRERA, Deputy Court Clerk**

## SUNDANCE June 26 - 29, 2009

### Ute Mountain Ute ~ Towaoc, CO

## ALL SINGERS & DANCERS WELCOME

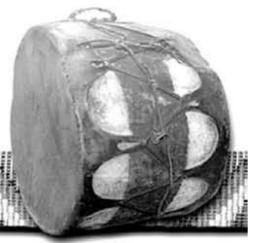
**SunDance Chiefs**  
Boyd Lopez 1-970-564-5335  
Terry Knight 1-970-564-5727

- Out of Respect for the Ceremony:**
- NO Cameras, Videos or Recorders
  - NO ATVs or Motorcycles
  - NO Firearms, Alcohol, or Drugs
  - NO Loud Music
  - NO Solicitations
  - NO Fighting or Disputes
- PLEASE dress in appropriate clothing**

## Attention All Tribal Members Listed

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**SOUTHERN UTE GROWTH FUND - POSITIONS**

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • PO Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • (970) 563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com  
**Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.**

**Vice President**  
 Closing Date 6/22/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, CO. Responsible for Redi Mix Concrete related activities within Sky Ute Sand & Gravel. General responsibilities include the sourcing of materials, batching, and delivery of Redi Mix Concrete and related products; responsible for compliance with Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund policies and procedures, Redi Mix plant operations, Redi Mix specifications, environmental health and safety as it relates to Redi Mix production and delivery, data collection/analysis/reporting, budgeting, Redi Mix personnel management, Redi Mix related equipment maintenance, and appearance of both Redi Mix facilities and equipment.

**Field Maintenance Technician**  
 Closing Date 6/23/09 - Red Cedar Gathering Co. Responsible for operating and maintaining the field compressor stations and associated equipment.

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Vacancy**

Open Until Filled - The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has ONE vacancy for an Alternate on the Election Board. All Board Members must be registered Tribal voters and must reside on Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The selected individual cannot be a Tribal Council Member, a candidate for the Tribal Council, and must not have been convicted of a Felony. Also applicants must not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. This is a paid committee. All interested Tribal Members, who would like to serve on this committee, are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department located in the Leonard C. Burch Building.

**Ignacio School District**

Application/Info: (970) 563-0500 ext. 221 • Application can be found at: [www.ignacio.k12.co.us](http://www.ignacio.k12.co.us)

**Special Education Teacher** - Must be have a CDE Generalist license in special education and able to provide educational services for severe needs students, fourth through sixth grades.

**Special Education Paraprofessional** - Assisting the teacher with 4th through 6th grade students in a classroom setting. Applicant must have an associate's degree or pass the paraprofessional test and clear a background check.

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 Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices.

**Family Health Coordinator**  
 Open Until Filled - SUCAP Head/Early Head Start Full-time, Requires RN license. Responsible for nutrition services, coordination & tracking of health/wellness, medical, dental services for 127 children. Maintain current health records for all enrolled children and respond to their daily health needs. Work w/families to coordinate care w/community providers. 12 month position. Competitive salary, excellent benefits.

Work, Counseling or related subject(s). Minimum Requirements: related BA and significant clinical exp in family therapy & treating serious antisocial behavior in youth using cognitive behavioral techniques. Precise record keeping skills a must. Training provided in MST model. For info on MST go to [www.mstservices.com](http://www.mstservices.com)

**Home Chore Aide**  
 Open Until Filled - SUCAP Senior Center  
 Is looking for someone to assist elderly persons with light housekeeping on a weekly basis. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid CO driver's license and be insurable by SUCAP and Tribal insurance. Must have or be able to obtain CPR and First Aid cert. w/in 45 days of hire. Must pass the criminal history background check.

**Outpatient Counselor**  
 Open Until Filled - SUCAP Peaceful Spirit Full-time, High School Diploma/GED required. BA in Behavioral Health or related field preferred. Must have or be able to obtain CAC II certification within 6 mos. Min 1 yr exp. working in substance abuse or related field. Must pass criminal history background check. Must work well w/ public, have valid CO DL and be insurable by SUCAP.

**Multisystemic Therapist (MST)**  
 Open Until Filled - SUCAP Peaceful Spirit Preferred Requirements: MA in Psych, Social

**Recreation Specialist**  
 Open Until Filled - SUCAP Youth Services GET PAID TO PLAY! Organizes a range of youth development activities with Ignacio teens. Must have high school diploma/GED. Nights and some weekends. Must pass background checks.

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - POSITIONS**

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 Phone: (970) 563-0100 • Fax: (970) 563-0396  
 \*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

**Financial Literacy Program Trainer**  
 Open Until Filled - This is a trainer position for an Enrolled Tribal Member or local Native American to conduct classes for the Financial Literacy Program for Tribal Members. The goal of the Financial Literacy Program is to enhance the knowledge of Tribal Members in day to day financial decisions including banking, utilization of credit and investing.

**Education Assistant**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Responsible for supporting the SUITA through a variety of duties including providing classroom coverage and supervision of children in the After School Program.

**Gaming Investigator II**  
 Open Until Filled - Under general supervision of the Investigator III, incumbent regulates and controls Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation.

**Fitness Trainer (2 Positions)**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Responsible for fitness evaluation, exercise prescription, personal training and fitness activities related to the Fitness component of the Community Center, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by the Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director.

**Patrol Officer**  
 Open Until Filled - Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community.

**Health Disparities Project Coordinator**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Under the general supervision of the Health Services Division Head develops, coordinates and implements Community Health activities for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This is a grant funded position.

**Detention Officer (2 Positions)**  
 Closes 6/19/09 - Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center.

**Infant Toddler Teacher**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Provides a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of infant and toddlers, birth through age 3. Responsible for communicating effectively with parents/guardians about their child's growth and development. Teachers at the Academy use the Montessori philosophy.

**Tribal Ranger**  
 Closes 6/19/09 - Under the general supervision of Wildlife Captain, assures compliance of all Tribal Natural Resource Codes, Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Policies.

**Physical Education Teacher**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Responsible for providing Physical Education instruction and curriculum to students at the Southern Ute Montessori Academy. The incumbent will be responsible for communicating effectively with parents about their children's progress in the area of Physical Education.

**Administrative Assistant (SUIMA)**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Performs administrative, secretarial, and clerical support to the Department of Private Education.

**Forest Technician**  
 Closes 7/06/09 - Incumbent is under general supervision of the Forester, represents the Forestry Division in a positive professional manner while assisting in the implementation and coordination of multiple and varied forestry projects.

**Agriculture Division Head**  
 Closes 6/24/09 - Responsible for the management and administration of programs and projects within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Agriculture Division operations.

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe Job Hotline • (970) 563-4777**

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**ATTENTION DRUM NOTICE, THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM WILL PUBLISH THE NEXT ISSUE ON JULY 2, 2009, AS THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2009 FOR THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY. DEADLINE FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS IS JUNE 26, 2009 BY 5:00 PM.**

**SKY UTE LODGE & CASINO - POSITIONS**

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