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## Meet the Candidates Night

October 28, 2016 from 6 – 9 p.m. at Sky Ute Casino Resort in the Vida Peabody Room

### STANDING ROCK

## Utes stand with Standing Rock

By Damon Toledo

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

In recognition of the controversial North Dakota access pipeline development on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, Southern Ute Indian tribal members and community members gathered on Sunday, Sept. 25 for an awareness walk sponsored by Daisy Bluestar and “Daughters of the Red Road”. With approximately 50 participants, the walk was led from Sun-Ute Community Center to Scott’s Pond, where Hanley Frost gave a blessing.

“We are here in honor of our brothers and sisters in the North,” stated Frost. “We are all part of that water. Everything we see beyond here, the trees, birds, animals, we all come from it. We sing these songs for the spirits and



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Raymond Frost Sr. (left) stands with Daisy Bluestar (center) and tribal elder Cynthia Buckskin (right), as he talks about the sacredness of water.

to bless the people up North. We fight for that water because it is sacred to us.”

Protests on the Bakken pipeline have been a heated debate since development began near Cannonball, North Dakota in the summer of 2016. The pipeline would stretch 1,134 miles

(1825 km) through four states, and would carry 470,000 barrels of crude oil a day, allowing rail constraints to ease.

However, concerns from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and several Sioux

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### TRIBAL AFFAIRS

## Southern Ute and U.S. reach settlement in Breach of Trust case

Staff report  
SOUTHERN UTE  
INDIAN TRIBE

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the United States have reached a settlement in the Tribe’s breach of trust case, which has been ongoing since 2013, when the Tribe joined nine other tribes in suing the United States for failing to provide an accounting of tribal trust accounts and for mismanaging trust assets and non-monetary trust resources. A major breakthrough in the case came when President Obama’s Administration engaged in government-to-government negotiated settlements of the tribes’ claims. The Tribe settled its claim for \$126 million. Attorneys from the Native American Rights Fund,

who have brought other similar cases, represented the tribes.

“The Tribe is pleased that the United States has taken accountability for its past actions in breaking the promises it made to tribes,” said Tribal Council in a prepared statement. “Southern Ute has long suffered the effects of the United States’ inability and unwillingness to stand behind its trust responsibility. This settlement will help the Tribe repair the damage that has occurred as a result of this neglect.”

The federal government has held funds and assets in trust accounts for tribes since at least 1820, and presently purports to hold over \$2.4 billion in approximately 3,000 trust

accounts for over 250 tribes. As the trustee for tribal trust accounts, the United States has a fiduciary duty to provide complete and accurate accountings of funds. The tribes’ complaint alleged that the defendants had not complied with its fiduciary duties. This fact was well established, as even the United States General Accountability Office noted the “countless audit reports and internal studies [that] have detailed a litany of problems in BIA’s control and oversight of [Indian trust] accounts.” The Obama Administration inherited lawsuits by over 100 tribes claiming historical mismanagement of trust funds and assets, and dozens of tribes have reached settlement.

### CCIA

## Tribe hosts Colo. Commission of Indian Affairs meeting

By Robert L. Ortiz

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Housing needs by both, Ute Mountain and Southern Ute tribes hold equal responsibility for both tribes, for its tribal members. Education and health care were also topics of discussion at the quarterly Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) meeting held in Ignacio, Colo. on Friday, Sept. 23 at the Southern Ute Museum and Culture Center (SUMACC).

In an update from CCIA Executive Director, Ernest House Jr., testimony was given at the Colorado Housing Board Meeting earlier this year in July, regarding the Ute Mountain Ute Housing Authority. A 10-unit housing project will focus on homeless populations, as well as Social Services support in Towaco.

Southern Ute Councilman Alex S. Cloud also talked about the Southern Ute Housing initiative. The Tribe is researching cost and working to have a budget set to move forward. Hoping by spring to expand the Tribe’s current housing.

“We need to focus on reducing homelessness in Indian Country, as there is a great need for housing,” Ernest House Jr. Executive Director of Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs said.

Ute Mountain Ute Chairman, Manuel Heart also commented about funding for housing, stating that the houses will be placed by fairgrounds.

“With reauthorization of tribal funds, we can get manufactured homes from Albuquerque,” Heart said.

Healthcare and education were also topics of discussion.

Ute Mountain Ute Vice Chairwoman, Juanita Plentyholes stated the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe is looking at



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Donna Lynn, Lieutenant Governor and Chairwoman of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs listens intently with CCIA Executive Director Ernest House Jr. during a meeting in Ignacio, on Friday, Sept. 23.

budgets.

“We are looking at our needs in our community, how do we invest? We need an improvement in health services,” Plentyholes said.

Colo. Dept. of Human Services, Chantelle Hanschu addressed youth substance abuse.

“We can help and work with the tribes with these services, as well as services for elders, including programming. We are looking at ways to amp up their services and provide assistance,” she said.

In a study provided by Crestina Martinez, from the Department of Health Care Policy & Procedure, the reporting period from April 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016 was presented to CCIA.

Of the total 22,136 clients enrolled in Medicaid, 5,763 clients did not seek any type health care, 26% of clients, while 74% utilized funding in fiscal year 2015-2016.

In the state of Colorado, \$97.6 million in total expenditures for American Indian/Alaskan Natives enrolled in Medicaid. Of that \$12.4 million in total expenditures in Montezuma County and \$4.4 million in La Plata County.

“Our next step is policing, staffing and identify-

ing needs – identify clients on our lists. IHS clinics to develop referrals to health care services and reinvest those funds for Native Americans,” Martinez said.

Cloud also stated that the tribe switched their health insurance carrier for the Southern Ute tribal membership, as third party billing was not being paid.

Southern Ute Treasurer, James M. Olguin reported the tribe received an invitation to an oversight hearing in Sante Fe, for self-determination in Energy Development on Wednesday, Oct. 5.

“We always strived for self determination. We filed suit for high dollar fracking and we are still in that process to get that approved,” Olguin said.

Olguin also spoke of the relationship between the tribe and the Town of Ignacio.

“We are still having conversations about the sales tax issue,” he said.

Olguin also talked about the tribe hiring a fourth in-house attorney.

“Training these individuals to become our in-house attorneys – this is the only program among Indian tribes to have an attorney training program like this,

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### SOFTBALL

## Local teams place in Native American World Series

By Trennie Collins  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

For most athletes the need to compete is something that sticks with them for long after high school and college sports come to end. Locally, adult men, women and coed softball teams are known to take competition seriously, playing in top-notch tournaments and winning, a lot of the times.

So it came as no surprise to hear that two local Native softball teams, UNC and D12, would be making their way up to Salt Lake City, Utah to compete in the Native American World Series Softball Tournament September 23-25.

A number of other Native American, Men’s, Women’s and Co-ed teams went to Salt Lake with the same mission: “bring home the top prize”. However, the tournament so many were looking forward to was delayed two days due to weather and field conditions.

Overcoming the delays and agreeing to play shortened game times, UNC and D12 – both teams with players from Ute tribes – took to the still wet and muddy fields on Sunday, September 25, to fiercely battle teams from other tribal nations. Some teams opted to drop out at the last minute leaving the men’s tournament with only 14 teams.

UNC easily won the first three games. Losing



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

RC Lucero (10) slides into 2nd base ending up safe against 4 Peaks. UNC ended up losing this game in time limit.

game number four to Team 4 Peaks. Trying to climb their way back to the championship game they played hard, but came up short to the Sioux Nation with a final score being 27-15. However, UNC did end up placing 3rd.

“Attitudes were great and we played as a team,” pitcher for UNC, RC Lucero said. “Proud of the heart that everyone played with ... the biggest challenge was playing against the clock with a shortened time limit.”

D12 started out a bit

slower, losing the first game, but battling back to win the next three. However, D12 ended up losing to Sioux Nation and placing 4th overall.

It’s hard to say what could’ve been for the two teams if they were able to play the full weekend but regardless, both teams played hard and finished what they started.

Congratulations to both UNC and D12.

See more Native American World Series photos on page 12.



## TRIBAL ELDERS

# Elders discuss settlement

Damon Toledo

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A group of Southern Ute tribal elders gathered on Wednesday, Sept. 28 to discuss what could be done with the \$126 million settlement the tribe received from the tribe's breach of trust case. The Tribe joined nine other tribes in suing the United States for failing to provide an accounting of tribal trust accounts and for mismanaging trust assets and non-monetary trust resources. Tribal members have been sent a letter regarding the case and the settlement.

Tribal elder Arlene Millich made the suggestion of investing into career services for the youth who graduate high school.

"We need to think about the younger generation and help them get jobs, because a lot of them aren't even working," Millich stated. "My grandma used to make me pull weeds in her garden. She made me go all along that garden front to back, weeding and planting. Our younger generation nowadays refuses to work."

Tribal elder Phyllis Escalante also weighed in on the subject of career services.

"I see a lot of kids who are not graduating, that's why we have elders concerned about these kids finding jobs," she stated. "Most choose to live off the Tribe monthly rather than establish themselves. What are we raising? There's no push for work or discipline on our youth. They have to find the answers/choices in their lives and do it for themselves."

Tribal elder Lynda Grove D'Wolf expressed deep concern in government leadership, both federal and tribal.

"Come election time, we really need to take a look at who our candidates are," she stated. "We need to elect people that are competent and can read financial contracts. I've been going around the reservation gathering signatures, because I know a lot of tribal members that are very upset with the leadership. We need stronger leaders who can ensure us that none of this mismanaging will never happen again, because it's our mon-



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Tribal elder Judy Lansing speaks her opinion about the breach of trust settlement awarded to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe the Multi-Purpose Facility, Wednesday Sept. 28.

ey, and it belongs to us." The group discussed the letter sent to tribal members outlining the settlement in greater detail.

"Nobody other than our community will know how to use this money effectively," stated Kevin Frost. "This letter we received needs to have more of a community driven response. Tribal members need to be involved so they know where our money is going. When I look at us on the reservation in comparison to the rest of the world, it feels like we're still in the 1970s."

A majority of the attending elders came to a consensus that the settlement money should be invested in other resources, rather than the Southern Ute Growth Fund.

"This settlement doesn't go to the Growth Fund, it goes to the individuals," said tribal elder Erwin Taylor. "Don't let the non-natives divide us, and don't be afraid to stand up for what you believe in. Have faith in these young educators and these younger folks who are running for council."

"We deserve a share of the cake," added Lynda Grove D'Wolf. "I think half of the settlement money should go back to our membership, and the other half should be invested in some other type of entity, not the Growth Fund. The Growth Fund wouldn't even have jobs for their employees if it weren't for us. This run-away train really has to stop - it's getting ridiculous."

Tribal elder Pearl Casias also showed displeasure in awarding the Growth Fund part of the settlement, suggesting to use the investments in revitalizing the

Ute language program.

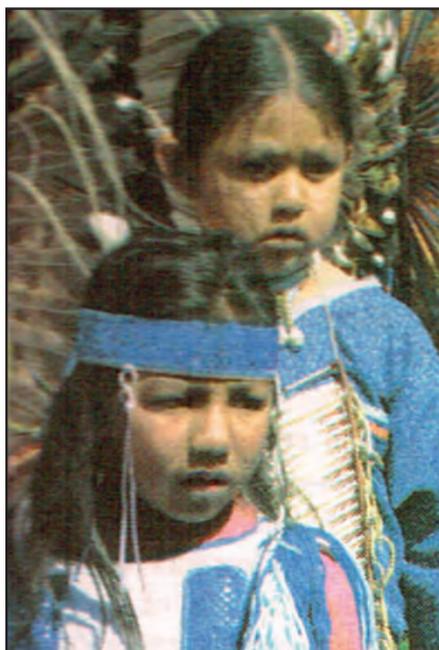
"I think the money should go into a full blown Ute language education program through our cultural center, since it's still a major commodity for us as Southern Utes," Casias declared. "It's the Growth Fund who has kept us from making inadequate investments. So much money has been lost these past couple of years by the Growth Fund's leadership. It is up to Tribal Council to make sure that doesn't happen again in the future. We need to confront our Tribal Council and tell them to do a better job and to stay dedicated in providing for our membership."

Tribal elder Judy Lansing added her own suggestions.

"I'd like to see half of the settlement go to the elders, and the other half go towards juvenile services to help our youth with education, and for those who feel like they are having trouble in this world. Since the Growth Fund didn't invest well enough to where the tribal members have continuous income coming in, I think they should have no more bonuses from here, and that the management committee should also be released of their duties as they were responsible for overlooking the finances for the tribal membership. The management committee should have understood how the Growth Fund was managing the tribal members' investments."

"My thoughts are to look at what we have and utilize our culture," stated elder Marjorie Borst. "We need more communication with our people, and to know and understand the legalities of everything we get into."

## Many Moons Ago



Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

### 10 years ago

Carlos Whiteman and AJ Berry check out the drum groups at the Council Tree Powwow.

This photo first appeared in the Sept. 29, 2006, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Roberta Cook/SU Drum archive

### 20 years ago

Eldred and Rueben Vigil show off their six point bull elk. The bull was taken down by Eldred at the break of dawn on September 18 in Sheep Canyon on Mesa Mountain.

This photo first appeared in the Sept. 27, 1996, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

### 30 years ago

Miss Southern Ute Cheryl Frost and Miss NCAI Karmelita Plains Bull.

This photo first appeared in the Oct. 3, 1986, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

### SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE GENERAL ELECTION

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2016**  
Sun Ute Community Center • 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Candidates for Tribal Council Seats  
Notice – Vote for (2) Two

- Estelle Monte
- Matthew James Box
- Adam Red
- Joycelyn Peabody Dutchie
- Shane Seibel
- Howard D. Richards, Sr.
- Marjorie Borst
- Byron Frost
- Kevin R. Frost
- Tara Vigil
- Melvin J. Baker

NOTICE: THE CANDIDATE(S) RECEIVING THE MAJORITY NUMBER OF VOTES SHALL BE ELECTED

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- Polls open at 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Sun Ute Community Center.
- Voting is by secret ballot.
- Voting by proxy is not allowed.
- Person(s) waiting in line at 7:00 p.m. will be allowed to vote.
- Official Voter Registration Deadline – Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016 by 5 p.m.
- Absentee Ballot Request Deadline – Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016 by 5 p.m.
- Emergency Absentee Deadline – Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016 by 5 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns, phone 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305.  
Off-Reservation Tribal members please phone 1-800-772-1236 ext. 2303.  
Email is [election@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:election@southernute-nsn.gov) Direct Line 970-563-4789.  
The Election Board is open Monday through Friday at 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE 2016 GENERAL ELECTION

### TWO (2) COUNCIL MEMBER SEATS

The Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2016 General Election according to the Constitution and Election Code.

- **General Election:** Friday, Nov. 4, 2016 – 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.
- **Notice Of Election:** Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016
- **Voter Registration Deadline:** Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016, by 5 P.M.
- **Absentee Ballot Request Deadline:** Wednesday Oct. 26, 2016, by 5 P.M.
- **Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline:** Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016, by 5 P.M.

THE 2016 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT SUN UTE COMMUNITY CENTER

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## Rockin' Rockledge



photos Krista Richards/Special to the Drum

Little head boy dancer and tribal youth, Aeden Richards walked in during grand entry on Saturday, Sept. 24 in Colorado Springs, Colo. Jr. Miss Southern Ute Alexandra Roubideaux was also in attendance.



Southern Ute Veterans Association carry in the colors for the Rockledge Powwow, left to right: carrying the Southern Ute Tribal Flag, Austin Box; Southern Ute Veterans flag Rudley Weaver; POW-MIA flag, Commander Howard D. Richards Sr.



Straight dancer and tribal member Hunter Frost dance during the grand entry for the Rockledge Powwow.



photos Krista Richards/Special to the Drum

Members from Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute Tribes came together to sing and have fun during the Rockledge Powwow.

## HISTORY COLORADO

# Nat'l Science Foundation awards \$2.2 million to History Colorado

*For collaborative project on Ute Indian traditional scientific knowledge*

**Staff report**  
**HISTORY COLORADO**

History Colorado has been awarded a \$2.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Advancing Informal STEM Learning program. The project explores the integration of Native American knowledge with Western science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

"Congratulations to History Colorado on receiving recognition from the National Science Foundation," said Gov. John Hickenlooper. "History Colorado is really leading the way in innovative methods to collaborate with the tribes, and this grant offers a terrific opportunity for teachers, students and the tribes to collaborate."

The five-year grant will engage 128,000 STEM learners, educators, and experts across Colorado and Utah in key activities: 1) cutting-edge archaeological and ethnobotanical field work, 2) interactive exhibits and videos, 3) public programs for families and adults, 4) statewide K12 education outreach programs, digital badges,

and teacher training, and 5) findings for museums, tribes, and scientists.

Ute STEM expands on established, successful collaborations between History Colorado, the three Ute Tribes, and scientist partners. Representatives of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, the Southern Ute Tribe, and the Ute Indian Tribe, Uintah and Ouray Reservation will participate in and advise on all aspects of the project. The Dominguez Archaeological Group and ethnobotanist Kelly Kindscher, of University of Kansas, bring extensive experience in collaborating with Traditional Ecological Knowledge experts.

Ute STEM programs are designed to provide rural residents with increased engagement with relevant STEM experiences and opportunities to develop 21st century skills. Key audiences include Ute youth and elders at the three Ute reservations, as well as K12 students, families, and adults in over 20 Colorado and Utah counties. The project will foster partnerships with History Colorado community museums, tribal education departments, state agencies and local school

districts, libraries, museums, and environmental education organizations.

"This project offers a unique approach to interpretation of Ute history by focusing on science and acknowledging Ute use of science in conjunction with traditional knowledge," said Ernest House Jr., Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. "The field work may interest some Ute youth in pursuing careers in science and in learning more about their own culture."

Ute STEM will highlight Ute peoples' systematic knowledge of plant use, engineering of wood shelters, mathematical patterns in beadwork, and sound amplification for music and dance. Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) is the knowledge, innovations and practices of indigenous peoples, developed from experience and passed down over the centuries. Projects like Ute STEM are advancing these TEK and western STEM fields as complementary and valuable approaches to scientific understanding. History Colorado will provide an innovative collaboration model for history museums, tribes, and scientists.

## CULTURAL UPDATE

### Ute Language

Ute Language Classes by Lynda D'Wolf will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center Museum (SUCCM) Library Room every Thursday, from 5 to 7 pm. Refreshments will be served. (\*\*All classes dates may be changed or canceled).

- \*\*Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27
- \*\*Nov. 3, 10, 17

### 101 Ute Language Classes

Ute Language Classes will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small Classroom every Monday, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served. (\*\*All classes dates may be changed or canceled)

- \*\*Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
- \*\*Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28

### Tribal Membership Classes

Classes will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) in the Craft Room, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. Class is Limited to the first (20) participants who sign up. Early sign up is recommended that we can plan for class materials.

- Oct. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24: Beaded Infant Moccasin
- Oct. 25, 27: Make up class/Beaded Infant Moccasin
- Nov. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22: Beginning Loom Beadwork
- Nov. 28, 29: Make up class/Beginning Loom Beadwork

## Activating the UN Declaration of Indigenous Rights

Join us for an evening with Dean James Anaya and distinguished panelists as we celebrate **Indigenous Confluence Week, Oct. 4-14, 2016**

**Saturday, October 8, 2016**

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Denver, CO 80202

4:00 p.m.- Art, music, community sharing and gathering

6:30 p.m.- Symposium Reception

7:00 p.m.- Symposium: *Activating the UN Declaration of Indigenous Rights*



Dean James Anaya is the Dean of CU Law School and has taught and written extensively on international human rights and issues concerning Indigenous peoples. He served as the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples from May 2008 to June 2014.

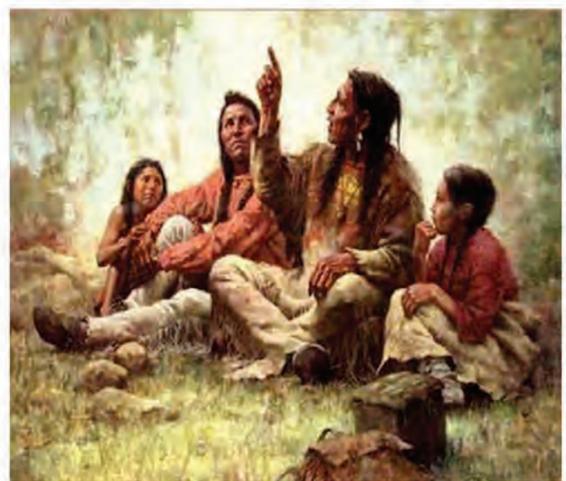
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## TRIBAL HEALTH

### Is this an emergency?

By Paige Kapp  
SU HEALTH CENTER

Where should you go for health care? Knowing your options is the first place to begin.

Generally, there are four types of places to seek care, and the best choice will depend on the situation. Keep in mind that it is always okay to call ahead and ask if your situation can be handled at the location that you choose.

- **Option #1 is Primary Care**, like that provided at the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC). This is designed to address all of your chronic or long-standing problems. Please schedule an appointment with your primary care provider for concerns with high blood pressure, diabetes, arthritis, as well as preventive or maintenance healthcare like immunizations, and check-ups. They can also take care of you when you are sick with cough & cold, stomach upset, cuts, and sprains. Please call the clinic to schedule a same-day appointment for any of these problems. The Southern Ute Health Center has regular business hours Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is closed for lunch daily 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. The clinic is closed from 12 p.m.-5 p.m. the first Thursday of each

month. A telephone on-call service for problems or concerns after hours is available for patients by calling 563-4581. This type of care is the most affordable.

- **Option #2 is Urgent Care**, like that provided at Durango Urgent Care or Animas Urgent Care. These places generally have longer hours, and are a good option for sick visits (cough & cold, stomach upset, cuts, and sprains) after hours or on the weekend. Urgent care centers are more expensive than seeing a primary care provider, but may offer more convenient night and weekend hours for sick visits.
- **Option #3 is Emergency Room**. These services should be reserved for emergencies, like broken bones, car accidents, new weakness or numbness in arms or face, or new chest pain. If an ambulance is called, they will take you to the emergency room best suited for your situation. This is the most expensive level of care, often costing hundreds of dollars to treat simple conditions, which may have been taken care of by your primary care provider.
- **Option #4 is Specialist Care**. This refers to the care provided by a medical specialist for complicated cases. These

services are usually organized or coordinated by a primary care provider if they think that the health condition should be evaluated or managed by a doctor who specializes in treating that problem. Some examples would be seeing a gastroenterologist for liver disease, an endocrinologist for diabetes that is especially difficult to manage, a cardiologist after a heart attack, as well as many other conditions and specialist types. It will be important to contact your primary care provider and your insurance company before seeing a specialist to be sure that these services are covered by your plan.

It is always a good idea to contact your primary care provider after getting care outside of that office to be sure that your medical record is complete and that your provider has the complete picture of your health. Getting health care from multiple places can lead to confusion, and keep you from getting the best care possible.

Any concerns that are not emergent are best dealt with at your Primary Care Provider's office (SUHC). Remember that dependent on insurance, services outside of SUHC may or may not be covered.

Send questions or comments to pkapp@southernute-nsn.gov.

## Tribal Movement Incentive

August winners



18 years and up  
Susan Reeves



Third grade - high school  
Derek Sage

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## Dental Clinics Hours Of Operation

Dental Clinic, open Mon. - Thur., 7:15 a.m. - 5 p.m., lunch from 12 - 1 p.m.  
Fridays the clinic is open 7:15 a.m. - 4 p.m., lunch from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Dr. Brian Talley, pediatric dentist, will be in the clinic on Oct 5, 6, 24, 25. Kids playing sports and in need of mouth guards, the dental clinic can make those for them. Parents need to call and make an appointment! Our clinic number is 970-563-4719.

- Remember to brush your teeth twice a day with cavity protection toothpaste for two minutes, brush the fronts, backs and tops of teeth, plus the top of the tongue. Soft bristle toothbrush is best and will not wear out the gums around the teeth.
- Remember to floss once a day to remove plaque and food particles from between the teeth and below the gum line. Brushing alone can miss up to 30% of the tooth surface. A plastic - handled flosser can make it easier for kids to floss
- Rinse twice a day for 30 seconds to kill bad breath germs and protect against plaque and gingivitis (gum disease). Show your child how to rinse properly and spit the rinse out in the sink. Children can also use a fluoride rinse to help strengthen teeth and prevent cavities. Always read and follow the directions for the mouth rinse that you use.

## IT'S ALMOST FLU SEASON

Adult\* Flu Vaccines are available at the Southern Ute Health Center for registered patients of the clinic.

Walk-in Flu Clinics will be available  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday  
8:30-11:30 and 1:30-4:30 and Thursday 8:30-11:30.

You can also receive a flu vaccine during a scheduled appointment.

\*Children's vaccines are expected to arrive mid-October



## MONDAY LUNCH SALE

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY  
OCT. 3, 17 & 24, 2016

Come and enjoy a nice lunch with family and friends.

### MENU

Brisket on Fry bread with Green Chile  
Indian Tacos - Green Chile Stew - Frito Pie - Fry bread - Chile Beans - Meat Pies - Pop

Special- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>-Green Chili Chicken  
Enchilada Casserole, 17<sup>th</sup>- Fry bread Burger  
24<sup>th</sup> - Beef and Potato stew

We will be open during the yard sale on Oct. 8

FOR MORE INFO: ELISE REDD 970-779-8149

## Ignacio Senior Center

Calendar of events

970-563-4561

Serving congregate meals every Tuesday and Thursday for a donation of \$4, and free lunches on Wednesday, meal includes salad bar.



4	5	6	UPCOMING EVENTS
Tortilla Burger Smothered w/Green Chili Pinto Beans Fruited Jell-O	Spaghetti and Meatballs Italian Veggies Garlic Bread Plums	Harvest Stew Green Bean Salad Corn Bread Caramel Apple Pie	Pizza w/Julie Westendorff 10.3 Lunch in Arboles 10.6 Birthday Social 10.6 SUCAP's 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary 10.7 Senior Center CLOSED 10.10 Halloween Craft Day 10.11 Blood Pressure Checks 10.12 Flu Shots w/Rite Aid 10.13 Movies in Durango 10.18 Academy Kids for Lunch 10.19 Lunch in Arboles 10.20 Flu Shots in Arboles 10.20 Shopping in Farmington 10.21 Lunch at Lone Spur DGO 10.24 Blood Pressure Checks 10.26 Costume Contest 10.26 Dessert Social 10.27 Trick or Treating 10.31
11 Pork Chops Stuffing Spinach Whole Wheat Roll Applesauce	12 Frito Pie w/Beef, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes Spanish Rice Carrot Sticks Pears	13 Roast Beef w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes California Blend Veggies Whole Wheat Roll Mixed Fruit	
18 Soft Beef Tacos Salsa Corn Confiti Rice Plums	19 Ham Scalloped Potatoes Mixed Veggies Whole Wheat Roll Fruit Salad	20 Chicken Fried Steak Creamy Country Gravy Mashed Potatoes Spinach Jell-O/Pineapple	
25 Italian Sausage Pasta Brussel Sprouts Bread Sticks Baked Apples w/Cinnamon	26 Combination Burrito w/Green Chili Tomato, Lettuce and Pinto Beans Brown Cilantro Lime Rice	27 Hamburger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Spinach Whole Wheat Roll Pears	

Elderly and disabled individuals who are not able to cook meals for themselves are eligible for Meals on Wheels, we provide meals every day of the week to be delivered to your home. Call the Senior Center for more information.

Elderly and disabled, if you are in need of a transport for doctor appointments, grocery shopping, or errands, call the Senior Center for a ride. Transports are only in the afternoon due to meals On Wheels deliveries.

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**SUPD**

## Coffee with a Cop on Oct. 7

**Staff report**  
**SU POLICE DEPT.**

On Friday, Oct. 7, officers from S.U.P.D. and Tribal Rangers and community members will come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee.

All community members are invited to attend. The event begins at 7:30 a.m. on Oct. 7 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort's Willows Cafe. Please contact Don Folsom with questions 970-563-0246.

Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in Tribal neighborhoods.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies, or emotional situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building with the community, and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street. Coffee with a Cop

breaks down barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

"We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers," said Chief of Police Raymond Coriz. "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships."

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers, rangers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

## Students get H2O fit



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

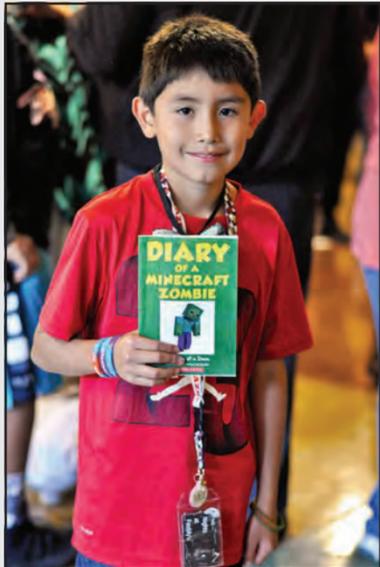
Students learn how to exercise in the pool with help of SunUte's water exercise instructor, Claudette Casaus.

## Academy hosts Literacy Night



photos Krista Richards/Special to the Drum

Teachers act out the story, "Momma Do You Love Me?" during the Literacy Night held by the Southern Ute Academy on Sept. 21, 2016.



Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy guide Patricia Hauschild welcomes family and coworkers to SUIMA's Literacy Night on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at the Academy dining hall.

Davian Richards poses with his book that he won during the cake walk.



Students go under a "noodle rainbow" in water exercise class held at SunUte pool on Sept. 28.

Terena Hight does a back frog kick with the noodle, while trying to beat her classmates at SUIMA's last water exercise class on Sept. 28.

### The Great Pumpkin Patch Train Ride

**WHEN: October 22, 2015 at 10:00 AM**  
 First come, first serve (limited space available)  
 Registration deadline is Friday, October 14th at 5pm

**FREE to Southern Ute Tribal Member Families**

TRIBAL MEMBERS: Sign up your IMMEDIATE family at SunUte Front Desk  
 NO registrations over the phone

Note: This field trip is targeted to children between 2-12 years old

Live Entertainment  
 Hay Wagon Rides  
 Happy Hopper Corral  
 Corn Pool

Bouncy Ghost Castle  
 Pumpkin Carving artist  
 Trick or treating  
 Costume contest

These tickets are purchased in advance so if you RSVP but do not attend, you will be held responsible for the full cost of the ticket (Valued at \$45).



**BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS. ONE CUP AT A TIME.**

Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation.

 Friday October 7, 2016	 Willows Cafe Sky Ute Casino	 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM
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The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve.

By removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

THIS EVENT IS PRESENTED BY THE:  
 Southern Ute Police  
 Southern Ute Rangers



QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:  
 Further Information  
 Call 970-563-0246

coffeewithacop.com

## You're invited to the

# "Annual Back to School Family BBQ"

**Who: Southern Ute Tribal Students & families**

**Ignacio, Bayfield, & Durango School District Staff and their families**

**Where: Multi-Purpose Facility**

**When: Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016 Time: 5:30 to 7:30pm**

**DOOR PRIZES**

**GIFT BAGS: For everyone**



### Drum Coverage

Call The Southern Ute Drum at 970-563-0118 if you know of an event that needs Drum coverage. Advance notice is greatly appreciated.



courtesy West Water Authority

## WATER AUTHORITY

# Phase 0 Update - Raw Water Line Project

Staff report

LA PLATA WEST WATER PROJECT

Let's celebrate! Phase 0, the Raw Water Line Project, will be under construction by the time you read this! The LPWWA Board of Directors recently approved contracts for the construction with local contractor, Canyon Construction. The contractor will be laying the pipe and infrastructure, and Richard Phillips Marina Co. will put screens on the intake structure portal. Construction will move from the intake structure on Lake Nighthorse to CR 210, paralleling the existing gas line easement to CR 141 and then along CR 141 to CR 125 then up to and ending at Lake Durango for treatment of the raw water. This is the first step in getting treated water out to the Phase 1 area west of Blue Hill.

On Sept. 14, 2016, LPWWA held the Ground-breaking Ceremony for the commencement of Phase 0 at the Tribute Garden Overlook by Lake Nighthorse. LPWWA, the lead agency, hosted eight entities that have supported the project with their contributions of time and money. The eight entities, including LPWWA, are shown in the shovel line-up below as follows: (left to right) Lake Durango Water Authority – Ward Holmes, La Plata West Water Authority – Mardi Gebhardt, Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe – Chairman

Manuel Heart, Southwest Water Conservation District – Laura Spann, Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Chairman Clement Frost, Animas La Plata Water Conservancy District – Gene Bradley, La Plata Water Conservation District – Brice Lee, Colorado Water Resources & Power Development Authority – Bob Wolff, Colorado Water Conservation Board – Kirk Russell.

LPWWA celebrated with 52 people related to the project. Speeches from all major entities were given with emphasis on the huge amount of joint cooperation between the groups to make this happen. Check out our website, [www.lpwwa.org](http://www.lpwwa.org), for more details of the event and some great pictures! Construction of Phase 0 is expected to be completed by Aug. 2017.

Please note that the Durango Herald article, dated September 15, 2016, failed to report the significance and purpose of the ground-breaking ceremony. It was a significant milestone for our side of the county in that the purpose of this project is to secure the treated water for the rest of the distribution system out to the far western side of La Plata County for our future phases.



### Phase 1 Update

Phase 1 is moving right along too! We have submitted our application with USDA for a loan to complete this phase of the project. We expect to hear back from USDA in late September, and we expect to get a letter of conditions that will list items we must accomplish before the loan to build the system is finalized. This is normal in the process to have things to complete in order to move forward. Most of the time they are very minor items that are normally required in construction projects. We, at this point, do not expect any major issues. If all goes as planned, we will be going out to bid for a construction contractor for Phase 1 in the Spring of 2017. We do know, at this time, that the USDA engineers have approved the Phase 1 design portion of the application.

### YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP FOR PHASE 1

Now that this project is on its way, can you still get into Phase 1? YES, you can! Tap fees cost \$10,000 right now. The more households that sign up, the less it will cost for everyone for the monthly charges. For more information on how to sign up and to see if you are eligible please call 970-403-5790. Applications can be found on our website at [www.lpwwa.org](http://www.lpwwa.org).

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# Come and provide your ideas to continue growing a vibrant community

By Jody Rosier  
TRIBAL PLANNER

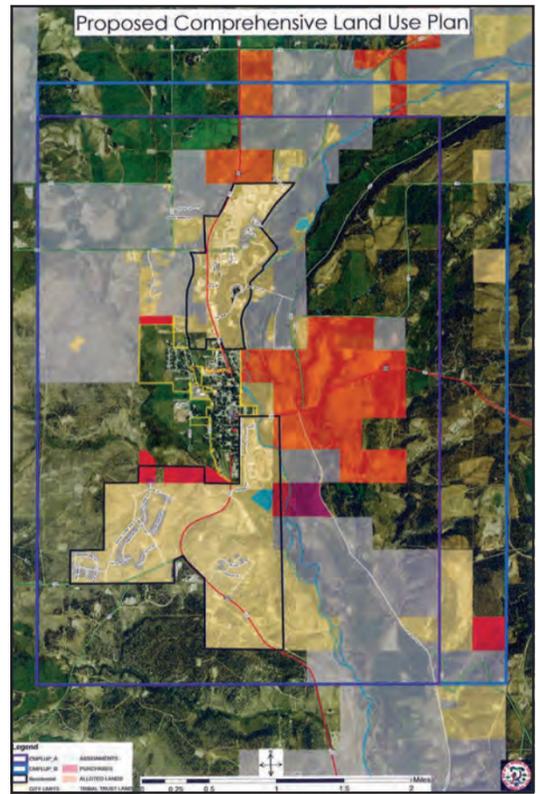
Elders, Tribal members, youth, staff and others are invited to provide input on how the community can continue to grow into a vibrant region. Everyone is invited to provide their ideas to the Southern Ute Tribe's Comprehensive Planning Process at the first set of meetings. To provide your ideas, please come to the Museum Large Classroom for Lunch from 12 to 3 on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016.

Amaktoolik Studios have been hired to assist in this process for an 18-square mile area which includes the Tribal campus and adjoining lands. Please see the attached map. The last planning effort took place in 2005 and I'm sure everyone has some GREAT ideas on what you would like to see in our region.

Amaktoolik is very familiar with this region since they assisted in the design of the new schools, Three Springs, and the Ignacio Master Plan. They have worked with Tribes throughout the Country and understand the needs of the Tribe for Economic Development, Jobs and designing a livable community.

southernute-nsn.gov or call 970-563-4749 for the specific topics and locations.

Elders, Tribal members and youth play a major role in our future and I hope to see everyone at one of the meetings or emailing me with your ideas! Thank you for your input!



### Attention Tribal Membership

Construction Services Division would like to remind everyone to plug in your Heaters at your pump house and heat tape your water lines to prevent any freeze-up on your home this winter. Please contact us at 970-563-0260 if you need assistance.

## Department of Natural Resources

# Bi-Annual Open House

## October 5th Multi-Purpose Facility 10:00 - 1:30

**Tribal Members** ☺

**Fall Is Here!**  
**Let's Talk Shop & Order Your Produce!**

*Lunch is on Us Door Prizes Too*

**Let's Get Together!** DNR Staff would like to hear what YOU have to say. Division Representatives will be available.

**We can discuss programs, ways to improve things & new ideas to better the Department.**

DNR Divisions (Agriculture, Lands, Forestry, Wildlife, Range, Water Resources & GIS) will be on site to discuss their available programs plus La Plata West Water Authority & ALP Association.

**Things will happen --- When we work together** **See You on the 5th!**



### Attention Southern Ute Tribal Members:

#### Salmon Give-away at Lake Nighthorse – November 2016

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and Animas-La Plata Association have agreed to allow Colorado Parks & Wildlife's (CPW) kokanee salmon spawning and subsequent fish giveaways at Lake Nighthorse this year. This spawning operation is important for fisheries within the Southwest Region and across Colorado.

CPW wants to let the Southern Ute Tribe know about the spawning/fish giveaways, and to invite Southern Ute Tribal members to share in this fish resource. Fish giveaways are scheduled from 2:00-4:00 pm on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> and tentatively on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Fish will be donated at the boat ramp at Lake Nighthorse. CPW will require Colorado anglers to show a fishing license. Southern Ute Tribal members will NOT be required to have a Colorado fishing license, however a Tribal census card or Tribal Brunot Area fishing permit will be needed. CPW encourages people to bring a small cooler or another container for the donated fish.



#### Directions to Lake Nighthorse

To get to the boat ramp at Lake Nighthorse, go west on La Plata County Road 210 behind the Office Depot shopping center to the top of the hill. CPW staff will be at the entrance to check licenses and direct traffic. Because of traffic concerns, people are asked not to arrive at the gate before 2:00pm. The giveaways should be completed by 4:00pm.

Southern Ute Tribal Member  
AG Division Fall Produce  
October 2016

Pick Up Date 10/14/16  
Final Pick Up Date 10/21/16

Final Order Date 10/07/16 970-563-0220

Cash or Check---Sorry No Credit Cards

**Beans: Adobe Milling in Dove Creek**

<b>Pinto</b>	<b>Anasazi</b>
2# --- \$2.00	1# --- \$1.50
4# --- \$3.50	4# --- \$5.00
10# --- \$8.00	10# --- \$11.00
20# --- \$15.00	20# --- \$20.00
50# --- \$32.00	50# --- \$50.00

**Potatoes: Farm Fresh in Monte Vista**

<b>Red Potatoes</b>	<b>Yellow Potatoes</b>	<b>Russet Potatoes</b>
5# --- \$1.50	5# --- \$1.50	5# --- \$1.00
10# --- \$2.50		10# --- \$1.75
50# --- \$12.00	50# --- \$14.00	50# --- \$8.00
		Bakers 50# Box --- \$12.00

**Flour: Cortez Milling**

<b>Red Rose (Unbleached)</b>	<b>White Rose</b>	<b>Blue Bird</b>
5# --- \$2.25	5# --- \$2.25	5# --- \$2.50
10# --- \$4.00	10# --- \$4.00	10# --- \$4.50
25# --- \$9.25	25# --- \$9.25	20# --- \$7.25
50# --- \$18.00	50# --- \$18.00	50# --- \$18.00

**Blue Corn Meal – Unroasted** **Whole Wheat Flour**

3# --- \$2.25 5# --- \$2.25 & 10# --- \$4.00



# Support for Standing Rock



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Approximately 50 people walk in 'Support For Standing Rock' walk towards Scott's Pond where prayers and songs were offered, on Sunday, Sept. 25. The walk was organized by Daisy BlueStar and the 'Daughters of the Red Road.' A meal was provided after the walk and experiences were shared by those who had been to Standing Rock.

Hanley Frost (left) stands with Raymond Frost as he delivers the opening prayer at Scott's Pond.

## UTES STAND WITH STANDING ROCK • FROM PAGE 1

tribal nations erupted with disagreement. Tribal members stated that the pipeline could threaten their water supply from the Missouri River, as well as destroy numerous native artifacts and burial sites. Now, tribal nations from across North America have come out to stand with Standing Rock, organizing the group "ReZpect Our Water" with hopes of putting a stop to the pipeline.

Tribal elder Raymond Frost commented, "We are here to help the people in Standing Rock. We have to fight for them because we are all together. We must show our support for them. Water is our livelihood. We must keep it purified and clean for future generations."

In early September during the Labor Day weekend, tensions erupted between Native Americans and security workers as the use of attack dogs and pepper spray came into action, resulting in more than 30 arrests. Six protesters were treated for dog bites.

Jake Douglas Skye, an Albuquerque resident, spoke his opinion about the pipeline at Scott's Pond and gave best wishes to the people in the North.

"It's an honor to be here with the Southern Ute people," he said. "It's a beautiful feeling to come together in unity and stand up for Mother Earth. We have only one, and we have to take care of it. We're standing up for our rights as native people. Greed and

money is all it has ever been about. This is supposed to be about our government honoring the treaties that they gave us. Now we're fighting the same fight our ancestors went through many years ago. Nothing has changed, and they answer with violence when we are being peaceful. We learn that violence never solves anything. Instead, we fight through prayer and love from the Creator."

The Standing Rock Indian Reservation is the sixth largest reservation in the U.S. with a population of 8,250 as of the 2000 census. In 2014, President Barack Obama accompanied by Michelle Obama made his first visit to an Indian reservation during the annual Cannon Ball Flag Day Celebration. It was one of the few visits by a sitting American President to an Indian reservation.

"It's sad to see what this has become," stated tribal elder Marjorie Borst who participated in Sunday's event. "Native people are still people, and we need to be recognized. It's important to give back to Mother Earth. This should be a wake up call to people, because it's depressing to hear about what is going on up there."

Tribal member Shelly Thompson described her experience at Standing Rock when she visited the reservation, "What the people in Standing Rock need are blankets and tents, because winter is coming and they won't stand down. This isn't about the pipe-

line; it's about tribal sovereignty. The protest isn't a [Native American] issue; it's a people and life issue. It's about people protecting what is right."

Thompson says she plans to pay another visit to Standing Rock soon, this time with blankets, sleeping bags, tents, and other supplies to aide the protesters.

Kasey Correia, representative of Dancing Spirit, showed admiration for the native protesters.

"We all are one, and water is life. I have friends that are visiting Standing Rock and I pray for them. We can't continue to keep disregarding native people. We need to completely shut down that pipeline. We need to be in harmony with Mother Nature. I think it's great that there is an awakening coming to see the changes unfold."

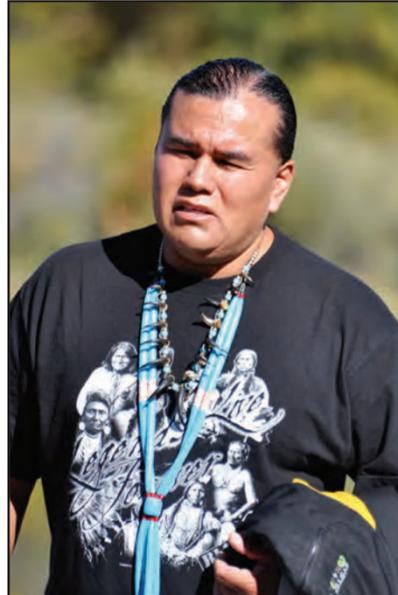
"We need to start paying attention to our Mother Earth, our health, and our heritage," stated Daisy Bluestar, organizer of the Standing Rock walk. "If we don't protect our water now, then it's going to be gone. This generation needs to open their eyes and make a change."

Conrad Thompson commented, "This is a strong message that we must send out. As for our younger generations, they need to step up and voice their opinions. This issue with the water isn't about tribal politics; the issue is that water is life. This is something that can't be pushed under the rug."



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Songs were sung in support of those in Standing Rock. Southern Ute tribal members, and Ignacio community members came together to offer strength and prayers.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Jakey Skye shared his story of being at the Dakota Access Pipeline protest at Standing Rock in North Dakota.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elders, Ula Gregory and Cynthia Buckskin stand with Conrad and Shelly Thompson prior to the walk.

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**Candidate Forum Monday September 19, 6-8 PM**  
Ignacio: Community Library, Community Room, 470 Goddard Ave.

**Candidate Forum Monday October 3, 6-8 PM**  
Durango: City Hall Council Chambers, 949 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

**Candidate Forum Wednesday October 5, 6-8 PM**  
Bayfield: City Hall Board Room, 1199 Bayfield Parkway  
Plus, Bayfield Ballot Issue

**Local Ballot Issues Forum Thursday October 6, 6-8 PM**  
Durango: City Hall Council Chambers, 949 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

**La Plata County Commissioner Candidates**  
District 2: Gwen Lachelt (D) (incumbent), Lyle McNight (R)  
District 3: Kayla Patterson (R), Julie Westendorff (D) (incumbent)

**Colorado House District 59 Candidates**  
J. Paul Brown, (R) (incumbent), Barbara McLachlan (D)

Mail Ballot Election, ballots will be mailed out starting October 17. Register to vote at the County Clerk's Office or on-line at [www.govotecolorado.com](http://www.govotecolorado.com). Please visit the Elections page at [www.co.laplata.co.us](http://www.co.laplata.co.us) for information about Registration, Polling Places, Ballot Drop Boxes, and more.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

SUCAP Executive Director, Eileen Wasserbach looks through an old scrapbook filled with newspaper clippings and photos from SUCAP's early years. SUCAP will celebrate 50 years of providing services to the community on Friday, Oct. 7 at the SUCAP Administration Building.

## SUCAP

# SUCAP to mark 50 years with celebration

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

On Friday, Oct. 7 the Southern Ute Community Action Program, Inc. (SUCAP) will be celebrating 50 years of serving the families of Ignacio and southwest Colorado.

SUCAP has been continuously dedicated to providing programs and services to all community members for the past 50 years since it was created by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on October 10, 1966. SUCAP then received its non-profit status as an independent entity in 1967.

"[Since the beginning] SUCAP has been available to meet community needs," SUCAP Executive Director Eileen Wasserbach said.

She expressed appreciation for tribal and Ignacio community members for their allegiance and commitment to SUCAP's mission to "empower community members of all ages to recognize and reach their full potential by providing select programs

and services in order to create better communities."

Over the years SUCAP has backed numerous programs aimed at supporting all community members. Wasserbach told of some of the early programs including the Head Start program, providing man power jobs, and providing a program to address alcoholism in the community.

Today SUCAP is organized into six program divisions: Southern Ute Montessori Head Start and Early Head Start, Peaceful Spirit Substance Abuse Treatment Center, Ignacio Senior Center, The Training Advantage, Youth Services Division, and the Road Runner Transit.

Although programs come and go, Wasserbach envisions another 50 years of growth and success for SUCAP and the community.

The public is invited to celebrate the community-wide milestone with SUCAP from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 7 at the SUCAP Central Administration.

## WILDLIFE

# Bison: Meat, products and cookbook

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Bison meat is becoming more and more popular around the country and the same is holding true here on the Southern Ute Reservation. According to the National Bison Association, sales of bison have grown 22 percent over the past five years. Luckily for Southern Ute tribal members, bison meat is made available to the membership free of charge.

Since the program began distributing meat in 2010 it has provided bison meat to over 400 different tribal members, Steve Whiteman, head of the Division of Wildlife said. The program has been providing a maximum of 10lbs of bison meat per month, per tribal member household, on a first come first serve basis. But now as demand for the naturally raised protein increases the division is having to decrease the 10lb allocation down to 5lbs, Whiteman said.

"Our long-term goal right now is to grow the herd so we can supply the growing demand within the membership for bison meat," Whiteman said.

As of now, Wildlife is completely out of meat until after the next harvest in late November. Tribal members can expect meat to be ready for pickup in December.

The herd size varies throughout the year, with new calves born into the herd each spring and old-



courtesy Jesse Lasater/SU Bison Management

er animals being harvested at various times all year-long. Right now the herd consists of 52 bison; there are 13 cows that are able to reproduce; one herd bull; nine baby calves that were born this season; and the rest are younger female calves that are not quite ready to breed yet, Jesse Lasater Bison herd manager said.

The Bison program has been harvesting between 12-15 animals a year, but in order to keep up with demand Lasater thinks that the harvest size would need to increase to around 20 bison a year.

However, to keep with the long-term vision of increasing the herd the Division of Wildlife will have to cut back on harvest numbers to allow the herd to grow.

According to Lasater, a year-round herd size of 65-70 would be ideal. Which would double the number of bison that were here when Lasater started his job with the tribe last November.

Increasing herd size will come with challenges, Lasater said. One of

the big challenges will be increasing the forage for the animals.

"The most limiting factor right now is getting greater production with the pastures so they can sustain and provide the animals with enough healthy feed to thrive," Lasater said. Whiteman added, "And we need to be careful to avoid a situation like we had in 2002, when the herd of approximately 140 animals was too much for us to sustain with our drought-challenged pastures, and we had to sell-off about 100 bison."

The Division of Wildlife is excited about the growing number of tribal members utilizing the program and hopes the membership continues to do so, Whiteman said. Now, Wildlife is asking for patience and understanding of the limitations as they begin to grow the herd to meet demand.

Tribal members interested in receiving bison meat must go to the Division of Wildlife Office in the Annex Building – Room 125 – to sign for and pick up meat. Whiteman recommends calling the division at 970-563-0130 prior to visiting the office in order to confirm the availability of meat.

## OTHER BISON PRODUCTS

Also as reminder to the membership in addition to meat distribution, the Di-

vision of Wildlife and the Culture Department work in collaboration to provide the tribal membership with additional bison products including: robes, leather, skulls and other parts for cultural uses.

Members that are interested in acquiring such parts need to fill out an application with the Culture Department. The Culture Department then evaluates the merit of the request. Upon approval Culture turns the request over to Wildlife to fulfill the request.

It is important to keep in mind that the turn around time for the requested part varies on each request.

Also, Wildlife does not provide shoulder mounts to the membership. Due to the cost and the short supply shoulder mounts are for sole use of the tribal government.

## GET YOUR BISON COOKBOOK

Another successful collaboration between Culture and Wildlife was the making of the "Southern Ute Buffalo & Other Wild Game Cookbook". The tribe received a grant from the InterTribal Buffalo Council for the cookbook and tribal elder/bison educator Marjorie Borst was in charge of writing and gathering recipes from tribal members for the book.

While with Culture, Borst worked tirelessly on the cookbook, hosting bison tastings and classes where she talked about the nutritional value of bison meat and how to cook the different cuts.

Upon completion of the cookbook, Tribal Council honored Borst for her contribution.

The cookbook is available to all tribal members for free and can be picked up in the Wildlife office in the Annex building.



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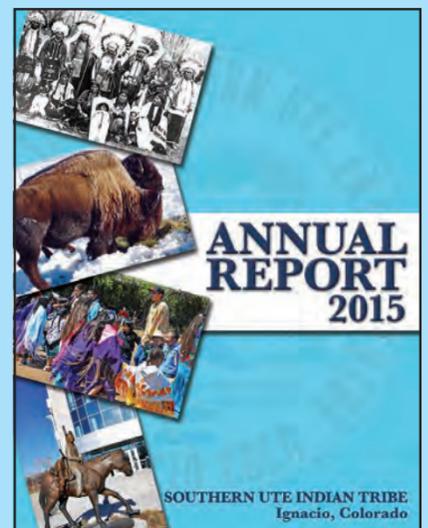
## Tribal Forestry/Fuels Wood deliveries and pick-up

The Tribal Forestry/Fuels Dept. will begin wood deliveries and pick-ups on Oct. 3, 2016. Wood orders are taken Monday thru Thursday of each week and deliveries to Elders and Disabled Tribal Members are on Tuesdays and Thursdays wood pick up will be Mondays and Wednesdays for all other eligible Tribal Members. No wood deliveries will be done on Fridays to allow Crew to restock and clean equipment. Thank you!

## The 2015 Southern Ute Tribe Annual Report is in!

The Southern Ute Tribe's 2015 Annual Report can be downloaded as a PDF file from the Southern Ute Tribe's website, or a physical copy can be picked up from The Southern Ute Drum office, in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

Call the Drum office if you would like a copy mailed to you at 970-563-0118 for more info.



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
Ignacio, Colorado



## VETERANS AFFAIRS

## ‘Stand Down’ slated for Oct. 6

By Richard S. Schleeter  
LA PLATA COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICES

FOUR CORNERS  
VETERANS STAND  
DOWN

The 2016 Four Corners Veterans Stand Down event will be held on Thursday, Oct. 6 at the La Plata County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, in Durango, Colo., from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## What is a Stand Down?

Stand Down is a military term that was used when soldiers returned from combat and needed a safe place to recover and regroup before heading back into battle. They were provided warm meals, showers, and clean uniforms. The first stand down for homeless and at-risk low-income veterans was hosted in 1988 by the Vietnam Veterans of San Diego. Robert Van Keuren was a Vietnam Veteran who saw many homeless veterans and their struggles, and he wanted to help these homeless veterans. He created an event like the military stand downs to offer

hope, direction and support to the many homeless veterans in his community. Many were apprehensive about getting any help, so he created an environment that was safe, encouraging and uplifting.

As a result of his efforts, Stand Downs are held each year across the county to help homeless and at-risk veterans regain their self-esteem and direct them in a positive direction, in a caring way, away from the struggles and hardships they have been carrying around for so long.

Stand downs can last from one to three days. They provide immediate relief and short-term or long-term assistance, depending on the needs of the veteran. The services provided include but are not limited to showers, warm meals, haircuts, drug and alcohol counseling, medical and dental care, employment counseling and referrals, warm clean clothing, help with legal and tax problems, VA benefits counseling and assistance, housing services, and counseling.

The annual Four Corners

Veterans Stand Down is an opportunity for the community to come together to support these men and women who gave their all to protect our way of life, and to show them the resources and support available to them in their communities.

We are seeking volunteers to provide resource tables for the veterans this day. For more information about this event or how you can help, you may contact either Peggy at 970-247-8589 or Jana at 970-749-1673 or email them at standdowndurango@gmail.com. Or visit the web site at [www.standdowndurango.com/](http://www.standdowndurango.com/).

The La Plata County Veterans Service Office is co-located with the Durango VA Clinic at 1970 E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 102, Durango, CO. 81301. For clinic appointments, call 970-247-2214. The Veterans Service Office phone number is 970-759-0117. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday, except holidays, and appointments are encouraged. Call 970-382-6150 to schedule an appointment with the Veterans Service Office.



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Southern Ute veterans Rod Grove and Raymond Baker stand alongside Jack Fox (left) Cabinet Secretary, N.M. Department of Veterans Services and Andrew Welch, Director of Albuquerque Veterans Hospital Friday, Sept. 23 at the Southwest Native American Veterans Association Regional Conference in Albuquerque, N.M.

## VETERANS AFFAIRS

## Native veterans convene in Albuquerque

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Native American veterans from across the southwest came together at the 3rd annual Southwest Native American Veterans Association (SWNAVA) Conference. The conference is held annually to promote the voices, concerns and needs of Native veterans. This year, Southern Ute tribal veterans Raymond Baker, Dr. James Jefferson and Rod Grove represented the tribe at the annual conference. Southern Ute veterans have consistently attend the conference to network, hear updates and voice their own concerns.

The SWNAVA Conference took place on Friday, Sept. 23 at the New Mexico Army National Guard Armory in Albuquerque, N.M. The conference began with a town hall meeting setting – giving veterans a chance to ask questions directly to the VA Regional Office, Albuquerque Veterans Hospital, the New Mexico Department of Indian Affairs and Veterans Services.

Some concerns from veterans brought up included benefits for widows and spouses of Native veterans, training for caretakers of veterans, as well as the need for programs to help homeless Native veterans.

“Look at the veteran first,” Governor of the



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute veterans joined fellow Native Veterans in Albuquerque, N.M. for the Southwest Native American Veterans Association (SWNAVA) Regional Conference Sept. 22-23. Marvin Trujillo Jr. SWNAVA Chairman, talks with Southern Ute veterans James Jefferson and Rod Grove.

Pueblo of Tesuque Rick Vigil said. “Our efforts have to be on building that relationship ... we have to bring our veterans the services that they need.”

Since the theme of the conference did focus on the use of technology for veterans benefits, the breakout sessions were centered on explaining and showing veterans how to sign up for benefits online and how technology is speeding up what used to be long wait times.

Storage buildings blocks long filled with filing cabinets are what use to house claims for veterans’ disability benefits, Cesar Romero of the Albuquerque VA Regional Office told a group of Native veterans.

Now, the Veterans Benefits Administration is utilizing the new National Work Queue, which allows employees around the

country to help other busy regional offices process claims – leading to significantly shorter wait times, explained Romero.

“It’s a big difference; it’s amazing,” Romero said about the reduction in backlog claims due to the use of the National Work Queue.

Though the focus was on the use of technology, veterans also heard from VA directors and staff on employment and business opportunities, home loans, healthcare, and PTSD healing.

The one-day conference proved to be a busy information-filled day. Going forward the SWNAVA is looking at hosting the conference in different states across the southwest. For the association “southwest” includes states from Oklahoma westward to California and Washington.

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**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.

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## 96th Southern Ute Tribal Fair Contest Results

Note: The contest results were omitted from the Sept. 16, 2016 issue of the Drum.

### ALL NATIVE TUG-O-WAR

#### “Wrecking Crew”

Men’s Division – Remaining Champs  
Women’s Division Winner take all: V&D

### BABY CONTEST

#### Best Formal Wear Girls Toddlers (2-3yrs)

- 1st Alessa Herrera
- 2nd Lavinia Thompson
- 3rd Destiny Hayes

#### Best Formal Wear Boys Toddlers (2-3yrs)

- 1st Dietrich Frost
- 2nd Jay Harvey
- 3rd Syre Sanchez

#### Best Western Wear Girls (0-6mo)

- 1st Makylie Rock
- 2nd Sage Velasquez
- 3rd Ava Frost

#### Best Formal Wear Girls (0-6mo)

- 1st Mamakylie Rock
- 2nd Raeisa Richards

#### Best Formal Wear Boys (0-6 mo)

- 1st Lucas Rael

#### Best Native Regalia Girls (0-6mo)

- 1st Ava Frost
- 2nd Zedah Maez
- 3rd Taylor Archuleta

#### Best Native Regalia Boys (0-6mo)

- 1st Madden Weeks

#### Best Native Regalia Girls (7-12mo)

- 1st Jolie Ernest
- 2nd Malia Roubideaux
- 3rd Ezri Richards
- 4th Harley Garcia

#### Best Native Regalia Boys (7-12mo)

- 1st Skysum Manning
- 2nd Amonnie Johnson

#### Best Western Wear Boys (7-12mo)

- 1st Julius Root

#### Best Native Regalia Toddlers Girls (2-3yrs)

- 1st Shayne Roubideaux
- 2nd Olyvia Watts
- 3rd Anilah Hight

#### Best Native Regalia Toddlers Boys (2-3yrs)

- 1st Anthyn Appaww
- 2nd Ivan Joseph
- 3rd Clifton Joseph
- 4th Deitrich Frost

#### Formal Wear Girls (7-12mo)

- 1st Shyla Watts

#### Formal Wear Boys (7-12mo)

- 1st Avreyen Hight

#### Western Wear Toddlers Boys (2-3yrs)

- 1st Deitrich Frost
- 2nd Ryder Henna
- 3rd Sammy Velasquez

### DUCK RACE

- 1st Gina Cosio
- 2nd Bobby Jo Frost
- 3rd Debbie Lucero

### CHILI/SALSA CONTEST

#### Grand Champion: Carol Lorac (Green)

##### Green

- 1st Maria Archuleta
- 2nd Lucy Olguin
- 3rd Wynenna Smith

##### Red

- 1st Shailyn Olguin
- 2nd Corleen Rael
- 3rd Joe Gonzales

##### Salsa

- 1st Tori Archuleta
- 2nd Elizabeth Mirabal
- 3rd Kayla Wing

### FRY BREAD CONTEST

#### 18 years & older

- 1st Leora Lucero
- 2nd Cara Begay
- 3rd Miali Snow Peach
- 4th Paul La Rose
- 5th Carla Snow
- 6th Dakota Pratt

#### 15-17 years

- 1st Ky Begay

### GREASE POLE

#### 12 years & under

- 1st Marissa O’John
- 2nd Izabella Caremoros
- 3rd Darius Richards

#### 12 – 17 years

- 1st Devon Richards
- 2nd Lorenzo Pena
- 3rd Ocean Hunter

#### 18 & older

- 1st Jesse Plentyholes
- 2nd Daniel Rohde
- 3rd Dorian Sheka

#### 5 person team

- 1st “The Climbers”  
Robert Baker  
Lorenzo Pena  
Daniel Rohde  
Fidel Velasquez  
Allison Kardes
- 2nd “Donkey Devils”  
Rena Kyonyee  
Shane Dennison  
Leondro Jackson  
Dorian Skeka  
Johnathan White

## Correction: 2006-2007 royalty



SU Drum archive/Henry Taylor

In the Sept. 16 issue of the Drum a photo of some of the 2006-2007 Southern Ute Royalty was reprinted in the Many Moons Ago section. Not pictured or listed in the photo was Trinity Taylor, 2006-2007 Miss Southern Ute First Alternate, who served as a young ambassador for the tribe along with fellow royalty. Photo above shows all 2006-2007 Southern Ute Royalty, Jalisa Paul MSU, Trinity Taylor MSU first alternate, Jasmyne Howell JMSU, and Serena Fournier LMSU.

### Lawn Service Announcement

With autumn upon us, Lawn Services will begin to move into winter operations and prepare for snow removal. Lawn Services will be available as weather permits throughout the fall. Tribal Elders or disabled Tribal Members can contact the Tribal Housing Department at 970-563-4710 with any questions. The Lawn Services crew will be assisting with fall cleanup. Please be advised that during fall cleanup Lawn Services staff will be focused primarily on fall cleanup duties.

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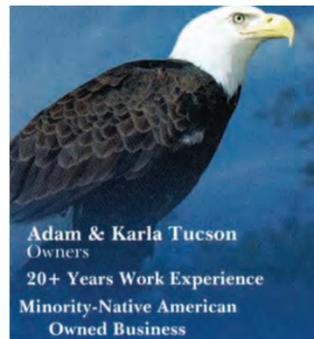
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## IHS FOOTBALL

# Pirates slow Bobcats' passing, win by 18

*IHS prevents shutout with late TD*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Perhaps it was the freakish first-down start – senior Zach Weinreich's apparent completion splitting receiver Timmy Plehinger's hands and ending up in those of opposing defensive back Noah Haarmann – or the frosty weather with the temperature down into the high 30s at the finish.

Whatever the reason, 'it' kept fans assembled at IHS Field for the team's Sept. 23 home-opener from seeing the explosive, opportunistic Bobcats which had mangled Montezuma-Cortez the previous week as 2A Pagosa Springs rolled into town and ultimately out as 25-7 winners.

And after Haarmann's return put the Pirates at the Ignacio 5-yard line, and sophomore Connor Aragon plowed in from a yard on second down – giving the guests a snap 7-0 (Josh Kuenig left-footed through the point-after kick) lead – 'it,' the PSHS strategy, became obvious by when the first quarter's last 10:56 expired:

Keep the ball on the ground, keep Ignacio's pass-based offense off it as long as possible.

Of Pagosa's 14 first-quarter plays, including quarterback Cade Cowan's lost fumble – recovered by, ironically, Plehinger – at IHS' 5 with 5:11 left, 12 were runs. The second quarter began with another before Cowan flung a six-yard TD to Haarmann with 11:04 before halftime.

Following a three-and-out series offensively, the Bobcats got a break when Kuenig missed a 28-yard field goal with 3:56 left, and



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Lorenzo Pena (20) forces his way through 2A Montezuma-Cortez's Jesse Lopez (21) for yardage during the Bobcats' 37-12 road win on Sept. 16. Pena unofficially caught 11 passes for 119 yards and rushed four times for another 27 against the Panthers.

another when junior Marcus Chapman recovered a muffed punt at the PS 44 to prolong a promising drive which unluckily stalled out at the 40 with only 28.9 seconds left before the break.

Taking the second-half kickoff back to the same spot beginning the third quarter, PSHS made sure to get Kuenig another opportunity and the senior drilled a 23-yard FG on the tenth play (eight were runs) of a series which milked 5:03 off the scoreboard clock.

The Cats (2-2 overall) again went three-and-out in reply, with senior Colten Smithson's third punt netting just 20 yards, and the Pirates managed to kill off the frame's last 4:27 before relinquishing possession one play into the fourth quarter as IHS held firm at its 6-yard line.

Smithson, summoned after yet another three-and-out, then traded punts with Pagosa's Ty Kimsey, whose perfect effort netted 40 yards to within inches of the Ignacio goal line – and ultimately yielded a safety when Aragon managed to wrap Weinreich up in the

end zone on third down.

Swiftly salting the Bobcats' wounds, the Pirates then took a short free kick back to the Ignacio 39 with 7:54 left, and five plays (again, all runs) later increased their advantage to 25-0 when Kimsey scored from three yards out just 2:33 later. Plehinger, however, stormed through the visitors' line to emphatically block Kuenig's PAT, keeping hope alive for a positive ending.

Inactive for IHS' 37-12 rout of 2A M-CHS at Panther Stadium, sophomore reserve QB Isaiah Jacket was given the reins for what would be the squad's last series and led the Cats on an impressive 16-play, 79-yard march – finishing it off with a sinking six-yard toss over the middle to Chapman with only 1:23 remaining.

Senior Lorenzo Pena's PAT was true, all but sealing Pagosa Springs' final 18-point margin of victory – their first in 2016 after three defeats, and nine since stopping Ignacio 24-6 last year at Golden Peaks Stadium.

Unofficially Jacket finished 7-of-9 passing for 64 yards and Weinreich 7-19 for 53. Jacket's six carries netted him a team-leading five rushing yards. Junior Kruz Pardo caught four passes for 31 yards, sophomore Lawrence Valdez four for 25, and Chapman two for 20.

Kimsey paced the Pirates with 65 yards on 11 carries; Aragon booked 58 on 18 and Cowan 51 on 12.

"We just really wanted this win," Aragon said. "Worked really hard all week in practice, and we did what we needed. We've still got a lot to work on, but I think we're getting somewhere."

Ignacio will next travel to Monte Vista on Sept. 30 to begin 1A Southern Peaks Conference work, with MVHS coming in to the 7 p.m. kickoff standing just 1-3 overall. Their lone win, however, came at PSHS' expense, 31 to 14. The Bobcats will then host SPC nemesis Dolores on Oct. 7 (7 p.m. start).

## IHS VOLLEYBALL

# Spikers survive, save fifth in Simla

*IHS goes 1-2 at loaded tournament*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Almost twenty full years after her Lady Cubs hoisted high the program's second Class 2A State Championship Gold Ball in a three-year stretch, iconic Simla head coach Sue Snyder proudly presided over the Sept. 24, 2016, SHS Invitational, praising the quality of participating teams far more than quantity.

"This was one tough tournament," she declared, having seen her squad emerge victorious at day's end ... though not in the match they'd hoped to reach. But with three of the meet's six competing crews coming in ranked in the CHSAA Now.com 2A poll's top-ten, and two on the cusp as 'Others Receiving Votes,' Snyder knew first place for any squad would be a hard-earned, postseason-like achievement.

And therein was the appeal to teams driven to drive from distant towns; Weld, Las Animas, Routt, Yuma and La Plata Counties were all represented, and their respective sides eagerly sought to show some early-season State worthiness and get a glimpse of the sort of play demanded inside the Denver Coliseum.

"I honestly think we got into our own heads, because we were slow at first. But it was really exciting to go out there and play a hard team," said Ignacio fresh-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Shoshone Thompson (14) gets up to the net to deny Simla's Kegan Hamacher (4) during the Sept. 24 SHS Invitational.

man Makayla Howell, assessing the Volleys' position. "I think we needed the competition right away because that way we knew what the tournament's going to be about."

"We have a lot of new players on the team, freshmen. Last year we had a lot of seniors," junior Avionne Gomez said, "so it's ... not 'challenging,' but we're learning more things playing these higher 2A ... places far away."

"A lot, honestly," stated

freshman Morgan Herrera. "It was rough."

"Our team's still trying to get that 'bond' together for playing volleyball...trying to build our 'team' up."

Included in Pool 2 with No. 2-ranked Greeley Day-spring Christian Academy and SHS, the Cats – still fueled by an expected, yet still impressive [25-16, 25-21, 25-10] 2A/1A San Juan Basin League sweep of Mancos back home barely

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### SETTING THE TABLE(S)

\*\*\*Standings as of Sept. 26, 2016\*\*\*

#### Volleyball: 2A/1A San Juan Basin League

Team	OVERALL		SJBL Pct.	SETS		W	L
	W	L		W	L		
Nucla	9	1	.900	6	0	27	5
Ridgway	9	1	.900	6	0	27	8
Norwood	5	6	.454	4	2	17	17
<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.454</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>23</b>
Dolores	3	7	.300	2	3	11	20
Telluride	6	5	.545	2	4	19	15
Ouray	1	6	.143	0	3	5	19
Dove Creek	4	4	.500	0	4	15	13
Mancos	1	9	.100	0	6	3	24

#### Football: 1A Southern Peaks Conference

Team	OVERALL		Pct.	SPC		SCORING US/THEM
	W	L		W	L	
Dolores	3	1	.750	0	0	118/60
<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101/89</b>
Center	2	2	.500	0	0	92/151
Centauri	2	2	.500	0	0	72/64
Monte Vista	1	3	.250	0	0	81/118
John Mall	1	3	.250	0	0	32/74

– compiled by Joel Priest

## IHS JV and C team action



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Larissa Gallegos (7) scrambles to save a ball near the net during C-team action versus Dolores inside HIS Gymnasium on Sept. 15. The 'Cats defeated the Lady Bears 25-18, 25-17 in the best-of-three, but after defeating Ridgway 25-22 and 25-16 on the road two days later were without opposition in Nucla on the 20th and at home on the 22nd versus Mancos.

Ignacio's Reyna Cruz (28) goes on the offensive during C-team action Sept. 15 versus Dolores inside IHS Gymnasium. The 'Cats defeated the Lady Bears 25-18, 25-17 in the best-of-three, but after defeating Ridgway 25-22 and 25-16 on the road two days later were without opposition in Nucla on the 20th and at home on the 22nd versus Mancos.

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## NA World Series in Salt Lake



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D12 pitcher, Evan Frost, watches the player at first base as he goes back to the mound.



D12 3rd baseman, Harvey Frost makes a stunning play as he throws the ball from the ground ultimately getting an out on 2nd base.

Orion Watts keeps his eye on the ball, as he gets ready to swing for the fence at the Native American World Series Softball Tournament held in Salt Lake City, UT.

## End of Summer champs



Kevin Winkler/SunUte

"The Slackers" took the championship in SunUte's End of Summer Co-ed Softball League.

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36 hours earlier – managed to take one game and almost a second from Simla and destructive junior Jeroldawn Rector before losing the 9a.m. clash 16-25, 25-23, 29-31, 12-25.

"After we shut her down it was a lot easier to get her," said Herrera, who paired with Howell for a Rector-rejecting block which echoed louder than most and had heads turning viciously to see who'd survived the attempted slam. "Me and (Howell) are really good at communicating with each other."

"We got a lot of confidence," Gomez added of IHS' Game 2 win and Game 3 near-miss in the two 'RV' teams' rumble. "One of their players hit really good, we blocked her, and it was ... kind of fun!"

There was noticeably less of that in the contest against DCA immediately following the loss to SHS, but Ignacio still managed to please head coach Thad Cano by pressuring the height-blessed Lady Eagles often in a 15-25, 15-25, 20-25 loss.

In Game 1 the 'Cats had actually led 3-0 and rallied to tie at 6-6, in Game 2 IHS led at 2-0 and 4-2 and also came as close as 16-14 on senior Kelly Campbell's piercing spike through Dayspring's vaunted front of juniors Katie Kurz and Megan Roberts, and senior Makayla Bell.

"They were definitely a similar team, just a little bit bigger than Simla was," said Howell. "They had a lot of good hitters, they were big, but we kept up with them. We did what we do best – we played our own game – and we can beat them, I think, if we really wanted to."

"We got intimidated and I think we just stuck with that for a long time," Herrera concurred.

Finally granted a break

to properly refuel and rehydrate while DCA swept SHS in another relatively close match, Ignacio took full advantage to rest up before facing Oak Creek Soroco – which had appeared upset-capable in a three-game loss to #5-ranked Hoehne, but less so in a three-gamer against No. 9 Wray – for fifth place.

Both teams looked to relish playing against less 'vertical' resistance, but with Campbell benched after taking a clonk to the head in the Dayspring match, the Lady Rams were quick to capitalize. Racing out to an 8-1 lead, Soroco led almost wire-to-wire and took Game 1 25-14 with a Charlee Veilleux ace.

Game 2 saw the teams trade almost evenly before IHS went up 13-12 and led by as many as seven points, 21-14, before SHS pulled even at 24 on an ace by libero Cassie Constine and then stole the game when Ignacio's Shoshone Thompson hit long and Constine then placed a perfect free ball onto vacant flooring.

"I think the break killed us. We just got tired and lazy, and we came in playing lazy and tired," lamented Howell. "And then we started playing our game; we started doing what we do best and picked it up. We started killing the ball...one pass at a time to one set at a time to one kill at a time."

"Dayspring Christian and Simla...we just wanted to finish and go home with a win," Gomez said. "We just focused on going home...because we were all really tired."

Two Gomez aces gave the 'Cats a 10-7 upper hand in Game 3, and SHS skipper Jeannie Jo Logan was fairly irate in the huddle after calling timeout following an Ignacio kill by senior Alex Forsythe and a trademark Thompson ace – putting IHS up 15-10.

"Don't give 'em this game!" she shouted, loud enough for all to hear even while the third-place test between Simla and Wray was getting underway on the adjacent court. But the Lady Rams couldn't respond; Thompson notched another ace, Herrera backed it up with a kill, and the Volleys would win 25-18 via consecutive aces from specialist Ryley Webb.

Soroco did manage a 4-1 lead in Game 4, but Ignacio countered and after moving ahead at 6-5, built up a three-point lead five times before SHS tied at 13-13. But Forsythe downed a kill and then fired an ace, sparking a crippling 9-0 burst from which their tiring enemy couldn't recover, and IHS would win 25-21 – forcing a Game 5 – when Lady Ram Danielle Villa netted an attack.

Incredibly, just when it seemed SHS had little left, Soroco worked for a 6-3 advantage in the tiebreaker, and led 7-4 before committing a double-contact violation which would trigger a devastating 10-0 Ignacio run with Gomez holding serve. Logan burned both her allotted timeouts trying to slow the roll, but to no avail; Forsythe soon put down a tip shot for a 15-8 win and 3-2 triumph.

"In the fifth ... well, we wanted to go home," admitted Howell. "But we didn't want to go home losing to a team we know we could beat."

Preparing for an Oct. 1 visit from Norwood (5-6, 4-2 SJBL as of 9/27), the 'Cats improved to 5-6 overall (still 4-3 SJBL) while the Lady Rams dipped to 6-6. Simla would defeat WHS 22-25, 25-19, 26-24, 25-21 to save third and improve to 8-3 while dropping Wray to 5-3. And in the championship, DCA (11-0) mowed HHS (10-2) down in three – 25-19, 25-12 and a resounding 25-9.

## BOBCAT SPORTS



As we enter the 2015-2016 Ignacio High School seasons, look for full Bobcat coverage, including boxscores and additional photos, at the Southern Ute Drum's website, [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com)

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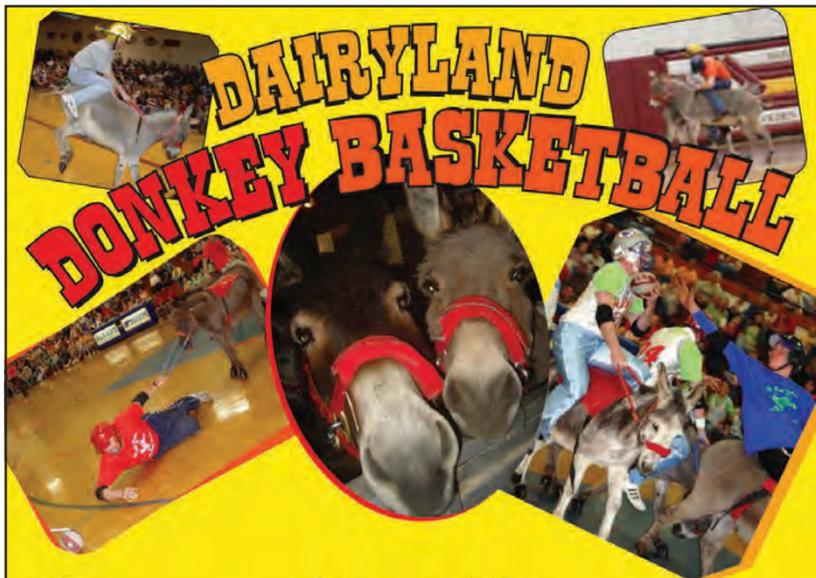
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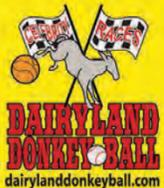
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## COMMUNITY GREETINGS



### Happy 25th birthday

I would like to wish my son Jared a very happy big 25th birthday on Sept. 17. I love you! You have become a wonderful son, brother, father and husband. Watching you achieve your goals and taking on so much in your life makes me proud. Have a wonderful day.



### Happy birthday brother!

You are a great brother.

Love,  
Allsianna



### Happy 1st Birthday

Malia Jordy Roubideaux "Autumn Rose" "Sugar Pea" on October 2016. My oh my Beautiful Granddaughter, is One Year Old and this Grandmother has been blessed with another special child to brighten my day. I have been thankful for the opportunities I get to spend time with you and have seen you grow since the day you were brought home from the hospital. I humbly ask the Creator to watch over you each and everyday and continues to ensure that you are taken care of. Just always remember this "Grammy" will always Love You and is thankful for your father, Seth and mother, Heather for bringing you into this world. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, "Sugar Pea"!

## STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

### ♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS LIBRA! VENUS your bright and beautiful planet shines brilliantly in the night sky. It's a Celestial reminder to voice your opinions in a fair and balanced manner. MARS and PLUTO are in close contact on the 19th. Be considerate with Parents, and Elders. This is not the time to pick a fight over family issues. VENUS in a money zone until the 18th encourages favorable financial matters. Your sign is currently being supported by the SUN, MERCURY, and VENUS. All you need to do is be your naturally charming self.

### ♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

OCTOBER is launched on a high note with VENUS in your sign until the 18th. People are drawn to you like a magnet. But your first instinct is to keep a lid on your personal affairs. With the SUN, MERCURY, and JUPITER hiding out in a secretive section this month, your privacy is assured. After the 18th VENUS shifts into carefree SAGITTARIUS, and the area of finances. You may feel inclined to go out and spend some of that loot you've been hanging on to.

### ♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

JUPITER (your sign ruler) has gone off to charm school. Don't worry Saggies, it won't have you practicing to walk with some books balanced on your head. But it will improve your social life. Working with others to achieve a common goal may be a new rewarding venture. Power struggles might arise on the 7th when the SUN and PLUTO move into disagreement mode. There may also be discord on the 13th when swift moving MERCURY takes a stand against MARS. Hold your temper Sagittarius.

### ♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

The SUN, MERCURY, and JUPITER have settled themselves in the highest point of your chart and are currently shining their light on the professional section of your Horoscope. It's not every day that an opportunity comes along to expand your goals. There's always expansion when JUPITER is involved, and the results are likely to be impressive. On the 22nd the SUN will roll into the sign of SCORPIO and the focal point will center on more of your hopes and wishes. Pace yourself, and rest when you can.

### ♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

The most influential energy at work in your chart this month is the power group of the SUN, MERCURY, and MARS. They are certain to peak your interest in learning something new. Other AQUARIANS might be seeking foreign adventures. Meeting new people, and making new friends are the very staples of your main purpose in life. Count on the "RINGED WONDER" (SATURN) to encourage more of that while it moves through friendship area of your Solar Chart.

### ♓ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

It's always good to know what your ruling planet is doing. Especially when visiting its own sign. In your case, the planet NEPTUNE will be pretty busy this month. The 1st is a magical day and may have you dreaming about creating a special treat for yourself. A movie, a Day Spa, the Hot Springs, a visit with a friend, relative, or sibling. Your choices are numerous PISCES people. On the 11th MARS connects with NEPTUNE and gives you the perfect opportunity to clear the air of issues. Let go of the old baggage.

### ♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

Yes ARIES ... there will be a FULL MOON in your sign on the 15th. It puts the emphasis on relationships. As you may know most all partnerships, marriages, and other close alliances are built on teamwork, cooperation, and compromise. Those are the building blocks of good solid connections. Fortunately this month you have allies at work in your chart. Their influence might be felt on the 4th, 14th, and 26th. Don't strain your brain RAMS, the answers you need may surface on the above dates. Pay attention.

### ♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

There are always challenges in life. Sometimes large, at times small, but inevitably they bring some type of change. What most of us don't believe is that change equals growth. We have to keep growing, and hopefully keep learning. Planetary emphasis in a section related to your ideas and opinions, reflect the opportunity to rethink some old fixed mind sets, and maybe adopt some fresh viewpoints. The SUN, and MERCURY in LIBRA now encourage fair-minded solutions. Be flexible TAURUS.

### ♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

Finally GEMINI...a playful month arrives and the SUN, MERCURY, AND JUPITER will clear the way for more pleasurable laden activities. No doubt one of your favorites will be putting together HALLOWEEN costumes for the kids. Your creative talents are always put to good use as you create cute imaginative, playful looks. Work related matters are given a Celestial Green Light until the 18th. Take advantage of the favorable power at work this month. You'll have plenty of get-up-and-go.

### ♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

Family ties and domestic interests may be enhanced in a very BIG way this OCTOBER. JUPITER'S expansive presence in your family zone for the next year is bound to increase everything connected to your home base. For the most part, positive growth is indicated. But there may also be some rocks on the road of life. Settle matters that need settling, and don't be afraid to ask for help. Your famous CANCER sensitivity feelers are always accurate MOON KIDS. Trust in what they tell you.

### ♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Current celestial influences might have that sociable LEO energy working over time. An abundance of LIBRA influences have you happily, and comfortably chatting up a storm. To sweeten the monthly picture even more, your opinions are supported by the SUN, MERCURY, and JUPITER. Good times are in the works LIONS. Visitors from far away may have you sitting up late in a gab fest, and continuing it all again in the morning over coffee. That's what you do when you haven't seen each other in a long time.

### ♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

Because you are adept at economizing, this should be a great month for you VIRGO! The SUN, MERCURY, and generous JUPITER have gathered in your money zone. They work quite well together. The SUN illuminates opportunities. MERCURY draws them to you, and JUPITER increases your income. What a deal! Find some creative ways to earn a little extra cash. While the weather holds, get out and about. October is nature's gift of color. There are people to meet, and places to see.

## EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

### QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED FOR THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

I attended the Tribal General Meeting on July 28, 2016 and at that meeting, the Growth Fund gave an update on the Tribe's investments. During a question and answer period, one Tribal elder asked about the millions of dollars and the length of time Tribal monies were lost on AKA Energy. Apparently, Tribal Council has no expectations when it comes to our investments, profit & loss margins, duration of "poor performing/losing" investments. AND, they must not think that we Tribal members are interested in, smart enough or concerned about our financial losses.

Interestingly enough, none of this kind of information was on the agenda. Tribal members don't know how long this investment was "going under" OR the full amount of our losses.

Tribal Council is mostly young, naive and truthfully ... uneducated. Elder Council members should have known better. It's always been said that the "Growth Fund makes all the decisions" because Tribal Council members do NOT understand business. Funny, it used to be said that "the Tribal Attorneys ran the Tribe"!

Isn't it about time that the qualifications to be on the Tribal Council got revised?

It's always been little more than a "popularity contest" to win a seat on the Council! Think about it. We're electing people who will be making the most important decisions on behalf of 1500 Tribal members, their reservation and their resources! These Tribal leaders need to know how to manage our business affairs.

Otherwise, we'll lose what we have, including the bright futures of our young Tribal members.

You HAVE to vote on elec-

tion-day and I strongly encourage you to vote for the best educated candidate, not just your party friend or relative.

THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE TRIBE!  
Roderick Grove,  
Tribal Elder and Veteran

### DEAR PERFORMERS, TRIBAL STAFF, AND VOLUNTEERS,

This year was the first year that the Southern Ute Indian Tribe was home to the 18th Annual NATHPO conference, which was held at the Sky Ute Casino and Resort from August 29th-September 2nd 2016. NATHPO is the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, which was founded in 1998.

"NATHPO's overarching purpose is to support the preservation, maintenance, and revitalization of the culture and traditions of Native peoples of the United States. This is accomplished most importantly through the support of the Tribal Historic Preservation Programs approved by the National Park Service."

To begin with, I would like to acknowledge the efforts and participation from the NATHPO President Dr. Bambi Kraus from Washington D.C. and allowing the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to be the host tribe, for this year's NATHPO conference. We also would like to acknowledge the efforts made from Mr. Alden Naranjo in acquiring the tribes' presence for the conference. On behalf of the Native American Graves Protection Act (NAGPRA) and the Tribal Culture Preservation Department I would like to thank each and every one of my volunteers, fellow tribal employees, as well as our tribal dancers, singers, and tribal members who donated food, for their contributions to this event.

I would also like to thank Mr. Rodney and Margaret Red, Miss Katrina Martinez, Ms. Mandy Naranjo for their donations of elk and deer meat. Again Mrs. Marjorie Borst for her vegetable donation David Leno and Katrina for their donation and help picking the chokecherries and Ish for the dessert creations.

Thank you everyone for your hard work and contributions to helping the 18th Annual NATHPO Conference succeed.

If it wasn't for you guys we would not have been able to successfully pull off such an event. I would like to extend my thanks to those participating staff members of the Sky Ute Casino for the hospitality to our extended guests. I would like to thank the Multi-Purpose staff for their help with Culture Night as well as the Culture Dept. staff and Miss Mikki Naranjo. I would also like to thank the Tribal Council for their impact in seeing through the efforts for the conference. Thank you to Tribal Chairman Clement Frost and Tribal council members Alex Cloud, and Lorelei Cloud for your support and participation.

I would like to thank Mr. James Mermejo, David Leno, Garrett W. Briggs, Ms. Dona Frost, Betty Rivera, and Crystal Gonzales as well as the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council for their help with food prep, set up, and serving the meal for Culture Night. We would also like to thank the singers and dancers; Matthew Box, Trae Seibel, Edward Box Jr., Linda Baker, Neida Chackee, Lisa Frost, Twyla Watts, Kree Lopez and Marjorie Borst and again councilwoman Lorelei Cloud.

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Sincerely,  
Cassandra J. Naranjo  
NAGPRA Coordinator  
Apprentice

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## TRIBAL OBITUARIES



**WEAVER** – Oliver Weaver was born April 15, 1948 to parents Robert Buck Weaver and Ella Washington Weaver. He was born in Durango, Colorado, and is survived by siblings Hazel Weaver, Anne Weaver, Ella Louis Weaver, and Michael

Tom. He was married to Eileen Williams, whom he had one son with, Robert Oliver Weaver.

Oliver enjoyed fishing along the Pine River in Ignacio, and ventured in other outdoor activities including, hunting, riding horses, listening to music, and watching old television movies. He owned a donkey named Bob Louie, who he really loved.

Weaver traveled to various places, but spent most of his life in La Plata County. He was a member of the Indian Baptist Church, which he attended every Sunday.

Surviving family members commented that Weaver was a good brother, and would like to ride around his truck as he visited relatives. He helped a lot of people with things they needed help with, like transportation and support.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Sept 22, officiated by Kelly Winlock at the Southern Ute Chapel. Burial followed at Ouray Cemetery in Ignacio, CO.

## Drum Deadline

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**Oct. 14**

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**Oct. 10**

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### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,  
Case No.: 2016-NC-0106**

**Bella Skye Silva, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Fidelia Silva on behalf of Bella Skye Silva filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Rose Bella Skye Silva. As of Sept. 19, 2016 at 10:30 AM no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Bella Skye Silva name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Rose Bella Skye Silva.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2016.  
Paul Whistler, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,  
Case No.: 2016-NC-0133**

**Laurie Luciana Monte-Watts, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Laurie Luciana Monte-Watts has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Laurie Luciana Monte. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than Nov. 21, 2016 at 5 PM. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 20th day of September, 2016.  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,  
Case No.: 2016-NC-0134**

**Jared Orian Carel-Thompson, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Jared Orian Carel-Thompson has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jared Orian Carel. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than Oct. 23, 2016 at 5 PM. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2016.  
Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,  
Case No.: 2016-PR-0123**

**Frances Cloud Taylor, Deceased**

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on Oct. 24, 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 12th of September, 2016  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,  
Case No.: 2016-NC-100**

**Deion Torey Hudson, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Deion Torey Hudson filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Deion Torey Hudson. As of Aug. 23, 2016 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Deion Torey Hudson name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Deion Torey Hudson.

Dated this 29th day of August, 2016.  
Scott Moore, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

**NOTICE OF HEARING: Priority Sales & Rentals vs. Starlene Vivian Naranjo: Case No: 2016CV0079**  
Southern Ute Tribal Court on November 29, 2016 at 10 a.m.

## PUBLIC NOTICE, TO GENERAL PUBLIC Unauthorized grazing on Tribal lands

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violators of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief. If you have livestock trespassing on Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until **OCTOBER 7, 2016** to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133. – Signed by Pearl E. Casias, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, June 9, 2011.

## NEW EMPLOYEES



### Nathan Strong Elk

**Job title:** Grants Writer Specialist

**Description of duties:** Assist, prepare, write and work with tribal departments on grants and contracts. Monitor compliance with federal, state and funder policies, reescalation's and guidelines.

**Hobbies:** Swimming, hiking, facilitating and running sweat lodge purification ceremonies, horseback riding and fishing.

**Family:** 4 daughters and one son, ages 33, 31, 7, 5 and 10 months old, respectively.

**Tribe:** Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

**Additional comments:** I am a gourd dancer and member of the Native American Church of North America. I am also a certified addictions counselor in the state of Colorado.

### Stacy Concelman

**Job title:** Nurse Practitioner

**Description of duties:** Evaluation and treatment of medical conditions (acute and chronic)

**Hobbies:** Spending time with family, hiking, biking, running

**Family:** Husband Joe, two daughters – Sara and Dani



### Felicia Hubbell

**Job title:** Registered Nurse

**Description of duties:** Provide nursing care to clients visiting the Southern Ute Health Center

**Hobbies:** Photography, mountain biking, hiking, yoga, reading (bookclub)

**Family:** Two children, son and daughter – both live in Durango

**Additional comments:** Honored to begin my nursing career with the Southern Ute Health Center .



## Public Notice of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe State of Colorado Environmental Commission Meeting

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission (Commission) will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 3 – 5 p.m. at the Justice & Regulatory Administration Building – EPD Large Conference Room located at 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, Colo., 81137. The agenda will include Call to Order/Introductions, Commission Procedural Business, Tribal Air Quality Program Updates, Commission Updates, CDPHE Updates, Open Discussion/Questions and Public Comment, and Schedule Next Commission Meeting. For more information or a copy of the meeting agenda please contact Mr. Mark Hutson, Air Quality Program Manager at 970-563-4705 ext. 2206 or visit the Commission website at: [www.southernutesn.gov/environmental-commission](http://www.southernutesn.gov/environmental-commission).

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### ETHICS COMMISSION

The Ethics Office is accepting letters of interest from tribal members to fill TWO vacancies for "Member-At-Large" on the Ethics Commission. Qualifications are: Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at least 18 years of age or older; Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality; Have a familiarity with tribal government; and Satisfactory completion of a background investigation for criminal history showing no convictions or guilty pleas for felonies or any misdemeanor involving dishonesty. The Ethics Commission meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half-day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice and Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way by November 18, 2016. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

### TRIBAL CREDIT COMMITTEE MEMBER

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The Credit Committee members must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. Duties of the Credit Committee: Approve loans as required by the Declaration; Monitor compliance with Declaration; Monitor approved loan performance; Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations; Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business; Hold bi-weekly regular meetings and other special meetings as necessary; and Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to the Tribal Credit Department.

### POWOW COMMITTEE

Attention, Southern Ute Tribal Members & other community Native Americans. The Powwow Committee is seeking {1} interested person to serve on the Powwow Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to organize and promote the Bear Dance and Southern Ute Fair Powwow's on behalf of the Tribe. The Committee is a non-paid committee and meets bi-monthly. Interested Tribal members/other Community Natives can submit a letter of intent to the Human Resources Department, PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137, or email your letter to [mbellino@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:mbellino@southernute-nsn.gov).

### KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Open Southern Ute Tribal Member Seat on KSUT Board of Directors. KSUT is seeking an individual to fill the "Southern Ute Tribal Member at large" seat on the KSUT Board of Directors. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest to KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham. Letters can be emailed to [tami@ksut.org](mailto:tami@ksut.org) or mailed to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Seat is open until filled .

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### Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

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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.

#### Executive Director – S.U. Growth Fund (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/18/16

Southern Ute tribal member only. Executive Director of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund, directing the business of the Growth Fund in cooperation with the Growth Fund Management Committee and other Growth Fund Directors with the objective of providing maximum profit and return on invested capital; managing the Growth Fund to meet established current and long-range objectives subject to the approval of the Tribal Council; and representing the Growth Fund with the Tribal Council, Tribal membership, Indian Country and the public.

#### Landman II – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/05/16

Under the general direction of the Land Manager, negotiates lease terms and manages prospect level information; negotiates and drafts basic contracts for review and approval; works with Land Administration to develop, obtain, and maintain orderly and accurate land records for all Red Willow interest properties including partnership documents, leases, Joint Operating Agreements, Divisions of Interest, and title opinions. Works with others in the correct use of land data; responds to communications from interest owners; prepares reports as needed. Serves as point-of-contact for landowner and partner relations for a specified area of responsibility. Represents Land on Multi-Functional Team(s) for area of responsibility.

#### Land Records Analyst II – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/05/16

Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land and lease records, including all related documents and contracts, for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises all other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Provides a wider scope of support to more senior level Land Records Analysts.

#### Land Records Analyst III – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/05/16

Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate

land and lease records, including all related documents and contracts, for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises all other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Assists with other land issues as needed. Works independently, follows existing processes with minimum supervision. Provides a wider scope of support to more senior level staff.

#### Land Records Analyst Supervisor – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/05/16

Establishes the Land Records procedures and protocols to ensure that all necessary files documenting title and interest for Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated, are obtained and maintained in an orderly and accurate land database and filing system; works with Red Willow land staff and partners as needed to obtain, maintain, and use lease and contract records; coordinates communication of lease and contract changes to other Red Willow Departments; communicates with interest owners as necessary. Manages and supervises the day-to-day duties and activities of company Land Records Analysts.

#### Joint Interest Billing (JIB) Accountant III – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/05/16

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#### Accounting Manager – GF Department of Energy (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/10/216

Management and supervision of all audit, accounting and administrative functions of the Energy Accounting Division.

### Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

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#### Busser – Willows

Closing date 9/30/16

Duties include clearing off and sanitizing tables for the next group of guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as: plates, glasses, silverware and napkins. Busser will help cooks, servers and dishwashers perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 14 years old. Preferably 16 years of age. Must have reliable transportation. Must have a minimum of an 8th grade education, able read and write at an 8th grade level.

#### \*Craps Dealer (Full-time)

Closing date 9/30/16

Deals all craps games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. One year experience as a craps dealer with Dealer School Certification OR 3 years experience dealing craps OR Sky Ute Casino Dealer Certificate. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in craps.

#### \*Event Staff-Banquet (On-call)

Closing date 9/30/16

Assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. Acts as a guest service representative at Banquets and related events. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 years old. 21 years of age or older preferred in order to serve alcohol. Must have a valid driver's license and must be driver insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have food handling experience. Prefer work experience in all areas of Banquet events and catering; setting up events, food lines, beverage set-up, service procedures. Bartending experience preferred.

#### \*Fine Dining Busser (Full-time)

Closing date 9/30/16

Provides an exceptional fine dining experience by performing multiple duties to maintain cleanliness, orderliness and sanitation of dining room and/or other related dining areas. Busser job duties include clearing off and sanitizing tables for the next group of guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as plates; glasses, silverware and napkins. Busser will help cooks, servers, dishwashers and bartenders perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 16 years old. High School diploma/

equivalency preferred. Previous experience bussing in a restaurant and/or fine dining environment is preferred.

#### \*Multi-Games Dealer (On-call)

Closing Date 9/30/16

Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must have 6 months experience as a table games dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in blackjack, three card poker, roulette and specialty games.

#### \*Player Development Staff

Closing Date 9/30/16

Performs all administrative functions of the Player's Club, enrolls new members and services existing members, promotes card usage from existing members through club benefits and promotions, assist guests with accounts, point redemption, promotion entries and any other questions. Maintains a thorough understanding of all player tracking software, promotions and rules in order to convey pertinent information to Casino guests, while having a pleasant and outgoing customer service demeanor. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a minimum of 2 years experience in customer service. Previous Casino host or club (player tracking program) experience preferred. Must have excellent customer service skills. Must have a pleasing, customer service oriented personality along with superior people skills. Must have experience in database entry.

#### \*Player Development Supervisor

Closing Date 9/30/16

Assists in supervising all facets of the Sky Ute Casino Bear Club and Player's Center, while having a complete understanding of player data and player development philosophies. Must be at least 21 years old. High School Diploma/equivalency required. Previous supervisory skills required. 1 year previous casino host or club (player tracking program) experience required. Has an excellent understanding of player tracking software and thorough understanding of player data and player worth. Must be able to work a flexible schedule including nights and weekends and be able to fill all shifts when needed.

*\*Must be at least 21 years old.*

### 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.

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Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

#### Apprentice – Director of Private Education

Closing date 10/5/16

This program is developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to acquire the skills needed to perform the duties as a Director of Private Education. Trainee will be under the supervision of the position's supervisor.

#### Distant Learning Coordinator

Closing date 10/10/16

Works in coordination with Tribal Organizations, Universities, Colleges, local schools, and community members to provide long distance telecommunications educational resource information and classes for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and assist the Academic Advisor in supporting associates degree students. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

#### Food Distribution Program Manager

Closing date 10/7/16

Provides program management for the Food Distribution Program to include: administrative duties, eligibility determination, and inventory control, distribution of commodities and management of application process. Pay grade 17; \$35,778/annually.

#### Foster Care Program Coordinator

Closing date 10/7/16

Supervise and manage the kinship/foster care program. Recruit and train Southern Ute and other Indian foster families. Provide counseling services to families, focusing on parenting skills, resolving family-child problems, and addressing abuse and neglect issues according to Family Preservation principals. Pay grade 19; \$44,347/annually.

#### Front Desk Attendant (Full-time)

Closing date 10/11/2016

Southern Ute Tribal Member Only  
Assuring an efficient entry and exit point for members of the Community Center, to include providing reception duties to the public by telephone and in person; greeting, screening and assisting customers; monitoring member access control; and maintaining class registration. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

#### Front Desk Attendant (Part-time)

Closing date 10/7/16

Assuring an efficient entry and exit point for members of the Community Center, to include providing reception duties to the public by telephone and in person; greeting, screening and assisting customers; monitoring member access control; and maintaining class registration. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

#### Heavy Equipment Operator (2 Positions)

Closing date 10/11/16

Provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out project assignments for the Construction Services Division. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

#### Purchasing Technician

Closing date 10/10/16

Performs purchasing duties to include processing requisitions, travel requests, and purchase orders. Assists in warehousing, central receiving, Tribal campus deliveries, and general office assistance. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

#### Senior Detention Officer

Closing date 10/6/16

Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

#### Tribal Council Communication Specialist

Closing date 10/5/16

Under the general supervision of the Tribal Council Office Manager, proactively manages Tribal Council Communication and Public Relations Strategy. Acts as the communication liaison, and in some cases representative, for the Offices of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Tribal Council. Requires a professional with a positive attitude and strong work ethic. Exhibited moral character, integrity, honesty, and dependability are essential to success in this role. Pay grade 19; \$44,397/annually.

#### 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.

#### Building Inspector

Open until filled

Conducting Commercial and Residential inspections, reviewing plans and assisting with the issuance of permits for construction projects on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

#### 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).

#### Gaming Investigator I

Open until filled

Entry level position located under the Southern Ute Division of Gaming (DOG). Under general supervision of the Investigator III, incumbent works in coordination with other DOG Investigators to learn and perform Law Enforcement/Regulatory duties for the enforcement of Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

#### Patrol Officer

Open until filled

Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

#### Registered Dietitian

Open until filled

Registered Dietitian position providing nutrition care and education to individuals, families, and the community. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

#### Scorekeeper (Part-time)

Open until filled

Operates the scoreboard keeping up with balls, strikes, outs, runs scored, innings and alike. Keeps accurate written records of games. Turns in paperwork and game results to designated supervisor. Pay grade 12; \$11/hour.

#### Umpire/Referee (Part-time)

Open until filled

Officiating in scheduled games and programs sponsored or coordinated by the Sun Ute Recreation Department. Under the direct supervision of the Recreation Manager. Programs will be run by the Recreation Specialists. Pay grade 20; \$21.32/hour.

#### Victim Advocate

Open until filled

Provides counseling referrals for resources available to victims of crime within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/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)

#### Para Educator

Southern Ute Montessori Head Start

Closing date 10/7/16

Hiring a part-time, 35 hours a week, Para Educator to assist teachers and BOCES providers with special services. One year exp. working in preschool program required. Early Childhood experience preferred. Must pass background checks and have current drivers license.

### The Ute Dictionary is available

The Ute Dictionary is available to tribal member head-of-households at the Southern Ute Culture Dept., located on the second floor, in the Southern Ute Museum. Call 970-563-2983 for additional information.





## CCIA MEETING IN IGNACIO • FROM PAGE 1



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Ute Mountain Ute council members: Chairman Manuel Heart (left), Vice chairwoman Juanita Plentyholes and Regina Whiteskunk-Lopez attended the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting in Ignacio on Friday, Sept. 23.

and we are proud of that," Olguin added.

Anthony Maestas was hired full-time attorney and Juliane Begay just celebrated one-year in the training program.

Chairman Heart reported on attending an EPA Region 8 meeting in Denver.

"We went through a process to allocate \$2 million for water in Towaoc, and waste water. And in White Mesa, we were asking for 8 million - we got 9.2 million!" Heart exclaimed.

Ten tribes live on the Colorado River and in Coalbed City, 30,000 people attend the Fort Mojave Indian Days Parade, polluting the river. Opposition came against the parade. The vote won by one vote, 4-3 against the proposition to halt the parade.

"We want a seat on the Water Commission, to have a better voice in the Water Quality Impact. Tribes have no voice or say," Heart said.

The Colorado tribes want to address the Colorado Waters Association, to advocate for the tribes.

For the first time water will be going out of Lake Nighthorse, to the "dry side" out the inlet and taking it west - the primary reason for the lake is for water storage.

Councilwoman, Regina Whiteskunk-Lopez stated this would be her last CCIA meeting.

Lopez also elaborated on her tenure on council, her opportunity to testify in State legislatures.

"We don't need complications, we need decision making. Our tribal sovereignty is always being threatened. It has been a privilege and honor to work with our sis-

ter tribes. I appreciate your support," she said.

Ignacio Schools Superintendent, Rocco Fuschetto spoke of the Impact Grant that was awarded to the Ignacio School District. The grant will work specifically with Native American students.

"The Ignacio School District has identified 50 Native American students who are lacking English language skills," Fuschetto said.

Executive Director of History Colorado, Steve Turner, spoke of a grant for tribes to make better decisions about managing their culture.

The National Science Foundation Grant, a 5-year \$2.5 million grant will study traditional practices in Ute for youth, families and visual ecological knowledge, to provide a better understanding.

Colorado Attorney General, Cynthia Coffman spoke of a grant that will be used for 'Narcen,' a nasal mist, for the average person to administer to combat opiate overdosing.

There will two training sessions in Durango on Thursday, Oct. 6. Local Law Enforcement, first responders, and the public are invited to receive the training for opiate overdose. Prescription drugs training will be on October 7.

CCIA at-large member, Lucille Echohawk extended an invitation to all native youth to participate in a Native Youth Leadership Conference in 2017 with the University of Denver.

"This will be an opportunity for the youth to build up the leadership in our state," Echohawk said.

A Tri-Ute Conference will also be hosted at Fort

Lewis College in June, 2017.

In a proposal, read by House, to bring youth members onto the CCIA board is still being reviewed by both tribes, to review costs for traveling to and from meetings, to establish an organization similar to Unity and to work with both tribal councils to review that proposal again.

In ongoing business, the mascot issue in schools was addressed.

CCIA will be focusing on the schools that reached out to make the change. West Middle School in Denver has funding to make the change to their current mascot.

CCIA has also been contacted by a school in Palo Alto, Calif., who is watching the process. CCIA has also been extending outreach to their local tribes.

Shining Mountain School District (Indians) is the first school to come out with a brochure, with guidelines for banned behavior. For instance, no face paint or halftime shows featuring face paint.

"We need to develop a commission to invite the schools to come discuss their concerns, their thoughts and why they want to make a change," Olguin said.

Art Goodtimes, of San Miguel County made an announcement of 'Indigenous Peoples Day' (IPD) to be held in Placerville, Colo. on Saturday, Oct. 8.

"Educate us, help us understand. We invite any of you to IPD. Educate our citizens about tribal affairs," Goodtimes said. "We also passed a resolution in support of Standing Rock and a resolution on Bears Ear."

## CCIA tour tribal campus



Sacah Smith/SU Drum

Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs members took a tour of tribe on Thursday, Sept. 22 that included stops at the Southern Ute Growth Fund, Leonard C. Burch Building, Council Chambers and the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. CCIA members listen as SUIMA Director, Carol Baker Olguin talks about a typical day for an Academy student.

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### Air quality

AQI - Ignacio: 37  
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