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**Southern Ute Indian Tribe • General Meeting • April 29, 2016**

**Sky Ute Casino Event Center • 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Lunch will be provided**

An agenda is forthcoming and will include both the Permanent Fund and Growth Fund. If you have any questions, contact the Tribal Council Affairs Office at 970-563-0100, ext. 2319.



**Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum**

Southern Ute Tribal Council members, Tyson Thompson (left), Chairman Clement Frost and Amy Barry stand with Colorado Lt. Governor Joseph Garcia (holding drum), during the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting, Friday, March 25 in Denver. Garcia received the parting gift on behalf of the Southern Ute Tribe for his dedicated work while serving as Lt. Governor.

**TRI-UTE/CCIA**

## Ute tribes meet in Denver

*by Robert L. Ortiz*  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

and meet the representatives of the Southern Ute Tribe.  
(See photos on page 3)

Services include health care, emergency housing, groceries, wood and burial services. The Southern Ute Tribe allows a cord of wood for other Ute tribal members, providing the other tribe pays for the wood.

Treasurer of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, DeAnne Wall spoke of how funding will be made available.

“Some of these services are funded through grants, how do we process these through our statement of work, are we to utilize our dollars, where will we get the dollars for additional services,” she said.

The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe asked for the Executive Directors to be made available for future meetings about discussions of additional services for other Ute tribal members.

Northern Ute Business Committee member, Tony Small expressed that the Ute Tribe Executive Officer would like to meet with the

*Denver page 16*

**HONORING UTES**

On Thursday, March 24 the State of Colorado recognized the seven Ute bands that make up the three Ute Tribes today.

Colorado Senator, Ellen Roberts (R) said, “It’s an honor to bring this resolution before the Senate each year, recognizing the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Utes” Roberts added, “We are fortunate to have their rich heritage here in Colorado.”

The Colorado State Senate recognized Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost, Councilwoman Amy J. Barry and Little Miss Southern Ute Krystyn Weaver during a joint Resolution 24 “Honoring Colorado Ute Indians,” before the Senate, adopted by the Colorado State Senate on April 14.

Weaver sounded the gavel bringing the Senate back into session after a brief recess was called to welcome

**TRI-UTE**

The Tri-Ute, third quarterly meeting took place in History Colorado Center, Thursday, March 24 in Denver Colorado. The meeting was attended by representatives of the three Ute Tribes, Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost, Councilwoman Amy J. Barry and Councilman Melvin J. Baker; Ute Mountain Ute Vice-chairwoman Juanita Plentyholes, Councilwoman DeAnne Wall, Priscilla Blackhawk-Rentz, and Regina Lopez-Whiteskunk; and Whiteriver Band Rep. Tony Small of the Northern Ute Tribe was also in attendance.

Tri-Ute Services MOU  
A topic of mutual concern is the Tri-Ute Services MOU. The discussion of the MOU is for services available for other Ute members who live on the sister-tribes reservations.

**THEATER**

## A ‘Sliver’ of hope

*Damon Toledo*  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Deep within the genuine strengths of each individual, there often lies a shattered image of security, value, and hope. In the confines of every American Indian reservation, thousands of native males and females have felt that feeling of isolation after being diminished to the burdens of violence, domestic, emotional, and sexual abuse. A cry for

*Sliver page 5*



**Damon Toledo/SU Drum**

Lisa Brunner (right) from the White Earth Ojibwe Nation receives support from tribal member Diane Millich (left) as she tells an intimate and subjective story about abuse.

**SUCCM**

## Tribe and museum work to preserve Ute artifacts

*Staff report*  
SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

In 2011, the Southern Ute Museum relocated into a new tribally funded and beautifully designed building. To ensure the Museum’s success, the Tribe subsidized it for the first five years in the new facility. During that five years, the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum had hoped to gather donations to operate independently, but fell short of that goal. Last fall, a memorandum of agreement between the Tribe and the Museum expired and the Museum did not have enough funding to continue operating. Instead of seeing the Museum shut down, or worse, sell its collection to pay its liabilities, the Tribe agreed to pay for some of the Museum’s liabilities in exchange for the collection. Given the substantial contributions that the Tribe has provided over the years for the Museum’s operation and existence, the

parties agreed that it was in the best interest of the Ute people and the community to have the Tribe manage the Museum and its collection. “Preserving our culture and our history is important to pass on to the future generations,” said Tribal Council Chairman, Clement J. Frost.

Both the Museum and the Tribe agreed that this was the best for everyone. As a 501(c)(3) entity, the Museum will officially dissolve its corporate status and transfer its assets to the Tribe.

During this process, the parties will collaborate for a smooth transition. To help with that process, the Tribe has hired a museum consultant, Linda Baker, who is a Southern Ute tribal member, and who has experience working with museums and collections. She will help inventory the collection, and assist with assigning loaned artifacts to the Tribe or returning them to the lender.

The Museum’s Bylaws

allow for this situation. The Bylaws say that if the Museum dissolves, the Museum’s contents “shall be distributed and deaccessioned” under the Internal Revenue Code, Memorandum of Agreement between the Tribe and Museum, and museum conservation standards.

The Museum contents that are not already Southern Ute property will become tribal property. In addition to matters of the collection and Museum contents, the parties have also addressed Museum personnel. As a separate entity from the Tribe, the Museum has managed its own personnel.

When the Museum exhausted its funds, however, the Tribe agreed to review the Museum’s expenses, including payroll costs, and agreed to cover expenses where possible.

“The Tribe has always been committed to supporting the Museum and our culture,” says Chairman Frost.

**ENVIRONMENT**

## Tribe and others announce preparedness plan

*Staff report*  
SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Navajo Nation and the states of Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, today announced their Animas and San Juan Spring Runoff Preparedness Plan.

The Plan participants share the Animas/San Juan Watershed and are joining forces to prepare for and monitor the melting of El Niño snowpack throughout the region. Monitoring during the spring runoff period is one of the necessary short-term needs for the multi-tribe & multi-state region that is in direct response to the Gold King Mine release that occurred on August 5, 2015.

Clement J. Frost, Southern Ute Indian Tribal Chairman, explains “The Southern Ute

Indian Tribe places great value on the health of Tribal Waters for our culture, people, land, and our wildlife. The Tribe also recognizes the impacts to Tribal waters from upstream communities, and endeavors to be good neighbors to our downstream users. For the benefit of the Tribe, and for all of us connected to the Animas and San Juan Rivers, the Tribe supports a collaborative approach to understanding the impacts from the Gold King Mine release.”

The Tribe is working diligently to understand potential impacts from the Gold King sediment residue that settled out following the release. To meet this objective, the Tribe is actively monitoring the Animas that flows through the Reservation. The Tribe’s Water Quality Program is collecting weekly

water quality samples and has deployed continuous reading instruments to track pH and conductivity, which are two measurements that can identify impacts from mine drainage.

In addition, the Tribe is investigating bioaccumulation with stream insect and fish tissue studies that will be compared to pre-release data. The Tribe continues to share data and collaborate with all impacted parties throughout the region.

The Preparedness plan is found at [www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/water-quality/](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/water-quality/).

For more information about the Plan, and for Tribal Gold King release monitoring and assessment information, contact Southern Ute Tribe Water Quality Program Manager, Curtis Hartenstine at 970-563-0135.

## Easter fun in the snow



**Trennie Collins/SU Drum**

Many kids welcomed the Easter Bunny to the Community Easter Egg Hunt at SunUte Park on March 26.

**More Easter photos, page 8**



SUPD

## “If You SEE Something, SAY Something™”

Staff report

SOUTHERN UTE POLICE DEPT.



courtesy Don Folsom/SUPD

People in our community know best if something doesn't belong, or something just doesn't look right and is out of place.

The Department of Homeland Security started a program a few years ago to encourage communities to speak up and help protect their own communities.

The “If You SEE Something, SAY Something” program has been around, but very few people have heard about what it means. It was developed to help people observe and report suspicious activity that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime.

It is a simple idea that is very effective when it is used on our reservation. Examples of things out of place would be: Picture taking at public building entrances and exits; extended loitering without explanation; unusual items left unattended in an odd location; vehicles parked in concealed places or hard to get to locations; people enter-

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ing a restricted area; packages left under vehicles or under benches; windows or doors left propped up for no visible reason.

These are all things that may or not be innocent, but since we live here, we recognize the ones that are really suspicious. This is why we can speak up and call law enforcement to check it out.

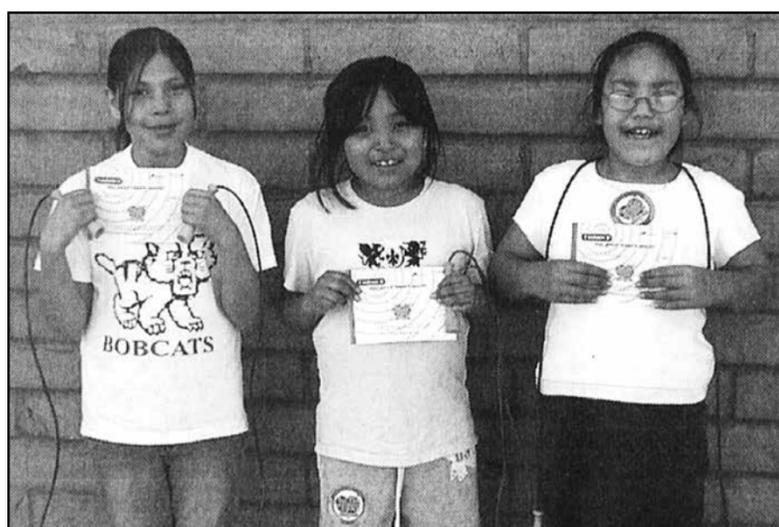
Law enforcement can get a call that leads us to a tourist taking more pictures than normal. More than once we have received calls about the strange white truck that turns out to be the Southern Ute Tribal Surveyor. Even more

calls have been received about the Department of Wildlife using a helicopter to aerial survey animals.

However, law enforcement has received more useful calls that we have been able to use the information to prevent crimes and protect property. It is up to law enforcement to determine whether the behavior warrants investigation.

The Southern Ute Police Department wants to remind you that public safety is everyone's responsibility. We rely on you to be partners with us to serve the community together.

## Many Moons Ago



Leonora Bravo/SU Drum archive

### 10 years ago

Seven Rivers 4-H Club members, Destinee Lucero, Gibran Silva and Summer Youngman are Lifesavers! They participated in “Jump Rope for Heart” and raised over \$100 together by helping people in the community fight America's No. 1 and No. 3 killers – heart disease and stroke! They each received a certificate and prize for their efforts! Thanks girls for doing a great job!

This photo first appeared in the March 31, 2006, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## Bison come to reservation



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

A total of eleven bison have been transferred from Vermejo Park Ranch in New Mexico to the Southern Ute Indian reservation where they will join the current herd.

A herd of bison has recently been introduced to the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on Thursday, March 29, traveling from Vermejo Park Ranch – located north of Cimarron, New Mexico. They will join the current herd of bison just south of Ignacio. The Southern Ute Wildlife Division is in the process of acquiring a large group of bison – including a new herd bull – to replenish the tribe's herd. These new animals are needed to maintain healthy herd genetics and herd productivity in support of the meat distribution program. A total of 11 bison – a combination of young heifers and a young bull – will be held in the Wildlife Division corral for three weeks in order to acclimate to their new surroundings and the current herd.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

### 20 years ago

Kukui Board Chairman Oswald Stender checks out his Friendship Dance steps. Sheila Ryder and Energy Division Director Robert Santistevan keep the beat. The Hawai'ian group were dinner guests of the tribe. The Southern Ute Heritage Performers kicked off the evening with traditional dance.

This photo first appeared in the April 4, 1996, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

### 20 years ago

Sky Ute Country Store officially opens its doors with a grand opening ceremony on Thursday, April 3. Local residents and Southern Ute tribal members browse through the store looking for items.

This photo first appeared in the March 29, 1996, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## Annual Spring Clean-Up April 25 – April 30

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.

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: Tribal homes East of the Pine River, North and South of HWY 151 to Arboles. Contact Construction Services at 563-0260.

## LOCAL UPDATE

**Transfer station policies have changed** 5500 or visit [www.suitutil.com](http://www.suitutil.com).

The Utilities Division will allocate two vehicle passes per tribal member household and you are required to register the vehicles disposing of trash annually. No dumping will be allowed without your trash permit visible. The Trash Permits will become effective at the Transfer Station on April 1, 2016. Please pickup your trash permits at the Utilities Administration office Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Your cooperation for these requirements will ensure that ONLY Tribal Members and Tribal Departments will be utilizing the Transfer Station as it was intended. If you have any questions, please call the Utilities office at 970-563-

**Veterans offer outreach**

The first Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., appointments in Ignacio can be made by calling 970-759-0117, or 970-382-6150, and walk-ins are welcome. The main objective of the Veterans Service Office is to provide prevention, protection, advocacy and support services to veterans and their families so they can maximize their quality of life, well being and potential. The CVSO provides information and assistance to veterans and their families. Every veteran is encouraged to contact the CVSO to find out more about their VA benefits.





## CULTURAL UPDATE

### Seeking Bear Dance Feast Head Cook

The Bear Dance Chief is seeking a Head Cook for the 2016 Bear Dance Feast which will be held on, Monday, May 30 starting at 12 p.m. The Culture department will supply all the food for the stew, the ingredients for the fry bread, the corn, drinks and condiments. The Head Cook will be responsible for cooking the stew, fry bread and corn to feed approximately 600 people at 12 p.m. The feast will be cooked at the Bear Dance grounds with the exception of the fry bread, which can be made at the Multi-Purpose Kitchen. The facility will be open at 7:30 a.m. for use. A stipend will be given to the Head Cook. If you are interested please call the Culture Department at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624. Open to Southern Ute tribal members. If no tribal members call in by April 30 at 5 p.m. then it will be open to the public.

### Beading Challenges

Each month the Cultural Dept. will offer a monthly beading challenge. The challenge is open to all bead workers. The winner will be selected by the Elders at the Elder Luncheon. If you have any questions please call the Cultural Dept. at 970-563-0100, ext. 3620. Be on the look out for our flyers with information and template of the each bead challenge design.

- April 8 – Beaded Teepees
- May 20 – Beaded Floral

### Ute Language Classes

Ute Language Classes will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small Classroom every Monday. Classes start at 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

- April – 4, 11, 18, 25
- May – 7, 14, 21, 28

### 96th Annual SU Tribal Fair Theme And Art Work Contest

The Southern Ute Culture Department would like to announce the 2016 Logo and Theme Contest for the 96th Annual Southern Ute Fair. This Contest is open to ALL Ute members. All Medias of art will be accepted until May 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 artists. Selected artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Dept. and will be featured on all items associated with the 96th Annual Southern Ute 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 2016 Fair Premium Book. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES! Submit to the Southern Ute Culture Department PO Box 737 #88 Ignacio, Colo., 81137 OR Contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.

### Tribal Elder Events

Tribal Elder Events will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small classroom. The classes will start at 10 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. (Limit 15 participates)

- April: 5, 7, 12 – Cloth Dress
- May: 3, 5, 10 – Ribbon Shirt
- May: 17, 24 – Wreath Making
- May 18, 19 – Moccasin Class
- May 25, 26 – Make-up session/Moccasin

### Tribal Elder Lunches

Lunch will be held at the SUCCM Large/Small Classroom at noon.

- Friday, April 8
- Friday, May 20

### Tribal Membership Classes

Tribal Membership Events will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small classroom. The classes will start at 5:30 p.m. till at 8 p.m. (Limit 20 participates)

- April 6, 7 - Ribbon Shirt Class
- April 13, 14 - Make-up session/Ribbon Shirt
- April 20, 21 - Beaded Gauntlets Class
- April 27, 28 - Make-up session/Beaded Gauntlets
- May 4, 5 - Beaded Shawl Pin
- May 11, 12 - Make-up session/Beaded Shawl Pin

Contact Edward B Box III, Cultural Education Coordinator-Temp at the Southern Ute Cultural Dept., 970-563-0100, ext. 2306 or via email at ebbbox@southernute-nsn.gov.

### 24th Annual Spring Contest Powwow

Hosted by the Northern Colorado Intertribal Powwow Association. April 16-17, 2016 at the Northside Aztlan Community Center, 112 Willow Street in Fort Collins, Colo. Contact for more information at 970-498-0290 or via email at ncipa.pw@gmail.com. Check out the website at for further info ncipa.weebly.com.

### Ute vendors wanted

The National Native American Purchasing Association (NNAPA) is asking for any Ute vendors for their NNAPA Procurement Training Conference, April 25-27, 2016. The conference is being held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. For more information about being a vendor, please contact Edward Box III, Culture Education Coordinator at 970-563-0100 ext. 2306.

## Utes recognized by State



photos Robert L. Orftiz/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe was recognized Thursday, March 17 in the Colorado State Senate Chambers in the Colorado State Capitol. Southern Ute representatives, Southern Ute Councilwoman, Amy Barry (left) and Tribal Chairman, Clement Frost (right) flank Little Miss Southern Ute Krystyn Weaver.



Southern Ute tribal elder and NAGPRA Coordinator, Alden Naranjo Jr. gave the morning's blessing to start the day in the Colorado State Senate.



Little Miss Southern Ute Krystyn Weaver is handed the gavel by Senate President, Bill Cadman, to officially bring the Senate to order.

## Southern Ute Culture Department



To be entered into the challenge, please bring your beaded piece to the Culture Dept., and a photo will be taken.

The Culture Department's monthly beading challenge is open to all bead workers. Deadline is April 8, 2016. Entries will be judged at the Tribal Luncheon. 1st and 2nd places will be awarded. This month's challenge is a tipi. Choose one of the templates below and be creative with your design.



*Southern Ute*  
**Bear Dance**  
 • May 27th - 30th 2016 •

**BEAR DANCE CORRAL BLESSING**  
 10:30 am Friday, May 27th

**BEAR DANCE FEAST 12 pm Monday, May 30th**  
 • BEAR DANCE CHIEF - Matthew Box •

• 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, THEFT.

• THE PINE RIVER IS RESTRICTED •

• FOR MORE BEAR DANCE INFORMATION, CALL 970-563-0100 EXT. 3624 •

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE**  
**BEAR DANCE POWWOW**  
 MAY 27 & 28, 2016  
 Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Ignacio, CO

**BEAR DANCE POWWOW HEAD STAFF**

**Bart Powaukee - MC**  
Fort Duchesne, Utah

**Randy Medicine Bear - AD**  
Loveland, CO

**Michael Grant Sr. - Head Man**  
Bloomfield, NM

**Snow Wing Arrow Top Knot Wagner - Head Lady**  
Cortez, CO

**Daniel Cesspooch - Drum Judge**  
Fort Duchesne, Utah

**Andrew Frost - Head Gourd Dancer**  
Ignacio, CO

**Mile High - Host Northern Drum**  
Lakewood, CO

**Bad Company - Host Southern/Gourd Drum**  
Fort Collins, CO

**GOURD DANCE**  
- Friday, May 27 • 5 p.m.  
- Saturday, May 28 • 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

**GRAND ENTRY**  
- Friday, May 27 • 7 p.m.  
- Saturday, May 28 • 1 & 7 p.m.

**REGISTRATION**  
- Opens: Friday, May 27, 5 p.m.  
- Closes: Saturday, May 28, 2 p.m.

**CONTEST CATEGORIES**  
- Golden Age: 55 & older  
Men and Women  
- Men's Categories: 18-54 yrs.  
Fancy, Grass, No & So, Traditional  
- Women's Categories: 18-54 yrs.  
Fancy Shawl, Jingle, No & So Traditional  
- Teen Boys: 13-17 yrs & Junior Boys: 7-12 yrs  
Fancy, Grass, Combined Traditional  
- Teen Girls: 13-17 yrs & Junior Girls: 7-12 yrs.  
Fancy, Jingle, Combined Traditional  
- Tiny Tots: 6 yrs & younger Exhibition, each session  
- Drum Contest: Combined 1st, 2nd, 3rd places

**POWWOW CONTACTS**  
- Corliss Taylor: 970-799-3149  
- Mike Santistevan: 970-563-0255  
- Cindy Winder: 970-563-0100, ext. 2301

**POWWOW INFO**  
- Arts & Crafts Vendors: Ramada Cloud, 505-402-8846  
- Food Vendors: Kendra Alexander, 970-563-5541  
- \$50 each day (10x10) inside booth rates.  
Powwow will be inside fairgrounds arena. All arts & crafts vendors, inside arena. All food vendors, outside arena. All vendors, bring your own setup.

**MISC. INFO**  
- Admission is free  
- Camping is free  
- The Powwow Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries, or theft.  
- No drugs or alcohol allowed

**96TH SOUTHERN UTE FAIR POWWOW SEPT. 9-11, 2016**

## SOCIAL SERVICES

### Social Services looks to recruit foster care providers

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Southern Ute Social Services is looking ahead to a busy month. The division recently received a grant that will be used to help recruit and retain foster parents and childcare providers.

Right now, Social Services is in need of a couple of long-term foster parents—long term can range from a couple of months to over a year, Shelly Thompson, Social Services division head said.

“[Foster parents] aren’t always going to have foster children. Sometimes we need them for a month, a couple weeks and sometimes we need them long term,” she said.

To jump-start the recruitment process Social Services will be hosting an open house recruitment event on Wednesday, April 13. The meeting will be held at Social Services in the Mouache Capote Building from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The meeting will include guest speakers; one will talk about experiences being a

foster parent and another about experiences growing up as a foster child. Social Services staff will also be on hand to answer questions about foster care, the process it takes to become a provider and any other questions you may have.

“Anybody can apply ... anyone can come to the recruitment [meeting] to be a foster parent,” Thompson said.

Social Services works with foster parents figuring out how to best fit the needs of the children and the caretakers. For instance, foster parents are allowed to pick the ages of the children they are willing and not willing to take, as well as the gender, she said.

“They have the opportunity to tell us what they are willing to take and we work around t h e m , ” Thompson said. “That’s why we need such a big variety.”

Once a foster parent or childcare provider, one can expect to work closely with Social Services for training and general guidance, she said.

To find out more about becoming a foster parent or childcare provider, plan to attend the recruitment event April 13, or call Southern Ute Social Services at 970-563-0209.

Also, in honor of National Child Abuse Awareness Month, Southern Ute Social Services and other Permanent Fund Departments will be hosting a Child Abuse Awareness Walk/Run on Wednesday, April 27 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**“love a child, complete the circle”**

BECOME A TRIBAL FOSTER PARENT OR A CHILD CARE PROVIDER

★ OPEN HOUSE

SOUTHERN UTE SOCIAL SERVICES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016  
10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

SNACKS WILL BE SERVED

970-563-0209

## PEACEFUL SPIRIT

### Active in April – Healing Spirits springing into action

Staff Report  
PEACEFUL SPIRIT

Healing Spirits, an aftercare group from the Peaceful Spirit Treatment Center, celebrates National Poetry Month and Alcohol Awareness Month with several family-oriented events in April.

“We are pleased to offer a wide-range of events for the community,” Esther Belin, the Intake/Aftercare Coordinator at Peaceful Spirit said. “The group has been planning these events with the youth in mind. The goal of these events are to strengthen and encourage young people to be healthy representatives of this community.”

A dinner and panel entitled, “Journey of Healing,” on Thursday, April 7 kicks off the celebration. The event held at the Multi-Purpose Building starts at 5:30 p.m. with a dinner sponsored by the Daughters of the Red Road. The panel will start at 6:30 p.m. and is comprised of Southern Ute/Utah Mountain Ute tribal members and will be the highlight of the evening.

“When I speak of healing, I include the healing from historic trauma. It is an important framework to build from. In that sense,

this panel is more than issues of substance use. It embraces all the elements of achieving community health,” Belin adds.

Belin and SkyDawn Sandoval, Peaceful Spirit Intern, have been meeting with Shirelle Garcia’s Native Studies classes at both the middle school and high school to gear them up for a Poetry Workshop and Community Poetry Slam on Friday, April 8 at the Multi-Purpose Building. During the workshop, students will craft poems, which will be displayed on the walls for the dinner fundraiser. Students and their families are invited to come back, eat and take part in the slam. The dinner is \$5 per person and starts at 6 p.m. The Poetry Slam starts at 7 p.m., with categories for middle school, high school and adults. There will be prizes for the top

two winners in each category. Marjorie Borst, Oolcu Buckskin, and Renee Morgan are confirmed judges.

The finale to the week will be a Children’s Pow Wow on Saturday, April 9 at the Ignacio Middle School with a 1p.m. Grand Entry. The MC, Arena Director and Head Staff are all youth from the local community and sister tribe, Ute Mountain Ute. The day promises to be an opportunity to strengthen cultural traditions, “it’s who they are,” states Powwow committee member, Marettas Frost. “We are stronger when we are on the same side, when we are against each other, it doesn’t go right.” She summarizes the event as cultural survival, “just being here, helps save each other, helps save our reservation. We are fighting for our lives.”

For more information, please call 970-563-4555.

#### Healing Spirits April events

- National Poetry & Alcohol Awareness Month**
- **April 7: Dinner & Panel Presentation** – 5:30 p.m., Multi-Purpose Building
  - **April 8: Dinner & Community Poetry Slam** – 6 p.m., Multi-Purpose Building
  - **April 9: Children’s Powwow** – 1 p.m. Grand Entry, Ignacio Middle School
  - **April 30: Alcohol Awareness Month Walk** – 10 a.m. For more info call 970-563-4555

## HEALTH UPDATE

### Same Day Appointments

The Southern Ute Health Center has a limited number of same-day appointments. Please call to schedule an appointment. If you sign in without a scheduled appointment, we will offer you the next available appointment. If no appointments are available, you may wait to see if a patient cancels and we can work you in. If you have any questions please ask. For information call the Southern Ute Health Center at 970-563-4581.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Delta Dental Premier Plan Group # 11744 Available to all Southern Ute Tribal Members		
Maximum Benefit Calendar Year	\$3,000 per person (combination of in and out of network care)	
Orthodontic Lifetime - Adults & Children	\$1,000 per person (combination of in and out of network care)	
Out of Network Services	\$25.00 co-pay per visit	
Covered Services		
Preventive and Diagnostic Services	Oral Exams and Cleanings	Twice each in a 12 month period
	Sealants	Once per tooth in a 36 month period for permanent molars in children through age 14
	Bitewing X-rays	Two sets in a 12 month period
	Full Mouth X-rays	Once in a 60 month period
	Fluoride	Once in a 12 month period through age 18
Basic Services	Space Maintainers	Once per lifetime; children through age 13
	Fillings	Once per tooth in a 12 month period
	Simple Extractions	Once per tooth in a 12 month period
	Oral Surgery	Once per tooth in a 60 month period
Major Services	Endodontics / Periodontics	Once in a 60 month period, only when existing prosthesis cannot be made serviceable. Fixed bridges or removable partials are not a benefit for children under the age of 16.
	Root Canal Therapy	Once in a 60 month period, only when existing prosthesis cannot be made serviceable. Fixed bridges or removable partials are not a benefit for children under the age of 16.
	Crowns, Implants	Once in a 60 month period, only when existing prosthesis cannot be made serviceable. Fixed bridges or removable partials are not a benefit for children under the age of 16.
	Dentures, Bridges	\$1,000 lifetime maximum
	Orthodontics	\$1,000 lifetime maximum

★ A referral from the Southern Ute Health Center or Southern Ute Dental Office does not guarantee payment for dental care.

Under the dental plan you may visit the dentist of your choice. This is only a brief description of your dental plan. Refer to the Delta Dental Benefit Booklet for full plan details or call the Tribal Health Department at 970-563-4742.

## Walk, prayers for loved ones



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Dozens of community members came out to walk in memory of past loved ones at a memorial walk sponsored by the Raymond Frost Sr. family on Saturday, March 19. After prayers were said, participants gathered for the balloon release at the Ouray Cemetery.



Yvonne Phillips-Jamison and Christine Sage carry balloons given to participants to remember their loved ones.

All ages came out to walk and pray for family and friends.

**Healing Spirits**

# Children's Powwow

**Saturday, April 9, 2016**  
**Ignacio Middle School**

**11 a.m. Doors Open • 1 p.m. Grand Entry**

**Come Support Our Youth!**  
Please join us for a fun-filled day celebrating our community's children. Enjoy an afternoon of Round Dances, Two-Step, Exhibition, Inter-tribal and more! Concessions will be available.

**Categories for Exhibition Dances**

- Tiny Tots (5 yrs. & younger)
- 6-10 Years
- 11 Years & older

**POWWOW MC: Bird Red**  
**ARENA DIRECTOR: Darien Neskahi**

**Info: 970-563-4555**  
Healing Spirits is an Aftercare Group from the Peaceful Spirit Treatment Center and is committed to creating community health.

Photos: Courtesy SU Drum Design: Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

**Southern Ute Dental Clinic**  
**Dr. Brian Talley (Children's Dentist)**

Appointments are available in April

- April 25<sup>th</sup> 8 am to 5 pm
- April 26<sup>th</sup> 8 am to 5 pm
- April 27<sup>th</sup> 8 am to 5pm
- April 28<sup>th</sup> 8am to 5pm

(except during the lunch hour noon to 1pm)

Call 970-563-4179 or 970-563-0100 ext. 2368  
To schedule.

**2min2x!**  
Brush 2 minutes 2 times a day AND eat healthy for a healthy smile!



## Ready, Set, Go!



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Families got creative as they worked together to design unique cardboard derby cars for the kids at the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start's Family Night on Thursday, March 17. Marlene Price (right) works on a car as son Tristyn and daughter JazLynn look on.

## Excellence awards to students



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Ignacio High School students were recently honored on Tuesday, March 22 for excellence in academics, character, and leadership at the 3rd Quarter Honor Awards for 2015-2016. Students met in the performing arts theater and were treated with music from the Ignacio High School band with the addition of original performances before being honored by their teachers and peers. Southern Ute tribal students gather for a group photo.

### IGNACIO HIGH SCHOOL

## 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

#### SENIORS

**4.3** Lillianna Romero; **4.0** Tyler Beebe, Alexandra Gearhart, Savannah Lane, Austin McCaw, Rebekah Powell; **3.9** Miriam Fernandez Lopez; **3.7** Miel Diaz; **3.6** Tyler Lucero, Anthony Manzanares; **3.3** Selena Cook; **3.2** Shayna Johnson, Cortney Wilson-Baker; Tucker Ward; **3.0** Adelle Hight

#### JUNIORS

**4.9** Rachel Cooper; **4.6** Lea Monroe; **4.5** Zachary Weinreich; **4.3** Tori Archuleta; **4.2** Bryan Gram, Jade Richards; **3.9** Kiana Moreno; **3.8** Sheigh Pollock; **3.7** Samuel Abendroth, Veronica Gonzales; **3.5** Colten Smithson; **3.4** Kelly Campbell, Lorenzo Pena, Joaquin King, Samantha Phillips; **3.1** Jessica Manl SUHS-Family-Night-SS-1 ey; **3.0** Keli Baker, Chloe Knapp, Dalton LaBarthe, Alana Watts, Bailey Wyatt

#### SOPHOMORES

**4.2** Gabriela Creason, Naton Cundiff; **3.8** Ada Wilmer; **3.6** Chasity Bean, Chamisa Edd, Cole McCaw; **3.5** Dominic Cuthair; **3.4** Avionne Gomez, Karely Mendoza, Kendall Raby; **3.3** Shoshone Thompson; **3.2** Wren Bourriague, Marcus Chapman, Hilda Garcia, Trace Lovelace, Allisiana Marquez-Baker, Maya Rock, Parker Smithson; **3.1** Gabriella Chiles; **3.0** Leticia Lueras, Mitchell Neil, Destaney Reynolds, Chloe Velasquez, Tauno Wilmer-Gallegos

#### FRESHMEN

**3.9** Lauren Gram; **3.8** Briana Duran, Kiana Valdez; **3.7** Heile Pearson; **3.6** Armando Bogarin, Rosaleigh Concepcion, Elizaveta Gearhart, Quincy Witt; **3.5** Chase Francis; **3.4** Piper Creason, Stephen Taylor;

**3.2** Demetrius Augustine, Wendy Vega; **3.1** Abigail McCafferty; **3.0** Amethyst Egger-Morris, Heather Kerrigan

#### CENTER BASE HONOR ROLL

Senior: **4.0** Cameron Francis Junior: **4.0** Briana Olguin; Sophomores: **3.9** Hailey Ruybal;

#### MASONIC WINNERS

Students: Tori Archuleta and Bryan Gram Teacher: Jessica Musch



## Raising money for art



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) and the SUIMA Parent Advisory Group hosted an art-themed silent auction on Friday, March 18. Artwork of tribal elder, Russell Box Sr. was auctioned off with all proceeds going to the SUIMA Art Program. Interested buyers make their last bids before bidding is cut off at SUIMA's Silent Auction. SUIMA's Parent Advisory Group donated the gift baskets for the auction.

## 'SLIVER' OF HOPE • FROM PAGE 1

help is sought in an attempt of desperation and rescue, but the biggest problems revolve around the ignorance of the subject matter, as well as native victims who choose not to confess about their own dilemmas.

However, the fight to protect natives against abuse and violence has picked up steam in the past three years – gathering the attention of advocates from across the country as well as the United States Congress. Now, American Indian victims are sharing their stories of abuse through performance art, bringing their stories to life in an attempt to provide awareness to other victims, native and non-native.

"Sliver of a Full Moon," written by playwright Mary Kathryn Nagle, tells the true story of a movement led by the native women who took a stand to restore the authority of Indian tribes over non-Indian abusers to protect women on tribal lands.

The movement gathered attention in March 2013 when President Barack Obama reinstated the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). This grants tribal courts the missing piece in prosecuting non-native offenders who abuse native women on tribal lands. However, the Act limits the restoration of jurisdiction to "Indian Country," thereby excluding 228 federally recognized tribes in Alaska. Which asks the question: what will it take to restore the jurisdiction of all tribes to protect the lives of all native women?

Southern Ute tribal member, Diane Millich, who introduced Vice President Joe Biden during the restoration of the Act, is now presenting her story through art as she reaches out to others.

"We all have our own personal experiences. I think it's important to understand that domestic and sexual violence is not part of our culture," Millich said. "It's easy to see the injustices that are here, but the difficult part is getting the victims to tell their stories. I'm here for the silent victim to come forward. Maybe they're not ready, so I will speak their story for them."

At age 26, she fell in love with a Caucasian man. The world felt like everything was together, but then everything started to change. For years, Millich would surrender to the hands of domestic abuse, a duration

she thought she wouldn't survive. After escaping the dreadful clutches and fighting back with activism, she now looks back at her story as a lesson in faith for a better world.

"I kind of look at it as a confession. When you start to tell your sins, that sting starts to go away – and we heal," she said.

The play was recently praised with recognition when it made a stop at the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) in Santa Fe, N.M. on Wednesday, March 23. The play is a collaboration of students from Yale University and IAIA, and will make stops at New York University in April and Stanford University in May.

"This is an incredible collaboration with our students. They are all incredibly talented, and this is all real," said playwright Mary Kathryn Nagle as she addressed the audience.

Nagle, an Oklahoma native, is a member of the Cherokee Nation. She represents Yale University as the Executive Director of the Indigenous Arts Program, which is designed to develop native voices in the American theater and ensure that native voices reach the American stage.

"Writing this, I had to make hard choices. In the end, these women and victims are the ones who stood up to fight for a change, and they succeeded," she said.

Charlene Teters, Academic Dean for IAIA, stated, "The performing arts is reinvigorating itself. We encourage our students to use this to address issues of our time. Some of the most courageous work comes from artwork."

Audience members commented that the stories, although haunting and disturbing, struck an emotional chord in bringing light to such an important subject.

Lisa Brunner (performer) was only four-years-old when she witnessed a life-changing event. She saw the brutal beating of her mother by the hands of her non-native stepfather, who used the butt of a shotgun as Lisa hid underneath a table. Her stepfather would then snicker to himself before kicking off his boots and going to bed with no shame in thought as Lisa cared for her mother. Twenty years later, she found herself in a loop as she was still exposed to a world of

domestic violence – right on her own homeland.

The light for Lisa would eventually begin to come clear. She grew stronger and independent within her own self, advocating for others to not experience the same atrocities. She now advocates in the White Earth Ojibwe Nation in Minnesota, reaching out to victims who deep down may be crying for help.

"We are human, and we are citizens of this Earth," Brunner said tearfully to the audience. "Our culture is what keeps us together. Violence was never apart of it. There are victims in all of us. We represent every one of them."

The epidemic of violence against American Indian victims continues to sweep the nation at a heavy increase. According to the Violence Against Native Women Fact Sheet, put out by the Dept. of Justice, native women are 3.5 times more likely to be raped or sexually assaulted in their life more than women of other races. Native victims of intimate and family violence are also more than likely to be severely injured in domestic abuse and need of hospital care - over all other races. Additionally, native women are twice as likely to be murdered by a family member, as are native men (Native women: 31 percent. Native men: 15 percent).

At an alarming rate, 22 percent of native children suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) – which is the equivalent found in Iraq and Afghanistan veterans. In 2015, the CDC's (Center of Disease Control) National Center For Health Statistics declared suicide among natives to be in a severe crisis. According to the National Alliance of Mental Illness, 90 percent of suicides are due to trauma and illnesses – conditions that are often treatable.

Millich added that a difficult fight for native rights is inevitable, but Indian Country can remain strong if natives break their silence and reach traditional values.

"You're never alone and you never have to suffer in isolation," she said. "It's not just women – it's also men, children, two-spirit, elders. My message is don't suffer in silence. You can break that cycle. Deep down in your heart and soul, there will always be that 'sliver' of hope," she said.

## EDUCATION UPDATE

#### Relay For Life 'Family Dance'

On April 22, Ignacio Schools Relay for Life Team will be hosting their annual Family Dance. Everyone is invited to come dance with D.J. Oscar Cosio from 7 – 9 p.m. at the Ignacio Elementary Cafetorium. As in the past few years there will be a bake sale and you will have the chance to design a luminaria for any of your loved ones who have battled cancer. The luminarias will be displayed at the Relay for Life event at on June 27. We will also have a door prize drawing donation for some "one of a kind" Bobcat Collectibles. Please plan to attend and bring the family! You may contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661 if you have any questions or would like to help with this wonderful event.

#### Explorer's Club hosting yard sale

On Saturday, April 30, Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a huge yard sale in the parking lot at ELHI. You can rent space for \$15, all the profits from your sales are yours. If you would like to reserve a space please contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661.

#### Tour Central Europe

Tour Central Europe, Frank Fristensky, Durango. Hear about historical, natural and cultural wonders of Central Europe. A slide show presentation on Slovenia and Croatia is free of charge and will be shown Wednesday, April 6, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Mouache Room at the SunUte Community Center in Ignacio, Colo.



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

For Calendar Year 2015, Public Water System Id: 080890001

Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitan que alguien se la traduzca.

We are pleased to present to you this year's water quality report. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain

at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections.

from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

- Microbial contaminants: viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
Inorganic contaminants: salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
Pesticides and herbicides: may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses.
Radioactive contaminants: can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
Organic chemical contaminants: including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also may come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

water, you may wish to have your water tested. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.

Additional information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

OUR WATER SOURCE

Table with 2 columns: Source, Source Type. Row: Los Pinos River, Surface Water.

The source of the water treated at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is the Los Pinos River, also called the Pine River. At the time of this publication, Vallecito Lake is expected to stay full throughout the coming irrigation season, leaving us with excellent quality water that we have been used to in years past.

VOLUNTARY FLUORIDE PROGRAM

Not only is the water safe, but it also has a measured amount of Fluoride added to it to reduce Dental Carries (cavities) in any users who drink the water. Fluoride acts on teeth much like Calcium in bones to make them stronger, especially in young children.

DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

The Southern Ute Water Treatment System routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal Law. The following table(s) show all detections found in the period of January 1 to December 31, 2015 unless otherwise noted.

LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems (especially for pregnant women and young children). It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing.

TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS section containing definitions for MCL, TT, AL, MRDL, MCLG, MRDLG, Violation, Formal Enforcement Action, Variance and Exemptions, and Gross Alpha.

Table: Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System. Columns: Contaminant Name, Year, Range, Low - High, Unit of Measure, MRDL, MRDL Violation, Typical Sources.

Table: Summary of Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System. Columns: Contaminant Name, Results, TTM Requirement, TT Violation, Typical Sources.

Table: Lead and Copper Sampled in the Distribution System. Columns: Contaminant Name, Time Period, 90th Percentile, Sample Size, Unit of Measure, 90th Percentile AL, Sample Sites Above AL, 90th Percentile AL Exceedance, Typical Sources.

Table: Disinfection Byproducts Sampled in the Distribution System. Columns: Contaminant Name, Year, Average, Range Low - High, Unit of Measure, MCL, MCLG, Highest Compliance Value, MCL Violation, Typical Sources.

Table: Disinfectants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System. Columns: Contaminant Name, Year, Average, Range Low - High, Unit of Measure, TT/MRDL Requirement, TT/MRDL Violation, Typical Sources.



**FORESTRY**

# Sambito Canyon road now open

**Staff report** to the road was avoided and to use the entire road and  
**SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY** it's in pretty good shape; drive outside the ruts, using  
 touch up work will be done a different track each time  
 Sambrito Canyon road a little later. you drive on it. If you start  
 has dried up enough and the Please do not use the causing ruts, do not travel  
 gate is now open. Damage road when it is wet and any further.

**LPEA**

# Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP)

*Still Available for the Winter Season*

**Staff report** home heating costs to an cations are available online  
**LA PLATA ELECTRIC** energy provider, fuel dealer through Colorado LEAP,  
**ASSOCIATION** or as part of rent; applicant at the Department of Hu-  
 or a member of the house- man Services at 10 Burnett  
 hold being a permanent legal Court in the Durango Tech  
 States and Colorado; and Center and may be submit-  
 maximum family house- ted until the end of April.  
 hold gross income falling For additional informa-  
 within specific guidelines. tion regarding LEAP, please  
 This is a mail-in program call 866-HEAT HELP (866-  
 administered by Discover 432-8435), the LEAP Call  
 Goodwill of Southern and Center at 888-775-5327,  
 Western Colorado. Appli- or visit [www.colorado.gov/cdhs/LEAP](http://www.colorado.gov/cdhs/LEAP).

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**Summary of Turbidity Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System**

Contaminant Name	Sample Date	Level Found	TT Requirement	TT Violation	Typical Sources
Turbidity	Continuous	Highest single measurement: 0.193 NTU	Maximum 1 NTU for any single measurement	No	Soil Runoff
Turbidity	Continuous	Lowest monthly percentage of samples meeting TT requirement for our technology: 100%	In any month, at least 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU	No	Soil Runoff

**Inorganic Contaminants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System**

Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low - High	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Antimony	2013	0.9	0.9	ppb	6	6	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder
Barium	2013	0.0273	0.0273	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	2015	0.51	0.51	ppm	4	4	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate	2015	0.090	0.090	ppm	10	10	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrite	2015	< 0.020	< 0.020	ppm	1	1	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

**Unregulated or Secondary Contaminants\*\***

\*\*Secondary standards are non-enforceable guidelines for contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, or color) in drinking water.

Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low - High	Unit of Measure	Secondary Standard
Sodium	2015	2.35	2.35	ppm	N/A
Nickel	2013	.0008	.0008	ppm	N/A

**No Violations or Formal Enforcement Actions**

**ATTENTION**  
**WATER USERS**  
**PINE RIVER INDIAN IRRIGATION PROJECT**  
**MEETING @ SKY UTE CASINO**  
**WEDNESDAY APRIL 06, 2016**  
**6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

- OPENING REMARKS
- BILLING/ PROGRAM EXPENDITURES
- PROJECT INFORMATION/WATER REQUEST TICKET
- COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

**SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY**  
 BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION (970) 563-9484

**Pine River Indian Irrigation Project**

*Southern Ute Agency/ BIA will start collecting Water Request Tickets beginning with 2016 Irrigation season in accordance to records of delivery as required in 25 CFR171.600*  
 2016 Irrigation rate \$18.00 per Acre

Water Request Ticket forms are available at the Irrigation office 811 CR 517, BLDG 51 Ignacio, CO.  
 Ph.# (970) 563-9484



## Easter comes hopping into Ignacio



Damon Toledo/SU Drum



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Families gather on the SunUte Community Center baseball field on Saturday, March 26 for the annual Easter egg hunt.

**The annual Easter egg hunt made its return to the SunUte Community Center playing fields on Saturday, March 26, bringing in families from around Ignacio to celebrate the holiday with fun and games. An Easter egg walk was hosted prior to the festivities.**

Babie Maloid (left) was a lucky winner in the bicycle drawing hosted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. She poses with her brother Na'Sir Butcher.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Derek Sage trips and falls after racing to get to the hundreds of eggs hidden out on the field.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Don Folsom, Community Resource Officer, presents Kean Cantsee with a brand new two-wheeler during the bicycle drawing.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Infants and toddlers were the first to hunt eggs at the Community Easter Egg Hunt on March 26.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Jeal Rios smiles as he tries to catch and not break his egg as he plays Easter games at the Community Easter Egg Hunt.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

What's Easter without a little fun and games? Attendees line up as they balance an egg from a spoon.

### A healthy start to Easter



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Prior to the Easter festivities at SunUte Community Center Park, families and friends met in the early morning for a brisk walk along the Los Pinos River. Etta Frost and grandson, Ivan Joseph enjoy their view along the Los Pinos River.

### Hunting eggs at academy



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Students at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy infant and toddler rooms took to the grass and had their very own Easter Egg Hunt on March 24.



The Saturday Grand Entry filled the Denver Coliseum's floor to capacity with various Color Guard, royalty members, dancers, and drum groups alike, representing many tribes from across the U.S. and Canada.



Little Miss Southern Ute Krystyn Weaver (left), stands proudly beside the 2015 Denver March Powwow Princess Makayla Irene Sage just after Friday evening's Grand Entry.

## Nor sleet, nor snow...

**The 42nd annual Denver March Powwow went on as scheduled, even as early spring snowstorm belted the Front Range, the blizzard-like conditions couldn't stop the beat of the drum as the dancers from near and far filled the Denver Coliseum, March 25-27.**

**Photos by Robert L. Ortiz**  
The Southern Ute Drum



Representatives for the Southern Ute Color Guard, Bruce Heller (left), Rudley Weaver and Bruce LeClaire along with Cesar Corona (right), wearing his grandfather – Bennett Thompson's head dress and regalia – were among of the color guard present for Saturday evening's Denver March Powwow Grand Entry.



Perla Dutchie, granddaughter of former Southern Ute Tribal Councilwoman, Joycelyn Dutchie smiles during Grand Entry.



Lorraine Watts can't help but smile as she enters the Denver Coliseum in her dance category during Grand Entry.



Edidiong Ekkio (left) is followed by her cousin Brianna GoodTracks, as they enter the powwow arena during Friday evening's Grand Entry of the Denver March Powwow.



Southern Ute elder, Kenny Frost sings with the Denver Heartbeat Singers, who lead the Grand Entry into the powwow arena singing the Denver March Powwow song.

**Lake Capote Recreation Area**

**OPENING**  
Thursday April 7, 2016  
4 Day Operating Schedule  
Thursday-Sunday

The 7 day operating schedule will start in early May.  
For updated information go to [www.lakecapote.com](http://www.lakecapote.com).

**CAMPING  
FISHING  
FUN**

**What if a loved one has cancer and doesn't know?**  
American Indians are more likely to be diagnosed with late stage colon cancer. Early screening can save lives.

Everyone 50 and older should be screened for colon cancer. Contact your health care provider to learn more.

Andrea Martinez  
970 563 0154/ EX 2347  
CHR/ HEALTH SERVICES

## IHS BASEBALL

# Bobcat baseball ends invite energized

*IHS goes 1-2 at tourney, tests new field*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

If there was a Bobcat who personified Ignacio's desire to notch at least one victory at the March 18-19, 2016 IHS Invitational, it probably was junior infielder/pitcher Timmy Plehinger.

Able to get a pinch-hit single in the bottom of the seventh inning on Day 1 of the event, but quickly retired on a 6-4 fielder's choice grounder – hit by leadoff man Anthony Manzanara – for the final out in an 8-0 loss to 3A Salida, and then struck out four of his next five at-bats between a 12-2 loss to 2A Hotchkiss and up to his fourth-inning AB on Day 2 against Cedaredge, Plehinger admitted he wanted badly to join the hit parade.

"I know I needed it; I was down on myself," he said. "Figured I'd get back up and come at it again!"

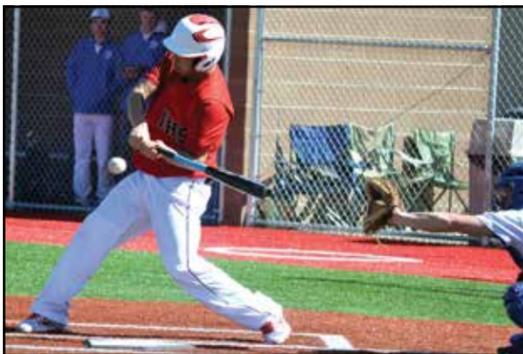
Having seen six of seven teammates ahead of him already reach, with three scoring off Bruin reliever Pedro Madaleno – increasing IHS' advantage to 14-5 – Plehinger at last contributed to the onslaught by belting a one-out, ground-rule double to left-centerfield, plating Kruz Pardo and Tucker Ward and bumping Austin McCaw to third.

"It felt pretty good," he said of his swing. "I mean, we had a rough start beginning the first two games, but after that we finally started working together as a team, came together. The team performed pretty good."

Senior Andrew Martinez then followed with an RBI-groundout to second base, scoring McCaw, and Plehinger came across the dish when Madaleno fired a wild pitch past catcher Colton Hoerr with Nathan Herrera in the batter's box. Herrera would then double to left, and junior Zach Weinreich then drove him in with a double to right (after being walked and plunked his first two appearances since replacing Joe Herrera in the 8-hole).

Trailing 19-5 going into the top of the fifth, CHS gamely managed to strike back – they'd previously lost 10-9 to Buena Vista and defeated Dolores 19-14 on Day 1 – for four runs off Pardo, as they'd done off Plehinger in the fourth before Plehinger requested removal due to an ailing arm without recording an out.

But when Bruin leadoff stick Chris Lindley was



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio senior Andrew Martinez (10) takes a good whack at a Cedaredge pitch on Saturday, March 19, during Day 2 play at the 2016 IHS Invitational, helping break in the Bobcats' all-new surface. Martinez scored once and had an RBI as Ignacio blasted the 2A Bruins 19-9, and improved to 1-2 overall (after Day 1 losses to 3A Salida and 2A Hotchkiss) in the young season.

thrown out trying to reach third after doubling in Jacob Ostrom, the comeback was halted and Ignacio had its first win of a second spring under head coach Bert Miller.

"We were a little disappointed with the outcome, because we wanted to get a couple more wins than we did," Ward said. "But it's a stepping stone because we can see what we can do, where we are good and we can improve to get better."

Cedaredge struck first in the top of the first. Ward beaned Lindley with his very first offering, and Lindley scored three batters later on a one-out single by junior pitcher Tre' LaBossiere (L; 2.1 IP, 7 H, 11 R, 6 ER, 3 BB, 2 HB, 5 K). Ward, however, stopped the early charge by fanning Hoerr and 6-man Brayden Blair, then Madaleno, Ostrom and Peter Carlson in order to end the visitors' second before anything got started.

Taking the lead for good in short order, IHS answered CHS' initial scratch with three in the bottom of the first. Manzanara, like Lindley, was tagged by LaBossiere leading off, and came around two batters later on a Ward single. McCaw then followed with a single to left, bringing in Ward after 2-man Pardo, who'd walked after Manzanara, scored on a wild pitch earlier in McCaw's AB.

The Cats (1-2, 0-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin League) then struck for three in the bottom of the second, with Manzanara, Pardo and Ward all reaching – via a single, error by Blair and double, respectively – and scoring for a 6-1 advantage on the Western Slope Leaguers.

"We got the nerves out after yesterday's games and we came in today looking for a win," said Pardo (2-3, BB, 4 R, 3 RBI; 2 IP, 4 H,

4 ER, 2 HB). "We were a little fired up ... the pitchers weren't throwing as hard as yesterday but we just jumped out on them and kind of made a statement from yesterday's losses."

The only Bobcat to get a hit in all three contests, Ward went 1-3 against SHS, 1-3 against HHS and 3-3 with a walk, three runs and two RBI against CHS (now 5-2, 1-0 WSL).

"It's cool, because we're going to see a lot of them in districts," Ward said of not only the win, but the tournament's big-picture importance. "We could see how we compare to them and what we need to do to grow and improve to compete with those kind of teams."

Manzanara went 3-3 with a double, four runs and three RBI against Cedaredge. McCaw went 2-3 with a walk, scored once and knocked in three, and Nathan Herrera went 2-3 with a sacrifice fly and scored twice.

Madaleno went 2-3 in defeat with an RBI (his courtesy runner, Cole Stumpf, scored twice), and Ostrom was 2-3 with a run and two batted in. Replacing Blair at second base in the fourth, Jacob Lewis went 1-1 with a fourth-inning walk and fifth-inning double, scored twice and brought one around.

Against Salida, Weinreich took the season-opening loss after lasting 2.1 innings, allowing three earned runs and walking as many Spartans (5) as he struck out. Desmond Lau earned the win for SHS (now 2-2, 0-0 Tri-Peaks) by slinging six scoreless frames, allowing just one hit and striking out seven while scattering five walks.

Senior Rain Rosa took the 'L' for Ignacio against Hotchkiss, going three innings and allowing six hits

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Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Ignacio Bobcats, Rachel Cooper keeps a steady pace on her second lap of the girls 1,600 meter race.

## IHS GIRLS TRACK

# Girls' T&F fifth at MCHS

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Improving from a collective one-point, 17th-place (tied, with 2A Mancos) showing at the March 12 Piedra Vista Invitational down in Farmington, N.M., the Ignacio Lady Bobcats amassed 30 points and finished fifth at the Montezuma-Cortez Invite on the 25th in their final competition before Spring Break.

Thrower Alana Watts, whose sixth-place 86-foot, 3.5-inch launch of the discus earned IHS its season-opening scratch inside Hutchison Stadium, was not entered in the discipline – nor the shot put, in which she'd taken 20th (25'4.5") at the PV-hosted gathering and 17th (25'4") at the next

weekend's Farmington Invite at the same site – inside Panther Stadium, but Ignacio made up for the absence as senior Lillianna Romero earned two points with a fifth-place 76'3".

Junior Kelly Campbell was reported as taking first and earning ten team points in the high jump, faster over the bar than 3A Pagosa Springs' Andie Miller and 2A Dolores' Shavargus Noyes with it set 4'8" above ground. Fellow junior Azala Perez almost added another ten, but settled for eight by taking second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 14.07 seconds and trailing only 3A Bayfield's Tymbree Florian (13.70).

The 4x100 relay – comprised of juniors Rachel Cooper, Jaylynn Herrera,

Perez and Lea Monroe – took sixth in 1:00.95, and the 4x2 (Cooper, Herrera, Perez, Romero) finished fourth in 2:08.38. Herrera also took tenth in the long jump (12'4").

At FHS' Scorpion Invite, the 4x1 had been a slightly faster (1:00.17) eighth-place, and Campbell tied for 13th in the high jump at 4'4". Senior Chrystianne Valdez finished third in the pole vault with a best of 7'6" achieved in more tries than second-place Taylyn Miller of 5A Farmington Piedra Vista, and trailing only in the winning 8'6" of 4A Durango's Jessica Lee. Monroe cleared 6'0" to finish 12th.

Up next for IHS as the 2016 campaign resumes is its own Abel Velasquez Invitational on Saturday, April 9.

## IHS BOYS TRACK

# Track picking up early pace

*Gram, Cundiff strong in Cortez*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

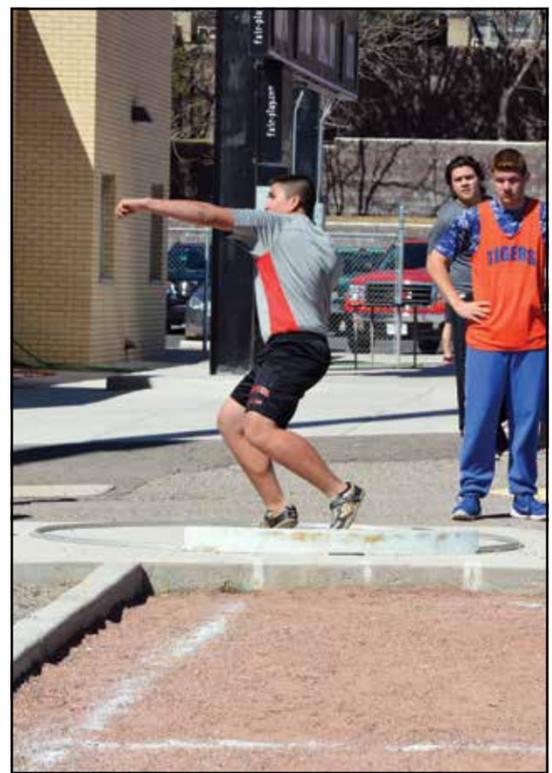
A Gram appears to be carrying more and more weight for Ignacio High School.

And with the 2016 track-and-field season underway, IHS' coaches will take all the Bryan Gram they can get during its second scheduled month – begun by the Bobcats' Abel Velasquez Invitational on Saturday, April 9.

Most recently, the junior directly accounted for 14 of the boys' 35 team points at the wind-chilled March 25 Montezuma-Cortez Invitational, and aided in the acquiring of another 12 as Ignacio placed fifth at the event – a far cry from its scoreless debut at the Farmington (N.M.) Piedra Vista Invitational 13 days earlier.

Grabbing ten points for the crew, Gram took first in the 400-meter dash by clocking 54.58 seconds and bettering M-CHS juniors Josh Ramos (54.63) and Elisha Vaquera (56.50), his closest challengers. He then gained four more by placing fourth in the long jump at 18 feet, 11 inches – only 7.5 behind winner Cade Cowan (freshman, 3A Pagosa Springs) but 5.5 farther than his 10th-place premiere inside Hutchison Stadium.

Emerging as the Bobcats' leading thrower, sophomore Natoni Cundiff produced six points by taking third in the discus, flinging the apparatus 100'10" – he'd started the season with a 15th-place 94'11" at the PV Invite – and finding himself trailing only 3A Bayfield's duo of junior Sam Westbrook (116'8") and sophomore Ryan Phelps (112'11"). Sophomore



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Natoni Cundiff throws the shot put at the Farmington Invitational Track Meet on March 19. Cundiff took 7th in this event with a throw of 31' 1".

Mitchell Neil (11th, 73'8") and senior Roman Vasquez (15th, 64'2") were also in the specialty's top-15.

Cundiff scored two more points inside Panther Stadium with his sixth-place, 34-foot heave of the shot, and Neil just missed getting one with his 32'4" holding up well enough to earn eighth. Also notching another top-15, Vasquez ended up 14th with a 25-foot best.

Junior Colten Smithson snagged IHS a point with a sixth-place 27'2" in the triple jump, while the 4x100 and 4x200 relays – comprised of Gram, Smithson, sophomore Ryan Stollsteimer and junior Samuel Abendroth – each placed fifth (the former in 54.95 seconds, the latter in

113.30) with each collecting six points for the cause.

Smithson ran 18th in the 100 meters, finishing in 13.44 seconds, and sophomore Joseph Vigil followed in 13.51 to give Ignacio two more top-20 individual performances.

Prior to M-CHS' meet, the Cats competed in New Mexico again the previous weekend at the Scorpion Invitational hosted by Farmington H.S., and Gram led the way with a fourth-place 400-meter dash of 55.15 seconds, and a seventh-place 24.66 in the 200.

He added an eighth in the long jump (18'10.5") and the 4x1 took tenth (52.77), and Cundiff placed 14th in the discus (103'5") but did not record a distance in the shot.

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IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Father, daughter winners at All-State games

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Watching Lower Platte Activities Association rivals Alexandria 'A.J.' Miller of Akron and Logan Hixon of Yuma actually cooperating to power the opposing side to a 15-0 lead right after the opening tip, Shane Seibel wasn't worried about how his one-off, hodge-podge roster could, and indeed would respond.

"Coaching a bunch of all-stars is amazing because we just let them play!" he said after the 2016 Colorado Coaches of Girls' Sports All-State [Class 2A] Game played Sunday, March 20, at Arvada West High School. "And so we encouraged them, shook up our defenses a little bit from man to 1-3-1, and then we started hitting some shots ... next thing you know, we're right in it!"

"You know, we just knew that once our shots started to fall we could climb back into it."

An 8-0 burst finished by a layup from Paonia's Ashley VanVleet more than sliced the deficit facing the 2A-Red team in half, and though the 2A-Blue quickly responded to rebuild their lead up to 23-11, Ignacio's own Ellie Seibel booked her



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio head coach Shane Seibel and Lady Bobcat senior Ellie Seibel share an upbeat moment prior to the second half of the 2016 CCGS All-State Basketball Game, March 20 up at Arvada West High School. Father and daughter were both named to the 2A-Red squad – Shane as one of the team's two chosen coaches.

first basket with 7:10 left in the opening 18-minute half to help revitalize the Reds.

"We just tried to stay positive," she explained. "Because we're all seniors, the same age, and we knew that we could play and score – so that's what we tried to focus on, ourselves and our game."

A cleanup by Oak Creek Soroco's Briana Peterson pulled the Reds back to 23-20 with 3:23 left, and with Cedaredge's Nellie Freeman starting to heat up from beyond the three-point arc, the squad actually took a 27-25 lead before Calhan's Mikaela Parker brought the Blues level with a buzzer-beating putback.

"We shot really well as a team, and we just clicked; everything was just flowing," said Miller of the Blues' scorching start. "I felt like we would ... make it work, so it didn't surprise me that we were all shooting really good."

"There were four of us who came from the same league [the LPAA], which was nice because we've been used to playing against each other but never with each other," Haxtun's Megan Gerk agreed, "and we ... all blended really well. With practice yesterday and some scrimmages, it was

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IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Garcia gains All-2A recognition

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Denied a probable opportunity to show her diversified skill set before all at the State Championships in Pueblo by unlikely underdog Westcliffe Custer County at regionals in Alamosa, Hilda Garcia made enough of an impact this winter as not only a scoring threat but all-around weapon to catch the classification's collective eye.

Having totaled 271 points at 12.3 per game – she did not play in two – while also averaging around three rebounds, assists and steals per in helping Ignacio more or less replicate last season's 17-5 record, Garcia was one of two sophomores (Ault Highland's Maison Tolle being the other) and three underclassmen receiving Honorable Mention status when the All-2A Team – presented by CHSAANow.com, ColoradoPreps.com and MaxPreps.com – was revealed March 25.

Wray's Morgan Smith, a freshman, was the other selection not currently a junior or senior ... like IHS' Ellie Seibel, also named Honorable Mention All-2A after finishing her Lady Bobcat career 58-33 (she'd been a reserve contributing towards Ignacio's State appearance ending the 2012-13 campaign as a freshman) in four seasons.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Hilda Garcia (1) splits a Telluride trap on a drive to the basket during SJBL road action. Garcia received Honorable Mention All-2A for her contributions in IHS' 17-5 season.

Class 2A Player-of-the-Year Logan Hixon was one of three Yuma teammates named First Team, joining fellow senior guard Peighton Roth and senior center/forward Tara Traphagan, and YHS head coach Mike Neill was voted Coach-of-the-Year after his team went 26-1 and defeated Paonia (24-3; led by First Team senior center Ashley VanVleet) 55-46

for the State Championship. Cedaredge senior guard Nellie Freeman rounded out the First Team, while PHS junior guard Sophia Anderson joined Swink's Taiyler Holland, Wray's Hannah Lenz, Akron's Alexandria "A.J." Miller, Calhan's Mikaela Parker and Oak Creek Soroco's Briana Peterson – all seniors – on the Second Team.

## MAYB tourney comes to Ignacio



Ignacio's Shooting Stars' Charlize Valdez (24) passes to Avaleena Nanaeto (35) for an easy layup. The Stars placed 2nd overall in the 8th grade girls division

**On Saturday, March 19, the Mid America Youth Basketball (MAYB) tournament made its way into Ignacio. Boys and girls teams from across Colorado, grades elementary to high school, met in Ignacio to compete.**

Photos by Damon Toledo  
The Southern Ute Drum



The Ignacio Warriors faced off against the Flint Tropics in an intense game, defeating the Tropics 56-54.



Jonas Nanaeto of the Ignacio Wildcats converts for two on a short jumper against Montezuma's Storm, defeating Ignacio Wildcats 44-38.



Ignacio Bobcat's Harmony Reynolds sets up a two-point shot against New Mexico's Magic, the Bobcats fell short with a loss of 34-14.

IHS BOYS BASKETBALL

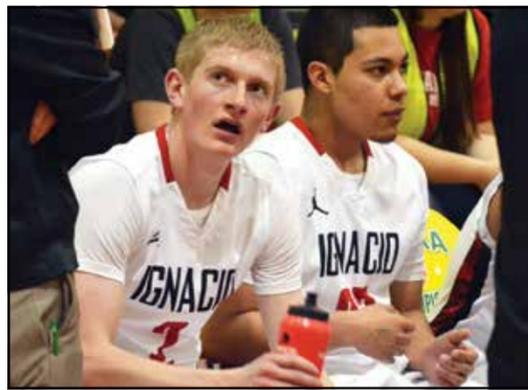
# Hayes named 2nd Team All-2A

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

One could have thought it humorous, if not fitting that for all he'd done to make Ignacio's No. 2 jersey about the most feared sight approaching any defender in the San Juan Basin League – if not all of southwestern Colorado – Wyatt Hayes deserved to earn Second Team All-2A for the completed 2015-16 season.

But that honor (presented by CHSAANow.com, ColoradoPreps.com and

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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

He didn't get many minutes off, but when he did Wyatt Hayes (2) made sure to top off the tank with as much fuel as he could consume. A threat to register a triple-double every time he suited up for the Bobcats this season, Hayes was recently named Second Team All-2A.

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and as many runs without K'ing a single Bulldog. Sophomore counterpart Jonathan Gonzales, meanwhile, needed just 78 pitches to throw a six-inning complete game, and allowed just three hits while whiffing 11 and walking none.

HHS (now 5-0, 0-0 WSL) won the Invitational by finishing a 3-0 tourney run with a 5-0 defeat of BVHS

(2-1, 0-0 T-PL) on Day 2. Hammered by Hotchkiss 11-1 after blanking Ignacio on Day 1, Salida elected not to return for the Saturday session, which somewhat fouled up the original schedule but did allow IHS to face Cedaredge rather than struggling SJBL nemesis Dolores – whose reward for losses to BV and CHS was an impromptu Day 2 date with Ignacio's JV squad.

Up next, IHS' varsity will welcome non-league 2A Center to the revamped ground on Friday, April 1, beginning at 11:00 a.m., with the Bloomfield (N.M.) JV slated to visit at 11 a.m. the next morning. 3A La Jara Centauri comes calling then on the 7th – a 3 p.m. start – before the Cats begin SJBL work hosting Nuclea at noon on April 9.

## SEIBELS, ALL-STATE WINNERS • FROM PAGE 11

just really easy and fun to play with everybody."

"The one practice we did have, our coach gave us maybe two plays and then said, 'O.K., you guys know how to play ball ... just play ball!'" Ellie Seibel said, of Soroco's David Bruner. "Motion offense – don't stay in one area longer than two seconds – and have fun!"

"It was fun to get different points-of-view, run new plays, and I loved it a lot," said Freeman, of learning from previously unknown mentors. "They're fun."

She began the second half with a layup, and the Reds began their best surge of the game with two treys by Peterson (14 points) and one by Freeman as the designated 'home' team's lead grew to 44-37, and then to 47-38 on a triple by Swink's Taylor Holland.

"Just an awesome, awesome group of young ladies," said Shane Seibel. "Very tough, and they were able to come back defensively and then make some big shots. It was fun!"

Seibel was called back to the bench after picking up her third foul – players were actually granted six, rather than

the usual five, for disqualification – with 10:47 left in the battle and the Blues responded by going on a 7-0 spree, following another Freeman three-ball, to come as close as 52-50 with 6:00 left via another Parker bucket.

Sanford's Dana Lenz, held in check throughout the game, suddenly scored five straight points to regain Red a seven-point lead. But YHS' Peighton Roth – somehow over some aggressive Seibel defending – and Hixon (13 points) each sank a three to pull the Blues back to 60-58.

Peterson buried a turnaround jumper, but Parker (ten first-half points, 17 total) answered with two free throws. VanVleet then converted a strong take to the hoop, but Gerk knocked down her third three-pointer – the game's 21st, and last as it turned out – to bring the 'visitors' back to 64-63 with 1:04 still remaining.

"I was just happy to help the team in any way – if it was going to be by passing to the open three-pointers or making them, it didn't matter to me," Gerk said. "But it felt good to be contributing to the team!"

To the joy of HHS' Rich Gerk and Kiowa's Rick Carothers, their Blues would have the final possession with either a win, loss or overtime still to be decided, but Roth's long baseline jumper was off the mark and the Reds' celebration began as time – and many players' prep careers – expired.

"It was something special. Both me and the other coach, we just were tickled to be there, be involved, and then go, 'Wow!'" said Shane Seibel. "It's our last game to coach ... this year, and to get a win is unbelievable."

"I'm just completely humbled," Ellie Seibel said. "My teammates are amazing and, you know, our opponents are amazing, and I'm just completely blessed I was able to be here. I'm just living for the moment ... just thrilled!"

"I really just encouraged her to just be her...you know? You're under no pressure, just play hard and have fun! And she did exactly that. Cloe, same thing when she got an opportunity," Shane Seibel said, recalling his older daughter's appearance in the 2013 CCGS All-State Volleyball Games, "and I'm just blessed to experience it."

## Shooting Stars take 2nd



courtesy Erika Atencio

Shooting Stars placed 2nd place overall in the 8th grade girls division of the MAYB tournament here in Ignacio on Saturday, March 19. Thank you to SunUte and the Southern Ute Tribe for putting on a great tournament. Good job Stars! Back row: Ebonee Gomez, Charlize Valdez, Cienna Harrison, Makayla Howell, Shelcie Gosney, Elizabeth (Lizzy) Valdez, Avaleena Nanaeto and Coach Adam Tucson. Front row: Laci Brunson, Monika Lucero and Jayden Brunson

## HAYES NAMED 2ND TEAM • FROM PAGE 11

MaxPreps.com), revealed March 25, may have been determined primarily – if for no other reason – due to the fact a First Team five had already been chosen and having six starters is, well, against the rules.

Held by Paonia to a point total ironically equal to his aforementioned number in his final prep contest, the true – albeit very much under-the-weather – Hayes was on display the previous afternoon inside CSU-Pueblo's Massari Arena against Ellicott, as he and EHS senior guard Morgan Murray put on a show for the fans.

Able to handle the ball as fluidly as his counterpart and just as eager to fire from long range, Murray won the head-to-head scor-

ing race, 14 points to 12, in the first half but Hayes finished with 21 points to his 17 as the Bobcats thumped the Thunderhawks 73-55 to survive into the State Championships' fifth-place game versus PHS.

"The poor kid was so damned tired – I never subbed him one time – but he was able to lead our team to victory," head coach Chris Valdez said, after IHS' victory over Center to clinch one of the two State berths from the Region I Championships in Alamosa. "And whether it's by scoring or by other things he was still the leader."

"He may not have as many points as he usually does, but look how he gets his team involved!" he continued, alluding to Hayes'

18 points, 13 rebounds, ten assists, and eight steals in the March 5 win. "He has over ten assists almost every game in the postseason, he's hitting the big shot when he has to."

This year Hayes – who helped the Cats go 89-14 in four years – totaled 363 points in Ignacio's 26 outings – an average of 13.9 per – with a high of 29 in a 63-56 win at 4A Montezuma-Cortez on Jan. 9.

Other statistics, through only 19 contests reported to MaxPreps, show him also in the neighborhood of eight rebounds per game, as well as seven assists and five steals per – all of which were right in line with his final performance (7 reb, 7 ast, 5 stl) in a 46-41 loss to PHS.

## SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

### Tribe, Casino to host 17th annual non-profit money booth

**Staff report**  
SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

Fifteen non-profit organizations from La Plata, Archuleta and San Juan Counties will compete for their share of over \$20,000 on Thursday, May 12 at Sky Ute Casino Resort in the 17th Annual Non-Profit Money Booth. Since 1999, when Sky Ute Casino Resort held the first Non-Profit Money Booth Event, nearly \$300,000 has been given to local charities to support a variety of worthy causes.

Last year, selected organizations included: Dancing Spirit Inc., Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, WolfWood Refuge, Friends of the Ignacio Community Library, GECKO Inc., WINGS of Freedom Inc., Veteran's Memorial Park of Archuleta County, Be Frank Foundation, Tribal College Journal, People Improving Communities & Kids, Ignacio FFA Booster Club, Bayfield Li-

ons Club Foundation, Adult Day Care at Our Place, La Plata Council on Aging Inc. and Health Coalition of Southwest Colorado.

A reception will be held in the Event's Center from 6 to 7 p.m. to honor the selected organizations and present each with a \$500 check. Then, the action will get underway at 7 p.m. when a representative from each organization will enter the money booth for 45 seconds to grab as much cash as they can!

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## SunUte basketball courts closed

The SunUte Community Center is scheduled to close the gymnasium/basketball courts to replace the basketball court's heating/venting and air-conditioning (HVAC) system. This project is necessary to replace the gymnasium's aging HVAC system which supplies the proper combination of fresh, temperature controlled air. This capital improvement project is scheduled by the Tribe's Construction & Project Management Department (C&PM) to take place between March 7 and May.

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## Correction

In an article "Providing for his people" published in the March 18 issue of the Drum, Oreland Joe was named as the artist who sculpted the "Ute Family" located in the west entrance of the Sky Ute Casino. The "Ute Family" was actually created Mr. Tim Washburn a Navajo artisan..

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Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

### ♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ARIES PEOPLE! Promising celestial aspects brighten your day on the 5th when VENUS enters your sign. It joins the upbeat group consisting of the SUN, MOON, and URANUS. With a line up like this, anything can happen, and surprises are likely. Financial security takes a positive turn on the 5th thanks to the SUN'S favorable link with SATURN (the security planet). Wise investments might be possible now that MERCURY has entered the money sign of TAURUS. Opportunity knocks before the 28th, or after May 22nd.

### ♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

Swift little MERCURY scurries into your sign on the 5th, bringing with it a host of fresh ideas. Your mind may be whirling with spring time expectation. On the 19th the SUN returns to TAURUS, and ignites your ambitions even further. Later on the 29th, lovely VENUS glides into your sign and spins a romantic aura around you. However there are certain conditions to be aware of. Both MERCURY, and MARS (the action planets) will be turning retrograde. MARS, on the 17th, and MERCURY, on the 28th.

### ♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

The SUN, MOON, VENUS, and URANUS, have gathered in an area that's been known to grant hopes, and wishes. Send your sincere expectations out into the Solar System on the 5th, and wait for the results. The NEW MOON on the 7th cancels out an old cycle, and launches a new one filled with golden opportunities. Step lively GEMINI, you won't want to miss one minute of this month's interesting events. Thinking of remodeling your home? This is a great month to brighten things up.

### ♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

Pay attention MOON KIDS! MARS and SATURN are setting your career zone, and reputation on fire! No one wants to look foolish on purpose. Mind what you say and do on the 6th. A SUN/PLUTO challenge to both personal, and job related relationships might be disruptive. Don't be crabby CANCER. In spite of your dislike for change ... it comes charging in on the coat tails of the NEW MOON APRIL 7th. Might as well bite the bullet, and go with the flow. Change equals growth and progress.

### ♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Cheerful planetary aspects are the primary force in your APRIL forecast. Advantageous connections from the SUN, VENUS, MARS, and URANUS fill your days with pleasurable activities until the 21st, when the FULL MOON calls a halt to the playful cycle. Quit your crying Lions...there will still be many exciting interests to occupy your free time. Just be mindful that MERCURY will go into sleep mode on the 28th, and may slow things down a bit. Be smart, and practical with your money.

### ♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

While the SUN, VENUS, and URANUS, are busy fueling up a money zone. Add a few NEW tricks into your usual money-handling agenda. The NEW MOON on APRIL 7th might help to inspire novel ideas regarding work, and earnings. SATURN'S influence continues to challenge relationships, and partnerships. One of your options might be counseling. But clear communications will also put a damper on thorny issues. With JUPITER currently in your sign, first-class results may reward your efforts.

### ♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

Venus, your brilliant planet slips into your opposite sign on the 5th. Use your diplomatic abilities to improve relationships. They almost always need some type of fine tuning once in awhile. Single LIBRA folks might enjoy being out and about on the 12th. You're certain to be noticed. VENUS flirts with MARS on that day, and you never know who you will run into. Hang with your friends, relax and enjoy yourself.

### ♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

Expect more than gentle "APRIL SHOWERS" to fertilize your HOROSCOPE SCORPIO. The action driven ARIES MOON launches creative job opportunities, and a chance to increase your income after the 7th. SATURN'S commanding work related rules are in your favor. On the 5th the SUN shines its light of opportunity. But don't give up on the 6th when it challenges your ruler PLUTO, or on the 19th when VENUS refuses to maintain the peace and harmony of your daily routine.

### ♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

The SUN'S friendly connection to SATURN on the 5th might give you the chance you've been waiting for. An opportunity to learn a new sport, or to take a fantastic journey. Another option would be to take the children on a joy filled outing that would be both awesome, and educational. Make your plans before the 28th Saggies. Yes, we know how spontaneous you are, but with three planets turning retrograde this month, it's best to have some type of strategy. The most promising days are, the 5th, 7th, 14th, and 17th.

### ♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

Domestic matters take precedence in APRIL'S forecast. Change is in the air CAPRICORN. Go easy with family members on the 6th. Tension, and disagreements may arise over household situations, or Real Estate interests. Forcing others to agree with you may only be a temporary fix. Take the lead, and resolve the problem. It might help to clear away long standing issues that have never reached a conclusion. Re-hashing the same old topics over and over won't solve a thing. Move forward.

### ♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

Current planetary positions indicate a lively busy month ahead. Your mind may be fixed on seeking out new ventures. Travel would certainly be at the top of your list. No need to worry about finding things to prevent boredom. An array of planets in lively ARIES might have you eagerly exploring other alternatives. NEPTUNE'S transit through PISCES may encourage you to take a cruise, or travel to the seashore. It's your choice AQUARIUS, and it's very unlikely that you'll just stay at home.

### ♓ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

The SUN and SATURN join forces on the 5th to further your intentions. You may be eager to take action, but on the 6th the SUN/PLUTO stand-off gives you pause regarding a financial decision. So here's the planetary story Little Fishes. An incredibly forceful NEW MOON on the 7th, sets off a major growth pattern that is likely to improve work, or career targets. Get the best advice possible. Sleep on it, and then make your decision. APRIL'S retrogrades play an important role. Take action before the 17th.

Carole Maye is a Certified Astrology Professional with over 30 years of astrological study and practice. Private horoscope consultations can be arranged by appointment, via email: starwheels2@comcast.net

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**April 15**  
Deadline:  
**April 11**

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## Public Notice: Request For Comments

### Proposed Air Quality Permit to Construct BP America Production Company Salvador I/II Central Delivery Point

Notice issued: May 14, 2016

Written comments due:  
5 p.m., April 13, 2016

**Where is the proposed facility location?**  
Salvador I/II Central Delivery Point  
Southern Ute Indian Reservation  
~ 1.7 miles south of Ignacio on Highway  
172, near the intersection of Hwy 318  
Latitude 37.0790052N  
Longitude -107.61829W

**What is being proposed?**  
BP is requesting authorization to construct a new emission source at the existing Salvador I/II Central Delivery Point and to establish legally and practically enforceable emissions limitations for both the new emissions source and an existing emissions source. BP has proposed to construct a new natural gas-fired compressor engine equipped with an emissions control system and to establish carbon monoxide (CO) and formaldehyde emission limits and associated operational limitations for the engine. Additionally, BP is requesting to establish legally and practically enforceable requirements to install and operate an emissions control system on an existing natural gas-fired compressor engine and limit CO and formaldehyde emissions from that existing engine.

This proposed MNSR permit authorizes the construction of a new 1,876 horsepower (hp) natural gas-fired compressor engine with a catalytic reduction emissions control system. The permit contains legally and practically enforceable CO and formaldehyde emissions limits, operational limitations, emission control requirements, and associated monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements, for the proposed new compressor engine and an existing 1,371 hp natural gas-fired compressor engine.

The proposed permit requires BP to conduct performance tests on the engines to demonstrate compliance with the

emissions limits. BP must also perform continuous monitoring to assure emission limits are being met between performance tests.

**What are the effects on air quality?**  
The impacts to local air quality from the proposed project are not expected to be significant and should not have an adverse impact on attainment of the NAAQS. We have determined that an AQIA modeling analysis is not required for this permit action.

**Where can I send comments?**  
EPA accepts comments by mail, fax and e-mail.

US EPA Region 8 Air Program, 8P-AR  
Attn: Federal Minor NSR Coordinator  
1595 Wynkoop Street,  
Denver, CO 80202  
R8AirPermitting@epa.gov  
Fax: 303-312-6064

**How can I review documents?**  
You can review a paper copy or an electronic copy of the proposed permit and related documents at the following locations:

Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
Environmental Programs Division  
Air Quality Program  
71 Mike Frost Way  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
Attn: Mark Hatson, Air Quality Program  
Manager

and

US EPA Region 8 Office:  
1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202  
(Please call Claudia Smith at  
303-312-6520 in advance of your visit.)

You can also view an electronic copy of the proposed permit and related documents at the US EPA Region 8 Website:  
<http://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/caa-permit-public-comment-opportunities-region-8>

**Permit number:**  
Salvador I/II Central Delivery Point:  
SMNSR-SU-000009-2015.003

**What happens next?**  
EPA will review and consider all comments received during the comment period. Following this review, the EPA may issue the permit as proposed, issue a modified permit based on comments, or deny the permit.

#### Tribal Minor New Source Review in Indian Country



United States Environmental  
Protection Agency

Region 8  
Air Program  
1595 Wynkoop Street  
Denver, CO 80202  
Phone 800-227-8917

<http://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/tribal-nsr-permitting-region-8>

## GENERAL TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Multi-Purpose Facility  
Potluck and Meeting  
6:00 PM- 9:30 PM

Topic: Southern Ute Tribal Museum

For Information:

Sage Douglas Remington  
970-769-3638

Alden Naranjo/NAGPRA Coordinator  
970-563-0100 Ext. 2257

## Are you an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal member? 18 or older, and registered to VOTE?

The Southern Ute Election Board is searching for  
**ONE (1) Alternate Board Member!**

This is a Tribal appointment and a paid position.

If you are interested, please submit a Letter of Intent with a phone number to the Human Resources Department at the Leonard C. Burch Building by  
**5 P.M., FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016**

The Election Board is located on the second floor (east wing),  
of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building.

If you have any questions, please call 970-563-0100, ext. 2303 or 2305  
or our direct line 970-563-4789.

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## Ignacio School District Transportation Building For Sale

The Ignacio School District is seeking bids for the Transportation Building (Bus Garage) located at 885 Goddard Street, Ignacio, Colo. It will be sold on an "AS IS BASIS". The following is a descriptive of the property.  
**Property Type: Commercial;** Land Area: 0.34 Acres 15,000 Sq./Ft. includes one 1,665 sq./ft. building; Stucco over single wythe stone walls; Wood roof framing; Slab on grade; Year built: Estimated 1938; Secondary Road Frontage: Pine Street-150 Feet; Power to the building site; Water and Sewer purchased from Town of Ignacio; Natural Gas-available; and Chain link fence surrounding back of building. The Board sets a minimum bid of \$140,000. The Board will accept sealed bids

prior to 4 p.m. April 14, 2016, at the Admin. Office, 455 Becker St., Ignacio, Colo. Bids may be mailed to Ignacio School District, Transportation Building Bid, PO Box 460, Ignacio, CO 81137 and must arrive prior to 10 a.m. mail pickup time at the Ignacio Post Office April 14, 2016. Bids will be opened at 4 p.m. April 14, 2016 in the administration office with the highest bidders showing proof of financing ability and providing a \$10,000 non-forfeitable bond. In the event the property is not closed within 30 days the \$10,000 is forfeited and the bid goes to the next highest bidder. Buyer will be responsible for the buyers closing cost. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.



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## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### ROYALTY COMMITTEE

Attention Past Royalty, Fair Rodeo Queens & Tribal Elders. The tribe is seeking former Miss Southern Ute/Fair Rodeo Queens and tribal Elders to serve on the Royalty Committee. There are two positions open for a former Royalty/Fair Rodeo Queen. Initial terms are staggered, thereafter three-year terms will be served. To support the Royalty, by providing education in Ute culture and history, to promote and recruit applicants, to plan and host the annual pageant and royalty dinner, other duties associated with the committee. Will review/revise and as appropriate develop Royalty handbooks, code of ethics, review complaints and address disciplinary issues associated with the committee. Meets monthly, and works closely with the Culture Director, this is a non-paid committee. Interested Tribal members should submit a letter to the Human Resource Department at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Open until filled.

### MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) is seeking a qualified tribal or community member for its all-volunteer Board of Directors. The candidate should possess strong fundraising, marketing, and/or volunteer recruitment skills. For an application and position description, please call 970-563-9583 during regular business hours. 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](http://www.bgcsu.org)

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

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## Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

Please visit our website at [www.sugf.com/jobs.asp](http://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.

### Instrumentation & Controls Technician – Red Cedar Gathering (Durango, CO)

Closing date 4/6/16

All instrumentation, controls, PLC maintenance, calibrations, and repairs at all Red Cedar Plant and Field Compression facilities, including amine plant equipment, engine/compressor, generators, and dehydration controls equipment. Performs work related to the repair and ongoing maintenance of equipment.

**Minimum qualifications include:** High school diploma or equivalent is required. Three years experience with electrical and generation systems, controls and PLC Equipment, or 5 years experience working in a gas plant or gas gathering environment including operation and maintenance of plant systems, pumps, gas compression, and gas driven power generation, or an Associates degree in electrical engineering is required. Must have experience with Pneumatic controls, valve operators, positioners and control valve repairs. Must have working knowledge of Allen-Bradley PLC and SLC equipment, data highway, ladder logic in process applications and HMI experience. Knowledge of electrical switchgear systems is required. Must have working knowledge of natural gas engines, compressors, and associated control systems. Must have detailed knowledge of Process Safety Management (PSM), mechanical integrity, regulatory, and operating practice requirements. Must have working knowledge of Microsoft office software. Must have knowledge of gas detection, UV detection, and emergency shutdown system (theory, operation and maintenance). Must have working knowledge of pneumatic and electronic engine/compressor control panels, plant process pumps, compressors, heating and cooling equipment. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must be able to work under a rotating workweek schedule, including an on-call schedule and be available for overtime and weekend duty as needed. Must live within a 50 mile radius of the Bonadad area office. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the Red Cedar vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

## Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Visit our website at [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com) to view job openings and apply online.

Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137

TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome

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.

### \*Player Development Manager (Full-time)

Closing date 4/1/16

Operations and administrative duties of the Sky Ute Casino Player Development Center. The Player Development Manager (PDM) plans and administers the staffing requirements and schedules of the Player Development Staff and Player Hosts. Completes weekly and monthly departmental reports, as well as assists the Director of Marketing in forecasting and completion of budgets. Ensures compliance with the Casino's policies and procedures and applicable Gaming regulations. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have High School Diploma/equivalency required; Bachelor's Degree preferred. Must have a minimum of 2 years experience as a Supervisor or Resort Host and/or equivalent combination of 5 years progressive gaming experience. Previous Casino host or club (player tracking program) experience. Must be able to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

have 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in poker.

### \*Security Officer (Full-time)

Closing date 4/8/16

Safeguarding the assets of the Sky Ute Casino Resort and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This position ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. Responsible for guest and employee safety on property. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have 2 years minimum experience in law enforcement, security or related field. Must acquire First Aid/CPR training within the first year of employment.

### \*User Support/Database Administrator (Full-time)

Closing date 4/4/16

Provides database and systems maintenance and support for the various database systems in use at Sky Ute Casino Resort. Supports all systems on Casino property. Provides support for the departments as necessary in a 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year operation. Bachelor's degree in Computer Science or related field and 3 years experience in DBMS (Database Management Systems) or systems development, or equivalent experience. Preferably the experience will be in a client/server environment. Must have knowledge and experience in working with and supporting accounting 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.

*\*Must be 21 years of age*

## Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs](http://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.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact information on file. 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.

### Certified Pharmacy Technician

Closing date 4/4/16

Works under the supervision of a pharmacist and provides technical support of the pharmacy department at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Family Practice Physician

Open until filled

Providing comprehensive medical services and primary care with special emphasis in family medicine to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC).

### Contracts & Grants Manager

Closing date 4/7/16

Ensures compliance with the terms of Southern Ute Indian Tribe contracts and grants with State and Federal Regulations. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/annual.

### Nurse Practitioner (2 positions)

Open until Filled

Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Supervisory Physician.

### Referral Coordinator Health Services

Closing date 4/7/16

Maintains ongoing tracking of patient referrals for in-house/out sourced services, ensure that referrals are addressed in a timely manner, keep physicians updated with accurate documentation in system, sets up appointment, maintains insurance authorization, ensures complete and accurate registration, demographics and current patient insurance. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Teacher Trainee-TERO Intern

Open until filled

Under the direction of the Southern Ute Dept. Education Teachers, assist the Education Staff in the teaching and tutoring responsibilities for K-12 Tribal students attending the Ignacio Public Schools. Provide the TERO employee with direct teaching experience through student contact in the public schools and in after school tutoring programs, opportunities to participate with professional teaching staff in the public schools and within the SUIT Education Dept. and other experiences relative to a career in the teaching field. Temporary position, not to exceed 6 months or 24 hours per week. Starts at \$12.09/hour.

### Boys & Girls Club Program Aide (Part-time)

Open until filled

Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Tribal Health Department Director

Open until Filled

Professional executive management position with overall responsibility for the health services system and supervision of a variety of health related programs operated by the Southern Ute Tribe, which provides health services or health related services. Leadership for the design, implementation and effective operation of the health system in coordination with the Tribal Council, the Executive Officer, the Member Health Benefits Committee or any other similar advisory group, and the department leaders who at any time may have information or programs that interface with the health services system. Provides leadership and general supervision to divisions within the Department ensuring compliance with policies and procedures. Provides information and support on health services and the health status of the Tribal members to the Tribal Council.

### Criminal Investigator

Open until filled

Investigates alleged or suspected violations of criminal law that occur within the criminal jurisdiction of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Compiles reports, collects evidence and witness statements, and prepares cases for presentation in Tribal or Federal Court. Pay grade 22; \$29.75/hour.

### Dentist

Open until filled

Providing administrative, clinical, health promotion and disease prevention, and educational services for the Dental Division. Organizes and supervises the work of the dental program to ensure that effective dental services are provided and quality standards are met.

## Southern Ute Tribal Member Only

### Cultural Media Tech (Temp)

Closing date 4/17/16

Creating audio and video documentation of language and culture teaching and activities, creating language and culture learning technological tools, editing the material, and copying and archiving the material. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

### Maintenance Laborer

Closing date 4/8/16

Performs lawn service and garden plots at their primary residence for Tribal Elders or physically disabled individuals who reside within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

## SUCAP – Job announcements

Southern Ute Community Action Program

Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-4517 • Fax: 970-563-4504

Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices • [www.sucap.org](http://www.sucap.org)

### Multisystemic Therapist (MST)

Closing date 4/13/16

SUCAP Peaceful Spirit. Minimum Requirements: MA in Psych, Social Work, Counseling or related subject(s) plus two years experience in field study. Provide own vehicle, willing to travel. Share holders meetings in Pagosa Springs. Precise record keeping skills a must. Training provided in MST model. For info on MST go to [www.mstservices.com](http://www.mstservices.com).

## In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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### NOTICE OF PROBATE

In the Estate Of,  
**Leroy Weaver, Deceased**  
Case No.: 2016-PR-0015

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 May 2, 2016 at 4 PM. 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 25th of March, 2016  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

In the Estate Of,  
**Nathan Luther Cloud, Deceased**  
Case No.: 2016-PR-0032

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 May 3, 2016 at 2 PM. 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 28th of March, 2016  
Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

### LEGAL NOTICE TO NELSON NARANJO:

Take notice that the SUIT Division of Social Services has filed a petition in dependency and neglect naming you as a respondent, in the case of *In the Interest of L. N. and D. V.*, 16 DN 09 (SUIT Tribal Court). You are hereby notified that a hearing is set in this matter on **TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016, at 3:00 P.M.** in the Southern Ute Tribal Court, 149 C.R. 517, Ignacio, CO 81137, (970) 563-0240, which you are expected to attend. Termination of the parent-child relationship is possible if the petition alleging that a child is dependent or neglected is proven. You may contact the Tribal Court to obtain copies of documents filed in this case.

Dated this 3rd day of March 2016.  
Peg Rogers

Attorney for the SUIT Division of Social Services, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137, 970-563-0100

## CEDAR POINT HOUSING LOGO

Logo Submissions Have The Following Requirements

- Final Submission Shall Be No Larger Than 8.5" x 11"
- Medium & Format (i.e. Photoshop vs. Pastel) Is At The Artist's Discretion
- Must Contain The Words "Cedar Point Housing Initiative"
- Submissions Are Due April 7th, 2016
- Any Questions Should Be Directed To Vince Mirabal @ (970) 563-4710
- Tribal Members Only Please

**The Winning Artist Will Be Paid \$500 For Their Submission!**

Please Submit Artwork To Housing Office Located At South Parking Lot Of The Old Casino 15168 Hwy 172, Ignacio, CO 81137

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**Discount for Southern Ute Tribal members.**

Maintenance for your home – inside and out. Power-raking, aeration, lawn mowing and lawn care. Yard cleanup and mowing of weeds. Fence installation and repair. Landscape design and installation. Paver patios and walkways and small retaining walls. Deck installation and repair.

## Winter Guard competes in N.M.



Tessa Harrmann (left) and Issac Suina of the High School age group for the La Plata County Winter guard worked hard and took the 1st place for the "Independent Category."



Dewayne (DJ) Hendren and the Jr. Cadet group performed a Native American piece at Manzano High School 2016 Winter guard Competition.



Sommer Cloud performer with her Mini Cadet Group at the 2016 Manzano High School Winter guard Competition in Albuquerque, N.M. Saturday March 26, 2016

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other Ute Tribe's Executive Directors, "To talk about the services, as it's been far too long. We need a date so at the next meeting we can have something we can pass."

Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost also said he would like to see the Executive Directors to meet between now and the next [Tri-Ute] meeting slated to take place in Towaoc in June, to work out specifics in regards to services that can be provided.

"We have an outline now that we can utilize as a starting point, that a budget can be created by each tribe," Frost said.

Temporary employment also was discussed. Small said they utilize grant money for any Federally recognized member can utilize services such as food distribution, and adult work programs.

Plentyholes, stated in regards to employment a Ute Mountain Ute is first preference, spouses, and members of the Northern and Southern Ute and direct descendants have preference.

Southern Ute Councilwoman Amy Barry mentioned that the tribe passed a mandate stating, "you will hire tribal members for temporary positions that are not key positions, or do not require professional certification."

"This is something that can be addressed through our TERO code, how our preference can evolve to meet the needs our sister tribes," Barry said.

Frost offered that request of notices of information from other Ute tribes can be made through The Southern Ute Drum newspaper, and KSUT Tribal Radio. Plentyholes said notices can be sent through their Weenuche media center, and Smalls added that tribal news from other tribes can be sent through the audio/visual department of the Northern Ute tribe.

### SCSYAC

The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council (SCSYAC) made a presentation of the background, mission of SCSYAC and various events they had attended this past year. The youth council spoke of Sunshine Cloud Smith and her achievements that resulted in her name being used for the youth council.

Three new members were recently sworn into the youth council, Secretary Allisiana Baker, Christina Herrera and D'vondra Garcia. The Tri-Ute meeting was their first formal meeting for the new members.

The youth council were well received by the Tri-Ute council members, and those in attendance, giving praise and admiration for their accomplishments and what they plan to do in the future as a youth council.

Alden Naranjo, thanked them for choosing his great-aunt's name on behalf of the Box family. For who she was and what she stood for.

### Ute Museum

History Colorado gave a presentation of the new expansion project on the Ute Museum in Montrose, Colo. History Colorado has a new board of trustees, helping get financial in line, with a budget, searching for new executive director, Deputy Director, Steve Turner.

In 2013 the state allocated \$2.4 million to support renovation of the museum.

The museum closed in August 2015, and a ground-

breaking was held in December 2015, and construction began. The museum is currently under construction, and exhibits planned. For those interested in what the museum will look like when completed the History Colorado Center in Denver has a mock layout of what the museum will look like.

Construction will continue from May through December 2016, and the gift shop will be opened in November. From January through May 2017 the museum will begin installing exhibits, with the hopes of exhibits being opened in June 2017.

The museum also requested financial support from the Ute tribes \$75,000 as a combined request of the three tribes, for permanent exhibition galleries of the three tribes. Additional financial support has also been requested from the City of Montrose, various foundations and private contributors to the expansion of the museum.

Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs, Ernest House Jr. offered support, "We think it's a great step forward as the National Museum of American Indian is supported by the three Ute Tribes, this museum will be highlighted and as impactful as the museum is to the D.C. area," House said.

Alden Naranjo commended History Colorado and all those who have worked on this project.

"This dream is coming to the point we can say, 'this is our museum,' it will depict our life and history, of who we are and our accomplishments," Naranjo said.

### ADDITIONAL UPDATES

#### Southern Ute:

- Tax Exemption is still being sought for Southern Ute tribal members in the town of Ignacio.

- A skate park and additional youth services are in the works through a youth initiative.

- A transition agreement between the tribe and the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum is currently being worked on.

#### Ute Mountain Ute:

- The Language Committee is currently working on a dictionary, utilizing recordings.

- Currently building 10 housing units for tribal members.

- Meth use has become an issue, and now testing for meth-use in house will result in a zero-tolerance eviction.

#### Northern Ute:

- The new Justice Center will be opening after seven years of planning and construction.

### CCIA

The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting was held in the History Colorado Center, on March 25. Lt. Governor Joseph Garcia, who will be ending his term in April, chaired the meeting.

### Updates

Updates from the two Ute tribes were given. Southern Ute Tribal Chairman spoke of the Super Fund being sought after the Gold King Mine spill into the Animas River.

Frost also spoke of the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum collections and exhibits being inventoried as part of the transition agreement between the museum and the tribe.

Ute Mountain Ute Vice-chairwoman Juanita Plentyholes spoke of the Brunot Agreement and also an advocacy protocol for funding to provide more services to their tribal members.

'Films by Youths Inside' is getting recognition for their short-film "Escape," as the crew is invited to a film festival in Los Angeles.

CCIA is encouraging the town of Ignacio to work with the Southern Ute Tribe on recognizing the sales tax exemption for tribal members.

### Garcia steps down

The soon to be Lt. Governor of Colorado, Donna Lynne, a Kaiser Permanente executive was selected by Gov. John Hickenlooper to be his next lieutenant governor – Lynne was introduced to the CCIA committee.

Lynne, 62, currently is executive vice president of the Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, and group president responsible for Kaiser's Colorado, Pacific Northwest and Hawaii regions.

Lynn spoke of her new venture, "It's an honor to serve in government, elected we make big sacrifices, as we do the right thing for our citizens," she said. "I am looking forward to the next quarterly meeting."

Garcia will step down to become president of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, helping to guide colleges and universities in 16 states.

Garcia was given a custom designed Pendleton blanket from the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, and a hand drum, featuring the new CCIA logo, was given to Garcia on behalf of the Southern Ute Tribe. An honor song was sung by Southern Ute Councilman Tyson Thompson before handing the drum to Garcia.

### Mascots

CCIA's Executive Director Ernest House Jr. and tribal representatives have had countless, successful and respectful meetings with Colorado towns who have school mascots deemed racist to Native Americans. The Governor's Commission to Study American Indian Representations in Public Schools (CSAIRPS) most recently met with Eaton High School in Eaton, Colo. The open forum included local administration, faculty, students and community members.

The legislative process has begun as the CSAIRPS finishes work on the study. The report is due to the Senate by April 15, the study will include an overview in a final report to include recommendations to the Colorado Senate.

'Once a savage, always a savage' was expressed upon by Ute Mountain Ute Vice-chairwoman, Juanita Plentyholes "those who are not native do not know the impact of these statements," Plentyholes said.

The need to continue to engage with these communities to educate and share Native American concerns towards these mascots needs to be addressed.

"We need to provide the proper, correct information about educating these students," said Plentyholes.

House Bill 16-1135, was discussed which expresses concerns to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day, which is supported by the Ute Tribes, has been assigned to the House for comment.

## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Friday, April 1



Sunny 54°F

Saturday, April 2



Sunny 58°F

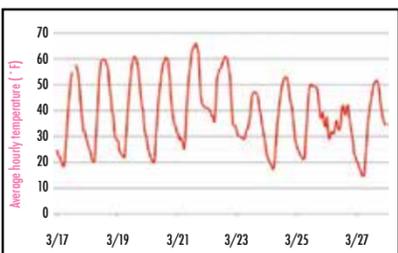
Sunday, April 3



Sunny 61°F

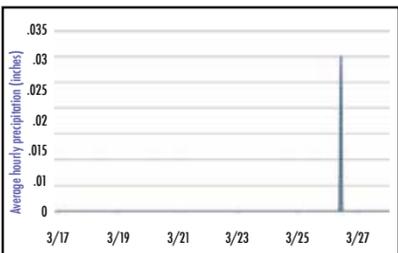


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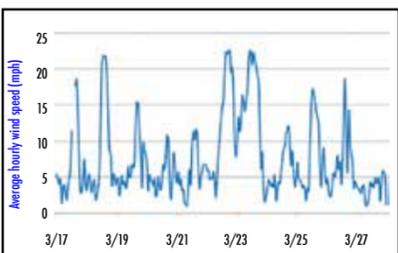
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High	65.8°
Low	14.5°
Average	38.7°
Average last year	45.7°

High (3/1 – 3/14)	64.6°
Low (3/1 – 3/14)	17.1°



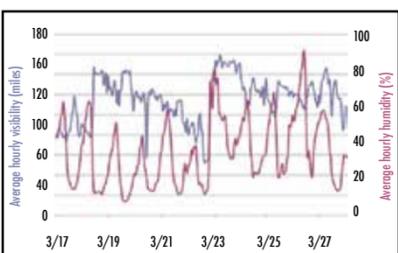
Precipitation	
Total	0.030"
Total last year	0.050"

Total (3/1 – 3/14)	0.010"
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Wind speed	
Average	7.6
Minimum	1.0
Maximum	22.6

Avg. (3/1 – 3/14)	5.3
Min. (3/1 – 3/14)	1.0
Max. (3/1 – 3/14)	19.6



Visibility & humidity	
Average visibility	115.5
Average humidity	35.3%

Air quality	
Good	
Air quality descriptor: 47	