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Gov. Ritter Signs Water Bills at Lake Nighthorse

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

Colorado Governor Bill Ritter Jr. made a trip to Ridges Basin Dam on June 7 to sign four environmental bills into law, including one that gives the state funds to purchase water from the Animas-La Plata Project.

"They're certainly important to rural Colorado," Ritter said on the precipice overlooking Lake Nighthorse of the bills, three of which were sponsored by Sen. Bruce Whitehead, D-Hesperus. "When we're up there [in Denver], we're thinking about the interests of the entire state."

Southern Ute Tribal Attorney Monte Mills was present to represent the Tribe, which is a large stakeholder in the project. About a third of the project's water – 33,050 acre-feet of 111,500 total – is allotted to the Tribe.

The four bills accomplish the following:

- **House Bill 1250** is the annual Colorado Water Conservation Board construction bill. It allocates \$36 million to purchase water from ALP. According to earlier agreements, the state is allotted 10,460 acre-feet.
- **Senate Bill 25** extends the Water Efficiency Grant Program's cash fund, which had been set to expire in 2012, to 2020. The fund helps pay for water conservation efforts.
- **House Bill 1051** spells out reporting requirements for water providers' efficiency plans.
- **House Bill 1398**, the lone



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter Jr. stopped by the Ridges Basin Dam, part of the Animas-La Plata Project that overlooks Lake Nighthorse near Durango, on June 7 to sign four environment bills into law. Most relevant to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is one that sets aside \$36 million to allow the state to purchase water from ALP.

non-water bill of the bunch, sets aside \$8 million for seven projects aimed at protecting at-risk species through the Species Conservation Trust Fund. Ritter said carefully planned legislation will help secure Colorado's water future. Three of

every four basins in the state are already over-appropriated, he said, and with the population projected to double from five to 10 million in coming years, it's important to make the right moves today.

Whitehead, who has worked in the water field for more than 25

years, said the location of the signing highlighted the importance of the bills.

"What a wonderful place to have a bill-signing about water," he said. "Water, in my mind, is probably our most precious natural resource."

Ritter said the dam, which overlooks Lake Nighthorse, was "definitely the prettiest place we've gotten to sign a bill."

From Durango, Ritter continued on a two-day, five-city signing tour that took him through Cortez, Monte Vista, Pueblo and Vail.



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute tribal member Jennifer Olguin won this year's Elbert J. Floyd Award. Floyd's family honors a Southern Ute student each year with the gift of \$500. It's given in honor of Floyd's relationship with the Tribe over his lifetime. Olguin received the award in a June 11 ceremony in Tribal Council Chambers.

Floyd Award Recalls Tradition of Mutual Respect

Jennifer Olguin Is 2010 Recipient

By Keri Andre
Special to the Drum

My grandfather, Elbert Floyd Jr., created this scholarship in the name of his father, Elbert J. Floyd, and family because his father was always concerned with the education and training of Ute kids and his own kids.

The scholarship began in 1985, the year he passed. This is one of my grandfather's favorite stories about growing up with the Utes, as told by him.

"When I was about 10 years old, my father arranged for me to work for the Utes at sheep-shearing time. As I recall, my period of employment lasted for about a week and involved helping set up corrals and shearing areas. ... Then my job was to keep the small areas behind each shearer supplied with ewes from a corral.

"As the shearers legged out the ewes and sheared them, a small flock developed of newly shorn sheep. Then it became my duty to take the flock out of the corral and trail them to an area so they could graze and drink. I believe that my job of herding lasted most of an afternoon, and I would herd them back to a large

corral each night.

"I was afraid of rattlesnakes and there were some in the area of Cat Creek near Pagosa Junction, where the sheep were shorn that year. I told one of the older Southern Utes, Henry Gunn, about my fear. He told me that I could keep the snakes from bothering or biting me if I wore a sheep bell on my belt, because the snakes would hear me coming and they would get out of my way.

"So I tied a bell on my belt and wore it when I was herding. The bell made quite a bit of noise when I moved back and forth behind the herd. I noticed that the

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Culture Preservation a Force at CCIA

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

During the June 4 quarterly meeting of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs at the Ute Mountain Casino in Towaoc, Colo., leaders of the three Ute tribes made it clear they don't want to forget the past as their people move into the future.

The commission meets quarterly with its executive secretary, Carol Harvey, and

Colorado Lt. Gov. Barbara O'Brien to review matters of mutual interest.

Though the Northern Ute Tribe is not located in Colorado, members of its Business Committee – the equivalent of the Southern Ute Tribal Council – are invited to participate.



Box

Ute Mountain Ute

Ute Mountain Ute Chairman Ernest House Sr. said he wants to make education a priority in coming years. Having skilled tribal members will enable the Tribe to solve its own problems, he said.

"We're now beginning to really look at the educational initiatives in this Tribe," he said. "I

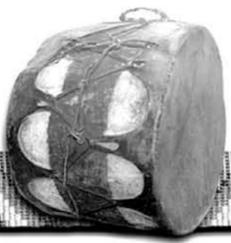
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Gourd Dancers Fill Events Center



Southern Ute tribal member Hunter Frost, was honored as the head gourd dancer at this year's Sky Ute Casino Resort PowWow on Saturday, June 12. Frost is seen dancing here with his father, Jack Frost; both are members of the Four Corners Gourd Dance Society. The powwow, which began on Friday evening, drew dancers and spectators from across Indian Country despite the threat of rain. Saturday night's grand entry followed with the crowning of a New Miss Indian Colorado from Towaoc. The outgoing Miss Indian Colorado, Kelsie Monroe, is Southern Ute. Contests and special events filled the Events Center throughout the weekend. The casino sponsored a Saturday feast, and vendors set up shop just outside the arena despite stormy weather.

photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Tribe Announces Road Improvement Projects

By Keith Rountree
Construction and Project Management

The Residential Road Improvements Project for Piwood, Tamuche and Sunset circles and Buckskin Charlie Drive will be funded from both Bureau of Indian Affairs road funds and stimulus funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The work for these projects will include the following:

Piwood and Tamuche Circles:

Replace the existing driving surface with new asphalt; improve drainage; replace damaged portions of the sidewalks, curbs and gutters; and clean those sections of the sidewalks that will remain in place. Work will include the entire driving surface around the two circles.

Sunset Circle: Fill and seal the large cracks in the concrete pavement to prevent water damage. All of Sunset Circle from the intersection of County Road 314

is included in this scope of work.

Buckskin Charlie Drive: Remove the existing asphalt pavement surface and install a new asphalt driving surface. The work will occur on Buckskin Charlie Drive from both intersections of Ute Road.

This work is scheduled to begin on June 30 and should be completed by the end of August 2010. For more information, call Construction and Project Management at 970-563-0138.

Five Questions With Beth Warren

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

Beth Warren spent 18 years with KSUT Four Corners Public Radio in Ignacio, much of it as the station's executive director. Her last day on the air was Monday, June 14. We asked her five questions as she prepares to depart for warmer climes.

Why are you leaving? Tell us a little about the new gig.

I am the interim development director for Arizona Public Radio KNAU in Flagstaff. Their development director is on medical leave. All I have to do in the next six months is raise a half million dollars.

What changes would you like to see in KSUT's future?

The biggest need for KSUT is a new building. If it comes through, it's pretty exciting. More than anything, [I hope] that the station continues to invest time and talent in the on-air sound.

What will you miss most about KSUT?

I will miss the most being a music DJ. I've been a music DJ through 9/11, Columbine, announcing on air that the CareFlight chopper crashed and then playing a song after it.

Of all the music you've played over the years, what song sums up your KSUT experience?

Probably the song I ended with. It's Michael Franti's "Never Too Late."

What will the Four Corners area do without your voice on the radio?

I'm just one voice of many at the station. I invite them to listen more closely to what the station will produce in the future, because I believe it's going to be great.



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Beth Warren, an 18-year employee and former executive director of KSUT Four Corners Public Radio, was honored in the Southern Ute Tribal Council Chambers on June 15 for her service to the Tribe. Warren is leaving to take a job as interim development director at Arizona Public Radio.



Casino's Gaming Operations Director Wins Gaming Award

Media Release
Sky Ute Casino Resort

Madilenia Chavarillo, executive director of gaming operations for Sky Ute Casino Resort, was nominated for and won the 2009 Great Women of Gaming Rising Star Award from Casino Enterprise Management Magazine, the leading gaming industry trade publication and training event producer. As a Southern Ute tribal member and longstanding employee of Sky Ute Casino Resort, Chavarillo was a vital member of the team that made the dream of a brand new Casino and Resort come to fruition in 2008. Chavarillo is involved with every aspect of the gaming operation at the Casino and continues to be an innovator in her field.



year. They must also work for a gaming industry company and hold a position of manager or higher having demonstrated exceptional achievement in at least three of the following areas: ability to go above and beyond job responsibilities; commitment to company and co-workers; contributions to the industry as a whole; commitment to mentoring; and strong overall life-balance.

Says Peter Mead, publisher of Casino Enterprise Magazine: "This year's candidates were an accomplished group of women representing all facets of the gaming industry. It's been a pleasure of ours to continue to honor these women as they strive for personal and professional excellence."

Chavarillo's contributions to Sky Ute Casino Resort include not only her executive position, but she also serves as a member of the Casino PowWow Committee, where her work ensures the continued preservation of the culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Says casino General Manager Matt Olin: "Madilenia's ability to get things done in an ever-changing environment has been a huge part of the success of the Casino. We are very proud of all of her achievements and this award is the perfect way for the industry to recognize her day-to-day efforts."

Southern Ute Tribe 2010 General Election Schedule

The Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2010 General Election, according to the Constitution and the Election Code.

General Election - November 05, 2010

Constitution; Article IV, Section 1: There shall be annual elections on the first Friday in November.

Residential Deadline - August 07, 2010

Constitution; Article IV, Section 5: A candidate shall physically reside within the present exterior boundaries of the So. Ute Reservation for at least ninety-days (90) preceding the election.

Statement of Intention Deadline - September 06, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-3-101 (3): A Statement of Intention shall be filed with the Election Board not less than sixty-days (60) preceding the date of the General Election.

Election Board Decision Regarding Eligibility Deadline - September 21, 2010

Election Code 11-3-102 (2): Any decision of the Election Board regarding eligibility shall be made at least forty-five (45) days before the election

Notice of Election - October 06, 2010

Election Code 11-4-102 (1): Election Board shall post notices of the election within the So. Ute Reservation at least thirty-days (30) before each election.

Voter Registration Deadline - October 27, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-1-104 (1): Any enrolled So. Ute Tribal member, 18 years or over, shall register themselves to vote by this date and time to be qualified to vote at the upcoming election. The deadline to do so is seven (7) business days before the election.

Absentee Ballot Request Deadline - October 27, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-5-102 (2): The application, letter, or telephone call requesting an absentee ballot must be received by the Election Board no later than the close of business at least seven (7) business days before the election

Emergency Ballot Request Deadline - November 04, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-5-107 (1) (2) (3): A voter may make a written request that the Election Board provide him an emergency absentee ballot if (a) he will be confined in a hospital or at his place of residence on election day because of events arising after the deadline for absentee ballot requests; or (b) he will be absent from the reservation on election day and the reason for such absence arose after the deadline for absentee ballot requests.

The written request shall contain the following voter's name and address, the nature of the emergency causing confinement or absence from the reservation, and the voter's signature. The emergency ballot request must be made before the day of the election. The Election Board shall review emergency requests on a case-by-case basis.

If the Election Board determines not to grant the request, the voter shall be promptly notified of the denial and the reason. If the Election Board determines that the request should be granted, the Election Board shall deliver the emergency absentee ballot at its office during regular business hours or, in the case of a medical emergency, at the place where the voter is confined.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 800-772-1236 ext. 2303. The Election Board Office will be open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Rolling Thunder Lanes
SUMMER BOWLING IS HERE!
Rolling Thunder Lanes Bowling Center
at Sky Ute Casino Resort

Schools OUT Summer Special
kids 16 & Under bowl for \$2.50 a game not including shoes ALL SUMMER LONG.
From June 7th thru August 31st!
Mon-Fri ALL DAY

Monday Couples Night!
6-9pm Dinner for two in the Rolling Thunder Grill Steak & Shrimp Special, bowl two games and shoes rental for \$20. (must be 21 or older)

Tuesday Buddy Night
4 - 10 pm Buy One Game Get One Free (Shoes not included)

Wednesday Ladies Night Out!
6pm-10pm \$2.50 a game. 50% off Appetizer Sampler (shoes not included)

Thursday Night "Monte Carlo"
color pin night. Starts every Thursday @ 6:30pm. Bowl 3 games with a chance to win Cash prizes!

Friday Cosmic Bowl!
10pm to close Spin the wheel win prizes and so much more!

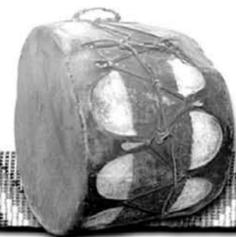
Saturday Cosmic Bowl!
10pm to close Spin the wheel win prizes and so much more!

Sunday Family Day!
11 am-4 pm \$10 dollars (per person) all you can bowl up to two hours. Five persons per lane including shoes

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For information call 970-563-1707
These prices do not apply to any other discounts or offers!

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Of Four Corners Interest

Adult, Youth Hockey Skill Camp Begins June 21

Durango Parks and Recreation will be starting its youth and adult hockey skills camp on June 21st. Youth Camps are Monday and Wednesday from 4:00pm-5:00pm for 2 weeks. The adult camps are also Monday and Wednesday and are from 5:30pm- 6:30pm and run 2 weeks. All camps cost \$40 and focus on stick handling, passing and shooting. Sign up at the Recreation Center or Chapman Hill.

Alive and Wild Food Prep Class Being Offered

Non-profit Turtle Lake Refuge is offering an Alive and Wild Food Prep Class four (4) Tuesdays, beginning June 22nd to July 20th, 5:30-8:00 pm at the Rocky Mountain Retreat, 848 E 3rd Avenue, Durango, CO. Net donations go toward sustainable living education. Suggested donation is \$111 or \$33/class. Call Katrina Blair at 247-8395 or 247-0514 for reservations.

Women's Conference Promotes Empowerment

Matriarch Gathering celebrates its first annual "To Touch a Human Being is Sacred" women's conference in Durango on June 25, 26 and 27 at the Lightner Creek Inn at 999 County Road 207. Matriarch Gathering brings together women from diverse backgrounds for three days offering more than 16 educational seminars and interactive workshops developed by empowered women to promote the wellbeing of all women. Tickets are limited. For more information, call 970-259-5457 or visit www.lotusoasis.com/matriarch_gathering.html.

Heart Healthy Solutions Makes a Difference

Since July 1, the Heart Healthy Solutions program has screened nearly 500 adults in La Plata County for cardiovascular disease risk. Nearly two-thirds of participants screened have learned that they are moderate-to-high risk for at least one risk factor like cholesterol, blood pressure or obesity. Participants receive referrals to lifestyle programs, medical care and other resources and are encouraged to retest at a later date. So far, data shows that people returning for retests have shown a reduction in several important risk factors, including total cholesterol, LDL and blood pressure. For more information, visit www.hearthealthysolution.org. The program is funded by Colorado Prevention Center with local support from Healthy Lifestyles La Plata.

57th Annual Four Corners Gem, Mineral Show Approaching

With 57 years of experience, the Four Corners Gem & Mineral Club really knows how to put on a show. This year's event will feature kids' activities all weekend, a silent auction, raffle, mineral displays, and about 40 vendors selling everything from small, inexpensive fossils and minerals to jewelry tools and supplies to finished jewelry and artwork. Admission is free. Main attractions include gold panning, jewelry-making equipment, gems, minerals, fossils, beading, door prizes, educational displays, a raffle and a silent auction. The show will take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, July 9 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 11 at the La Plata County Fairgrounds in Durango. For more information, call 970-385-6850, visit www.DurangoRocks.org or email info@durangorocks.org.

Durango Heritage Celebration Set for October 7-10

Harken back to Victorian times in an Old West celebration set in this small historic town nestled in the San Juan Mountains of southwestern Colorado. The celebration focuses on the golden era in the history of Durango, from its founding in 1881 to 1910. Highlights include a Grand Victorian Ball, a 1901 wedding re-enactment and banquet with an authentic menu from 1901, a Victorian fashion show and tea, a barbershop concert, a ride on our historic 1880s narrow gauge train (for those in Victorian or Old West costume), historic trolley tours, a cemetery tour with re-enactors in period costume, a presentation by a custom Western hat maker, a card parlour, antique sales, a traditional Hispanic dance demonstration and more. For more information, contact Suzanne Parker, event chairperson, at 970-382-9298, 970-946-6120 or parkersuzannem@msn.com.

Tribal Obituaries



WILLIAMS - Ignacio resident Theatis C. Williams died of natural causes Wednesday, June 2, 2010, in Durango, Colo. She was 59.

Theatis was born July 5, 1950, in Ignacio, daughter of Ralph Nash Cloud and Ruby Jane Bird Shoshone. She grew up in Ignacio, attending Ignacio schools and graduating from Ignacio High School. She was a former Miss Southern Ute and worked on the Pow Wow Committee, the Election Committee and Custom Farms. In her leisure time she enjoyed painting, reading, working crossword puzzles and spending time with her grandchildren.

Theatis was preceded in death by her parents, husband David Williams and son David R. Williams.

She is survived by daughters D'Arcy Cunningham of Ignacio; Joyce Williams of Durango; Nash Williams of Las Vegas, Nev.; Lorelei Whitey, of Bloomfield, N.M.; and son Chris Cloud of Ignacio. She is also survived by brother Nathan Cloud of Ignacio, sister Gayla Cloud of Ignacio, six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial service was held on Monday, June 7, 2010, at Hood Mortuary Chapel in Durango with Deacon Larry Tucker officiating.

PowWow Trails 2010

2nd Annual Strong Fathers PowWow June 26-27, 2010

Castle Pines • Denver, CO

Contact: Thompson Williams or Whitney Kizer

Phone: 303-871-8035

Email: twilliams@difrc.org

Web: www.difrc.org

42nd 4th of July PowWow July 1-4, 2010

Adjacent to Ute Plaza PowWow Grounds • Fort Duchesne, UT

Contact: Balwin Duncan

Phone: 435-823-4872

Sac & Fox Nation 47th Annual PowWow July 8-11, 2010

920883 S. Highway 99 - 6 miles south of Stroud • Stroud, OK

Contact: Georgia Noble

Phone: 918-968-3370

Email: georgianoble@windstream.net

Web: www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov

2nd Annual Strong Fathers PowWow June 26 - 27, 2010

Castle Pines • Denver, CO

Contact: Thompson Williams or Whitney Kizer

Phone: 303-871-8035

Email: twilliams@difrc.org

Web: www.difrc.org

1st Annual Youth Contest PowWow June 30, 2010

N. Hawks Dr. • Dulce, NM

Contact: Tim Anderson

Phone: 575-759-4313

Email: tim15072000@yahoo.com

Many Moons Ago



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10 Years Ago

Colorado Lt. Gov. Joe Rogers (left) listens to Southern Ute Private Education Director Diane Olguin give an overview of the Southern Ute Indian Academy during the Colorado Commission on Indian Affairs meeting in Towaoc on Friday, June 2, 2000. Troy Ralstin, Ute Mountain Ute economic development director (seated), helped Olguin with the presentation. This photo was published in the June 20, 2000, issue of *The Southern Ute Drum*.

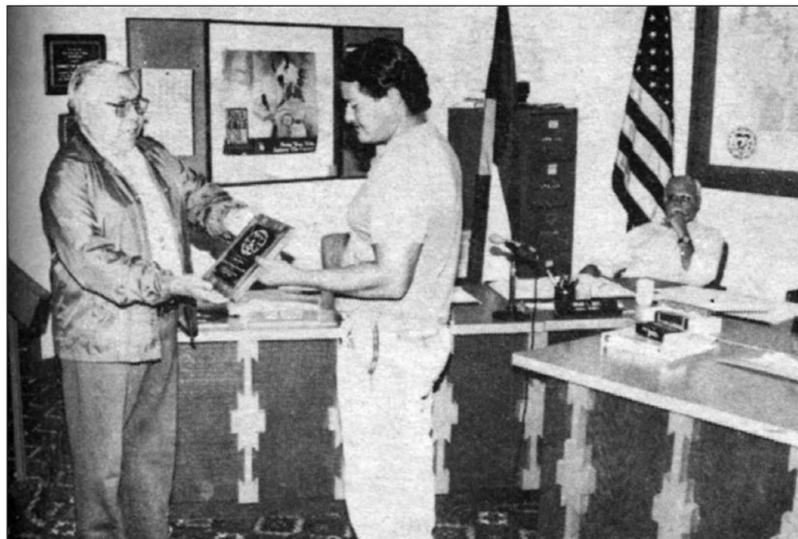


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20 Years Ago

On Friday, June 15, 1990, at a Southern Ute Tribal Council review meeting, Chairman Leonard C. Burch presented Steve Herrera with a plaque for his service to the Southern Ute Tribe as the water plant foreman.

This photo was published in the June 22, 1990, issue of *The Southern Ute Drum*.



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30 Years Ago

An extraction course took place June 17 and 18, 1980, in Allison. Left to right: David Williams, Tammie Marty, unidentified person, Anna Mae Aires and Tommy Rybal.

This photo was published in the June 20, 1980, issue of *The Southern Ute Drum*.

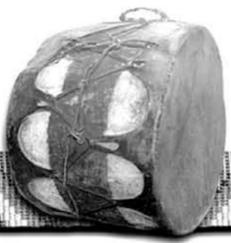


Ute Language

PapüÇnì - Drum

KüpeÇnapÜ - Drumstick

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



Heat Stroke a Summer Threat

Media Release
Southern Ute Risk Management

Although heatstroke is serious, you can easily prevent it. To help prevent any heat-related illness, when it's hot remember to:

Wear loose fitting, light-weight clothing. Wearing excess clothing or clothing that fits tightly won't allow your body to cool properly by allowing your sweat to evaporate.

Seek a cooler environment. A good way to start cooling off is to get to a cooler environment, like an air-conditioned building or a shady spot.

Drink plenty of fluids. Staying hydrated will help your body sweat and maintain a normal body temperature.

Take extra precautions with certain medications. Several medications can affect your body's

ability to stay hydrated. These include medications that narrow your blood vessels (vasoconstrictors), regulate your blood pressure by blocking adrenaline (beta blockers), rid your body of sodium and water (diuretics), reduce psychiatric symptoms (antidepressants or antipsychotics), or drugs that act as stimulants (amphetamines and cocaine).

Avoid being inside a hot car. When parked in the sun, the temperature in your car can rise 20°F (more than 11°C) in just 10 minutes. Never leave children or anyone else in a parked car in hot weather for any period of time.

Avoid strenuous activity in the heat. It's best not to exercise or do any strenuous activity in hot weather, but if you must, follow the same precautions and rest frequently in a cool spot. Try to schedule exercise or physical labor for cooler parts of the day, such as early morning or evening. Taking breaks and replenishing your fluids during that time will help your body regulate your temperature.

Heat Stroke Symptoms

Heat stroke symptoms and signs:

- a body temperature above 103°F and which can be as high as 106°F (fever)
- red, hot, and dry skin (absence of sweating)
- fast, strong pulse
- throbbing headache
- nausea
- confusion or other changes in behavior, such as becoming grouchy, dizziness

Pharmacy to Debut New Window



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

The Southern Ute Health Center is preparing to open a new pharmacy window on the east side of its building. Tribal electrician Calvin King is seen here running some of the electrical lines to finish the installation. The new window will create better accessibility to the pharmacy for those seeking services or filling prescriptions.

United Blood Drives for Week of June 21

Monday, June 21

- United Blood Services Office, 1-6 p.m., 146 Sawyer Drive, Bodo Park, Durango
- Mancos Community, 3-6 p.m., Community Center, 130 Grand Ave, Mancos

Tuesday, June 22

- United Blood Services Office, 1-6 p.m., 146 Sawyer Drive, Bodo Park, Durango

Wednesday, June 23

- United Blood Services Office, 1-6 p.m., 146 Sawyer Drive, Bodo Park, Durango
- St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Bloodmobile, 910 East Third Avenue, Durango

Thursday, June 24

- United Blood Services Office, 1-6 p.m., 146 Sawyer Drive, Bodo Park, Durango
- Southwestern Cowbells, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Elks Lodge, 2100 N. Dolores, Cortez

Friday, June 25

- United Blood Services Office, 1-6 p.m., 146 Sawyer Drive, Bodo Park, Durango
 - Pagosa Springs Community, 9 a.m.-12:45 p.m., County Fairgrounds, Stith Room, 344 Highway 84, Pagosa Springs
- United Blood Services 970-385-4601/800-863-4524.
Sign-up for drives @ www.unitedbloodservices.org

Ladies Shape Up in Water



photo courtesy Lynn Murrison

Participants in the My Former Shadow II group get together every Wednesday to do water aerobics. The group is focused on reducing cardiovascular risk. The program is part of the Tribal Health Department's efforts to encourage healthier lifestyles

Tribe Donates to Blood Drive



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

During a June 8 blood drive in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building's Buckskin Charlie Room, United Blood Services collected 61 units of blood from Southern Ute tribal employees. Here, Larry Whiteside prepares an employee for a donation. Tribal administrators encouraged employees to donate by offering a paid day off.

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Free Screenings for Seniors

The Senior Outreach program will provide free screenings to senior citizens. Tests include blood pressure, temperature, heart rate, oxygen level and blood glucose level. Anyone 60 years or older can receive a free nursing visit at home by calling Senior Outreach Nurse Brenda Isgar at 970-749-4007. Screenings take place from 11 a.m. to noon.

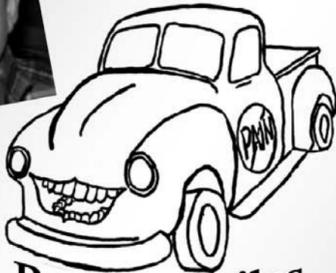
La Plata County Senior Center in Durango (July 8)

Ignacio Senior Center (July 15)

Pine River Valley Senior Center in Bayfield (July 9)



"My Grumpy and Uncle Jordan are lots of fun, and their office is cool! My favorite thing is the Treasure Chest!"



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Thank you for reading the Southern Ute Drum!

PRENATAL CLASS – JUNE 22, 2010

TIME: 1:30PM – 3:00PM

DATE: TUESDAY – JUNE 22, 2010

MERCY REGIONAL HOSPITAL – Meet in front of hospital at 1:30 PM- We'll drive around to the Birthing Center entrance.

Tour of Labor & Delivery, class information on advantages of breast and/or Bottle-feeding.

Class in Labor & Delivery Conference Room

If you cannot attend this class, because of scheduling, please call 970-259-0154 Ext. 2342 or ask for Lynne

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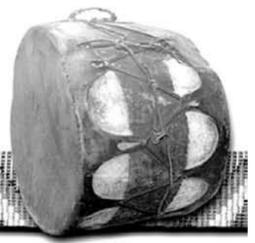
Call Before You Dig

Q We hear things about "Call before You Dig," and it sounds like a real hassle if we just want to plant a new tree. What's up?

A It may seem to be a harmless thing – digging in the yard for that new tree or shrub, but it's worth it to dial 811 before you dig. Utilities are buried only a few inches underground, making them easy to strike even during shallow digging projects. More than 256,000 underground utility lines are struck each year in the United States, resulting in injuries, property damage and electrical outages, and 35 percent of all those digging damages result from not calling before digging. No job is too small, and it's easy to do.

Within two days of dialing 811, the Southern Ute Utilities Division and any other companies in the area will send their professional locators to mark the paths of any underground cables or service lines.





Boys & Girls Club Kicks Off Summer



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Students filled the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field on Wednesday, June 9 during the first day of the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's summer session. Several "ice breaker" activities helped the youth make friends and get to know their instructors. Following introductions, a series of activities and contests took place at SunUte. Pictured here, Ellie Seibel and a friend sport shades during group introductions. Monika Belle gets her face painted by Program Aide Babe Lansing.

Discovery Camp to Feature Climbing, Ropes Course

Media Release

Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Environmental Programs is happy to announce the dates of this year's Discovery Camp for kids at Durango Mountain Resort. Camp will take place July 26-30 and will be open to kids entering into fourth, fifth and sixth grades. Only 12 spots are available, so please register as early as possible. Priority registration will be given to Southern Ute tribal members.

We will meet in front of the Annex Building at 7:45 a.m. and the bus will be leaving promptly at 8. It is very important that the bus leave by 8 so the kids don't miss the first activity of the day, the alpine slide. Kids will enjoy activities including hiking, rock climbing, ropes course and more. The program gives kids time to be kids, to be creative, to explore and to be social while surrounded by the beautiful San Juan mountains.

Activities will include the following:

Hiking: Hiking days offer a chance to have a great time exploring Purgatory Mountain. Based on the weather forecast and the general energy level of the children, destinations are chosen on a day-by-day basis. Before the hike starts, team leaders plan which aspects of the mountain to discover, including animal tracks, plant species, animal signs, watersheds, bugs, flowers and more. Once campers make it to the destination, everyone enjoys lunch. After lunch, campers play a game and then head back to the Base Area.

Climbing: Most children have climbed on a climbing wall, but how many have climbed on real rock? Purgatory is riddled with short limestone rock faces with a wide array of climbing difficulty. Our trained team leaders ensure that all climbing is closely supervised and every participant is

successful.

Teamwork: Everybody wins during teamwork day. Counselors facilitate group tasks to achieve a common goal. Activities include scavenger hunts, mysteries, the human knot, trust, fort building, orienteering and more.

Ropes course: Purgatory's low ropes course features several stations with ropes about three feet off the ground. Children are challenged mentally and physically to complete as many of the ropes as they can. All ropes are supervised and spotted by a team leader.

For more information, call Peter Diethrich at 970-563-0135.



Floyd Award Recalls Tradition • from page 1

Utes and the shearers would laugh when I brought the herd into camp in the early evenings.

"I thought the laughter was caused by a joke teller. I didn't know that I was the causing the laughter.

"One day, my father visited the shearing project and was there when I herded the sheep into camp. He noticed the bell and asked me why I wore it. I told him that I wore it because Henry said it would keep the rattlesnakes away.

"My father slapped his thigh and laughed heartily. He told me that the snakes feared me as much as I feared them, and if I was careful where I stepped, they would not bother me. He told me to take off the bell and I obeyed his order.

"Dad went back to the agency at Ignacio a bit later. After supper, Henry and another Southern Ute and I went to our sleeping area in a canvas tent. When I woke up the next morning, I noticed a kerosene lantern was placed near the tent fly entrance.

"One of the Utes asked Henry why the lantern was there. He replied, 'The white boy put it



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute Council Lady Joycelyn Dutchie thanks the Floyd family for presenting the annual Elbert J. Floyd award to tribal member Jennifer Olguin. Dutchie said the family "has a longstanding tradition of respecting Indian people."

there. He is afraid of coyotes.' Another great laugh was enjoyed by all of the men.

"I did not think it was funny at all, because I had not put the lantern there and I had not told anyone that I was afraid of coyotes too. But I never forgot the tricks played on me by Henry Gunn."

This is one of many stories my grandfather has shared with me about his youth.

Thank you for your interest in this award. It means a great deal to our entire family, and we are so grateful for the opportunity to present the award to Jennifer Olguin this year.

Southern Ute Education Department Announce GED Test Dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: July 9, Aug 6, and Sept 10. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953.

11th Annual Shoshonean Language Reunion

June 29-July 1, Ft. Duchesne, Utah

Host tribe: Ute Indian Tribe
Information, call Venita Taveapont at 435-725-4083 or 435-722-2331

Catch the Reading Bug!

Skills for Living & Learning

Annual Summer Program

Kids from preschool to 10 years have fun with reading, games, art, music, crafts, occupational therapy and more. Children may qualify to have services covered by insurance or Medicaid.

Contact 884-3259 or skills_reach@yahoo.com



Upcoming Tribal Office Closures

Monday, July 5
Independence Day Observed

Monday, July 12
Southern Ute Sun Dance Feast

The Southern Ute Education Department

1st Annual Youth In-Action Summer Program

June 15-18 & June 22-25, 9 am - 4 pm, Southern Ute Education Building

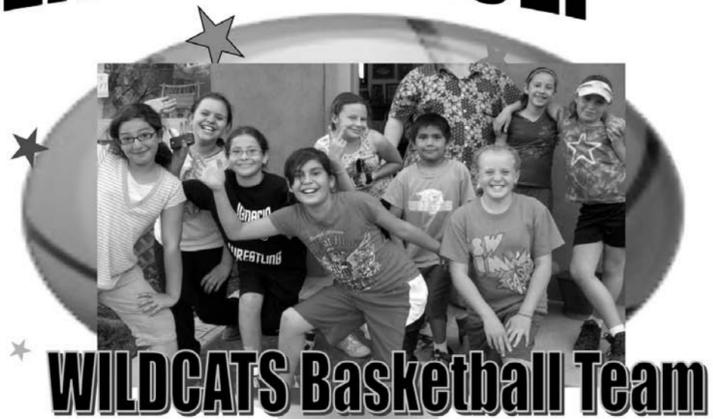
Open to Tribal Members, 1st Generation Descendants, and registered JOM students who are coming out of Kindergarten through 13 years of age. Registration deadline is Thur., June 10 by 5 pm.

Learn about Southern Ute Culture, Arts & Crafts, Reading & Poetry, Math, Sports, Field Trips, and Traditional Activities (hand games, beading, cooking, tepee raising, and much more). Snacks will be provided, but each child must bring a sack lunch and drink. Parents must provide transportation to and from the education building daily. Upon request by parent or legal guardian, registration forms will be mailed to eligible participants.

- High School Credit Recovery Program Support will be offered June 7 to July 16. In the morning will be at Ignacio High School and the afternoon at the Education Center Computer Lab.
- Summer Youth Employment Program for Tribal Members Only, 14 - 21 years of age will begin in June.

Contact the Southern Ute Education Department for more information, registration forms, and questions please call 970-563-0237.

BENEFIT DANCE!



WILDCATS Basketball Team

Music provided by Big "O" Productions/Oscar Cosio

Saturday, June 19th, 2010

Pie Auction

7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Pie Auction

\$3 per person/\$5 Couple/\$10 Family

In the HEAD START GYM

Come out and have some family fun! Proceeds will go towards expenses for Basketball Camp for our team.

Big "O" Productions 951-296-8081



NRCS Announces Initiative to Improve Energy Conservation

Media Release

Natural Resources Conservation Service

The United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announced an initiative under the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) designed to help agricultural producers in Colorado transition to more energy efficient operations. Applications are being accepted through June 18, 2010. While this is a continuous signup, applications for 2010 funding must be received by the cut-off date.

"Reducing energy use on Colorado's farms and ranches will not only help our agricultural producers become more profitable, but also help America become more energy independent," said Allen Green, State Conservationist for NRCS in Colorado. "Through this initiative, producers will be able to receive individual on-farm energy audit evaluations and assistance with implementation of energy conservation and efficiency measures."

The AgEmp initiative is designed to save both money and energy when fully implemented.

Applications will be funded as requests are received and eligibility has been determined.

USDA and agriculture producers have a common interest in improving sustainability of their agricultural operations through the promotion of on-farm energy audit evaluations as well as assistance in the implementation of energy conservation and efficiency measures.

Energy audits will be individually tailored to ensure coverage of each farm's primary energy uses. Simple changes in a landowner's agricultural operations can help farmers and ranchers achieve significant cost and energy savings.

Through EQIP, NRCS will pay up to 65 percent of the cost of an Agricultural Energy Management Plan (AgEMP). The evaluation of energy conservation activities includes energy used in the cultivation, protection harvesting, processing, and storage of agricultural crops and in the feeding, housing, and processing of animals and animal products.

AgEMPs will be developed by a Technical Service Provider (TSP), who is certified by NRCS and placed on an "approved list" to

provide technical assistance to producers for specific conservation programs administered by USDA. Your local NRCS office can provide you with the name(s) of certified TSPs. EQIP payments will be made directly to program participants for development of an AgEMP by a certified TSP.

Interested producers should visit their nearest USDA Service Center to determine eligibility. Individuals are not eligible for EQIP until they have completed the Farm Bill eligibility requirements. For more information about agricultural energy management plans visit www.co.nrsc.usda.gov/programs/AgEMP/AgEMP.html or you may contact Edwin McCaw, Resource Conservationist, at 970-563-0178, or via email at edwin.mccaw@co.usda.gov.

This year represents the 75th year of NRCS "Helping People Help the Land." Since its inception, the NRCS conservation delivery system has advanced a unique partnership with state and local governments and private landowners delivering conservation based on specific, local conservation needs, while accommodating state and national interests.

'Ftown' Drums Up First Place



Teams from Fort Duchesne, Utah, and surrounding communities competed in a hand game tournament that took place on Saturday, June 12 in conjunction with the Sky Ute Casino Resort PowWow. Mike Santistevan of Ignacio helped organize players and teams, which competed for cash prizes. Songs filled the air during the final hours of the competition.

Hand Game Results

1st - \$5,000.00 + Jackets:
Ftown - Ft. Duchesne, UT

2nd - \$3,500.00:
Ute Mtn. - Towaoc, CO

3rd - \$1,500.00:
Myra's - Towaoc, CO

photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

90th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair and PowWow Logo and Theme Contest

The Southern Ute Public Relations Division, in conjunction with the Southern Ute PowWow Committee, would like to announce the Logo and Theme Contest for the 2010 Southern Ute Tribal Fair for all Ute members.

All medias of art will be accepted until June 25 at 5 p.m.

Artwork shall be no bigger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches.

Selected artwork will be featured on all items involved with the 90th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair and PowWow.

Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with all respective artwork. All artwork will be accepted at the Public Relations Office in the Leonard C. Burch Building in person or by mail. Public Relations Division, P.O. Box 737, No. 13, Ignacio, CO 81137. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Barry at 970-563-0119 or email abarry@southern-ute.nsn.us. The winner will be announced and featured in the July 2 edition the Drum.

Taggers, Signal 99 Hit Mini-storage



The doors of the Pine River Mini-Storage got some fresh paint while Signal 99, a metal band from Farmington, N.M., performed a sweltering set for a small group of fans and onlookers in Ignacio on Saturday, June 5. The Taggers Art Day was hosted by the Ignacio Teen Center and supported by the Ignacio, KSUT, IAAFG and SUCAP to raise awareness of a more appealing form of expression. The event also featured the hardcore band Diabolical Sound Platoon.

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Southern Ute Tagu-wuni - Sun Dance

July 9-12, 2010
Ignacio, Colorado

Sun Dance Chief: Kenny Frost



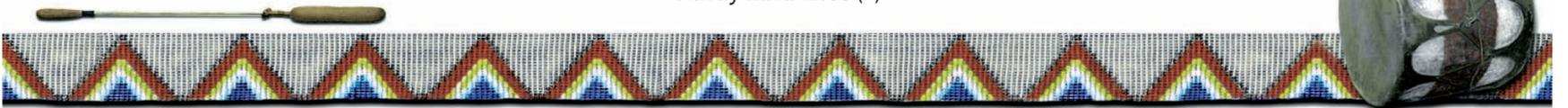
ALL DANCERS, SINGERS AND VISITORS WELCOME

Because of the sacred nature and solemnity of the Sun Dance, the rules of good manners and decorum must be observed by all, at all times.

1. The entrance to the Medicine Lodge should have a clear passage at all times.
2. Children should not be allowed to play around the Medicine Lodge.
3. Women on their menstrual cycle are not permitted near the Medicine Lodge.
4. Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on the Sun Dance grounds.
5. Cameras, tape/video recorders, food and water, are not allowed in the Medicine Lodge area.
6. No metal chairs allowed inside the Medicine Lodge.

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Original mural was painted by Sam Roy in the old BIA Boarding School kitchen, the photo of the artwork was taken by Southern Ute Drum staff, poster designed by Robert L. Ortiz of The Southern Ute Drum.

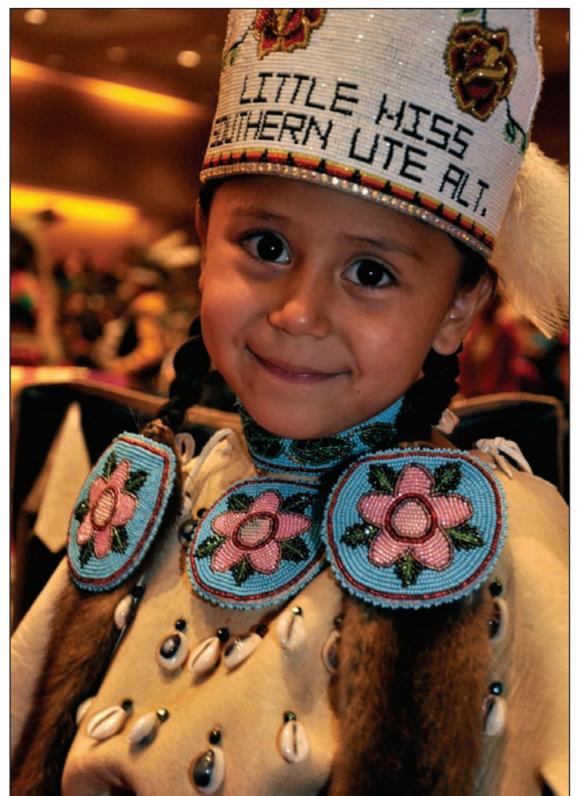


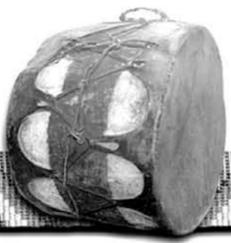
PowWow Time at Sky Ute Casino Resort



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

The Sky Ute Casino PowWow, which ran June 11-12, drew dancers and spectators from far and wide to the Events Center. The Crowning of a New Miss Indian Colorado took place Saturday night. The crown was relinquished by the outgoing Miss Indian Colorado, Kelsie Monroe, a Southern Ute tribal member from Ignacio. Contests and special events filled the building throughout the weekend. The casino sponsored a Saturday feast, which took place inside due to bad weather. Head Man Dancer Travis Blackbird partook in each of the grand entry ceremonies. Southern Ute Royalty represented Ignacio. Pictured here is Little Miss Southern Ute First Alternate D'Vondra Garcia. Kristopher Bison and his brothers were also honored as head boys during Saturday evening's powwow events. A vendor sells glow-in-the-dark balloons outside the powwow arena late into the evening following Saturday night's grand entry.





photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Woody Pena somehow finds the plate safely amidst a cloud of dirt, just under the tag of Alpine Bank Cardinals pitcher Orion Clay, during a June 10 wild 16-12 Pee-wee Reese division win in Durango.

'Cats Piece Together Final Reese Run

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

After first taking the field only last month, postseason time has already arrived for Ignacio. With a wild 16-12 win over the Alpine Bank Cardinals at Durango's Folsom Park on June 10, the young 'Cats concluded their 2010 Pee Wee

Reese (ages 11-12) campaign and will next compete in the 11-team Youth Baseball of Southwest Colorado division's City Tournament, which runs June 21-July 1. Given that six squads call Durango home, Ignacio might be included in the Bayfield-bound section along with the three from Bayfield and one from Pagosa

Springs. The American Amateur Baseball Congress's Reese State Tournament is slated for July 8-11 in Aztec, N.M. This summer, Ignacio is also represented in the 12-team Sandy Koufax (ages 13-14) division and that City Tournament is slated for June 21-24, with the AABC State Tourney following July 1-4 in Durango.



Ignacio's Kai Roubidoux hits the ball flush for extra bases on June 10 in Durango against the Alpine Bank Cardinals. The Bobcats, playing in the Pee Wee Reese age division, won an offensive shootout 16-12.



Ignacio's Anthony Ovalle fires to the plate against the Alpine Bank Cardinals on June 10 in Durango, notching one of his 15 strikeouts in a six-inning complete-game Pee Wee Reese division victory.

All-state 'Cats Cap Careers in Greeley

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Their prep days on the court met a hard end this past Saturday. But for now-graduated Ignacio ballers Alex Herrera and Oakley Hayes, they still exited in fine company at the 54th Colorado High School Coaches Association All-state Games.

Herrera suited up with the 12-man Black team, coached by Class 3A minds Steve Ketchum of Aspen and Jim Shaffer of Pagosa Springs, while Hayes – and fellow SJBL'er Jake Coulter of 1A Ridgway – dressed up for the Red team, led by 2A Lutheran-Parker's John Adam and 1A Otis' Ken Bretz.

Red fell to White in one preliminary game inside the University of Northern Colorado's Campus Recreation Center, but Black bounced Blue, meaning one Bobcat would still play for the event championship inside Butler-Hancock Sports Pavilion, home of Bears Basketball.

With Herrera sinking two baskets and both his free-throw attempts in the finale, Black held

an 82-81 lead with just 24 seconds left. However, Derrick Ward of 4A Prairie View (Henderson, Colo.) cleaned up and converted a miss from White teammate Kyle Englehardt at the buzzer, stealing an 83-82 victory.

From 4A semifinalists Lewis-Palmer (Monument, Colo.), Englehardt totaled 15 points, just behind Dalton Schuppe of 1A champs Caliche (Iliff, Colo.), who netted 18 for the winners. Tyler Velasquez of 5A semifinalists Doherty (Colorado Springs, Colo.) led the Black team with 18, Jordan Adams of 5A Chaparral (Parker, Colo.) added nine, and three – Jeremy Hayden of 4A Palisade, Keigan Peterson of 5A Green Mountain (Lakewood, Colo.) and Josh Morgan of 3A Buena Vista – contributed eight points each.

Pagosa's Taylor Shaffer chipped in five more as Black overcame a slim 41-36 halftime deficit and a nine-pointer in the fourth quarter to keep the outcome in limbo until the very end.

On the girls' side, the San Juan Basin League's representatives came from 1A Dove Creek: Sonja Strong and Kayla Pribble, with

Strong and the Blue falling 67-64 to the Red in the title game.

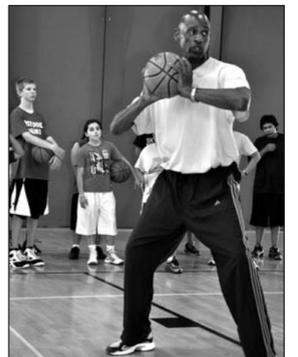
Victory also eluded the lone IHS athlete to play in the Games' football clash. Chance Wyatt was listed as a defensive end for the South squad, coached by 3A Pueblo Central's Dave Craddock, but South fell to North 18-13 on rainy Nottingham Field at UNC. Familiar with Wyatt from last off-season was South assistant Jeff Bailey, the head coach at 1A Rye. Phil Gardunio of 2A Salida and Dick Nye of 5A George Washington (Denver) completed Craddock's one-game staff.

Other players on the South familiar to Four Corners fans were Vincent Chacon of 2A Centauri (La Jara, Colo.) and Gus Barnes of 4A Durango. All told, the yardage battle was just as close as the score would indicate, with North outgaining South 348 to 341. But North cornerback Kent Flynn (3A Berthoud) intercepted three South passes and nearly had a fourth on a fourth-quarter jump ball at the goal line against Trent Thompson (P-Central), which Thompson won for the game's last touchdown.

One-on-One With the Experts



Ignacio High School girl's basketball head coach Brice Searles works with Ignacio youth at SunUte Community Center during a basketball camp on Thursday, June 3. Helping out were Laura Haugen and Dana Schreibvogel from the Fort Lewis College women's basketball team. Haugen spent time with youth last summer as part of Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Neither of these ladies are strangers to Ignacio and both have helped with basketball programs in the past.



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Sun Ute Recreation Presents 2010 Youth Basketball Tournament June 26-27, 2010

SunUte Community Center • Ignacio, CO
\$125 entry fee per team

Boys and Girls Divisions: Ages 11-13; Ages 13-15; Ages 15-18
Prizes: 1st - Bags; 2nd - Shirts; 3rd - Water Bottles
Deadline to sign up in June 23rd at 5pm. 970-563-0214



Xtreme Soccer Skills Presents 2010 Summer Soccer Camp

Tuesday, July 20-Friday, July 23
Multipurpose field at SunUte Community Center

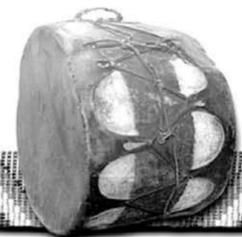
Ages 7-11: \$50 fee. 8:30-10:30 a.m.
Ages 12-17: \$75 fee. Noon-2 p.m.

Camp activities:

- Technical skills (dribbling, moves, juggling, one-on-one)
- Shooting
- Goalkeeping (if requested)
- Soccer skill games
- Scrimmages

Coaches' experience:

Molly Poletto (goalkeeper): U-14, U-15, U-17, U.S. National Team, U-18 Rush Nike (two-time state champs, state cup MVP)
Alex Anthony (forward): U-14, U-15, U-17, U.S. National Team, U-16 Real CO National (three-time state champs, state cup MVP)
Information:
Call Molly at 303-519-4785 or Alex at 303-885-2611 or email xtremesoccerskills@yahoo.com.



Wishes, Greetings and Congrats

To my loving dad, Andrew

How can I put what I feel in words. You're a man of many qualities. Someone who constantly helps others and is more understanding than many will ever know or give you credit for. Your constantly misjudged but have never let that interfere with your ability to care. You have a selfless heart that is always willing to do anything for your family. Every thing you do is never for you. Through the years you've struggled more than you would let on. You never showed how hard it was for you to raise two children as a single parent. You always filled our hearts with joy and compassion. Every day never seemed dulled. But now as an adult I can see and understand what you endured, and I respect you more with each waking moment of every day. You give me the strength and the inspiration to overcome the hardest in life. Its always only been the three of us and you and Jacob are the only two men I respect more in this life. You two have brought me more joy and support than any one I know. And I thank you for everything you put up with with me. I adore you both. So to my father I love you and wish nothing but happiness for you. May the Creator always watch over you. Happy Father's Day!

**Always,
Your loving daughter Elz**

Ampo

Happy Father's Day Ampo we love you very much!

The Pardo Kids

Happy Father's Day Uncle Pres, Uncle Mario, and Uncle Adam, we hope you have the best day ever!

**Lots of Love,
Nuf, Kruz, Ham, Fame
and Sam**

Daddy Gorilla

You truly don't know how much you mean to me and my family; we value everything you have taught us. There are times when it doesn't seem like we are listening, but we hear you loud and clear. We cherish those times when you tell us about being us, you are one of the few that still know who we are and what we should be doing. You are a treasure to have in our lives, thank you for being you and getting to where you are. You are a very strong person and I am very proud to call you my dad. We love you more than you could ever imagine.

**Love,
Your Baby Gorillas**

To Our Daddy/Grandpa, Kean Goodmen Richards

We are very blessed to have you as our daddy/grandpa. We appreciate you for everything that you do for our family. You're a wonderful role model for our children. Thanks for all the knowledge that you give us. Happy Father's Day!!

**With lots of love,
Frances Marie, Tallas,
Camron, Kean, Tallas**

Babycakes

Hello my love, Thank you for always being there for me when I need you. You are a great husband and father, we appreciate everything you do for us. Thank you for being the best dad for our children and thank you for always supporting me in everything I do. I hope your day is filled with lots of fun and love. Crazy anyway still movie!

Haha I still think its funny!!

Just me
Happy Father's Day to my daddy Mario.

**Love,
Gracie Girl**

Daddy

Happy Father's Day, holidays like these were made for dads like you. We love you very much and appreciate everything you do for us, from braiding sister's hair and painting her nails to rough housing with us boys. You are the best dad anyone could ask for. Thank you for always having a sense of humor, it makes life much easier to deal with. We love you lots daddy!

**Your babies,
Nuf-a-nuf, Chuey, Hamma,
Bella and nephew Sammy**

Happy Birthday to Sister/Auntie Jen & Uncle Raymond. Love you guys.

Amy, Mario & Kiddos

Happy Father's Day to Preston, Mario, Uncle Ray and Nuf! You are guys are awesome fathers, enjoy your day.

Amy, Gracie & Ty



Congrats Grad

The Family would like to congratulate September Martinez for getting her Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Fort Hays State University. We are very proud of you Sister on achieving your goals and continuing your education. We love you September and will always be there for you. Go for it September M... and reach for the stars.

Again Congratulations!!!

**Love Dad, Maria,
Fabian, Victoria,
Uncle Donald &
the rest of the family**

Express Your Opinions

Thanks for the Bear Dance Help

We want to take this time to thank the following individuals who volunteered their time to help with the feast for this year's Southern Ute Bear Dance:

- Walter and Marquetta Howe and children
- Lena Melrose
- J'rita Baker
- Ultima Baker
- Pathimi GoodTracks
- Marge Barry
- Juanita Wall
- Alfreda Wall
- Willa Whiteskunk
- Connie Ketchum
- Ella Mae Dawes
- Jr. Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Autumn Medicine Blanket
- Little Miss Southern Ute D'Vondra Garcia
- The five natives from the other tribes (not Utes)
- Sky Ute Casino Resort for providing the water, tea and rolls (sorry about your containers)
- Grounds Maintenance crew for cleaning up the mess after the fire

A big thank you to Amy Barry and Anna Marie Garcia. You were both awesome. All the help you provided as gofers, especially when the fire broke out - you came through with flying colors. Standing by us and ready to tack-

le every task that was asked of you. We couldn't have asked for a better pair of employees doing their jobs!

Johnny Valdez and Tom Duran: Thank you for helping with the fry bread dough; the routine we put together in finishing what was started turned out great. Thank you from the bottom of the fry bread pan.

As for the women from Towaoc, Juanita, Alfreda, Willia, Connie and Ella Mae: Thank you for asking if you could help with the fry bread. You are real troopers because you did not give up when we could have.

We thank the Creator that none of us were injured.

With the help of these individuals, the feast was a success! If there were others that were not mentioned, we did not intentionally forget you. Please accept our thanks.

Tara Vigil And Dona Frost

Thanks for 15 Years of Service

I am thankful for the 15 years of successful employment and leadership that I have experienced with the Southern Ute Tribe. I have enjoyed working with the Southern Ute Detention Center and have met a lot of great people. As of now, I am employed with a facility where

professionalism is paramount and the people understand the concept of accountability and responsibility.

I wish and pray that the Southern Ute Detention Center will continue to work with people by showing compassion and fairness to all. I lift up the Detention Center staff who shared the vision of responsibility, teamwork and commitment and understood the importance of both responsibility and accountability. I was blessed by the Creator with a great career and partnership with the past tribal administration, which had both believed in and supported their tribal membership employees. They showed teamwork, partnership, compassion and understood that a shared vision should be synonymous with membership.

This current administration has lost my respect in the way they handled a shifting of vision with the Detention Center. My current professional journey continues separate from the tribe. Know that I carry many lessons learned by my journey with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. I will always be a proud Southern Ute member voting for a new leadership.

*Ronalynn Tiznado
Southern Ute tribal member*

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NEW EMPLOYEES



Brenna L. Atcitty

Job Title: Dispatcher
Description of duties: Answering emergency phone calls, dispatching police, EMS, fire and rangers
Hobbies: Playing baseball, walking, swimming
Family: Married with one son
Tribe: Navajo

Krista S. Richards

Job Title: Summer intern
Description of duties: Taking pictures, interviewing people, help designing the Drum pages
Hobbies: Doing archery, painting, drawing, writing short fictional stories, riding four-wheelers
Family: Howard Richards Sr. (dad), Shiri Howell (sister) and Dewayne Richards (brother)
Tribe: Southern Ute, Pawnee, Cheyenne Arapaho



Mercedes Ann Jewels Velasquez

Job Title: Summer intern
Description of duties: Working with the Southern Ute Public Relations Department and The Southern Ute Drum newspaper.
Hobbies: Being outdoors, swimming, staying active, reading, and spending time with those who matter most.
Family: Daughter of Loretta Velasquez
Tribe: Southern Ute
Additional Info: Will be attending San Juan College in the fall



The Native American Heritage Train: The Southern Ute Legacy

Ride the historic Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad and experience the heritage of the Southern Ute culture!



Sunday, June 27, 2010

Watch our Web site for additional dates!

Travel 26 miles to Cascade Canyon, along the Animas River and into the wilderness of the San Juan National Forest.

At Cascade, Heritage dancers will perform traditional dances, accompanied by Native drummers and singers.

Departure: 10:15 am to Cascade Canyon
3:45 pm return to the Durango Depot.

Fares: \$81* Adult (Standard Class)
\$49* Child (ages 4-11) (Standard Class)
\$119* Deluxe-Class Prospector - all ages

Elders from the Southern Ute Tribe will ride in the Deluxe-Class Prospector car to share traditional stories along the way. Tribal members will travel through the train to visit with passengers.

Watch the presentation and still have time to explore the wilderness at Cascade Canyon before returning to Durango.

Don't miss this unique opportunity!

* Fares subject to a 4% Historic Preservation Fee



Next Drum July 2 DEADLINES

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Announcements
Wishes/B-Days!
June 28

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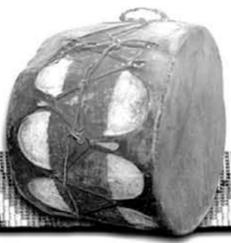
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Donation Establishes the Nation's First Native American TV Channel

Media Release
San Manuel Band of Missions Indians

A \$6 million donation by the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians will allow San Bernardino-based KVCR Television to launch the nation's first 24-hour Native American television channel, tribal leaders and the station announced June 16.

The Channel is a groundbreaking media initiative emphasizing the factual history, culture and current events of Native Americans and Alaskan Natives. Planned to reach the airwaves in spring 2011, this one-of-a-kind channel will tell the stories of indigenous North American peoples and is the result of an ongoing partnership between KVCR and San Manuel.

"We fully anticipate this unique channel to become a model for public-television programming across the country," said, Larry R. Cicalone, President of KVCR, a Public Broadcasting System affiliate. "The commitment of the San Manuel tribe to informing audiences about the contributions and achievements of Native Americans in history and modern times is precedent setting."

This is the first time a Native American tribe has taken the lead in using a powerful medium to plan, produce and communicate cultural, historical and contemporary messages to be told on a scale previously not possible, Cicalone added.

"The power and influence for the good this channel will achieve cannot be overstated," he said.

James Ramos, chairman of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, said becoming a partner with KVCR supports the tribe's mission of eradicating stereotypes that often stem from inaccurate depictions of American Indians in commercial television.

"Supporting this endeavor will help achieve that objective by allowing us to tell the story of Native Americans through themes and images that speak the

truth and educate our audiences," said Ramos, who also serves on the San Bernardino Community College District Board of Trustees, Ramos said the content will demonstrate the broad appeal and educational and entertainment potential of Native American filmmakers, actors and story tellers.

"We truly will represent the Native voices of America," Ramos said.

"As the first TV channel of its kind, it will be in a unique position to expose viewers to the untold stories of Native Americans. The channel will be in a position to break stereotypes while preserving and celebrating our rich culture and collective history before a larger audience."

on the lasting impacts of Indian boarding schools.

"This channel provides a needed forum for Native American artists, a common ground on which we can share our unique perspectives and express ourselves creatively."

The tribe's charitable gift will be made in three installments of \$2 million over the first three-years that the channel's is in operation. Select members of

Noted Native American actor Wes Studi, who earned accolades for his work in Academy Award-winning films such as "Dances with Wolves" and "The Last of the Mohicans," praised KVCR and San Manuel for their vision and commitment.

"As the first TV channel of its kind, it will be in a unique position to expose viewers to the untold stories of Native Americans. The channel will be in a position to break stereotypes while preserving and celebrating our rich culture and collective history before a larger audience," Studi said.

Establishing more outlets for Native American produced film and television is an important focus for Native American and filmmakers.

"There is a wealth of content produced by, and featuring Native American talent," said Georgina Lightning, director of "Older than America," an award winning motion picture of contemporary suspense that focuses

the San Manuel tribe and KVCR will comprise the channel's operating board.

This effort is a direct outgrowth of a four-year partnership between KVCR and the San Manuel tribe. The tribe's earlier contribution of \$1.5 million paved the way for KVCR to purchase new digital master control equipment and convert from analogue to digital broadcast and expand from one to six channels.

The partnership also resulted in development of many radio and television programs, including three documentary series called "People of the Pines," a direct translation of San Manuel's clan designation in the Native Serrano language: Yuhaviatam.

"People of the Pines" has aired multiple times locally and in markets across the country. The three-part, 12-episode series telling stories of struggle and perseverance is viewed in dozens of classrooms across Southern California as an educational tool.

Tribe Adopts New Protection Order Code

Media Release
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council has adopted new Protection Order provisions as Title 2 of the Tribal Civil Procedure Code ("Code"). The purpose of the new provisions is to enhance and clarify the Tribal Court's ability to issue civil protection orders and provide a mechanism for the recognition, enforcement, and optional registration of similar orders from other jurisdictions. The Code provisions will apply to those subject to the general civil jurisdiction of the Tribal Court, which may include both Indian and non-Indian parties.

Because of the lack of clarity in the existing Code regarding protection orders, there have been instances in which the Tribal Court has had difficulty issuing a protection order necessary for the protection of the petitioning party. Therefore, the new Code provisions focus on the procedures for issuing protection orders, as well as incorporate federal law, which authorizes and requires the granting of full faith and credit to other jurisdictions' protection orders without requiring that such orders be registered.

The first substantive section of the new Code provisions sets forth the procedure for requesting and/or obtaining an emergency protection order. In these instances, a police officer can request that the Court grant an emergency order where the judge finds that an imminent danger in close proximity exists to the life or health of one or more persons. If the judge finds that such an order is warranted, it may be granted over the phone, provided it is reduced to writing and filed with the Court as soon as practicable thereafter. This type of emergency order expires at the close of the next judicial business day, unless extended by the Court after the filing of a complaint for a temporary protection order in the matter.

The Code further establishes the procedures for the court to follow when considering requests for temporary protection orders. In order to ensure that the due process rights of each party are protected, the Code provides for a hearing to be held before the issuance of a temporary restraining order, and limits such an order, if issued, to a maximum of 14 days, during which time the person against whom the order has been issued (the "restrained party") shall be served with a summons to appear before the Tribal Court for a hearing on the matter.

At the subsequent hearing on the matter, the Court will consider whether or not a permanent restraining order should be issued, based on the evidence presented by the parties regarding the existence of a threat to the life or health of one or more persons. A party restrained by a permanent restraining order may ask the court for modification and/or dissolution of such an order, which request will be set for hearing and considered based on the evidence presented.

The Code also includes specific procedures and protections for orders that restrain or relate to "intimate partners", which, based on the definitions in both the Code and federal law, may provide a higher level and/or different types of protection under federal law (see 18 U.S.C. §922).

The Code requires that any protection order issued by the Tribal Court be entered into the electronic database for registration of the protection order, which, once accomplished, would mean that any law enforcement officer with access to the database would be instantly able to determine whether an individual is subject to a protection order issued by the Tribe. When combined with the federal law described above, which requires that foreign jurisdictions give full faith and credit to such tribal orders without registering them, this process means that the Tribe's protection orders

would be recognized as valid, and available to law enforcement officers, in any state, territory or other tribal jurisdiction, through the database. The Code also includes provisions, similar to those found in federal law, requiring that the Tribal Court grant full faith and credit to foreign orders, those issued by another jurisdiction, so long as the court that issued the order had jurisdiction in the matter and the restrained party's due process rights were protected. The Code allows for registration of foreign orders through their filing with the Court, but does not require such registration for them to be enforceable.

Lastly, the Code reaffirms the immunity of peace officers enforcing protection orders, provided they are not acting with malice or out of compliance with applicable law.

In addition to these provisions, in Article 2 of the Code, there are some miscellaneous provisions related to protection orders that have also been approved. These provisions include an addition to the Criminal Code to make it a crime to violate a valid protection order issued by the Tribe and a provision that would create a mandatory protection order against a defendant charged with a crime of violence against a member of that person's household or an intimate partner while the defendant is released on bond by the Court. This latter provision ensures additional protection for victims of alleged domestic violence without the necessity of requesting a separate protection order against the alleged perpetrator.

Finally, some minor revisions to existing provisions of the Civil Procedure Code have been made to clarify that those provisions, where they reference restraining orders, relate only to ongoing civil matters (see section 2-1-113).

Copies of the new and revised Code provisions can be obtained from the Tribe's Tribal Information Services Department.

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To confirm your interest and receive a RFP package when issued, please forward your letter of interest on or before July 6, 2010.

The SUCC&M will be hosting a pre-proposal and business opportunity meeting at the Museum Site in early August, with dates to be confirmed upon the publication of the RFP. The purpose of hosting this meeting is to provide prospective concessionaires the opportunity to view the construction site, and to enable the prospective concessionaire's ability to spend adequate time onsite to aid in submitting a proposal by the due date of August 28th 2010.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe - Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses.

The SUCC&M reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any informality in proposals and to accept the proposal deemed, in the opinion of the SUCC&M, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Cultural Center & Museum.

Your letter of interest should be on company letterhead with contact name, title, street address (no P.O. Box), telephone, cell phone, fax and email address.

Email Letter: mgilmore@southern-ute.nsn.us
Mail Delivery: SUCC&M - P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137, attention: Marion Gilmore
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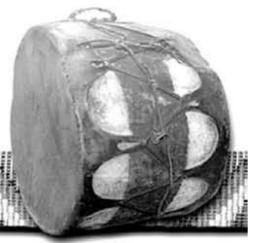
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Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
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General Accountant

Closing Date 6/22/10 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, Colo. Ensuring that all general ledger entries, adjustments, and reconciliations are made on an accurate and timely basis. Providing accounting support including accounts payable, accounts receivable, financial analysis reporting and general ledger responsibilities.

necessary for Red Willow to acquire and maintain legal licenses, assisting in developing technical and economic analysis of oil and gas opportunities and, negotiating and drafting various partnership documents.

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Closing Date 6/23/10 - Frontier Field Services Abo Plant - Artesia, NM. Efficient operation of the facility by maintaining and tuning the plant control system, analytical equipment, and instrumentation.

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Closing Date 6/22/10 - Red Willow Production Ignacio, Colo. Completing the tasks and functions

Southern Ute Indian Tribe - Job Announcements

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 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
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care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Clinical Director. Will have access to the family practice physicians and clinical director for consultation and referrals.

Detention Division Head

Closing Date 6/18/10 - Under general supervision of the Justice and Regulatory Department Director, plans, organizes, directs, and reviews the administrative activities of the Southern Ute Detention Program and Facility.

Family Practice Physician

Open Until Filled - This is a contract position responsible for providing comprehensive medical services with special emphasis in family practice to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center.

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Youth in Natural Resources Crew Leader

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Justice & Regulatory Department Director

Closing Date 6/18/10 - Under administrative direction of Executive Officer, this position is responsible for overall supervision of the Department of Justice and Regulatory which includes the Division of Gaming, Tribal Employment Rights Office, Environmental Programs Division (to include Water and Air Quality,) Detention Division, Tribal Rangers, Animal Control, the Tribal Prosecutor, the Tribal Public Defender, Ethics, Tax & Liquor, Victim Services Program, and the Southern Ute Police Department.

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Closing Date 6/21/10 - (2 Positions) Responsible for assuring an efficient entry and exit point for members of the Community Center, to include providing reception duties to the public by telephone and in person, greeting, screening and assisting customers, monitoring member access control, and maintaining class registration.

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KSUT Board of Directors Vacancy

Seeking a Southern Ute Tribal Member to fill a vacancy on its Board of Directors as a non-paid position. Requires attending monthly board meetings, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501-C3 non-profit organization. Send a letter of interest to Eddie Box, Jr., KSUT, Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Member Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has one (1) alternate Election Board member vacancy available for all interested Tribal Members. The Board members must be registered tribal voters, must serve a three (3) year term and must reside on the Southern Ute Indian reservation. The selected individual cannot be a Tribal Council member, a candidate for Tribal Council and must not have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. This is a paid board. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the Election Board are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Building before 5:00 p.m. on July 30, 2010.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Advisory Board Vacancy

Seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill a vacant seat on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. This 7-member Board, first established by the Council in 2005, works closely with the Wildlife Division and Rangers in planning, reviewing, and recommending various actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs. Board members who are not already employed by the Tribe are compensated at \$20/hr. for meeting participation. A commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected as meetings are held several times throughout the year. Tribal Member must not have committed a hunting or fishing related violation in the past 5 years. Knowledge of the Tribe's hunting and fishing resources and its approach to wildlife management is preferred. Eligible Tribal Members interested in serving on the Board must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Interested eligible applicants will be considered for a Board appointment by the Tribal Council. For more information please contact the Wildlife Division at (970) 563-0130.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Credit Committee Vacancy

Seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill one vacant seat on Credit Committee. The Credit Committee members must be at least 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe with a reputation of dependability and honesty. A confidentiality statement must be signed. They shall be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation for Tribal Credit. The term may be for a three (3) year period. The Committee meets weekly on Tuesday. Committee members must not be delinquent with Tribal Credit or any Tribal Department. Duties of the Credit Committee: Take initial action for the Tribe on all Applications; Have the responsibility of assuring that loans made under the Credit Program are repaid when due. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on this committee are urged to fill out an application and submit it to the Personnel Department in the Tribal Affairs Building.

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In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2010-084-PR

**NOTICE OF PROBATE
Bryce Red, Deceased**

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian 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 29, 2010 at 09:30 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 12th of May, 2010
Trennie R. Burch, Deputy Court Clerk

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2010-NC-059

**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Joachim Benedict Haxtiku Good Tracks**

Notice is hereby given that Joachim Benedict Haxtiku Good Tracks has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Conchobhar Joseph Haxtiku Good Tracks. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **July 26, 2010.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 8th day of June, 2010.
Dolores Romero, Court Clerk

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2010-NC-068

**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Shyanne Whiteman, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Tara Vigil filed an application in behalf of Shyanne Whiteman for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Shyanne Morning Star Vigil. As of May 17, 2010 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Shyanne Whiteman name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Shyanne Morning Star Vigil.
Dated this 8th day of June, 2010.
Suzanne Carlson, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

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Southern Ute Royalty Hosts Bear Dance Workshop



By Amy Barry
The Southern Ute Drum

The Southern Ute Royalty Committee hosted their second workshop on July 10 for tribal member boys and girls interested in running for the upcoming Royalty Pageant in August.

The focus of the workshop was on Bear Dance etiquette, history and practices that have changed throughout the years. Guest speakers included former Bear Dance Chief Kenny Frost, former Miss Southern Ute Neida Ray and former Jr. Miss Southern Ute Faren Burch.

Former royalty members gave a presentation on what was expected of them during celebrations and how they should participate and dress by family. The Southern Ute Cultural Center and

Museum's Bear Dance video was also shown during a traditional Bear Dance meal that included of stew, fry bread, watermelon and iced tea.

"We never wore the same dress," Faren Burch said. "Every spring we had to make a new dress to dance. That was part of the preparation for spring time."

Neida Ray explained how she was involved in the blessing of the grounds every spring with current Bear Dance Chief Matthew Box.

"I knew every spring, my family would expect me to be at that blessing," she said. "I knew I would see Matthew and Eddie Box Sr. every spring at our Bear Dance grounds, and it was a good feeling."

Attendees asked questions about wearing the royalty crown

while dancing, the significance of the two trees in the corral, and the history of the Bear Dance.

Former Bear Dance Chief Kenny Frost spoke about how the Bear Dance has changed since he became involved with the spring celebration. He then told the

story in the song itself," he said. "The Ute Mountain Utes still sing those songs today and we don't do that here. We need to bring those songs back and teach them to our younger generation that are becoming more involved."

"We never wore the same dress, every spring we had to make a new dress to dance. That was part of the preparation for spring time."

**- Faren Burch,
former Jr. Miss Southern Ute**

story of how the Bear Dance began and derived from the bear itself.

"Many songs used to tell a

The event closed with a raffle by the Southern Ute Royalty and presenters received gifts as tokens of appreciation.



Miss Southern Ute Samantha Maez (top left photo) sits amongst her peers at the Southern Ute Bear Dance Etiquette Workshop on Thursday, June 10. Southern Ute Royalty, (right photo) from left to right, Miss Southern Ute Samantha Maez, Jr. Miss Southern Ute Amya Bison, Little Miss Southern Ute Alexandria Roubideaux and Jr. Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Autumn Medicine Blanket were the emcees for the workshop at SunUte Recreation Center. Former Bear Dance Chief Kenny Frost (left photo) offers insights to workshop attendees on Bear Dance protocol and shares memories of past celebrations.

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House said he believes the Tribe's best years are still ahead.

He also disputed a rumor that the forthcoming Four Corners monument, which the Tribe is heavily involved in, is geographically misplaced. Media reports in NPR, Deseret News and others cropped up in 2009 claiming the site is 2.5 miles from the actual intersection.

"That was just a rumor," he said. "Rumors can really mess you up."

Economic Development Director Joanie Buckley said she's been hard at work exploring options to bring high-speed broadband Internet access to the reservation.

"We definitely, definitely need it," she said. "We can certainly claim that we are the last mile in Colorado."

Buckley said efforts are also underway to improve the Tribe's career center and explore investments in energy including solar and water power.

Southern Ute

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has been hard at work with other local, state and federal government agencies on projects that will benefit tribal members, Chairman Matthew J. Box said. He said a recent agreement between the Tribe, Ignacio, La Plata County and the state to study future traffic needs on the reservation set a precedent for future intergovernmental efforts.

Box updated the commission on the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, which is due to open next spring. He said the Tribe will likely host an opening ceremony for tribal membership before one for the general public.

"It is climate controlled and able to handle stuff in the Smithsonian," he said. "We're very pleased with the architectural structure of it."

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Ute Mountain Ute chairman**

Other construction projects include the memorial chapel and a possible juvenile treatment and detention center three or four years down the road, he said.

Efforts are underway to compile a Ute history book and a standard Ute dictionary from the seven or eight versions that exist, Box said. The Tribe is also hoping to begin work with Rosetta Stone, the world's leading language education software, within the next year, he said.

"There's still a lot of legwork that needs to be done," he said. "We need to work together."

Box said the Tribe has also been working toward compliance with the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, a 2006 law aimed at tracking sex offenders. As of May 2010, only three states - Delaware, Florida and Ohio - and two tribes had been deemed compliant with the law.

"It still needs work in Washington," he said. "We want to provide what's legislatively necessary to our membership with regard to sexual predators."

Council Lady Marge Borst encouraged the Ute leaders to return to growing their own food as their ancestors did.

"My hope is to grow all our own food again," she said. "We have beautiful land. Health is the most important thing. If we don't have

our health, what do we have?" Council Lady Joycelyn Dutchie broached concerns about the amount Southern Utes were paying in car registration fees

and where the money goes, and Councilman Steve Herrera said some investigation was needed to clarify whether distribution checks preclude tribal members from Medicaid eligibility.

Northern Ute

Business Committee Chairman Curtis Cesspooch spoke briefly, urging his counterparts to consider their needs and make use of the favorable conditions in Washington D.C. under President Obama.

"He's doing a lot now for the tribes, and the tribes need to take advantage while they can," he said.

Cesspooch said he's been attending consultations to improve health services on the Uintah and Ouray Reservation.

Vice Chair Francis Poowegup said it's important the three Ute tribes work together to address common concerns.

"Southern Ute, Northern Ute and Ute Mountain all have the same problems. We're all aligned to where we have the same issues: taxation, health, education," Poowegup said. "It is how we take care of those issues that is going to make a big impact on our tribes."

Cesspooch also informed the commission of the death of Committee Member Steve Cesspooch in April.

Towaoc Dances Woes Away



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The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe hosted its annual Bear Dance in the hot sun in Towaoc June 4-7. The celebration invites participants to leave their worries behind and begin the year anew. Chairmen Ernest House Sr. (above photo) of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and Curtis Cesspooch of the Northern Ute Tribe dance with partners after the line has broken into individuals. A lucky youth (left photo) tries to keep up with two partners. Southern Ute Indian Tribe Chairman Matthew J. Box (below) lends the singers a hand during a break in the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting that took place the same day.

