



WILL WRITING

Why will writing is important for allotment owners

Staff report

If you die without a will, it is called dying "intestate." For intestate decedents who own Individual Indian Money (IIM) accounts or interests in allotments, Congress has determined how their allotments and IIM accounts will be passed on to their heirs. This law is called the American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 (AIPRA.)

If you die intestate, AIPRA determines who receives your property, what amount they will receive, and whether your allotment interests will be subject to a forced sale at probate.

WITHOUT A WILL

Without a will your allotment interests of 5% or more will go to:

- A life estate to your spouse who will receive the income from the allotment for life;
- After the spouse passes (or if there is no spouse) the interest will pass to all of your eligible children equally;
- If no children survive you, then to your eligible grandchildren who survive you;
- If none, to your parents, if they survive you;
- If none, then to your brothers and sisters who survive you;
- If none, then to the Tribe.

For allotment interests less than 5%, the rules are different:

- A life estate to your spouse ONLY if the spouse lives on the parcel;
- All other allotments of less than 5% go to your oldest living eligible child (this is called the "single heir rule");
- If none, then to your oldest living eligible grandchild;
- If none, then to your oldest living eligible great grandchild;
- If none, then to the Tribe.

WHAT A WILL ALLOWS YOU DO

- A valid will allows you to, among other things:
- Choose the family members and friends you wish to receive your allotment interests and IIM account balance;
- Leave your allotment interests in trust status

to any or all of your lineal descendants (your children, grandchildren or great grandchildren), whether or not they are Tribal members;

- Leave a life estate in an allotment to a non-Indian spouse, family member, or friend;
- Prevent any forced sale of your allotments by the Probate Court.
- Leave your interests in separate allotments to different family members.
- Leave your allotment interests to several family members "as joint tenants" so they can enjoy ownership during their lives, the last survivor taking the permanent ownership.
- Request a sale at probate of some or all of your allotment interests with the proceeds to be shared among your heirs as you choose.

(Adapted from information provided by the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate at Seattle University School of Law.)

SOME THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN WRITING A WILL

Allotments and Tribal assignments are treated differently. An allotment is an interest in Indian Trust lands held by the government in trust for individual Beneficiaries. The allotment itself is usually not divided, but the ownership interest is divided among the various owners (Beneficiaries.) This results in most allotments having many owners. Allotments and IIM accounts are probated by the BIA, which gathers the necessary information for the probate and prepares a probate package, and the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), which will hold a hearing at which an Administrative Law Judge will decide how the estate will be distributed according to law. The Judge will follow the provisions of a valid will in distributing the estate.

Assignments are grants by the Tribe of Tribal lands to individual Tribal members. The Tribal member who receives the assignment is asked to name a beneficiary. The named beneficiary is then given a preferential right to receive the assignment upon the death of the assignee; however, the Tribal Council must approve the actual

assignment to the beneficiary.

You only need one will. It can be probated by OHA to distribute your allotment interest and IIM account balance, and by the Tribal Court to distribute all your non-Trust assets.

You do not need an attorney to help you prepare a will. However, the provisions of a will can be complicated, and the signing of the will must be done properly for it to be accepted by the Probate Court. The will must comply with the provisions of the Colorado Probate Code, AIPRA, and the rules of common law. Therefore, wills should only be prepared by someone who is knowledgeable about the law. After all, there is little anyone can do to "fix" a will after the testator's death.

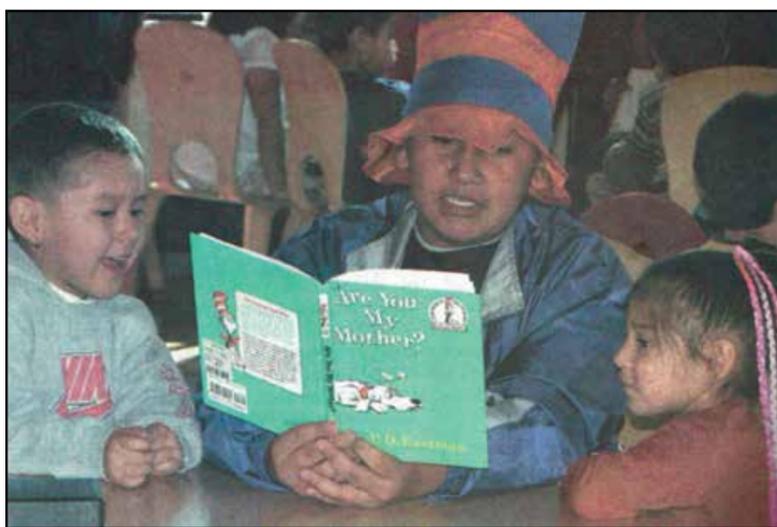
For attorneys, will preparation is the practice of law. Therefore, law students are required to prepare wills under the supervision of licensed attorneys.

A will does not need to be notarized to be effective, as long as it is witnessed according to state law. However, then the witnesses, if they are available, will be called to testify about the will-signing when the will is probated. Attaching a sworn (notarized) affidavit to the will, sworn to by the witnesses, stating that the will was properly executed, takes the place of the witnesses' testimony at the probate hearing. The witnesses' testimony is not required unless there is a court challenge to the execution of the will.

It is possible for a mentally incapacitated person to write a will. The threshold for Testators is much lower than the threshold for appointing a guardian, generally only requiring that Testators be reasonably aware of the contents of their estate, and that they are aware of the "objects of their bounty," generally all their family members. Colorado has a specific statute to cover the proof of capacity of the testator in these situations, which allows a Court to determine the competency of a Testator at the time the will is signed.

There is no requirement that a will be filed anywhere, but it is good practice to file it with the Tribal Court so everyone knows where it is and it does not get misplaced when it is needed.

MANY MOONS AGO



Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

The students at the Southern Ute Indian Academy celebrated children's book author Dr. Seuss' birthday on Wednesday, March 2. The students from the Upper Elementary read books to the students in the Lower Elementary and finished the celebration off with healthy servings of real "Green Eggs and Ham".

This photo first appeared in the March 4, 2005, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

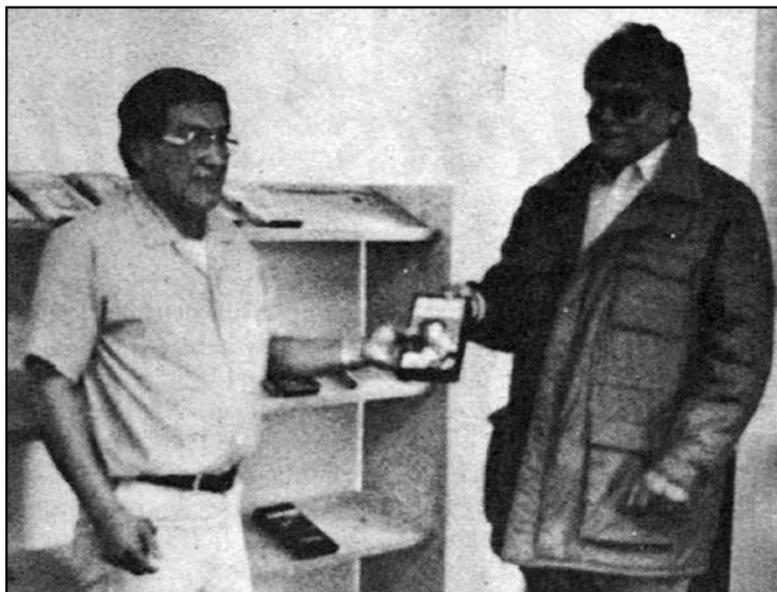


John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Shirley Frost bids farewell to IHS. Frost celebrates her retirement with granddaughter Kelsey.

This photo first appeared in the March. 3, 1995, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Mr. Douglas Eagle Remington, KSUT Program Director shown above accepting the first Video Movie Rental tape from Mr. James Jefferson. Mr. Remington was the Southern Ute Movies To Go's first customer. Thank you Douglas for your patronage.

This photo first appeared in the March 8, 1985, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

LOCAL UPDATE

Tribal Council Spring Break

Tribal Council will be on break from March 30-April 3, 2015. No Council Meetings will be held that week. Please plan accordingly regarding electronic packet submittal for any action items needing approval.

Free wills for Southern Ute tribal members

Eighteen law students from the Sturm College of Law at the University of Denver are coming to Ignacio to prepare wills for Southern Ute Tribal members and other Native Americans. They will arrive on Tuesday, March 17, and will be open for business at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility on Ute Road from Wednesday, March 18 through Friday morning, March 20. There will be no charge for the wills. Each Tribal member who participates will be interviewed by a law student under the supervision

of a supervising attorney. The student will then draft the will and present it to the supervising attorney for review. The student will review it with the client, make any necessary connections, and oversee the signing and witnessing of the will. It is very important have the will properly signed and witnessed, because it will be accepted by the Probate Judge only if it is properly completed. The law school requires that each law student complete 50 hours of community service prior to graduation. The Denver University law students traditionally spend one of their spring breaks performing community service to satisfy this requirement. Everyone who wishes to have a will drafted should be able to have one done. For more information, or to make an appointment for your will, please call the OST office at 563-1013, or visit OST at the BIA Agency office across from the Multi-Purpose facility.

SUCCM UPDATE

Attention local artisans

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum would like to extend an invitation to local Ute artist to come and display/sell their work in the former gift shop. The new locals Art Gallery will be used as a showcase for contemporary local Ute art and traditional Ute works. The museum is offering a venue for your work to be displayed, viewed and possibly sold. Your work will have chance to be seen by consumers from around the world, as we often have international visitors. So if you would like to reserve a place for your art

in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum new Art Gallery, please stop by to talk with an employee today!

Become A Friend of the museum

A Friend of the Museum is a rewards program that the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) will be implementing at the beginning of September. This is a free program where we will reward you for coming in to visit us. Ask any of our visitor service employees or call 970-563-9583 for more information on this program.



Museum offers workshops



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Demi Sells, (left) helps her mom, Carol Baker string her beads at the Beading 101 class hosted by the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum Friday, Feb. 27 as part of the museum's first of 'Native Workshop Fridays.' Participants got the basics on how to design and make their own beadwork. Classes are open to the all community members with a minimal fee for each class.

Joy Cuthair works on her beading design at the Beading 101 class held at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum Friday, Feb. 27.



Culture: Make it and take it



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Last Thursday, Feb. 26 participants in the Culture Department's Leather Belt Crafting class finished assembling their leather belts. Participant's got to design his or her own unique belt to take home. Tribal elder Mary Inez Cloud works on painting a design on her belt.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Kayla Armstrong pushes the final studs through her leather belt Thursday, Feb. 26. Kayla adorned her belt with pink roses and silver studs.

Edward Box III fastens a leather cuff he made during the Culture Department's Painted Belt class. He also crafted a leather necklace and belt complete with silver studs and acrylic paint. The pieces took Box a full week of work to finish.

CULTURAL UPDATE

Share your heritage with Culture Dept.

Culture classes are open to all tribal members and will offer a variety of cultural activities, including language classes, star quilting, and a roach headdress class. Those who are interested in taking the classes are free to sign up by contacting the Culture Dept. at 070-563-0100, ext. 3620. The class dates are Tuesday, March 10, Thursday March 12, Tuesday, March 24, and Thursday, March 26.

95th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair theme/artwork contest

The Southern Ute Culture Dept. would like to announce the 2015 Logo and Theme Contest for the 95th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair. This Contest is open to ALL Ute members. All medias of art will be accepted until April 30 at 5 p.m. Artwork shall be no bigger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with respective artwork. Artwork must be signed by the artist. Selected

artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Dept. and will be featured on all items associated with the fair. A stipend will be rewarded to the winner plus one t-shirt with the fair logo and theme. Winner will do a short interview with the Public Relations Department or may write a short paragraph explaining the logo and theme which will be featured in the 2015 Fair Premium Book. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES! Submit to the Southern Ute Culture Dept., PO Box 737 #88 Ignacio, CO 81137 or contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

Events for Tribal staff employees

• "Tribal Beliefs and Practices" Thursday, March 12. The presentation is open to all interested staff of the Southern Ute Tribe in the small Classroom of the Southern Ute Cultural Center. We will begin at 1 p.m. The presentation will take about an hour. Call the Culture Dept. at 970-563-0100, ext. 3620 to sign up.



Monthly Beadwork Challenge

CULTURE DEPARTMENT

Each month the Culture Department will offer a monthly beadwork challenge. The challenge is open to all bead workers, we will post the challenge in The Drum, with a start and finish date. The challenge may be easy or hard. At the end of the challenge send us a picture of your completed project, we will display pictures at the next month's elder lunch. This is a fun way to challenge yourself, improve your beading skills and see how creative you and others can be.

Here is the challenge for March you may begin after March 1st, ending date is March 31st, pictures of completed projects will be accepted April 1-3, 2015. e-mail picture to hwite@southernute-nsn.gov or bring your project by and we will take the picture for you.



Call 563-0100 ext. 2306 for more information.



May 22-25, 2015 • Ignacio, Colo.

BEAR DANCE CORRAL BLESSING • 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 22
BEAR DANCE FEAST • 12 p.m. Monday, May 25, Bear Dance Grounds

BEAR DANCE CHIEF – Matthew Box
2nd CHIEFS – Jake Ryder & John Chavarillo

No short dresses or baggy pants while dancing. Photography, video and audio recording is PROHIBITED, except by members of the Ute Tribes. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be held responsible for accidents, injuries or theft. The Pine River is restricted. For more Bear Dance information, call 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.



41st Annual
Denver March Powwow
March 20-22, 2015 Denver Coliseum

Miss Jordynn Lee Paz
2014 Princess



Masters of Ceremonies:
Lawrence Baker & Chris Eagle Hawk

Arena Director:
Chico Her Many Horses



Head Judges:
JoNeda Sage & Marcel Whitney Olney

Story Tellers:
Phillip Whiteman, Jr.
Christian "Supaman" Parrish

2015 Special Contest\$

Jordynn Lee Paz 2014 DMPW Princess ★ Honor Contests	
Women's (16-35) Traditional Northern vs. Southern vs. Crow Style Challenge \$ Prizes - TBA <i>(Sponsored by Family and Friends)</i>	Married Couples Dance in Honor of Parents Lark Real Bird Paz and the late Frank Paz \$ Prizes - TBA <i>(Sponsored by Family and Friends)</i>
Special Contest Honoring Visiting Royalty by Lauren Frank 2001 DMPW Princess <i>(Sponsored by Lauren Good Day Giago Family)</i>	Return to the Dance Circle Women's Jingle Dress Contest (18+) in Honor of Tiffany Paskemin Prizes: \$3,000 = 5 places <i>(Sponsored by Family & Friends)</i>
"Wicaglata" Woman Singing Behind the Drum <i>(Sponsored by DMPW Committee)</i>	Father / Son(s) Contest Honoring Lakota & Wambdi Clairmont Prizes: TBA <i>(Sponsored by G.B. Gillette & Committee)</i>
Women's Golden Age Honoring Dee Dee Goodenagle 3 Places = Prizes: TBA <i>(Sponsored by Sage Family)</i>	Sisters Team Dance 17 & under and 18 & Over (Min. 3 Sisters by Birth) <i>(Sponsored by G.B. Gillette Family)</i>
"Youth Enrichment" Young Men's Grass (15-24) Young Women's Jingle (15-24) (Must be registered in respective categories. IDs will be checked) 1 st = \$800; 2 nd = \$600; 3 rd = \$400 <i>(Sponsored by DMPW Committee)</i>	"Giving Back to the Circle" Honoring Maurice Gardner Boys Fancy Dance (10-17) 1st \$500 + Star Quilt + Jacket 2nd \$400; 3rd \$300; 4th \$200; 5th \$100 + T-Shirts <i>(Sponsored by Family)</i>
Honoring the Memory of Andrea Grace Gopher Ramage Men's Fancy (35+) \$ Prizes = \$2,000 <i>(Sponsored by Family)</i>	Special Memorial Contests Keith Fox (Men's Grass) & John Fox, Jr. (Men's No. Traditional) Original DMPW Committee Members \$ Prizes = TBA <i>(Sponsored by Clair Fox and Family)</i>

TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

Welcome back Dr. Talley

By Damon Toledo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Health Center and dental department are pleased to welcome the return of Dr. Brian Talley. Talley has previously served the Tribe from 2005 to 2009 as a general dentist, and has expressed excitement in bringing a new role of expertise to serve the tribal community.

"I used to work with the Tribe before, until I decided I wanted to pursue special training," he said. "I went through pediatric dental residency until June 2012 and was stationed at the children's hospital in Aurora, Colorado ... Now my practices are limited to pediatric patients. In addition to treating patients at the clinic, I'm looking forward to getting involved with the schools and talk about good oral health behaviors. We want to minimize dental issues for the young folks, so what better place to come back and use those talents."

Growing up in Mississippi was an eventful time for Talley. His childhood consisted of spending time outdoors, taking part in fishing, boating, and golf

activities, he said. Talley is the middle child of five. He graduated high school at the Resurrection Catholic School in Pascagoula where he enjoyed studying biology.

From there, he enrolled at the University of Mississippi where he became a student at the Mississippi School of Dentistry. During his time in dental school, he worked for an orthodontist as a lab technician, which allowed him to further pursue his career in the field.

Talley stated that he is blessed to return to the four corners and aid the Southern Ute Indian Tribe once again.

"I still enjoy the outdoors, and that's one of the [fantastic things] about

living here. You can have four seasons all in one, unlike where I grew up where the activities were much more limited. I'm glad to be back. I like working with the health center and dental team, and hopefully I can bring an array of expertise to the dental clinic."

As the Southern Ute Health Center continues its expansion in providing more services for tribal members, Talley stated that the main goal for the dental department is to always ensure the importance of proper hygiene.

"We want to focus more on educating folks more on the importance of dental health in the pediatric population," he addressed. "This is so we can foster a long lasting relationship between the community and the dentists. As a pediatric patients transition from teenagers to adults, they can pass on those proper lessons to future generations. I look forward to working with the folks I worked with previously, as well as the new patients and staff."

Talley is married to wife, Karen. They have two children: son, William, and daughter, Claire.

TRIBAL HEALTH

Accessing help during a behavioral health crisis

By Mary Trujillo Young
SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

Do you know whom to call if you or someone you know is experiencing a behavioral health (mental health and substance abuse) crisis? If you or someone you know is overwhelmed with life's challenges? If you or someone you know needs to talk to a professional late at night or on weekends? If you or someone you know is feeling suicidal or homicidal?

Although it is estimated that 3 in 5 Coloradans are in need of Behavioral Health Care (more than 1.5 million people), less than one third of those actually receive adequate care.

Also, Colorado is consistently among the ten states with the highest suicide rates, with suicide being the 7th leading cause of death in Colorado.

Among youth and young adults, the data is even more dismal, with suicide being the leading cause of death for individuals ages 10-34. Native teens experience the highest rate of suicide in any population group in the United States.

Other good news: There are now more services available for people living in Southwestern Colorado, residents and non-residents – including Ignacio, Bayfield, and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

The state of Colorado recently funded four Colorado organizations to revamp the Behavioral Health Crisis Response System with a "No wrong door" approach.

These services are in addition to behavioral health services already offered by Southern Ute Health Cen-

ter, Axis Health System, and other therapists in the community. Components include the following enhanced programming available to all people in Colorado, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, regardless of ability to pay, listed below.

For more information about behavioral health and crisis services, you can contact Dr. Mary Trujillo Young at Southern Ute Health Center, 970-563-4581 or Dr. Stephanie Allred at Axis Health System 970-335-2223.

24 Hour Statewide Mental Health Crisis Hotline and Warmline 1-844-493-TALK (8255)

This line is staffed with trained professionals and peer counselors 24/7, providing immediate, anonymous, and confidential telephone support to anyone in need of assistance, support, referrals, and/or information regarding a behavioral health crisis. The crisis hotline is available to anyone in Colorado and relies on a single toll-free telephone number. Some of the calls to the crisis hotline will be dispatched directly and seamlessly to local hotlines operated by the local mental health centers.

AXIS Health System Crisis Services 970-247-5245

Axis Health System is a local agency that provides 24/7 crisis services. Call their crisis hotline to get immediate support by trained mental health professionals, get questions answered about local resources and services that are available, or to request additional help. Staff will assess for needs and make arrangements to meet those needs. They will work with the individual, family, or agency to stabilize the crisis situation and will also assist with accessing other needed services and supports such as: insurance benefits, other benefit and assistance programs, psychiatric hospitalization, substance abuse treatment, services related to intellectual or developmental disabilities, physical and medical services, peer and family services, and natural supports.

Crisis staff may also connect people with other new programs being funded by the State of Colorado: a crisis stabilization unit, or crisis residential services, all based outside of our local area but available for all residents in Southwest Colorado.

Crisis services can be accessed by calling the 24/7 statewide number (1-844-493-8255) or by calling the local crisis response number at Axis Health System: 970-247-5245.

Elder Services – March Activities

- **March 11:** Durango Shopping Trip, van leaving at 9:30 a.m.
- **March 17:** Towaoc Casino Trip, van leaving at 9 a.m.
- **March 26:** Farmington Shopping Trip, van leaving at 9 a.m.

All trips are subject to change without prior notice.

There will need to be four or more tribal elders and tribal members with disabilities.

If you have any questions, call the Elder Services office at 970-563-0156.

ATTENTION WATER USERS

PINE RIVER INDIAN IRRIGATION PROJECT

MEETING @

SKY UTE CASINO

THURSDAY APRIL 2, 2015

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY

For more info 970-563-9514

Free wills for Southern Ute tribal members

Wednesday, March 18 –
Friday, March 20

Southern Ute Multi-
Purpose Facility
Ute Road, Ignacio

There will be no charge for the wills for Southern Ute Tribal members

For more information, or to make an appointment, please call the OST office at 563-1013, or visit OST at the BIA Agency.

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grooves class every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. It is free to all tribal members and teaches the basics of water aerobics and treading. Swimming is considered one of the most beneficial ways of building muscle mass, cardiovascular fitness, and burning calories. For a 150-lb person, thirty minutes of swimming at a moderate pace can burn approximately 230 calories, which is a usual everyday goal for a healthy lifestyle.

Burch addressed her concerns about the ongoing influx of diabetes and heart disease across Indian Country, and how just thirty minutes of activity makes all the difference.

"There are too many people who are diabetic. Choosing to exercise and be active will help decrease the issue. It has given me a good feeling, and now I'm not even afraid of the water anymore. [Swimming] has taught me that I can learn something new, be relaxed, and not be tense. Its a fast pace life we live in,



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The SunUte Community Center hosts a Water Grooves class every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 am. It is free for all tribal members.

so it helps with some of the stresses. Try it out and see how you like it. You have to push yourself to do things, otherwise you won't have the motivation. It gave me good results, so see what it can do for you," she said.



2015 Spring Blessing - March 20

The 2015 Spring Blessing of the buildings, tribal vehicles, staff and Southern Ute community will be held on March 20th, which is the first day of spring. The Ceremony will begin at sunrise just South of KSUT.

Sun Dance Chief Hanley Frost asks that all staff respect the ways of the Southern Ute people and have all offices and buildings open and available to be blessed. All Southern Ute tribal vehicles will need to be driven to the fire pit located South of KSUT unless you have made arrangements with Sun Dance Chief Hanley Frost for your tribal vehicle blessing.

If your department would like a certain Sun Dancer to bless your building, office or cubicle please contact Tara Vigil, Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624 or Sun Dance Chief Hanley Frost at 970-442-0500.

Southern Ute tribal community members and or tribal staff that would like an individual blessing can do so at the fire pit.

HEALTH UPDATE

PEACEFUL SPIRITS NEWS BRIEF

Starting March 7, there will be sweat lodge purification ceremonies every first Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. Please call Nathan Strong Elk at 970-563-4555 if you have any questions.



Who's birthday? Dr. Seuss' that's who!



Primary teacher, Bernadine Tso, gives a warm hug to Dominique Rael who is dressed up as Thing 1 from "The Cat in the Hat" books.

March 2nd marks the birthday of legendary writer and cartoonist, Dr. Seuss, who is known for illustrating approximately fifty children's books with the likes of "Green Eggs And Ham," "The Lorax," and "Horton Hears A Who". Students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy celebrated the author's birthday by dressing up as some of his well-known characters, including the Grinch and the Cat in the Hat. The cartoony characters went door-to-door, visiting a handful of classrooms where many enticed students were waiting. Some classes have been reading Dr. Seuss books as a group, making the celebration relevant to the student's reading activities.

Photos by Damon Toledo
The Southern Ute Drum



Students from Bernadine Tso's primary class smile brightly with the Cat in the Hat, The Grinch, and Thing 1 and Thing 2 from the Dr. Seuss storybooks.



Dominique Rael gets her face painted by Judi Cole, reading specialist from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. The two visited more classrooms on March 2.

NATIVE FILM FESTIVAL

How film creates an outlet for storytelling

By Damon Toledo

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Since the beginning of time, the art of storytelling has been prolific throughout American Indian culture. Elders have told many stories which have been passed down orally from generation to generation.

At this modern age, the art of storytelling has broken through imaginative boundaries and into the visionary minds of native artists. From paintings to sculptures and beadwork, the stories of culture have continued to flow from the voices of inspiration.

With the Durango Independent Film Festival (DIFF) making its return, native artists are discovering a new way of storytelling, only this time through the lens of a camera.

This year's festival takes place Thursday, March 4 to Sunday, March 8, with showings held at the Gaslight Twin Cinema and Durango Stadium 9. The festival is hosting the return of the Native American Film Program, which is celebrat-

ing its fifth year.

The program is dedicated to films related to American Indian topics, including stories of spirituality and self-discovery. Additionally, Gary Farmer from "Smoke Signals" and "Powwow Highway" is making an appearance.

Eleven films are featured in this year's category, each inspired by its own voice: "This May Be The Last Time", "Daughters of Emmonak", "Indian Relay", "Spirit In Glass", "Eddie", "Erik and the Mystery Pack", "To Rest", "Legacy of Exiled NDNZ", "Listening for a New Day", "Traditional Healing", and "Wakening".

Audiences in Ignacio were treated with a pre-screening of the documentary, "Listening for a New Day," which tells the story of cultural awareness throughout the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming. It was held at Ignacio Middle School on Wednesday, March 4 and featured a discussion with director, George Giglio and cinematographer, Joe Collins.

"The film features many people who wanted to share their stories," said Giglio. "We traveled to the Wind River Reservation and discovered the Arapaho Tribe was trying to pass their culture down to their younger generation ... Joe and I immediately fell in love with the story."

The film documents the Arapaho Tribe's ambition to keep their culture alive by allowing their youth to be imaginative. The tribe learned about a Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. exhibiting a buffalo hide tipi, which is known to be one-of-five to exist still intact. The Arapahos came together to collect buffalo hide and build a tipi on their land with hopes of inspiring their youth.

"It was an honor to be apart of," Giglio stated. "We spent almost a month filming the story while shooting up to 120 hours of footage. We met many elders who were tremendously knowledgeable in their culture and provided

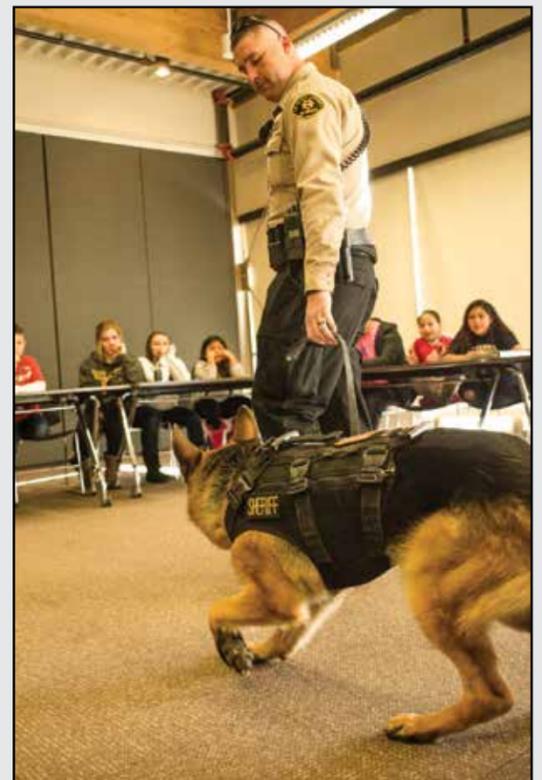
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BGC meets furry friend



photos Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The La Plata County Sheriff's Office paid a visit to the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tuesday, March 3, where they addressed the practices of law enforcement and safety precautions. Deputy Matt Webb and Lieutenant Holley Ezzell educated club members on what to do during an emergency situation. The kids showed great interest in the subject, asking questions about being a police officer and the type of experience required. The kids also got to handle some of the equipment used by the officers, including a fully stacked bullet proof vest as it's being past around the round.



Club members were dazzled after being introduced to Jimmy, a German Shepard from the La Plata County K-9 Unit. Jimmy, who is from Germany, can only be instructed through the German language. The demonstration is an ideal way of communicating law enforcement and safety to a younger age group. Deputy Matt Webb (right) walks Jimmy around and introduces him to club members.

EDUCATION UPDATE

Annual Diversity dialogue at Durango Library

Join the Embracing Diversity Initiative for a morning of experiential diversity activities that are fun, thought provoking and will provide valuable skills to thrive in our multicultural community and world. All ages middle school and up are welcome to this free, annual Diversity Dialogue brought to you by Durango High School's PEAT youth group, Fort Lewis College's

El Centro and Common Ground student groups, Celebrating Healthy Communities Coalition, Alternative Horizons and the City of Durango's Community Relations Commission. The dialogue will take place Saturday, March 14, 8:45 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Durango Public Library, 1900 E. Third Ave. Please RSVP by March 9 to Lauren Patterson, 970-259-1247 or lauren.evaluation@gmail.com as light refreshments will be served.

Challenge helps youth fight off cabin fever



Tired kids took time between running around and eating snacks to pose at this year's Kids Fitness Challenge held at SunUte Community Center Saturday, Feb. 28.



Tribal Councilman, Tyson Thompson helps Richard Joseph strap his harness before he tests his strengths at the sled drag challenge.



Autumn Sage feels the burn while doing battle ropes.



Elliot Hendren pushes himself hard to finish strong.

Photos by Trennie Collins
The Southern Ute Drum

After heavy snowfall the last couple weeks, this year's 2015 Kids Fitness Challenge came just in the nick of time for some kids feeling the cabin fever coming on. Saturday, Feb. 28 Native youth had the chance to get out of the house for a friendly physical challenge with their peers. The children participated in activities including: sled drag, rock climbing, balance beam and battle ropes just to name a few. Shining Mountain Diabetes Program, in collaboration with SunUte Community Center, hosted this year's challenge.



Marcus White scales the climbing wall at the 2015 Kids Fitness Challenge at SunUte Community Center on Saturday, Feb. 28.

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Gather your bowling team of 4 and bowl for one hour.

SATURDAY MARCH 14 9AM - 5PM

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Ignacio 152-pounder Iaasic Pena sticks Akron's Tyler Hottinger to the Pepsi Center mat during wrestling action in Denver, Feb. 19-20.

IHS WRESTLING

Pena, Robbins medal at State

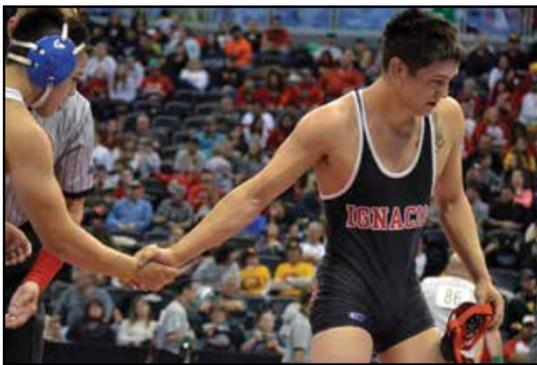
By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

It certainly took some doing for all others to deny Ignacio at least one finalist in the Class 2A State Wrestling Championships, Feb. 19-21 inside Denver's Pepsi Center.

But the Bobcats still brought home two medals from five different weights and finished tied (with Fowler) for 18th – in other words, the classification's upper half – in the team table. Which, to the surprise of many, wasn't topped by powerhouse Paonia; the Eagles finished third with 125.5 points, trailing Meeker (131) and Rocky Ford (134). Double-A newcomers Centauri (109.5) took fourth place home to La Jara, and San Juan Basin League dual-school stronghold Norwood-Nucla (98) filled out the top five.

IHS and FHS each totaled 36.5 points.

Iaasic Pena saw the tournament all the way through to its closing stages, but just not to last Saturday night's penultimate phase – as always, the goal of all competitors. After a 17-1 technical-fall destruction of Holyoke senior Javier Rojo, his quest for a 152-pound title was cut short by Rye senior Jake Shaffer, 6-4 in overtime.



Ignacio 152-pounder Iaasic Pena congratulates Center's Salomon Chavez inside Pepsi Center after losing to the Viking in the weight's fifth-place match.



Ignacio heavyweight Josh Gallegos congratulates Ellicott's Dylan Kelly after losing a close match to the Thunderhawk.

However with a podium position still in sight, Pena notched two wins on the bracket's consolation side before being bumped into the 5th/6th-place match by Eads junior Reagan Lane – himself an upset victim after coming in 46-4 – in a 2-0 overtime thriller in which each pushed the other to his limit.

Pena then lost 7-0 to Cen-

ter junior Salomon Chavez but still capped his career going 34-8 as a senior, and receiving a medal in full view of Day 3's thousands once all the placings had been contested and determined.

Heavyweight Josh Gallegos also started the event strong, pinning Yuma senior D.J. Snelling 1:13 into the second period in last Thursday's opening round, and

he would also gain revenge against Meeker sophomore Tyler Ilgen – to whom he'd lost in the Region I finale a week earlier in Grand Junction – with a 2-1 win.

But the defeat of the Cowboy came in consolation-round action, and Gallegos would end up with a non-placing 2-2 Mile High City mark, finalizing his senior-year record at 24-7.

Senior Blaine Mickey was immediately demoted to the consolation rounds at 182 pounds after an initial 12-0 major-decision loss to Sedgwick County-Fleming junior Brandon Anderson – who entered 38-3, and who went on to take second – but bounced back to stick Del Norte freshman Dillan Salter in 1:53.

Also recalling Region I, Mickey (15-13) was then eliminated by Hayden senior Taylor Lewis, 7-5 in OT.

One of head coach Cody Haga's hopes for a return in 2016, sophomore Ethan Appenzeller started with a 10-zip MD over Centauri's Diego Fernandez, and then battled Baca County senior J.D. Chenoweth for all he was worth before losing 8-7. Chenoweth, fortunate to avoid the upset, later departed with runner-up distinction at 138.

Appenzeller (34-10), mean-while, recovered to pin Center sophomore Na-



Ignacio 113-pounder Stocker Robbins shows Rocky Ford's Sawyer Soden a swift way to the Pepsi Center mat.

Photos by Joel Priest
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bor Quintana 22 ticks into the second, but then ran out of steam for good in a 9-2 loss to Holyoke senior Nick Ortner.

Anchor of Ignacio's underclassmen, sophomore Stocker Robbins was unable to secure a first-place rematch versus Walsenburg John Mall sophomore Jonathan Andreatta, but still managed to stand beside the Panthers' pride when all were sheltered from the snowstorm raging outside.

Sent into the consolation rounds after a 4-0 quarterfinals loss to Centauri's Quinton Montague [Robbins had previously notched a 12-4 MD over Swink's Lincoln Ferris], IHS' 113-pounder reeled off three straight victories, including a 3-2 multi-OT thriller over Meeker's Sheridan Harvey, before falling 3-0 to Burlington senior Logan Durham in the third-place match.

Robbins finished the season 37-4 overall.



Ignacio 152-pounder Iaasic Pena reflects inside Pepsi Center after losing to Center's Salomon Chavez in the weight's fifth-place match – his last wearing IHS' colors.



Ignacio heavyweight Josh Gallegos takes a second to compose himself after losing inside Pepsi Center to Ellicott's Dylan Kelly in his last match wearing IHS' colors.

2A Champions

- 106 – Jacob Rodriguez, Rocky Ford
- 113 – Jonathan Andreatta, Walsenburg John Mall
- 120 – Talon Harris, Norwood-Nucla
- 126 – Jesse Reed, Paonia
- 132 – Austin Coy, Swink
- 138 – Bo Pipher, Paonia
- 145 – Ryan Nordyke, Holly
- 152 – Bryce McCracken, Ordway Crowley County
- 160 – Zach Milner, Paonia
- 170 – T.J. Shelton, Meeker
- 182 – Keegan Wentz, Buena Vista
- 195 – Jareb Aziz, La Jara Centauri
- 220 – Nate Finnell, Rocky Ford
- Hwt. – Jayden Hilferty, Limon

2A Standings

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Rocky Ford – 134 | 23. Center – 31.5 |
| 2. Meeker – 131 | 24. Burlington – 30 |
| 3. Paonia – 125.5 | 25. Akron – 28 |
| 4. La Jara Centauri – 109.5 | 26. Lyons – 26 |
| 5. Norwood-Nucla – 98 | 27. San Luis Centennial – 23 |
| 6. Swink – 80.5 | 28. Peyton – 22.5 |
| 7. Buena Vista – 59.5 | 29. Holyoke – 21 |
| 8. Ordway Crowley Cnty. – 54 | T-30. Dolores/Eads/Stratton – 20 |
| 9. Hotchkiss – 53 | T-33. Ellicott/Hayden/Walden |
| 10. Sedgwick Cnty.-Fleming – 52 | No. Park – 16 |
| 11. Limon – 51 | 36. Rye – 14 |
| 12. Merino – 47 | 37. Kiowa – 7 |
| 13. Holly – 46 | T-38. Cedaredge/Westcliffe |
| 14. Walsenburg John Mall – 45.5 | Custer County/Del Norte/McClave – 6 |
| 15. Baca County – 42 | 42. Wiggins – 5 |
| 16. Yuma – 39 | T-43. Calhan & Las Animas – 4 |
| 17. Monte Vista – 37 | T-45. Cheyenne Wells & Rangely – 3 |
| T-18. Fowler & IGNACIO – 36.5 | T-47. Antonito/Byers/Hanover – 0 |
| 20. Wray – 36 | |
| 21. Dove Creek – 35.5 | |
| 22. Ault Highland – 32 | |



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- Skills Day – Mar 21st 9:00 am
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Ignacio's Adison Jones (30) tries posting up Ridgway's Eli Hagemeyer (rear) with Demons Quinlin McNatt (22), Grant Saville (far right) and Hasten Beamer (right, at rear) all collapsing in to help defend during 2A-District 3 Tournament action.

IHS BOYS BASKETBALL

IHS boys still control District 3!

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Four minutes, fifty-four seconds remained before halftime when Mancos' Rodney Cox slammed his hands together and shouted 'Timeout!' about as loud as any coach could without being rendered inaudible by the roaring Ignacio fan base jamming Montezuma-Cortez's Ron Wright Memorial Gymnasium on Saturday, Feb. 28.

Not overly critical of his Blue Jays' effort in the 2A-District 3 Tournament's finale against the top-seeded team – the Bobcats had only led 11-10 after one quarter – he just wasn't in a mood to watch the latest rerun of IHS' equivalent of 'Lethal Weapon 2.'

As in No. 2, junior Wyatt Hayes.

A point guard with shooting-guard range extending to, seemingly, midcourt without hesitation, Hayes' back-to-back treys from nearly ten feet from the three-point arc ripped open what had been a 15-12 contest and definitively put Ignacio on track towards its eighth straight district-level championship, 59 to 39.

"It's just been good that he got hot," junior center Nick Herrera said of his sharpshooting teammate, who totaled ten triples and 41 points against MHS and, in the event's semifinals, Ridgway. "Stepped it up and gave us the energy, the intensity for the push to finish the games."

"It's just a big honor to win it eight times in a row. And just keep going on ... see how far we can make it!"

Coming in off a 35-point home win versus Norwood on the February 20 and a 22-point triumph at Telluride the following evening to cap the regular season with another San Juan Basin League crown, the Bobcat boys first faced RHS – survivors of the dreaded 'pig-tail' game at home versus Dolores three nights earlier – on the February 27, and immediately burned the Demons for an incredible, unanswered 18 points.

Junior guard Hasten Beamer at last got the bracket's 4-seed on the board with a bucket 4:57 into the opening stanza, but Bobcat junior guard Anthony Manzanera promptly countered with a three-ball and IHS ended the quarter with eight more points for a fiery eight-minute total of 29 – decisively drubbing Ridgway's seven.

Senior forward Adison Jones, who'd netted six points in the first, kept his foot on the gas in the second, booking seven of Ignacio's next 18 as the tourney's 1-seed coasted into halftime, up 47-19.

En route to recording a game-high 21 points, Beamer poured in ten during the Demons' 14-12 mini-victory of a third quarter. And primarily against Chris Valdez's second team, RHS won the fourth 16-7, helped by 9-of-9 foul-line accuracy and a Saville three.

But in the end, IHS advanced to the next afternoon's title tilt via a 66-49 conquest. Jones led the way with 16 points, and Hayes landed his weekend's first five bombs for his 15. Ju-

nior guard Tucker Ward reached double figures with ten, Manzanera ended up with nine and Herrera eight. Saville ended with 13 for Ridgway (8-11), and junior forward Eli Hagemeyer posted eight.

Meeting MHS for a third time this winter, Ignacio knew they might be in for a fight.

"We were definitely pumped up for the game," Blue Jay junior center Ro Paschal said. "And we knew we didn't have any pressure on us ... so it was kind of relaxed. But we were still ready."

Enough so that even after Herrera, celebrating his 17th birthday, won the opening tip and soon dropped in his first bucket, and even after Hayes' first long-range strike – putting the Cats up 9-3 – the 2-seed squad rallied to close the gap to just a point, 11-10 after an exciting eight minutes on the neutral court.

But after Hayes – who also booked ten steals, five assists and four rebounds – truly went ballistic with the aforementioned missiles, Jones coldly swished a three after Cox's chat and Ignacio would own a 30-21 lead at intermission. Believing his side was in contention, however, Mancos senior forward Daniel Christensen tried establishing a team attitude with a harsh, two-handed slap of the floor as Jones brought the ball to the top of the key.

The move backfired; Jones (who snared 11 boards) rattled in a triple

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Ignacio's Cortney Baker (2) handles the rock against Mancos' Jessica Gutierrez (1) during 2A-District 3 Tournament title-game action.

IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lady Cats lock up D-3 title!

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Mobbed by teammates Hilda Garcia and Alejandra Lujan immediately after smashing away what could have been a game-tying three-pointer by Norwood star Jordan Williams – sealing a 39-36 win over the defending Class 1A State Champions in the previous Friday's home finale – Ignacio's Ellie Seibel couldn't help but consider the moment's ongoing impact after helping the Lady Bobcats mob the 2A-District 3 Tournament's first-place plaque on Saturday, Feb. 28.

"Oh God, it was awesome!" said the junior forward. "It meant everything to us."

"But one thing that was really stressed was you can't do this with a single person," she added, after IHS' title-clinching crushing of Mancos inside Montezuma-Cortez's Ron Wright Memorial Gymnasium. "Like, we wanted this for Sky [lone senior Cotton], but we also wanted it for us."

And still sizzling from upsetting the vaunted Lady Mavericks – they'd then concluded the regular season by thrashing Telluride the next afternoon, 62-13, inside the MinerDome – Ignacio was far and away, the dual-classification San Juan Basin League's pre-eminent posse when the postseason began on the February 27.

Dolores, who'd eliminated THS by 50 in the all-or-nothing 'pigtail' three nights earlier, had the unfortunate



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Ignacio's Chrystianne Valdez (3), showing no ill effects from a recent concussion as well as lingering back problems, slices through for two points against Dolores in the 2A-District 3 Tournament.

luck of being next to fall at the Lady Bobcats' claws in the event's semifinals.

Lady Bear head coach Larry Schwartz was pressed into an urgent timeout, with 3:34 left in the first quarter, after Cotton canned a three-pointer for a 10-1 Ignacio advantage. But the writing was already on DHS' wall; the bracket's 1-seed led 18-6 after the frame, with Seibel booking her first five points and Garcia her opening four, and would take a 31-18 lead into halftime.

Shane Seibel's SJBL-best bunch had destroyed Dolores by 32 points and dodged them by seven in their regular-season meetings, and after Garcia drained a triple beginning the third quarter there was little doubting the sort of outcome finalizing the teams' third go-round.

Garcia, Ignacio's outstanding freshman forward, finished the quarter with nine points – the Lady

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STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

♋ **PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)**
BIRTHDAY CAKE, CANDLES, BALLOONS, PRESENTS, HOORAY! The Solar Eclipse on the 20th bears watching PISCES. An important cycle is set into motion, and you may not see the results until mid-August. Events already in progress may have more power than usual. If possible try to postpone important decisions until the week of the 23rd. They're more likely to be successful. Helpful information might surface at that time enabling you to see situations more clearly. Spring has sprung Little Fishes. Go out and create a good impression.

♈ **ARIES (March 21 – April 20)**
 The SUN shines on the MOON March 5th. Its message is clear. The time to take action is now. Do something good for yourself. Be your own best friend, honor your body, take good care of it, and it will take good care of you. Timing is everything, and the grouping of VENUS, MARS, and URANUS all in your sign, are activating the 1st house of your HOROSCOPE. Incorporate productive, healthy, energetic activities into your life, and go for it Rams. You have multiple options to choose from.

♉ **TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)**
 The FULL MOON on the 5th influences your love life, children, and favorite past times. Tip toe lightly around the temper tantrums of others, and maintain your TAURUS patience. Remember the story of Ferdinand the Bull? All he wanted to do was to peacefully smell the flowers. It's likely that BIG GUY Ferdinand had VENUS as his planetary ruler. Not to worry TAURUS a much calmer aura will set in after the 17th. Just to be audacious, try a new look, and have fun with it.

♊ **GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)**
 If it's recognition, popularity, and success, that you want, then March is your month GEMINI. Ambitions receive a boost, and communications are much livelier. Favorable connections may appear out of the blue. JUPITER'S extraordinary presence in the communication area maintains a lucky aura that surrounds all your conversations. Choose your words wisely. You're an excellent communicator. Put your talents to good use. You can be at your very best this March.

♋ **CANCER (June 22 – July 22)**
 Existing planetary positions put the emphasis on education, reading, future goals, and long distance adventures. VENUS now in the career zone of your Horoscope until the 19th, might have you wanting something more exciting to do. When VENUS connects with URANUS on the 4th, or when MARS links up with URANUS (4th), Excitement may filter in to your aura. MARS connects to URANUS on the 11th, change is in the air MOON KIDS. Financial potential is BIG this month. Put your objectives into motion after the 17th.

♌ **LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)**
 As a Fire Sign of reliable status, you are automatically drawn into a triangle of good fortune this month. Your forecast indicates a very optimistic outlook is forthcoming. It's all about having your cake, and eating it too. In other words there's a possibility that you'll find resourceful methods to increase your funds, buy what you want, and still manage to put something away for that proverbial "Rainy Day." This is a month of achievement Lions. Don't let it slip by.

♍ **VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)**
 You're BIG NEWS VIRGO! The month of MARCH commences with the FULL MOON in your sign on the 5th. That's only part of the story, SATURN does its retrograde dance on the 14th, and throws a delay into your plans. Its challenge to you is to keep yourself moving forward. Be creative, because the bottom line is to go on trying even if you encounter opposition from others. Just rely on your problem solving abilities.

♎ **LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)**
 Listen up LIBRA Folks... You don't have to travel to the Land of OZ to see the WIZARD. There's planetary magic already at work in this month's forecast. Just click your heels 3 times and set your sights on making your goals a reality. If your NEW YEARS objectives included improving your physical condition, or developing stable relationships, then you've got the "LUCK OF THE IRISH" working in your HOROSCOPE this month. Maybe you'll see a Leprechaun or two.

♏ **SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)**
 Dreamy NEPTUNE and the SUN warm your romantic wishes, and initiate a fresh take on your love life, or lack of it. Be realistic SCORPIO. Don't let NEPTUNE lull you into a false idealism. The NEW MOON at the tail end of PISCES briefly toys with your imagination, then quickly shifts into high gear and rushes into action fueled ARIES on the afternoon of the 20th. Nothing says "WELCOME BACK SPRING" like a group of planets in the first sign of the ZODIAC. You are hot this month SCORPIO!!!

♐ **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)**
 Much of this month's wild and crazy energy centers in your domestic environment. Stay focused Saggies, a confusing, and foggy NEPTUNE/SUN connection in that area might test your ability to communicate clearly, and sensibly. However there are some other planets that have entered into a friendly configuration, and all they want is to entertain you. After the 19th the SUN returns to ARIES and sets your wheels spinning again. Take time to find some fun.

♑ **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)**
 SATURN, your planetary ruler hides out in seclusion, and churns up past memories this month. Use this time to regroup. Let go of previous issues and concentrate on the matters at hand. On the 25th the SUN and SATURN form a favorable relationship. They may encourage you to complete an old cycle. It doesn't happen overnight CAPRICORN. Give it time. Meanwhile list your objectives, and decide which ones are priorities. Then focus on those first.

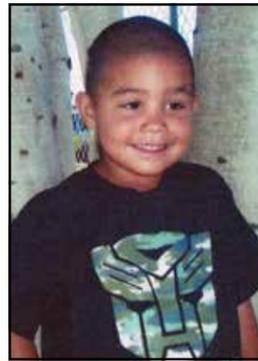
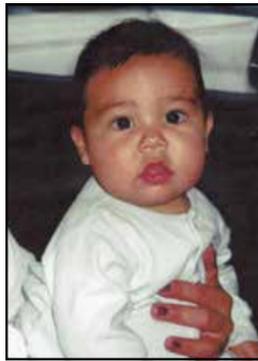
♒ **AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)**
 Tiny MERCURY in your sign until the 11th, launches your month on a mental high note. Swift moving thoughts and ideas may have you flitting from one interest to another. Ground yourself AQUARIUS. MERCURY slips into watery PISCES on the 12th and inspires a fantasy mentality. There's a chance of falling into some confusion over a financial matter. But opportunities might be gained and utilized, after the 20th. The Lunation's are influencing your finances, and they could change rapidly. Stay alert.

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an added help. One person running 19 departments is difficult, I'm welcoming the help," Taylor-Cruz said. "[Doughty] is not new to the organization so that helps a lot ... she has her education and experience in [Justice & Regulatory] and Social Services."

Doughty has been in office less than a week so the administration is still working on dividing up responsibilities, Taylor-Cruz said.

As the chairman and Taylor-Cruz both mentioned, Doughty has an extensive educational and professional background, including the master's degree she obtained from the University of Denver in Social Work.

Doughty first began working for the tribe in 1993 at the Department of Social Services. She also participated in the tribe's apprenticeship program in the Justice and Regulatory Department until 2008, when she became the Director of Justice and

Regulatory of the Southern Ute Tribe.

Following her time with the tribe, Doughty went to work for the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, as their Director of Social Services.

She has also sat on several state and federal committees, including an appointment by former Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter to the State of Colorado Civil Rights Commission, Doughty said.

When asked what her passion is, Doughty said her passion is the future of Indian Country.

"My passion is to look 500 years into the future and concentrate on how Indian Country can thrive, rather than survive," she said. "I want to empower the people."

Doughty said she wants to focus on the strengthening of the tribe rather than pointing out negatives.

"I want to look at services provided and see how

we can make them better, whether it be modifying policies or adding new ones," she said.

Doughty values professionalism, and stated that her professionalism takes precedence over everything else.

"I treat everyone the same and I don't have any favorites ... I hold everyone accountable under the policies that are in place," she said.

Doughty is the daughter of Ray C. Frost and Jean Frost, granddaughter of Jake and Annetta Frost, on her Southern Ute side of the family. Doughty is also half Diné and her clan is "Red Running into the Water."

Doughty is married to Hal Doughty, who works for the Durango Fire Department, and together they have four children. The Doughty family is very involved in raising cattle and horses, she said. Her children have always been involved in sports and rodeo.

Annual Spring Clean-Up April 13 – April 18

All Tribal Rental Occupants are requested to clean up their residential area and BAG THE TRASH for pick up. Tribal Members please make private arrangements to deliver FURNITURE, MAJOR APPLIANCES, SCRAP METAL, AND LUMBER to the Transfer Station or call Emergency Family Services at 563-0100 Ext. 2329 to be put on the list for pick up. ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN ONE SPECIFIC AREA FOR PICK UP.

*** Elders and Handicapped Tribal Members who may need assistance, Please Contact Construction Services 563-0260

OLD VEHICLE REMOVAL – Contact Building Maintenance at 563-0265 regarding any old vehicles needing to be removed, please provide title to old vehicles.

HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIAL – Contact Environmental Programs Division at 563-0135 for disposal of hazardous waste.

UPPER AND LOWER TRIBAL, AND BIA CAMPUS AREA – All Tribal, BIA, HIS, Tribal Enterprises, Head Start, and Peaceful Spirit employees are requested to clean up their immediate office building areas. Tribal crews will pick up bagged trash; call Building Maintenance at 563-0265 and Grounds Maintenance at 563-0272.

SUIHA - All Southern Ute Public Housing and Senior Center residents are requested to clean up their areas. SUIHA homeowners, renters, and Senior Center are to contact the Southern Ute Housing Authority at 563-4575. Ignacio Peak, Jefferson Drive, Sunset Circle, Northridge, South end Housing Authority units, Shoshone Apartments, Shoshone Houses, Senior Center.

PROPERTY & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT - (Building Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance & Motor Pool) Tribal homes located North of HWY 172 and West of the Pine River. Motor Pool is 563-0280. Building Maintenance is 563-0265. Grounds Maintenance 563-0272. Tribal Homes located at Cedar Point East & West, including Ignacio Peak.

TRIBAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES: (Wood Yard) Tribal homes East of the Pine River, North and South of HWY 151 to Arboles. Contact Construction Services at 563-0260.

In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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NOTICE OF PROBATE

In the Estate Of,

Case No.: 2014-PR-097

Marian Kay Frost, 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 March 31, 2015 at 4 p.m. 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 2nd of March, 2015
 Dolores Romero, Deputy Court Clerk

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,

Case No.: 2015-0018-CV-NC

Anastasia Rose Frost, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Anastasia Rose Frost has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Anastasia Rose May.

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 April 10, 2015 at 5 p.m. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 17th day of February, 2015.
 Kelly Herrera, Court Clerk

Drum Deadline

Next issue:
March 20
 Deadline:
March 16

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov

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Point of Contact: Hilda Burch, Acting Housing Director
 Direct Line: 970-563-4710 – 563-0100 Ext. 2722 or Cell: 759-0294
 TRIBAL HOTLINE: 563-4800

SNOW REMOVAL – 2014/15 (Revised 02/16/2015)

SNOW PLOWING - DRIVEWAYS:

The Tribe will make every attempt to plow snow quickly and properly. The order of priority is: 1st) Dialysis Patients; 2nd) Disabled/Frail Tribal Members; and, 3rd) Tribal Member Elders. Snow plowing for all other Tribal Members is performed by dividing plow routes into designated areas shown below. Snow plowing will begin when snow accumulation is over five (5) inches. Please be patient during heavy snows, the drivers are making every attempt to get to you quickly. Any issues or concerns regarding snow plowing in areas specified below, please contact Hilda Burch at 563-4710 ext. 2721 or Cell 759-0294; James Price, Residential Inspector – Ext. 2457 Cell: 553-0208 or the individuals listed below.

Construction Services Route (homes-no rentals)

Cedar Point East and West; Chief Shavano
 Ignacio Peak; Town of Ignacio - Elders, Disabled
 HWY 172 South from County Rd 318 to La Boca
 Amanda Rockwell: 563-0260
 Walter Reynolds: 749-7014
 Jake Ryder: 764-8809

Motor Pool Route

North of Ignacio, West of Pine River
 Breen & Red Mesa Area
 Airport & Weasleskin
 Leigh Sage: 563-0280/759-2516
 Roger Sage: 759-2518

Custom Farm Route

East of Pine River – So. Of Bayfield to La Boca
 Allison & Arboles area
 Kevin Mallow: 563-0220/Cell 799-2473
 Mateo Carmenoros: 759-1668

Forestry Fuels Crew – WALKWAYS

Shovel walkways for: 1 – Dialysis Patients
 2- Disabled/Frail
 Mateo Carmenoros: 563-0220/759-1668
 Kevin Mallow: 563-0220/799-2473

BIA Route

Roads include: Ute Road, Cedar Point East and West, Ignacio Peak, Sunset Circle Loop, Tamuche, Piwood, Shoshone Avenue, Bear Dance Road, North Ridge; Howe Dr.; Sunset Meadows; Pow Wow Circle; Buckskin Charley Dr. BIA does not clear driveways.
 BIA: 563-9384 Vickie Begay: 759-6429 Herman Begay: 759-6705 Randy Tsosie: 442-1759

Housing Authority Route (snow removal for Tribal dialysis, Disabled, Elder)

Sunset Circle Senior Center – entire area
 Ignacio Peak Northridge Rentals
 Shoshone Ave Jefferson Drive
 Eric Spady: 563-4575/Cell 749-3530
 Kenneth Richards: Cell 749-7534

Grounds Maintenance: Steve Williams 749-8890

All campus parking areas.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Tribal Credit Committee Vacancy

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The Credit Committee members must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to Andi Cook-Hiett in Human Resources. Duties of the Credit Committee listed below.

- Approve loans as required by the Declaration
- Monitor compliance with Declaration
- Monitor approved loan performance
- Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations
- Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business
- Hold monthly regular meeting and other special meetings as necessary
- Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff

Hunter Education Course

This one-day INTERNET-BASED Hunter Education Course, needed to qualify for a Colorado Hunter Education Certificate, will be offered Saturday, March 21, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, 77 CR 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. The course fee is \$10 (payable to the instructor on the first day of class). Class size is limited to 25 students. Minimum age requirement is 12 or older. Parents of younger students are encouraged to attend with their child. Pre-registration is required. Register online at <http://register-ed.com/events/view/58050>.

NOTICE OF DRAFT TITLE V OPERATING PERMIT AND REQUEST FOR COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that an operating permit application has been submitted to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Environmental Programs Division's Air Quality Program, P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado 81137, for the following source of air pollution:

Applicant: Samson Resources Company
 Facility: South Ignacio Central Delivery Point Section 32, T33N, R7W, 4.2 miles south of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a natural gas compression facility.

The Air Quality Program (AQP) has prepared the draft operating permit based on the information submitted by the applicant. The draft permit and accompanying statement of basis are available on the AQP's website at www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/air-quality/title-v-operating-permit-programs/, and at the Environmental Programs

Division office at 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio CO, 81137 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and request a hearing. Written comments and requests for hearings may be sent to the AQP in care of Mark Hutson, Acting Air Quality Program Manager, at P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado 81137; or emailed to mhutson@southernute-nsn.gov. Any hearing request should: 1) identify the individual or group requesting the hearing, 2) state his or her address and phone number, and 3) state the reason(s) for the request. Notice of any public hearing will be provided at least 30 days in advance of the hearing. The AQP will consider the written public comments and requests for a hearing that are received within 30 days of this notice. Any interested person may contact Mark Hutson of the AQP at 970-563-4705 to obtain additional information.

Department of Natural Resources Annual Open House

Tribal Members!

Let's get together!!
 We will provide the Food
 Plus Information for Services
 & Programs Provided!!

**March 17th
 Multi-Purpose
 Facility
 10:00 - 2:00**

Tribal Members visit with the DNR Staff!!
 Division Representatives are available to answer your questions!
 We have programs to assist You.

DNR Divisions (Agriculture, Lands, Forestry, Wildlife, Range, Water Resources & GIS)
 will be on site to discuss their programs plus
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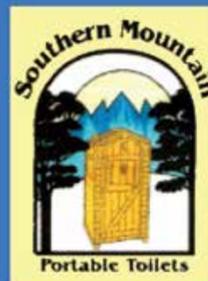
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JOHNSON O'MALLEY Committee Vacancies

There are two vacancies on the Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) committee. If you are interested in becoming a committee member please submit a letter to the Ellen Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department. This is a volunteered position and JOM only meets once a month on first Monday at 5:30 p.m. If you need any more information contact Ellen Baker at the Education Department, 970-563-0235, ext. 2793 or email esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov.

Eligibility requirements are:

- You must have a student enrolled with Ignacio or Bayfield School District K-12
- You student must be eligible for the Johnson-O'Malley program with proper documentation on file with the Education Department (Ellen Baker)
- Open to Native American parent or legal guardianship of a Native American that is enrolled with the two school district

LAND FOR SALE

Attention tribal members/employees

Tribal members & employees! Get to work in 5 minutes from this 16 irrigated acres on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe reservation, 4 easy miles north from Ignacio off CR 514, one full irrigation water share from the King Ditch, south sloping land growing hay, average 650 bales one cutting, w/pond, electricity at property line, entirely fenced, private, excellent access road, asking price has been significantly reduced to sell at \$150K. Financing may be available with 35% down payment at 5% APR to a qualified buyer. If interested please call Steve Williams 970-884-1326 or email questions to ljmforever53@gmail.com for more details.



Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

Please visit our website at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp to view job details and to apply online.
Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.
Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

Division Order Analyst II – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/11/15
Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land and division order records, including all related documents and contracts, for Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Provides a wider scope of support to more senior level Division Order Analysts.

Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land and lease records, including all related documents and contracts, for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises all other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Works independently, follows existing processes.

SAP Business Intelligence & PS Lead Architect – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/13/15
Under the general direction of the Application Development Manager, develops and oversees the implementation of complex data warehouse solutions which extract data from multiple source systems including PeopleSoft Finance and Human Capital Management applications using SAP Business Intelligence suite and Microsoft's SQL Server database toolset along with other data extraction and transformation methods as needed. Analyzes, develops reports and maintains SAP's Business Intelligence suite of tools with other source systems. Supports customers business goals, assists reporting end users and Shared Services staff as needed within the SAP Business Intelligence suite. Oversees operation and maintenance, including development, backups and disaster recovery as required to meet the information needs of the business.

Division Order Analyst III – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/11/15
Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land and division order records, including all related documents and contracts, for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises all other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Works independently, follows existing processes with minimum supervision. Provides a wider scope of support to more senior level staff.

PeopleSoft FSCM Developer II – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/20/15
Development and technical production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain applications, providing enterprise wide PeopleSoft technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain Management applications with emphasis on the impact, implications, and the technical benefit of system enhancement as well as the implementation of customizations and fixes to the production system.

Sr. Division Order Analyst – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

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Sr. Land Records Analyst – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/11/15

Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Visit our website at www.skyotecasino.com to view job openings and apply online.
Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137
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Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

Banquet Staff (On-call)

Closing date 3/6/15
Assists in serving, set-up and clean-up of all banquet functions. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 years old, preference will be given to those over 21 years of age for alcohol laws. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have food service experience. Work experience in all areas of banquet events and catering; setting up events, food lines, beverage set-up, service procedures and bartending preferred.

systems. Preferably the experience will be in an Aristocrat Environment. Must have knowledge and experience in the development of database systems utilizing MS SQL Server. Preferably the applicant will be MS SQL certified. Must have experience in installation and configuration of Windows Server 2008 or 2012 in a clustered environment.

*Multi-Games Dealer (On-call)

Open until filled
Deals Blackjack (Class 3), Three Card poker, Roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous, and efficient service. Must be at least 21 years old+. High School diploma/equivalency. 6 months Table Games Dealer experience OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition.

*Poker Dealer (On-call)

Open until filled
Deals the various games of Class 2 poker while promoting a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous, and efficient service. High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old+. 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition.

**Must be at least 21 years old.*

Are you an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member, 18 or over, and registered to VOTE?

The Southern Ute Election Board is searching for THREE REGULAR & TWO ALTERNATE Board Members!

These are tribal appointments and paid positions.
If you are interested in applying for either the REGULAR or ALTERNATE Board Member position, submit your Letter of Intent to the Human Resources Department in the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building, by Friday, April 3 before 5 p.m.

Have questions? Please phone 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305.
The Election Board is located on the second floor, (east wing) of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building.



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Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the HR website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations. Applicants and employees, please be sure the Human Resources Department has your current contact information on file.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE.

Human Resources Department: P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

General Ledger & Fixed Assets Manager

Closing date 3/13/15
Provides oversight and guidance throughout the fixed assets management and general ledger functions, to include closing the books, assuring consistency and adherence to general accounting rules and regulations and Tribal policies and procedures. Pay grade 22; \$60,320/year.

Technical Support Specialist

Closing date 3/16/15
Provides PC hardware, software, and basic network support for all tribal departments, tribal entities, and tribal members. Pay grade 18; \$18.80/hour.

Human Resources Director

Closing date 3/20/15
Under general supervision of the Executive Officer, is responsible for management of the Human Resources Department, Employee Benefits Division, and the Risk and Emergency Management Division within the Tribal Organization. Incumbent is responsible for planning activities, overseeing direction of department and establishing an internal evaluation process for the Human Resources Department. Responsibilities include the day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors. The Director of Human Resources will identify and train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to assume the position of Director of Human Resources within five years of hire. The training program will follow a written training plan to be development in conjunction with the Tribe's Executive Officer and other personnel as appropriate.

Case Manager

Closing date 3/13/15
Under general supervision of the Chief Medical Officer with a lateral reporting to Tribal Health Director, this position is responsible for facilitating the patients overall healthcare needs both on and off reservation. The RN case manager coordinates with physicians, nurses, social workers, other health team members, contract healthcare providers and facilities to expedite medically appropriate and cost effective care for patients on and off the reservation. The Case Manager functions as an advisor to Tribal Health Director, SUHC clinical leadership team and participates in multi-disciplinary committees to improve clinical quality management, financial planning of patient care coordination and overall patient care coordination of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe membership with internal and external providers. Pay grade 23; \$31.35/hour.

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Member Only

Lands Coordinator Trainee

Closing date 3/13/15
This is a trainee position for a Southern Ute Tribal member. The length of trainee program is four years with quarterly evaluations based upon performance. The beginning wage is 40% below a grade 20. Upon completion of the program, incumbent will be responsible for the management of Tribal Land Assignments and Proposed Project Notification (proposed surface disturbing projects on Tribal Lands) and will ensure Tribal Members and other entities receive services related to general land management and proposed Tribal land use. The time frame for this program's completion is four

year, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. Position salary starts at \$13.81/hour – eligible for quarterly increases based upon satisfactory evaluations up to final pay rate of \$23.01/hour.

Tribal Information Services Director

Closing date 3/16/15
Professional management position with overall responsibility for the management and supervision of a variety of human service-related programs providing services for Southern Ute Indian Tribal Members. This position is for a Southern Ute Tribal Member Only. Pay grade 22; \$60,320/annual.

Affordable booth rental in salon in the Sky Ute Casino

Esthetician Booth Rental

A professional and well established Mouache-Capote Massage and Day Spa is looking for an Esthetician for booth/room rental based on commission. Be a part of a growing trend offering private and customized services to your clients in a boutique setting with a typical salon & massage scene. The ideal candidate would have significant experience to evaluate and treat the facial skin to maintain and improve its appearances using specialized techniques and products such as peels and masks, light facial & head massages, a professional attitude who is self-motivated, dependable and licensed. It's very affordable booth rental in a very cute small salon in the Sky Ute Casino Resort, Ignacio, CO. If you are interested give Lisa a call at 970-799-2056 to join our team! The position is for BOOTH RENTAL only.

Hairstylist Booth Rental

A professional and well established Mouache-Capote Massage and Day Spa is looking for a stylist for booth rental based on commission. Be a part of a growing trend offering private and customized services to your clients in a boutique setting with a typical salon & massage scene. The ideal candidate would have significant experience in color, cut and hair different styles, a professional attitude who is self-motivated and dependable and licensed. It's very affordable booth rental in a very cute small salon in the Sky Ute Casino Resort, Ignacio, CO. If you are interested give Lisa a call at 970-799-2056 to join our team! The position is for BOOTH RENTAL only!

KSUT

Board of Directors Vacancy

KSUT Radio is seeking two Southern Ute tribal members to fill a vacancy on its board of directors. This is a non-paid position that requires attending board meetings every month, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please send a letter of interest to Rob Rawles at KSUT, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Open until filled.



Your input is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs, develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members with financial and/or leadership experience.

Applications are available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CP0, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694

Correction

In the Feb. 20 issue of the Drum, the last name of Peyton H.C. Pierre-Louis, BGC's Youth of the Month, was misspelled in the title of the photo. Also his father, Andre Pierre-Louis' first name was also misspelled in the caption.



CATS LOCK UP 3-D TITLE • FROM PAGE 8

Bears (now 7-15 overall) managed just two Nicole Kibel free throws, by comparison – and totaled a game-high 20 in a 67-29 rampage, in which every Lady Cat utilized scored at least two points.

Junior guard Chrystianne Valdez, having recovered from a late-season concussion while also battling nagging lower-back issues, came off the bench to net ten for the victors. Cotton and Ellie Seibel each registered eight, while starting junior guard Cortney Baker scored six (before fouling out with 5:57 remaining) as did reserve forward Gibran Silva.

Junior guard Larissa Umberger's six points, coming from eight FT tries, and senior center Taylor Elder's six (she hit two of four FT's) paced the defeated. Kibel, a junior guard, and sophomore reserve guard Madi Archuleta each chipped in five points.

Facing upstart MHS the next afternoon, rather than 2-seed Ridgway (stunned 48-43 by the Lady Jays in the other semi), the Lady Cats rode Cotton's eight first-quarter points to lead the #3 Lady Jays 12-8 after eight minutes.

And despite inspired backcourt play from senior Taylor Goff and sophomore Nicole Hess, who each netted a team-best 12 points, Mancos was all but done after Garcia buried three treys in the second – helping increase IHS' lead to 29-18 at intermission.

"Oh it was so big! Even from a freshman!" said Ellie Seibel. "Like ... it's hard

to describe!"

"Hilda is huge for us, coming up on threes; we'd be struggling without her," Cotton agreed. "Every one of us has a job, and we executed perfectly."

And things only got better during the third and fourth quarters in which Ignacio, again getting production from all nine in uniform, continued a growing trend of scoring. Garcia cashed in nine points (of her game-best 21) during the Lady Bobcats' 18-point third, while freshman 'sixth man' Avionne Gomez netted six (of her eight) to drive the team's 19-point fourth.

The Lady Jays (9-11) managed just 22 points during the tell-all sixteen regulation minutes, and ultimately fell, 66 to 40. Senior guard Jessica Gutierrez scored nine points, but senior center Andie Paschal and sophomore guard/forward Brittney Peacock were held to three and four, respectively.

"We had trouble running through our plays; Mancos knew most of our plays, and they would switch up their defense, so we had a little jumble," said Seibel (12 points), when identifying causes for future concern. "And of course nerves coming from, like, the freshmen that we have ... but that's about it!"

Silva, Valdez and Lujan each chipped in four points for Ignacio (17-4), and Baker and sophomore guard Tori Archuleta each contributed two towards securing the top prize.

"It's amazing," said

Cotton, who totaled nine points. "I'm so happy we're number one right now!"

Advancing to Region III, the Lady Cats will next face District 5 champs Meeker (16-5) at 3:00 p.m., March 6, at Grand Junction High School (tentative) – rather than nearby Durango High as in recent years.

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Any location, however, wasn't a worrying issue for Ignacio's carefree players.

"Hilda gets to experience it, Avi gets to experience it, all our underclassmen!" Cotton said. "Me, Ellie, Chrystianne ... we've experienced it and it's the sweetest taste in the world, to give them that taste."

"It's going to be a long trip, but we're going to stay focused," she continued. "We're going to celebrate tonight and then let this go – focus on playing whoever's next!"

The Ignacio-Meeker winner will then face either Cedaredge or Edwards Vail Christian on the 7th, for the right to compete in the State Championships to again be held inside CSU-Pueblo's Massari Arena.

"We're going to take it to whoever we've got!" stated Seibel.

Bidding farewell



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KSUT is saying farewell development director, Bruce Campbell. Campbell came on board with the radio station in May 1997, and has since contributed to the station's ongoing expansion and development. Campbell met with his fellow representatives on Friday, Feb. 27, where he was congratulated for his efforts and contributions. He was rewarded with a Pendleton blanket as a token of appreciation. Campbell stated in regards to his departure, "My time here was everything from the highs and lows. KSUT is responsible in making me who I am as a person and as a professional. The station will always have a special place in my heart." Campbell commented that he has an interest in real estate, as it is a profession he always appreciated. He stated that he plans on spending more time with his family and seeing newer things.

Rita Kempinski has worked with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's payroll department for nine years. She came on board in February 2006 and has received ongoing experience as Payroll Manager, where she trained many employees within the department. Kempinski will be making her way to Phoenix for bigger opportunities, spending time with her family, and warmer weather. Friends and colleagues gathered in the Hall of Warriors on Tuesday, March 3 to give Kempinski a heartfelt sendoff. The organization recognized her dedications and friendly attitude as a department leader. Kempinski stated, "It was a great experience working here on the reservation. I love the community and I love the people. But in the end, it's time for me to move on."

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just seconds later, and with Hayes netting another seven points – en route to a tournament-best 26 – the Bobcats won the period 17 to 7 and went into the fourth quarter cruising, 47-28.

"I thought we played hard. Our defense ... stifled them – to hold a team to less than ten points a quarter, that was a fantastic job," said Valdez. "And I thought where they hurt us – in the post – the last time we played...we changed that up and they didn't hurt us, as much."

'As much,' indeed. Christensen was held to just six points and senior forward first-quarter three-pointers, but Paschal was definitely problematic in the paint with his team-high 18.

"Straight post-ups ... they did get a few," Valdez admitted, "but not nearly as many as last time; our defense deserves a lot of credit for that."

"They just tried to kick it to the outside.... 'Shoot the open three' is what I'm guessing they were doing," was

Herrera's similar analysis. "They didn't pound it into the post like they did last time."

"The difference is making shots," Paschal said. "I think we both had really good heart in the games, and it just came down to making shots in the end." Jones finished with nine as IHS improved to 19-2 overall. Herrera and Manzanares each totaled eight, Ward had six and freshman reserve guard Kruz Pardo, who'd drilled one of the bench's (sophomore Joaquin King hit the other) threes in the rout of Ridgway, two.

"It's hard to gauge," Valdez said, of the program's lengthy streak of success in the postseason's first phase.

"You go in the locker room, and our players are used to winning district titles – there's not any real excitement, there's no jumping up and down and crying ... they're used to winning, and when we don't win, that's a front-page headline."

Up next will be the do-or-don't challenges of the Re-

gion III Tournament, to be staged at multiple sites in Grand Junction rather than at nearby Durango High School as in seasons past.

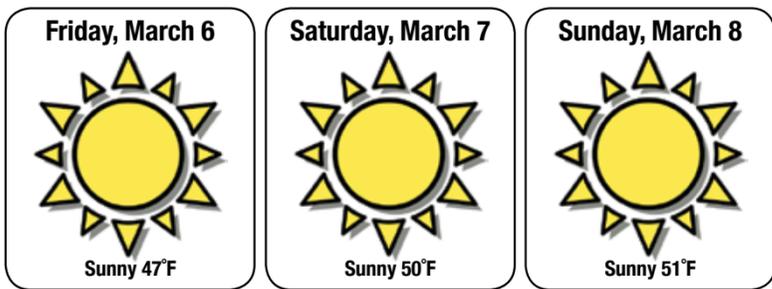
The Cats will clash with District 5 winners Hotchkiss first at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 6, at GJHS with the winner advancing to face either Oak Creek Soroco or Paonia on the March 7.

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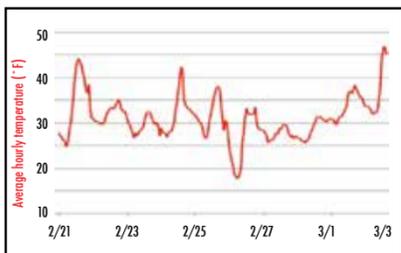
"We're just going to try to go and defend, cover the three, pound into the post... get it going!" said Herrera.

"When you win it seems like another day at the office for these kids," Valdez said. "They're so humble and happy to play together. And maybe they're saving all that emotion to celebrate something at a later time!"

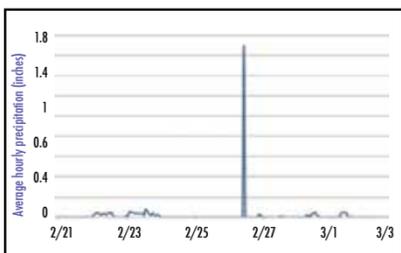
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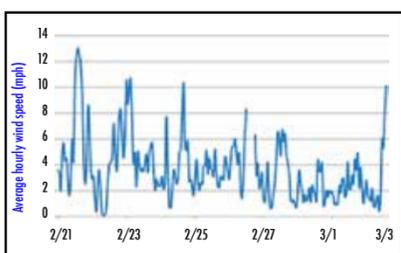
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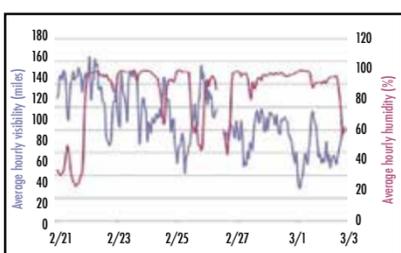
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Average	3.7
Minimum	0.0
Maximum	13.0



Visibility & humidity	
Average visibility	89.2
Average humidity	84.7%

Air quality
Good
Air quality descriptor: 38

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that value to the project. We were impressed by their pride, and that's something you don't really see nowadays...I just hope the film reaches out to more communities and do the same. The message of the film is that there is hope"

"This is my first documentary, and visiting the Arapaho Tribe was my first experience with American Indians," said Joe Collins, cinematographer from Montserrat in the Caribbean. "I was excited to meet these natives and be involved. I really learned a lot from them. The documentary itself is the process of self-discovery, and I think this will inspire many youth."

Like Giglio's film,

many of the featured films at DIFF were made on a very low budget. But that doesn't prevent artistic leadership from emerging; it can only inspire it. With the ongoing progression of digital technology, many artists around the world are given the access to reach out to numerous cultures and nations. In this age, it's simple to pick up a camera and hit the record button. With just a little bit of experience and time put in, a story could surface that may just inspire thousands.

Additionally, the Growth Fund acknowledged the native artists, contributing a donation to the Native American Film Program in support of the art of native filmmaking.

The Growth Fund hopes to provide the opportunity for tribal members to view these native films and learn more about them.

"In this modern society, the youth are being bombarded with Facebook and hiding behind their iPads, yet they don't even realize they're forgetting their culture," George Giglio stated as he summed up his film's message. "It's important to pass that down, otherwise it's lost. With film, there's a whole new life. You have a wider audience you can tell your story to."

For program information and ticket pricing for the Durango Independent Film Festival, visit www.durangofilm.org.

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