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The Southern Ute Tribal Council, the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council, stand alongside community members and Department Directors for the youth initiative skate park land dedication, Wednesday, Aug. 15.

SUNUTE

Skate park youth initiative reaches milestone

Land dedication held on former casino site

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum

Members of the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council (SCSYAC), both past and present, gathered alongside tribal dignitaries and community advocates for a land dedication ceremony, almost six years in the making. Many of the youth in attendance, spoke optimistically about the project that their peers envisaged – skateboards in hand.

“Today it has become a reality,” Executive Officer McKean Walton stated during the land dedication on Wednesday, Aug. 15. “We have support from the current Tribal Council, they are in full support of finding alternatives to the tough situations the kids in our community might be facing — the park is an outlet, it gives them an alternative choice,” Walton said.

“If kids are getting bullied at school, or thinking about suicide, they can come down here,” Youth Council member Elliott Hendren said. “It would help us.” Hendren sees the skate park as a safe place, where like-minded friends can talk, and share problems. Where the youth can focus their minds and energies on skateboarding, and socialize



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Young tribal members and Ignacio youth feel the need for a community skate park, to practice, socialize and compete locally.

on their own terms.

Tribal Council passed Resolution 2018-133 dedicating the original Sky Ute Casino lot and Tribal land be used to develop a skateboard park and other facilities related to the Youth Initiative Project, according to a statement by Lindsay Box, Southern Ute Council Affairs. In 2012 the late Chairman, Jimmy R. Newton, Jr. dedicated funding for youth service initiatives, tasking the SCSYAC to survey their peers asking what youth

wanted to see in their community. “Lots of ideas came up, but the skate park was what they wanted,” Walton said. “Jimmy’s vision was that the youth were listened to, valued and had a place of their own. Jim was always about the kids.”

“This is the dream of the late Chairman Newton, we need to give respect,” former councilman Alex Cloud said. “Without him, this wouldn’t be here. He

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TRIBAL COUNCIL

Southern Ute Tribe terminates relationship with SUCAP

Staff report
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has maintained a longstanding relationship with the Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. (SUCAP). In addition to providing direct financial support, the Tribe, since 1966, has applied for and administered grants from the federal government supporting SUCAP. On Wednesday, August 1, Tribal Council unanimously agreed to terminate the relationship between the Tribe and SUCAP effective December 31, 2018. Official notification was delivered to SUCAP on Tuesday, Aug. 7.

In recent years, Tribal Council has become concerned that the nature of some SUCAP programs had changed and that they were inconsistent with the federal programs that were funding them. Grants which were primarily funded under federal programs intended to

principally benefit tribal members or other Native Americans in the community were not being used for those purposes. The Tribe has determined it cannot, in good faith, continue to apply for grants under federal programs where SUCAP may not utilize the funds for the population which they were intended to benefit.

The Tribe has historically funded the SUCAP Head Start program. In originally authorizing the Head Start program, Congress allocated funds for an “Indian Head Start program”. The Tribe is included under Region XI, designated for Head Start Programs operated by federally recognized tribes. Region XI consists of approximately 150 tribally operated Head Start programs designed to principally serve American Indian and Alaska Native families and children. Currently, these programs assist 20,000 children, over 81 percent of whom

are American Indian or Alaska Native. The majority of those programs incorporate cultural and traditional language practices. Per information provided by SUCAP, today the majority of children enrolled in the SUCAP Head Start and Early Head Start programs are non-Native. Less than eight percent are Southern Ute tribal members. The Southern Ute Tribal Council feels it is not appropriate for the Tribe to request federal funds allocated to benefit disadvantaged Native American youth when SUCAP does not primarily do so, while taking those funds away from tribal programs that actually fulfill the program’s intent. SUCAP may apply for funds to support its Head Start initiative from federal programs not intended to benefit primarily tribal members.

This has become true of many of the programs

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McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Vice Chairman, Cheryl A. Frost accepts the Red Cross Award on behalf of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

SunUte recognized for safety

McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The SunUte Community Center is one of three institutes in the state of Colorado receiving the “American Red Cross Aquatic Examiner Service Award”. This award recognizes lifeguard management and the commitment to safety in programs that SunUte implements.

One of these exemplary aquatic programs being, “Josh the Otter: Water Safety & Awareness Project”. Josh the Otter was originally created to help teach children about water safety behavior that could ultimately be passed on to multiple generations. The project has already distributed thousands of copies of the “Josh the Baby Otter” book to different schools, daycares and institutes in an effort to incorporate lifesaving curriculum.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Kids stop to talk with Josh the Otter before the award presentation begins on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

NAFWS convene in Ignacio



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Jr. Miss Southern Ute Autumn Sage greets the NAFWS attendees while Southern Ute Chairman Christine Sage, Miss Southern Ute Lorraine Watts and Southern Ute Brave Dominick Goodtracks watch on.

See page 8 for additional NAFWS coverage.

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TRIBAL COUNCIL

Weiser, Attorney General candidate meets Council

Staff Report

SU TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Phil Weiser, the democratic candidate for Colorado’s Attorney General, met Monday morning with members of the Southern Ute Tribal Council. Chairman Christine Baker-Sage, Councilwoman Pearl Casias, Treasurer Lorelei Cloud, and members of the Tribe’s legal team attended.

Weiser, who served as Dean of the University of Colorado Law School and as a senior official in the Obama administration’s Justice Department and National Economic Council, is engaging with leaders in local communities across the state to learn more about their most pressing concerns and opportunities. During his visit, Tribal Council leadership conversed with Weiser about the history, lives, and priorities of the Southern Ute, and raised questions for the Attorney General candidate.

Weiser expressed his personal commitment to upholding the sovereignty of the Southern Ute nation and to maintaining a collaborative relationship with tribal nations, and said his office would consult the Tribal Council on issues relevant to Indian Country at both the state and federal levels.

The Attorney General serves as the top lawyer for the people of Colorado on issues ranging from civil rights and consumer protection, to protecting our land, air, and water. Weiser emphasized that as Attorney General, he will represent all of Colorado. He pledged to work with leaders across the state to bring high-speed broadband internet service



Lindsay Box/SU Council Affairs

Chairman Sage welcomes Colo. Attorney General candidate to the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Phil Weiser requested to meet with Tribal Council to gain a greater understanding of the Tribe’s relationship with the state and welcomed recommendations from the Tribe, Monday, Aug. 13.

to all communities, fight for affordable health insurance, lead on water management, address the opioid epidemic, fight for fair access to economic opportunities, and advocate for high-quality, accessible education.

Discussing the Tribe’s work to develop in-house legal counsel, tribal leaders emphasized the need for more native youth to attend law school and pursue a legal career. Weiser described plans to build on and expand a program at CU Law called “Si Se Puede,” which provides mentorship for students from populations that are traditionally underrepresented in the Colorado’s legal community, including Indian Country. He and tribal leaders also discussed creating a youth apprenticeship program in the Attorney General’s office as a way to encourage native youth members to study and practice the law.

Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018; the State will begin sending paper ballots to registered voters the week of Oct. 15. To participate in federal, state, and local elec-

tions you must be registered to vote; this registration is a separate process from voter registration associated with participating in tribal elections. You can register to vote, update, or confirm your registration through the Colorado Secretary of State’s website: www.sos.state.co.us/voter/pages/pub/home.xhtml. Be sure to register before Oct. 15, 2018 and to submit your ballot before Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Phil Weiser is the Hatfield Professor of Law, Dean Emeritus, and the Founder and Executive Director of the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship at the University of Colorado Law School. He served in the Obama Administration as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the U.S. Department of Justice and as Senior Advisor for Technology and Innovation at the White House’s National Economic Council, and clerked at the U.S. Supreme Court for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Justice Byron “Whizzer” White. Phil lives in Denver with his wife and two children.

COUNCIL CORNER

Secretary of the Interior Zinke accepts Tribe’s invitation

By Lindsay Box

SU TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS

The Southern Ute Tribal Council graciously hosted Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke, on Saturday, Aug. 4. Secretary Zinke accepted the Tribe’s invitation to discuss streamlining processes under the supervision of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (and other DOI bureaus and departments), increasing tribal self-determination and exercising tribal sovereignty.

The meeting began with Secretary Zinke detailing his top priorities which include restructuring, conservation, and permitting. Zinke elaborated on the Department of Interior’s necessity to restructure the department’s archaic bureaus, missions, and style of leadership. This plan also advocates for reorganizing regions reducing them from 61 separate regions to 12 newly defined regions.

Secretary Zinke acknowledged that often times many different land holders and managers should be included in the consultation stage of projects throughout the nation. He also shared that permitting for certain projects should not require “shopping around between multiple bureaus.”

Southern Ute Tribal Council members were



Lindsay Box/SU Council Affairs

Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke meets with members of the Southern Ute Tribal Council and staff to discuss his plan to restructure the Department of the Interior, increase conservation efforts, and streamline the permitting processes.

pleased to hear Zinke share his strong beliefs of tribal sovereignty. “In the history of the Department of the Interior, very rarely if any, have nations ever been asked to participate in something outside of their nations,” declared Zinke. Tribal Council took the opportunity to share the Tribe’s success due to prudent and sustainable management of its natural resources despite structural inefficiencies, leading to healthcare, education, employment and overall better way of life for the tribal membership.

Council Member Adam Red presented a detailed history of the Tribe, enterprises, energy infrastructure, water delivery systems, and the tumultuous history with the Southern Ute Agency. Trib-

al Council also protested the need for additional funding to agencies and support to hire for vacant positions that often go unfilled due to isolated agency locations or the roadblocks in the DOI hiring process.

The visit concluded with a field tour to visit the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project’s dilapidated infrastructure. Tribal Council and staff gave explanations of repairs, advocating the necessity to turn-key WIIN Act funding, and provide visual examples of decade old head gates structures.

Overall the visit was a success, providing the Tribe and Secretary Zinke the opportunity to share plans for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to increase self-determination and sovereignty.



Dwayne Odoms/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Team Colorado after hustling to make the parade after hopping off the ferry the morning of August 2, 2008, made their way to the site of the Opening Ceremonies of the 2008 Native American Indigenous Games in Cowichan, British Columbia, Canada.

This photo first appeared in the Aug. 15, 2008, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Youth picnic – Attendees of the annual Southern Ute Youth Wellness Conference take a break for lunch in Veterans Park. A youth fashion show followed the meal. An estimated 45 young people attended the day-long conference at Rolling Thunder hall on August 10, 1998.

This photo first appeared in the August 14, 1998, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Debra Richards assists son Patrick with his outfit as father William looks on, prior to performing for a tour group visiting the Southern Ute Tribe.

This photo first appeared in the August 19, 1988, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

40 years ago

More building for the Tribe – The Justice Center and Health Center parking lot are among new buildings for the Tribe. The Health Center is to be completed by the end of August, 1978.

This photo first appeared in the Aug. 18, 1978, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Youth in the park



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute Veteran, Rod Grove tells the history of the Veterans Memorial Park to the summer youth employment workers on Thursday, August 9.



Lexy young hugs Southern Ute Tribal elder, Lynda Grove-D'Wolf goodbye. D'Wolf taught Ute language to the Youth Employment Workers all summer long, their last class together was on Thursday, August 9.

"Living with Wolves"



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The 'Living with Wolves' photographic exhibit recently opened to the public in Ignacio, Colo., Shoshone Blackwood-TwoCrow, and her mother, Ceriss Blackwood are among the first visitors to explore the National Geographic partnered photo exhibit at the Southern Ute Museum, Monday, Aug. 13 — followed by a grand opening slated for Thursday, Aug. 16.

Cemetery reopens



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Chief Ouray Cemetery is now open following the removal of a large, aging cottonwood tree, which sat at the center of the property. A few wooden crosses, and flag poles that were damaged are being repaired. The Chief Ouray Memorial itself was undamaged by the fallen tree, and now sits upright — back in its original position.

Workers with Animas Valley Arborists Inc. out of Durango, Colo. work to cut up and remove large sections of cottonwood on Thursday, Aug.9, it was an effort involving numerous Tribal Departments, including Risk Management.



**Community
Indoor/Outdoor
Yard Sale**
Multi-Purpose Facility
256 Ute Road Ignacio CO
Saturday August 18, 2018
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM



**Free set-up, no admission,
call and reserve your table today.**
MPF 970-563-4784

2018 Southern Ute Royalty Pageant



Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2018

Starts 6 p.m. at Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility

ROYALTY CATEGORIES

- Miss Southern Ute: 16-25 years old
- Jr. Miss Southern Ute: 10-15 years old
- Little Miss Southern Ute: 5-9 years old
- Southern Ute Brave: 5-15 years old

**Applications will be available for pickup on
Friday, August 3, 2018 at Southern Ute Culture Dept.**

*For more information contact Edward Box III at 970-563-2984
at the Southern Ute Culture Dept.*



2018 White Mesa Bear Dance

August 31- September 1, 2, 3, 2018

White Mesa, Utah

Labor Day Weekend
Prayer-August 31, 2018 at 5:30 a.m.

White Mesa Bear Dance Chiefs
Jack Cantsee Jr.*Aldean Ketchum*Eric Wells

Friday Aug. 31, 2018

- *Blessing of Bear Dance grounds
- *Bear Dance Celebration Begins
- *Pow-Wow – Gourd Dance at 4:00 pm
Grand Entry at 7:00 pm
- *Bear Dance All-Nighter Co-ed Softball Tournament
Time: (TBA)

Sunday Sept 2, 2018

- *Bear Dance all day
- *Horse-shoe Tournament
Registration at 9:00 am
Start Time at 10:00 am
- *3 Man Handgame Tournament
Registration at 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Tournament starts at 4:00 pm

Saturday Sept. 1, 2018

- *Bear Dance all day
- *Pow-Wow – Gourd Dance at 11:00 am
Second Grand Entry at 1:00 pm
Gourd Dance at 5:00 pm
Grand Entry at 7:00 pm
- *5 K Run/Walk –Registration at 7:00 am
Run/Walk begins at 8:00 am
- *Handgame Tournament
Registration: 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm
Tournament starts at 2:00 pm
- *Country/Western Dance 9:00 pm to 1:00 am

Monday Sept. 3, 2018

- *Bear Dance all day
- *Feast at 3:00 pm
Next to Bear Dance/Pow-Wow Grounds

Pow-Wow Information: Contact Boyd Lopez at (970) 749-9647

5 K Run/Walk: Contact Yvonne Denetosie at (435) 678-2261 or (970) 317-5835

Handgame Tournament Information: Contact Alfreda Wall at (970) 529-0712

Country/Western Dance Information: Contact White Mesa Administration at (435).678-3397 or (435) 678-3685

All-Nighter Co-ed Softball & Horseshoe Tournament: Contact Shirleen or Jonathon at (435) 678-2118

Concession Information:

White Mesa Administration Contact Serena or Veronica at (435) 678-3397 or (435) 678-3685

All Singers Welcome!

For more information on events call (435) 678-3397 or 678-3685
Bear Dance Chiefs, White Mesa Administration and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe will not be responsible, for injuries, accidents, thefts, and underfunded travelers. No alcohol allowed.

Everyone Welcome!

13 miles south of Blanding, Utah

HEALTH

Getting what the government promised

By Carole Veloso
SU TRIBAL HEALTH

I have had tribal members ask on several occasions why the front desk at the Health Center keeps asking for things like; formal ID, insurance cards, VA cards, Medicare cards, and they ask for it each and every time you come in to see a provider.

The federal government requires us to have all that information up to date and current each time you visit. If you have insurance of any kind, we have to have it on file and by law – MUST bill the insurance program. Even further and more important, we have to make sure you have applied for all programs to which you are entitled.

Now this might seem as if the government was trying to help, but it is a little more complicated than that. Health care, this is a deal the United States made, a promise that included sending doctors to the tribes that signed treaties in exchange for “peace and for titles to lands”. Along the way to providing the care needed, the Indian Health Service (IHS) fell further and further behind in having the

funds to meet all they were obligated to, under the agreements.

Why do American Indians and Alaska Natives need insurance of any kind when there is a treaty right, a statutory call to health care, which transcends this latest national experiment or the Affordable Care Act? Then recall the long history of shortages. The Indian health system has never been adequately funded, probably less than half of the dollars that would be necessary have been provided.

The National Indian Health Board in 2017 noted that IHS spent approximately \$3,337 dollars per Native American/Alaskan Native while Medicare spent \$12,774 per person, which is a significant difference.

They also wrote that a 40 percent budget increase would be needed in 2019 to begin to decrease the long-term shortages. Even starting there, it would take more than 11 years to close the hole in funding.

So why do we in the Health Center ask you to apply for every insurance or government program possible? Because the alternate fix to the missing money by the government was to

allow the AI/AN access to other funding sources to achieve the agreed to health care promise. Therefore, while they could not get the \$32 Billion that IHS needed they could take advantage of other funds that were available to make more dollars available for AI/AN health care.

So when you refuse the Health Centers offer to apply for Medicaid, Medicare or Veterans Benefits, “because Indian Health Service owes me,” you are allowing the United States government to keep its money. Money that is rightfully due to the Native American for healthcare ... as was promised.

So the next time the ladies at the Front Desk as you to apply for Medicaid or Medicaid or your VA benefits – don’t just say NO! Make an appointment, get it done. It’s your right to be cared for, your right to have access to the funds necessary. If you do not apply, you are leaving money on the table rightfully due you. Why would you do that? Why would you allow the historic agreement to go unfulfilled? Another agreement where the Government wins ... by default.

Walking one mile for one year



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Diabetes Program Coordinator, Morgann Box and Diabetes Patient Coordinator, Shaw Marie Tso of the Shining Mountain Health & Wellness Department hand out T-shirts to the first 50 people who register for the Breastfeeding Awareness Walk, Wednesday, Aug. 15 on the west side of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building.

Tribal Health Lead Biller, Phyllis Rhodes, X-Ray Technician, Marty Smith and Social Services Data Manager, LuRhea Ramone make their way around Veterans Memorial Park, walking one mile for one year of breastfeeding – which has shown to be the most beneficial length of time to breastfeed a newborn.



VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans owed refunds for overpayments to disability

Staff report
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

The Internal Revenue Service today is advising certain veterans who received disability severance payments after January 17, 1991, and included that payment as income that they should file Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, to claim a credit or refund of the overpayment attributable to the disability severance payment.

This is a result of the Combat-Injured Veterans Tax Fairness Act passed in 2016. Most veterans who received a one-time lump-sum disability severance payment when they separated from their military service will receive a letter from the Department of Defense with information explaining how to claim tax refunds they are entitled to; the letters include an explanation of a simplified method for making the claim. The IRS has worked closely with the DoD to produce these letters, explaining how veterans should claim the related tax refunds.

STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

The amount of time for claiming these tax refunds is limited. The law grants veterans an alternative time-frame – one year from the date of the letter from DoD. Veterans making these claims have the normal limitations period for claiming a refund or one year from the date of their letter from the DoD, whichever expires later. As taxpayers can usually only claim tax refunds within 3 years from the due

date of the return, this alternative time frame is especially important since some of the claims may be for refunds of taxes paid as far back as 1991.

AMOUNT TO CLAIM

Veterans can submit a claim based on the actual amount of their disability severance payment by completing Form 1040X, carefully following the instructions. However, there is a simplified method. Veterans can choose instead to claim a standard refund amount based on the calendar year (an individual’s tax year) in which they received the severance payment. Write “Disability Severance Payment” on line 15 of Form 1040X and enter on lines 15 and 22 the standard refund amount listed below that applies:

- **\$1,750 for tax years 1991 – 2005**
- **\$2,400 for tax years 2006 – 2010**
- **\$3,200 for tax years 2011 – 2016**

Claiming the standard refund amount is the easiest way for veterans to claim a refund, because they do not need to access the original tax return from the year of their lump-sum disability severance payment.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

All veterans claiming refunds for overpayments attributable to their lump-sum disability severance payments should write either “Veteran Disability Severance” or “St. Clair

Claim” across the top of the front page of the Form 1040X that they file. Because all amended returns are filed on paper, veterans should mail their completed Form 1040X, with a copy of the DoD letter, to: Internal Revenue Service, 333 W. Pershing Street, Stop 6503, P5, Kansas City, MO, 64108

Veterans eligible for a refund who did not receive a letter from DoD may still file Form 1040X to claim a refund but must include both of the following to verify the disability severance payment:

- A copy of documentation showing the exact amount of and reason for the disability severance payment, such as a letter from the Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS) explaining the severance payment at the time of the payment or a Form DD-214, and
 - A copy of either the VA determination letter confirming the veteran’s disability or a determination that the veteran’s injury or sickness was either incurred as a direct result of armed conflict, while in extra-hazardous service, or in simulated war exercises, or was caused by an instrumentality of war.
- Veterans who did not receive the DoD letter and who do not have the required documentation showing the exact amount of and reason for their disability severance payment will need to obtain the necessary proof by contacting the Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS).

SUNUTE SAFETY RECOGNITION • FROM PAGE 1



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute Council members, Josh the Otter and SunUte staff smile for a photo with the award.

“The necklace system that SunUte uses to identify swimming levels is working!” American Red Cross Representative, Mike Stagg stated before presenting the award. The aquatics area of the center requires all children to pass a swim test in order to swim in water that goes above their heads.

Twice before, the American Red Cross lifeguard instructors have evaluated the SunUte guard team. They concluded that the

staff has a continued desire to learn, and recognized the improvement and perseverance SunUte has shown to not accept status quo. SunUte’s mission is to “provide a safe and welcoming environment by offering quality customer service and knowledgeable staff.”

The Red Cross also commended the commitment that tribal members and employees take to attend training for CPR and First Aid certification annually.

The necklace system works, which is why it is now being replicated in swimming pools across the state to ensure safer swimming.

Southern Ute tribal members and employees of SunUte were in attendance for the presentation of the award. Accepting the award on behalf of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, was Vice Chairman Cheryl A. Frost and Councilwoman Pearl A. Casias on Wednesday, Aug. 8, in the pool area of SunUte.

SunUte Fitness

Buddy Workouts and Small Group Workouts

- Do you like to workout with a friend or buddy?
- Perhaps you like to exercise in a small group?
- Would you like to learn new exercises or refine your technique?
- Do you and a friend/small group of friends want an introduction or orientation to the fitness floor?
- Do you and a friend need some guidance or want to be “pushed” by a professional?

SunUte’s Trainers are now accepting appointments for Buddy Workouts and Small Group Workouts!

To schedule your appointment, please call the Trainer’s Desk at (970)563-2658.



Notice to the Tribal Membership

The Tribal Information Services (TIS) Department will no longer provide information on deceased tribal members without the consent of the immediate family. The newly established policy is to provide the family the right to privacy. TIS will notify only the Departments that provide direct services to the membership. The flags will continue to be lowered in honor of the deceased.



SKATE PARK REACHES MILESTONE • FROM PAGE 1



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal member, Elliott Hendren, sits on the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council. Elliott and his brother Nate are two of the most outspoken students, advocating for the newly dedicated skate park facility.

set the money aside for a youth project. This is the kids voice, that is how Jim would have wanted it."

The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council surveyed their peers at the Southern Ute Education Department's annual Career Fair in 2016, the number one initiative, favored by local youth, was the skate park. Additionally, students from Ignacio's High School, Middle School and Elementary School were surveyed – also voting in favor of a skate park facility in the community, explained Education Director LaTitia Taylor.

"I'm really excited that our tribal government, and tribal leadership have listened to our youth," former councilwoman Amy Barry said.

David Boyd was one of the original proponents for a skate park, a big skateboarder himself, he also served as the chairman on the first SCSYAC. Boyd sees the park as an opportunity to keep the youth active, and out of trouble.

"Technically, we want a street course with rails, stairs, boxes and manual pads – maybe a bowl, but not too much [emphasis on that]." Hendren said, when describing the ideal skate park for him and his peers.

Once design plans for the park are finalized, there will be an official ground breaking. The skate park is the first of three phases.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Members of the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council, Lexy Young, Jazmin and Jace Carmenoros are congratulated by Southern Ute Executive Officer, McKean Walton, following the skate park land dedication ceremony.

Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Youth Initiative Project will offer opportunities for the youth who don't necessarily skate or bike, SunUte Director Robin Duffy-Wirth explained. "We have ideas, but we don't want to move forward without hearing from the youth first."

"I think it is really exciting that this project is moving forward. There is a need for this in Ignacio. It also needs to be protected, preserved, and taken care of – that is your challenge, there is a lot you can learn from this," Mike Olguin said, addressing the youth in attendance. "The Sunshine Youth Council was established for you, so that you can have a voice," Councilwoman Pearl Casias said.

The SCSYAC members have a common goal, they want this park for everybody.

The kids wanted it visible, they didn't want it

in a place where people, couldn't see it, Duffy-Wirth explained. Three separate youth councils have worked on and researched this intuitive over the years, which includes efforts by SunUte Recreation Director Virgil Morgan and former SunUte management.

"It's good to see it become a reality," Elijah Weaver. "It is important because the kids have these talents, but nowhere to express them."

The project has been a collaborative effort, with input from SunUte, Youth Services, Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council, Tribal Council and the Executive Office. The skate park will be operated as an extension of SunUte, under the oversight of the Recreation Department.

"Today is just a really special day," said Youth Council member Jazmin Carmenoros.

TRIBE PARTS WITH SUCAP • FROM PAGE 1

for which SUCAP is responsible. The SUCAP job training program, which is not primarily funded by the Tribe, benefits less than 8 percent of Native Americans and 0.1 percent of tribal members and similarly, less than 18 percent of the participants in youth programs are Native American.

For many years, the Tribe has attempted to convince SUCAP to identify other sources of funds to support operations. However, SUCAP has made little effort to do so. On October 11, 2011, the Tribe entered into a tentative agreement in

which it indicated it would provide significant financial support for a new facility contingent upon SUCAP raising the additional necessary funds. However, upon learning seven years later that SUCAP had only raised approximately .2 percent of those funds, the Tribe was required to cancel that arrangement.

These and other matters have caused the Tribe to become increasingly concerned about SUCAP's management. Based on these concerns, the Tribal Council has determined it necessary to discontinue any further relationship

with SUCAP. The Tribe has also instructed SUCAP to discontinue use of the Southern Ute name or imply any further association with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

If Southern Ute tribal members have questions, please contact Tribal Council at 970-563-0100 or stop by the Tribal Council Affairs office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. or you may contact the Legal Department at 970-563-2140 or stop by the Legal Department offices Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

After School Program 2018

To register your child come to the Boys and Girls Club office. We are located downstairs in the SunUte Community Center.



After School Registration Opens

August 13th, 2018

After School Program Starts

August 27th, 2018

Annual Membership Fees

\$5.00 Southern Ute Tribal Member First Descendant

\$15 Community Members

*If you have already paid the 2018 annual membership fee you do not need to pay for the remainder of the 2018 calendar year.

ALL club members will need a registration card filled out.

For more information contact the BGC office at 970.563.2692.

When school's out, our Club is in!

CURRENT EXHIBITS

Our Mission

The Southern Ute Museum strives to ensure the survival of Southern Ute people through meaningful education, cultural, historic, and current event exhibits, and to provide a unique museum experience for indigenous and non-indigenous visitors.



Photo: Ryan Nichols

Southern Ute Bear Dance thru September 2018

Living with Wolves Photographic Exhibit Courtesy of Jim and Jamie Dutcher, Living with Wolves thru November 2018

Riders of the West: Portraits from Indian Rodeo Courtesy of Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College thru February 2019

Lummi Nation Bear Totem Pole

Veterans Alcove

Num Nuuchiyu, We Are the Ute People

Museum Event

Thursday, September 6, 2018 6:00 PM

Jhane Myers
Comanche / Blackfeet

Myers will present on powwow regalia, songs, etiquette, and competition categories.

She is a champion Southern Buckskin traditional dancer. Her regalia has won top honors at Santa Fe Indian Market. She is also a traditional doll maker, a jeweler, and a fashion designer.

Myers studied fashion design in Dallas at the Fashion and Art Institute and worked for fashion icon Ralph Lauren.



Hunter Education Course

One Day INTERNET-BASED



Date: September 15, 2018

Time: 8am-3pm

Location: Ignacio, Colorado (Sky Ute Casino Resort)

This One Day INTERNET-BASED Hunter Education Course, needed to qualify for a Colorado Hunter Education Certificate, will be offered September 15, 2018. Class time on Saturday is 8am-3pm with a one (1) hour lunch break.

Please call (970)563-0130 if you have any questions.

Course fee: \$10 (payable to the instructor on the first day of class)

Class size is limited to 20 students.

Minimum age requirement is 12 or older. Parents of younger students are encouraged to attend with their child.

Pre-Register online at <https://register-ed.com/events/view/128062>

Hunter education cards will be awarded to students upon successful completion of the course, which includes completing the approved online study program, attending the class session and passing a written test and live fire. Rifles and ammunition for the live fire will be provided. No personal firearms are allowed.

The major portion of this course uses the Internet to complete the mandatory homework. The online portion of this course is \$24.50 and is available at <https://www.hunter-ed.com/colorado/>. Students must show the certificate of completion for the online course to attend the classroom session.

Jimmy Newton Youth Leadership Conference

2018

Take A STAND

September 22, 2018

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Ignacio High School

All Native American Students from Ignacio, Bayfield, Durango and Cortez ages 11-18 are invited!!

To register contact Natelle Thompson at (970) 563-2786 or nthompson@southernute-nsn.gov for registration form and questions you may have. DEADLINE: September 3, 2018

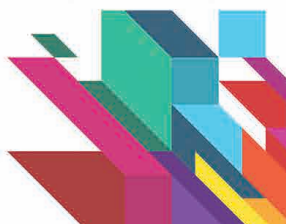


Native STAND



"Live for knowledge and always know where you come from."

-Jimmy R. Newton Jr. (1976-2014)





Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

David Eppich give an informative presentation on the Tribe's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy at the Growth Fund for tribal elders, Thursday, Aug. 10.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Elders attend CEDS presentation

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Tribe's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) was presented to Southern Ute tribal elders on Thursday, Aug. 9, by David Eppich, Economic Development Manager for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Permanent Fund and the Tribe's Director of Strategic Planning, Eric Thayer.

Thursday's meeting was the first of two presentations, intended to both inform and invite feedback for improvement and implementation of the CEDS document. The next session will be held Thursday, Aug. 23 and is open to all Southern Ute Tribal members, in order to generate more input.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Byron Frost was among those who voiced their concerns, while providing constructive feedback for the program.

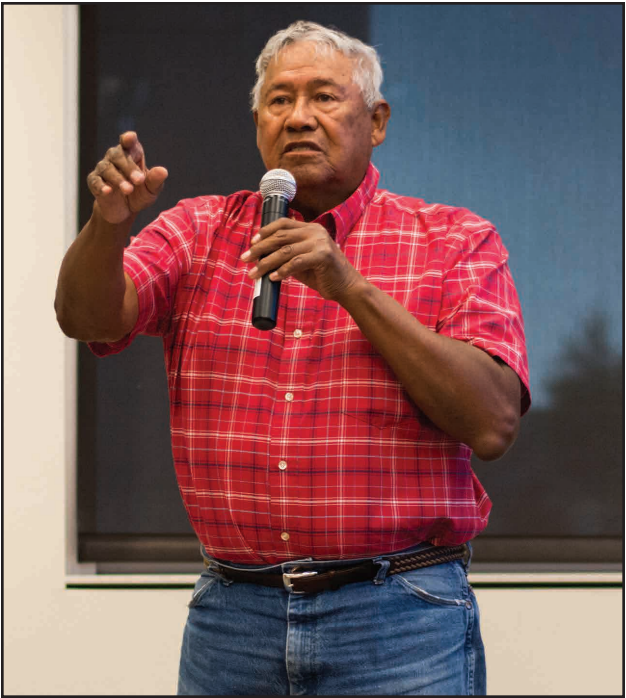
The CEDS is an aspect of economic development for the Permanent Fund, with a five-year implementation of the goals and objectives outlined. It will be the foundation for economic projects and grant funding, available to Southern Ute

tribal members. "The resources are out there, they are available, and they want to be used," Eppich said, encouraging the membership to utilize this opportunity for personal business ventures and economic development.

The regional Economic Advisors Panel (EAP) was on hand to answer questions, and hear comments from the membership and members of Southern Ute Tribal Council. The EAP, a cross functional collaborative group, has been working closely on the development of the plan, which is still in the comment period.

How do we set people up for success? Thayer asked. "This is the framework for what will eventually become the plan. We want to make sure that you have the resources to start your own businesses."

The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 23 in the Southern Ute Growth Fund conference room, 1st. floor.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Erwin Taylor voices his opinion on economic development.

Cooking up a storm



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Jacqueline Frost, Debbie Lucero and Luana Herrera sit together and chat after eating at the senior breakfast Friday, August 3.

Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility Operations Manager, Elise Redd cooks up some potatoes for the senior breakfast that was open to the community, Friday, Aug. 3, in the Multi-Purpose Facility's kitchen.



Elder celebration dinner



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Sanjean Burch smiles for a photo while eating spaghetti with members of the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council at the Elder's Celebration Dinner on Monday, August 6.

Betty Box wins a new electric air popcorn machine on Monday, Aug. 6, at the Elder's Celebration Dinner. Youth Council member, Jazmin Carmenoros helps pass out raffle prizes to the winners.



GRAND OPENING

Cedar Point
TOWNHOMES

When: Thursday, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2018 beginning at 12:15 p.m.
Where: 60 Shadow Spirit East, Ignacio, CO 81137
Who: Southern Ute Tribal Members

Open House to follow

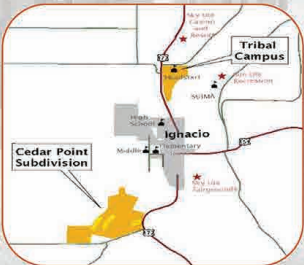
This event is open to Southern Ute Tribal Members. Light snacks will be available in units. Units available to tour will have balloons at the entry ways symbolizing open for tour. Tours will be open until 6pm.

Parking: Elders and disabled to park with-in the Townhomes. Non-Elders parking will be a long Shadow Spirit East, and Lodge Pole Way.

Agenda

- 12:15: Welcome address
- 12:20: History
- 12:30: Remarks
- 12:35: Blessing
- 12:40: Ribbon cutting

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:
Tribal Housing Office 970-563-4710



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Dance/Drum Contests
Fancy, Grass, Traditional (combined)

Jr. Girls (7-11)

Dance/Drum Contests
Fancy Shawl, Jingle, Traditional (combined)

Teen Boys (12-17)

Fancy, Grass, No. Traditional, So. Traditional

Teen Girls (12-17)

Fancy Shawl, Jingle, No. Traditional, So. Traditional

Men (18-49)

Fancy, Grass, No. Traditional, So. Straight, Chicken

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Sunday • 1pm

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Friday • 5pm
Saturday • 11am and 5pm
Sunday • 11am

Drum Contest

No. Drum (1st - 4th)
So. Drum (1st - 4th)

Registration

Friday • 5pm thru Saturday • 1:30pm
W9 Tax form required for adult contests

Contact

Hilda Burch • 970.946.5175
Joe Nevaquaya • 970.442.1831
Shirley Bancroft-Price • 970.317.1772
Violet Leslie • 970.903.9312
Daisy Bluestar • 970.799.7036

The Powwow Committee is not responsible for accidents, injuries, or theft. Alcohol, drugs, and weapons prohibited.

SHARED SERVICES

Tribe rolls out website redesign

New online presence highlights uniformity, navigation

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

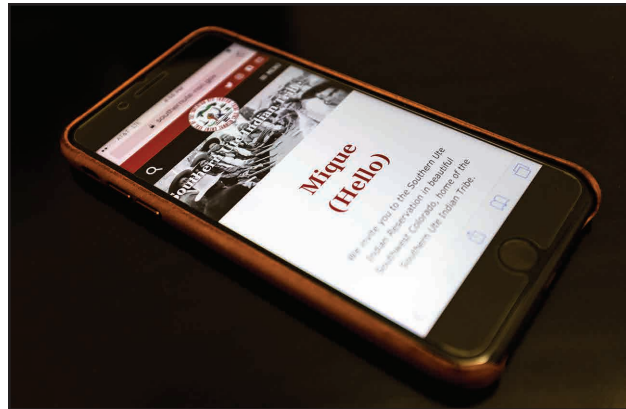
The Southern Ute Shared Services (SUSS) web team initiated a project to redesign many of the Tribe's websites with a mobile friendly, unified theme across tribal entities. They worked with Tribal Council, Executive Office, Tribal Departments and Growth Fund Business to gather the highest quality imagery and up-to-date content in order to simultaneously launch the websites, which went live on Friday, July 20.

"Those guys worked very hard to get everyone's feedback, and to create a uniform feel," said Alan Young, SUSS's Chief Information Officer. "We want the same look and feel across the board."

The interactive maps are a great feature too, he added. "Navigation is everything. I'm all about consistency."

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe maintains several public websites in order to provide important information to the membership, public, business partners, and potential employees. Some of the designs grew dated as web browsers and standards evolved, and mobile device use increased, explained Web and Share-Point Development Supervisor, Dana Kopf.

"What made this possible was the consolidation of Tribal IT," Kopf said. "It was my initiative to bring



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

New tribal websites redesigns are mobile phone friendly.

these websites up to speed – some of the websites were seven years old."

"We did a lot of research, to see what other tribes and government organizations were doing. It's been very positive," Kopf asserted. We wanted the best for the Tribe in terms of visual appeal, navigation and usability. "We've had some really good feedback," Young said.

Several new sites were launched, including the expanded tribal member portal, the Southern Ute store, the Southern Ute Museum, and the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. SUSS

also added secure encryption to many sites that were previously unencrypted. The team is currently working on an updated Lake Capote website and are assisting the Sky Ute Casino Resort with updates to their website.

Additionally, the Southern Ute Shared Services Human Capital Management team is excited to announce a major update to the career portal employment website. This upgrade has new user-friendly features, including easier navigation, mobile device compatibility, and forgotten username and password retrieval.

List of updated sites

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – www.southernute-nsn.gov
Southern Ute Museum – www.southernutemuseum.org
Southern Ute Montessori Academy – www.suima.org
SunUte Community Center – www.sunute.com
Multi-Purpose Facility & Chapel – mpf-chapel.sunute.com
Southern Ute Growth Fund – www.sugf.com
Red Willow Production Co. – www.rwpc.us
Red Cedar Gathering Co. – www.redcedargathering.com
Aka Energy Group – www.akaenergy.com
Southern Ute Department of Energy – www.suitdoe.com
GF Properties Group – www.gfpropertiesgroup.com
GF Private Equity Group – www.gfprivateequity.com
Southern Ute Utilities – www.suitutil.com
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Tribes celebrate natural resources

By McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS) returned to Ignacio, Colo. for their 32nd Annual Southwest Regional Conference that was hosted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This year’s conference started on Monday, August 13 and ended Thursday, August 16. The NAFWS is a non-profit organization that assists Native Americans and Native tribes with the assistance and management of fish and wildlife resources.

To officially welcome the participants, Southern Ute Chairman Christine Sage attended the opening ceremony of the conference and encouraged everyone to establish working ties and significant networks that would benefit them and the Native populations they serve, as well as the resources they protect.

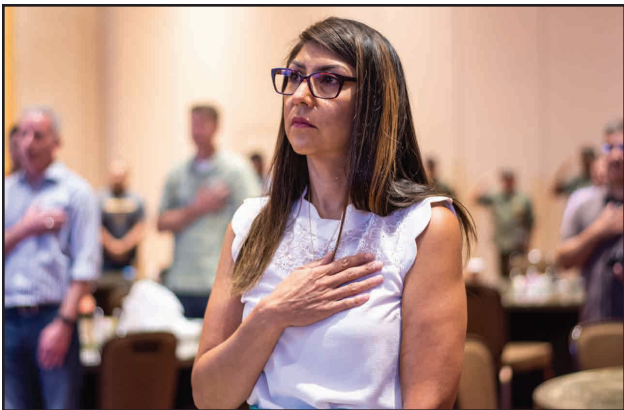
The conference this year emphasized the theme of “Strengthening our values by reconnecting to the land” by coordinating workshops, exhibitions and meetings in a full four-day agenda.

This regional meeting brought tribal officers and management together to work alongside one another in an effort to educate and advise the general welfare of various fish and wildlife organizations.

In addition to the workshops, the conference offered hands on learning experiences that combined traditional classroom learning with outdoor field sessions that helped individuals to become even more involved with the different aspects of natural resource management.



Southern Ute Chairman Christine Sage welcomes the NAFWS on Monday, Aug. 13 in the Sky Ute Casino Resort.



Southern Ute Councilwoman and Treasurer Lorelei Cloud stands while the national anthem is sung at the opening ceremony on Monday, August 13.

“I am honored to share my knowledge and skills to the Native American youth in attendance today,” Southern Ute Wildlife Fishery Biologist Ben Zimmerman stated about his time spent with the youth out at Scott’s pond on Wednesday, Aug. 15.

Youth were one of the many focuses this year, to get them even more engaged, the Mescalero Tribe and the U.S. Forest Service teamed up with Southern Ute Wildlife. Together they helped youth from varying tribes absorb information about water sampling and surveying fish, vegetation and birds, while out at Scott’s Pond.

When they weren’t spending the day in work sessions, conference participants were

encouraged to partake in the various shoot competitions that were hosted by the Southern Ute Tribal Rangers and the Wildlife Resource Management Division.

“For a number of years, the archery shoot hasn’t been included and so this year I thought it would be a good idea to bring it back,” Southern Ute Wildlife Biologist, Aran Johnson stated about the Friendly Archery Shoot Competition that was held this year at Ernest “Muz” Pinnecoose’s property.

Overall, the conference was a time to remember that, by protecting tribal sovereignty through managing resources that balance economic developments, tribes will create new ways to engage and positively impact the youth.



Southern Ute Bear Dance Chief Matthew Box gave a presentation and sang songs for the NAFWS from the Bear Dance ceremony.



Jace Carmenoros smiles for the camera while bear dancing on Tuesday, August 14 in the Multi-Purpose Facility.



Southern Ute veteran Rod Grove makes some quick conversation with Tom Aires before the opening ceremony begins on Monday, Aug. 13.



A traditional feast was held for the NAFWS on Tuesday, Aug. 14 in the Multi-Purpose Facility where the meal was prepared by “Diane’s Tortilla Burger” and hosted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Photos by McKayla Lee
The Southern Ute Drum

NAFWS’ers take aim



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute Wildlife Biologist Aran Johnson shoots a compound bow during the archery competition.



Ernest “Muz” Pinnecoose draws his arrow back while shooting in the ‘Friendly Archery Competition’ held on his property.

Officers test pistol skills



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder, Dr. Jim Jefferson offered a prayer and a blessing for the Wildlife Enforcement Officers prior to the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS) Regional Conference pistol shoot, at the newly remodeled Southern Ute Pistol & Rifle Range, Wednesday, Aug. 15.

Southern Ute Natural Resources Enforcement Tribal Ranger, Babe Gallegos along with fellow Natural Resources Enforcement officers take aim at their targets from 25 yards.





Ending summer with a BBQ



photos Lindsay Box/SU Council Affairs

Tribal Council and the Executive Office showed support at the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe — End of Summer Club BBQ. Southern Ute Council Member Melvin J. Baker tries to convince Boys & Girls Club staff and club members that onions are tasty and necessary on their hamburgers and hot dogs.

Councilwoman Lorelei Cloud serves club members and staff alongside Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors, Friday, Aug. 3.



SUPD

Naranjo celebrates 23 years of service with SUPD

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

This month marks 23 years of service for Lt. Chris Naranjo with the Southern Ute Police Department, starting on Aug. 1, 1995.

Hired by the late Eugene Naranjo, and Chairman Leonard C. Burch — Naranjo has worked his way through SUPD, holding numerous positions over the years including: dispatch, patrol, community resource officer, senior patrol officer, sergeant, investigator, and even acting police chief. “I have literally held every position here, which is part of the reason I’ve stuck around so long,” Naranjo reflected. “I have always been treated well, and enjoy working here — it has become my home.”

Coincidentally, Naranjo attended Police Academy in Marana, Ariz. In 1992 alongside Southern Ute tribal member Jack Frost II, the two would later work side by side on the Southern Ute Reservation. Naranjo hails from the Santa Clara Pueblo in New Mexico, where he served on the Tribal Police Force before joining SUPD.

“I work with a great bunch of men and women who



courtesy Chris Naranjo/SUPD

Chris Naranjo, working as a patrol sergeant for SUPD, stands with his daughter, Alicia, at an Ignacio High School basketball game in 2004. For Lt. Naranjo, the job is all about community service.

leave their families every day to put their life on the line for the membership and the community,” he said.

“Tribal police work has always been one of my passions, being from Santa Clara Pueblo — it’s close to home,” Naranjo said. “I want to thank the community for their support, I have grown to become friends with a lot of people over the years, and I appreciate that. [In this position] you deal with hardships, and tough times that people are going through, but at the end of the day, it’s my daughter — that brings a smile to my face.”

Quite a bit has changed in over two decades of police work, Naranjo reflects.

SUPD had a staff of just five when he first came on with the department, that number has since grown to 22. Technology has changed too. He remembers using typewriters for reports, carbon copies and Polaroid film cameras.

Looking to the future. “We want to encourage young tribal members to police their communities. To see someone like Jesse Vigil sign on to work with SUPD, learning and growing, that is really inspiring,” Naranjo stated. “We’ve got quite a few Southern Ute tribal members on the force. It is my hope that they will be the ones leading the department when I retire.”

Meet Sheriff Sean Smith

The public is invited to meet Sheriff Sean Smith on Wednesday, Aug. 22 at the Ignacio Public Library from 5 to 7 p.m. Smith is running for re-election for a second term as La Plata County Sheriff. Light refreshments will be served.

To learn more - go to www.seansmithforsheriff.com.



COUNCIL CONNECT SCHEDULE

LISTEN TO COUNCIL CONNECT ON KSUT TRIBAL RADIO FROM 02:30-03:00 PM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans outreach scheduled for Ignacio, Sept. 5

By Richard S. Schleeter
LA PLATA COUNTY VETERANS
SERVICE OFFICE

The La Plata County Veterans Service Office (CVSO), Richard S. Schleeter, will be holding a veteran's outreach event in Ignacio, Wednesday, September 5, at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility from 9 a.m. — 5 p.m. The address is 258 Ute Road, Ignacio CO 81137. This event is being hosted by the Southern Ute Veterans Association, who will be providing snacks for those in attendance.

There will also be a representative from the Denver VA regional office available to assist all veterans. The Farmington Vet Center will be on site to share information about re-adjustment counseling, military sexual trauma counseling, spousal groups,

and family counseling. All Southern Ute veterans are encouraged to attend and learn more about your VA benefits. This outreach event is open to all veterans who reside in La Plata County. All veterans are encouraged to come by and visit with us and learn more about their veterans benefits.

The main objective of the Veterans Service Office is to provide prevention, protection, advocacy and support services to veterans and their families so they can maximize their quality of life, well-being and potential. The La Plata County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) provides information and assistance to veterans and their families. There is a wide range of benefits available for our nation's veterans. Every veteran is encouraged to contact the CVSO to find out more

about their VA benefits. Your CVSO can assist you in any matter pertaining to the Department of Veterans Affairs. These services are free of charge. Please visit the La Plata County web site at <http://www.co.lapla-ta.co.us/> for more information about what the La Plata County Veterans Service Office can do for you.

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.

Vets march in Gallup Parade



courtesy Darius Richards

Ute Veterans carry the colors in the Gallup Ceremonial Parade on Saturday, Aug. 11. Ute Veterans: Willard Light and Gordon Hammond, Southern Ute Veteran Association Members: Howard Richards Sr. and Bruce LeClaire, alongside Krystle And Kennedy Chapman.



courtesy Bruce LeClaire/SU Veterans Association

Ute Veterans, Willard Light, Gordon Hammond, Howard Richards Sr. and Bruce LeClaire snap a quick selfie while carrying the colors in the 97th Annual Gallup Inter-Tribal Ceremonial Parade on Saturday, August 11.



98th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair

Parade

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 8TH, 2018

"KEEPING TRADITIONS ALIVE"

CATEGORIES FOR ENTRY

FLOAT PRIZES:
1st: \$200, 2nd: \$150, 3rd: \$100
(1st-3rd place awarded in each category except for Chairman's and Executive Office's Award)

FLOATS:
All floats will be categorized by either Commercial, Family or Service/Organization.

NATIVE DRESS: (MALE/FEMALE)
1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50

BEST NATIVE GROUP:
\$200

BEST ROYALTY FLOAT:
1st: Trophy
(Must be current title holder)

CAR PRIZES:
1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50

CAR CATEGORIES:

- Rez Car
- Lowrider
- Classic

CHAIRMAN'S AWARD:
(TBD)

EXECUTIVE AWARD:
(TBD)

HORSE PRIZES:
All ages, 1st place \$100

HORSE CATEGORIES:
(Only enter one category)

- Best Dressed Horse
- Best Dressed Indian Rider: Male/Female
- Best Dressed Cowboy/Cowgirl Rider

FAIR THEME

"Keeping Traditions Alive"
Parade entries will be judged on adherence to theme.

CONTACT

Randi Rock: 970-563-4710
Mandy Brown: 970-563-2722

PARADE STARTS
10 am from Ignacio High School

PARADE LINEUP & REGISTRATION
7:30 am at the Ignacio SE corner of High School
Parade will proceed south on Goddard Ave.

KIDDIE PARADE

KIDDIE PARADE CATEGORIES:
Open to children 12 years and younger.

KIDDIE PARADE PRIZES:
1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

YOUTH GROUP ENTRY:
1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50
Prize money in following categories
1st: \$50, 2nd: \$35, 3rd: \$25

CATEGORIES:

- Bicycle Entry
- Wagon Entry
- Native: Male/Female

LA PLATA PLANNING COMMISSION

Help shape Florida Mesa District Plan update on August 21

Staff report
LA PLATA COUNTY PLANNING DEPT.

The La Plata County Planning Commission & staff are working with residents to update the Florida Mesa District Plan and invite your input at a public meeting from 5 – 7 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 21 at Faith Community Church, 1400 Hwy. 172, Durango. District plans provide growth management recommendations to the Planning Commission, as framed by the goals, policies and objectives in the La Plata County Comprehensive Plan.

Each district plan:


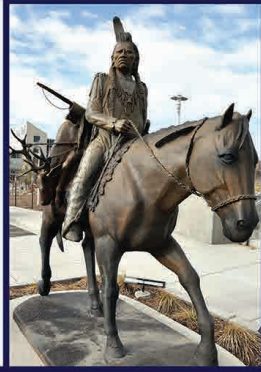
- Identifies the unique characteristics of a particular district
- Captures key issues within each district
- Establishes goals, policies and objec-

tives to guide growth in each district

- Assists the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners in evaluating the density, type, location and compatibility of land uses in each district

Let the Planning Commission and staff know what Florida Mesa land use and development issues are most important to you by filling out a brief questionnaire: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/floridamesa>. Answers will help guide the conversation and the plan update process.

Visit the Florida Mesa District Plan web page for background documents and schedule. For more information about this or any of the district plan updates, please contact the La Plata County Planning Department at 970-382-6263 or planning@co.laplata.co.us with any questions.



Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Tribal Forums

Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members are invited to attend the CEDS forum. These forums are a great way to have a conversation about the current state of the Tribe's economic development efforts; to get the tribal membership engaged in entrepreneurship and economic development; and to get feedback from members regarding the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Membership may pick up a CEDS draft from Ms. Lindsay Box in the Council Affairs Office.

Meetings will be held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Growth Fund Building in the 1st floor conference room. Members can also register to attend via WebEx at the appropriate links below.

Tribal Elder Forum on Thursday, August 9, 2018 (Dinner provided)
<http://bit.ly/2A9WfU1>

Tribal Member Forum on Thursday, August 23, 2018 (Dinner provided)
<http://bit.ly/2NFuYuo>

For more information and for copies of the CEDS draft, please contact Ms. Lindsay Box at 970.563.2313 or lbox@southernute-nsn.gov
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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

2018 GENERAL ELECTION

TWO (2) TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBER SEATS

The Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2018 General Election according to the Constitution and Election Code.

GENERAL ELECTION – Fri., Nov. 2, 2018, 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.
SunUte Community Center in Ignacio, CO

GENERAL ELECTION RESIDENCY DEADLINE – Sat., Aug. 4, 2018

STATEMENT OF INTENTION DEADLINE – Mon., Sept. 3, 2018, by 5 P.M.

ELECTION BOARD DECISION REGARDING ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE – Tue., Sept. 18, 2018

NOTICE OF ELECTION – Wed., Oct. 3, 2018

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Wed., Oct. 24, 2018, by 5 P.M.

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST DEADLINE – Wed., Oct. 24, 2018, by 5 P.M.

EMERGENCY BALLOT REQUEST DEADLINE – Thur., Nov. 1, 2018, by 5 P.M.

Contact the Election Board at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305
Off-Reservation Tribal Members phone 1-800-772-1236 ext. 2303
Email: election@southernute-nsn.gov



Bridging the Gap at SunUte



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

SunUte Recreation Manager, Virgil Morgan fist bumps with kids that are in the “Bridge the gap” program.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Summer program participants chase one another during a game of Sharks & Minnows.



courtesy Virgil Morgan/SunUte

Bridge the gap girls Awnikah Archuleta and Avanna Cook “tanning” in the pool.



courtesy Virgil Morgan/SunUte

Youth learning beginner archery skills at the target range as part of the summer program.



courtesy Virgil Morgan/SunUte

Bridge the gap kids cooling their muscles down in the hot tub at SunUte.

Attention Tribal Members

Limited Blankets available at tribal Information Services (TIS) office.
First come, first serve.

Table Games Dealer

Training



When: September 03, 2018 – September 28, 2018

Where: Sky Ute Casino Resort in the Table Games Training Room

Time: Monday thru Friday

Time: 5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

All Participants must be twenty- one (21) years of age and have a valid photo ID.

Please give us a call at (970) 563- 1872 to sign up.

Thank You,

Table Games Department

Sky Ute Casino Resort



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For more information please contact Shalanda Roan, Recreation Coordinator at 970-563-0214 Ext 2664

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IHS FOOTBALL

Bobcat Football alive, well, and at full-go

IHS' season not in rumored jeopardy

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Remember the rock band, Collective Soul's 1994 debut, 'Hints, Allegations and Things Left Un-said'? That title pretty well summarized how Ignacio Football's 2018 season officially commenced. But after hints and allegations emerged that the program may not have enough bodies to fill out even a bare-bones varsity roster to compete in the Colorado High School Activities Association's 11-man ranks, head coach Alfonso 'Ponch' Garcia emphatically put such things – probably best left unsaid – to bed.

"First of all ... I don't know who got that miscommunication; I don't know really what happened," he said Monday evening, August 13, after starting the second week of official practices.

"I never had a meeting. I never called for a meeting," he continued, alluding to a reported preseason organizational meeting while trying not to laugh in continued disbelief. "I was like, 'What the heck is going on here?' It was so weird, messed up! Somebody let this out – I don't know who it was – and really started a mess."

Of course, that seems almost par for the 1A Southern Peaks Conference's course, what with rival Dolores under new leadership this fall, Walsenburg John Mall – also under new

leadership – transferring to the 1A Santa Fe (while considering a 2019 drop to 8-man), and former SPC member Center back in the fold after a year away from varsity competition.

And much to the boss' delight, the Bobcats apparently haven't taken any doomsday hearsay to heart. "It's been going great; the kids have responded so well," Garcia said. "And by the way, we DO have twenty-four, twenty-six kids right now! Today we did a little bit of hitting ... because the kids, they've been antsy! They want to start hitting! And we decided it was time do a little engaging, get 'em used to it, so it was good."

"The attitudes are so positive – it's pretty awesome."

Though quarterback will again be a position up for grabs, particularly with both Trace Lovelace and Marcus Chapman having graduated back in May, much potential is eligible to return. Ball-carriers Dustin Sanchez, Lawrence Toledo, and Mike Archuleta could again be in the mix for touches along with receivers Colten Jackson and Ocean Hunter, but Garcia stressed that offensive-line performance will be most vital of all.

"We've had to start with a fresh quarterback. You always want to have a quarterback coming up, you know? But with my luck, every year I've only

had one kid that has been quarterback for even two years," he said. "You always want to have more line, because if you don't have your 'front five' ..."

"So I would like to work on that more – we would like to have eight, so we can sub those kids out, get them a little break – but it is what it is. Our line's looking pretty good; it would be nice to have more."

And against La Jara Centauri and Monte Vista, again the SPC's likely front-runners, more would certainly be better. But ultimately Garcia knows no matter who he plays at any position – or how many he plays with at all – against any given opponent, success or failure will be determined by one simple concept: "Understanding," he said. "Understanding the few plays that we're trying to insert, and to make them understand their jobs – what every kid has to do – for whatever play's called."

"Yeah, everybody wants to have an undefeated season, you know? But I'll ... be a very happy man with a .500 season and changing of attitudes towards the positive, and making a difference on the kids. I'm excited, looking forward to putting this group out there ... competing – the main word is 'compete' – and never give up."

"That's most important," he added. "Football's just a game, but a game that teaches you a lot about life."

IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Seibel stepping down from IHS girls' post

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

His decision expected to be confirmed at the Ignacio Board of Education Regular Meeting Thursday, Aug. 9, Ignacio High School girls' varsity basketball head coach Trae Seibel has elected to resign his position, after leading the Lady Bobcats to the CHSAA Class 2A State Championships back in March.

"Well it was a heck of a ride, you know ... to compile the best regular-season record and overall record that Ignacio Girls' Basketball's ever seen," he said, having joined predecessors Dwayne Odoms, Justa Whitt and father Shane Seibel as the only skippers to navigate the program to the final weekend.

"The girls that came out to play, you know, it was them and their ability to play the game at such a high level ... to be open to a motion offense, strict conditioning, and a defensive attack," he added. "As a first-year head coach I learned a lot, experienced a lot. And for them to be coachable, be respectful ... I just want to thank them from the bottom of my heart."

"And my staff – A.J. Vigil, Chris Herrera, Pam Cotton and my dad Shane – without them, without their support, I wouldn't have been able to finish the season."

"First and foremost, I want to thank my wife, my parents, and my children," Seibel declared. "I want to thank the administration – Rocky [Cundiff, IHS Athletic Director], Melanie [Taylor, IHS Principal], Rocco [Fuschetto, Ignacio School District Superintendent] – and the school board for giving me an opportunity to coach in my hometown where I grew up, where I graduated high school from."

"I also want to give special recognition to ... the Gomezes, Neoma Quintana and her family, Larissa Gallegos' family, Morgan Herrera's family, the Brunsons, and the Valdezes – Chris and I, we're cousins, both part of the Taylor family – as well, because they've provided such great support to the program."

Seibel's first-ever varsity team finished 21-4, but lost standouts Avionne Gomez and Allisianna Baker-Marquez to graduation and now-junior Morgan Herrera this summer to her family's Pacific Northwest relocation. Still, with guards Ebonee Gomez and Kiana and Charlize Valdez, forwards Makayla Howell and Larissa Gallegos, and young center/forward Sheldie Gossney all eligible to return this winter, Seibel certainly wasn't leaving for fear the cupboard would be empty.

"I did my best to steer



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio Girls' Basketball head coach Trae Seibel has elected to resign, a few months after his first season at the varsity's helm ended with an appearance in the Class 2A State Championships in Loveland, Colo.

nothing but the best," he added. "Because for them to be successful needs the community to be successful ... And so I wish the community all the success, I wish the girls all the success, and I look forward to watching them hopefully get back to State and win a game!"

WILL THE TIE INDEED BIND

With younger brother Clay going into his senior year at Durango High School, Seibel had no hesitation addressing if a move to the 4A Demons' staff was in the cards.

"To be honest, as soon as I resigned, I was contacted by Durango High School," he admitted. "I traveled with them this summer, you know, to a couple camps – took Clay, hopped into the car, and we were able to ... make sure he was there – and what Coach Batiste is preaching to his kids, the philosophy behind the program, is exactly what I was doing with the [Ignacio] girls' program, so I feel like I'd fit in very well."

"I'm potentially looking into the opportunity to be hired by Durango High School to be an assistant for the boys' team. And ... it would just be 'assistant coach' for the boys' program – I'm not 'coaching' JV, I'm not 'coaching' C, not 'coaching' the varsity ... I'm just there to assist ... in any way that I can."

"And in no way, shape, or form was the position a deciding factor in me resigning; I know that there had been some rumors about that, but it had absolutely no effect on this decision," said Seibel.

Summer shots at SunUte



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

The Ignacio High School (IHS) girls basketball team plays against the "Hoopster" on Sunday, August 5 in the 2018 Summer Basketball League that is hosted at SunUte Community Center.

Vigil Family Memorial Run/Walk

SunUte Park

3 Mile Run
1 Mile Walk

Saturday, 9/8/18

Registration: 7am
Run/Walk: 7:30am

Free Event!

For more information, please contact Abel Velasquez, Fitness Director at (970)563-2651.



Bullying prevention assembly with Ron Shuali set for August 23

Leading expert in the prevention of bullying, Ron Shuali, will teach solutions for behavior, bullying, and interpersonal issues through fun and comedy at an assembly at the Ignacio High School Auditorium on Aug. 23, beginning at 6 p.m. The event is free, sponsored by Southern Ute Community Action Programs and all community members and their families are welcome to attend. Thank you for helping SUCAP put a stop to bullying in our community. For more information, please visit www.sucap.org.



TRIBAL OBITUARIES



SAGE – Sage Douglas Remington was born in Ignacio, Colorado on May 22, 1942 to Avon Rabbit and Annabelle T. Eagle. He passed away July 31, 2018 at his home in Ignacio.

He was raised by his step father, Clifford House Eagle, and his mother. He was a warrior of conscious, tolerant of diversity and able to embrace it. He was raised in the traditional Ute way of life on the Ute Mountain and Southern Ute reservations. He was a sun dancer for over 20 years and a fluent Ute speaker. During his work in the Denver Indian Community, a Lakota elder bestowed upon him the responsibility of being a pipecarrier and to continue his service to tribal peoples. He was very proud of his tribal identity and culture for it made him strong to be able to lead the life he wanted.

He led a complex, vibrant life. Not only was he a drum majorette in high school, but he served in the Peace Corp in South

America, traveled throughout Europe, taught school, helped establish the radio station, and he wrote newspaper articles.

He participated in American Indian protests and occupations including Alcatraz, Ft. Lawton, Pyramid Lake, Pitt River and Frank's Landing. He marched with Cesar Chavez during the migrant worker protests and with Harvey Milk for Gay Rights. Throughout his life he served on local and national boards bringing the unique Ute perspective to those tables of strategic planning.

His greatest joy was to be able to live long enough to see his nieces and nephews grow into adulthood and gift the families with grandchildren and great grandchildren. These are the reasons he fought the good fight – for the future of the families. Douglas will be remembered by family & friends for his contagious sense of humor.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Avon, Clifford and Annabelle, his brothers Clifton W. and James Eagle, and his sisters Theresa "Tree" Eagle and Beverly Harlan. He is survived by his sisters Linda Eagle, Ramona Eagle, Annie Rabbit and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren and relatives throughout Ute Country. His many friends throughout the activist universe mourn the passing of a warrior of the Indians of All Tribes.

A traditional wake was held Friday, August 3 at the Ramona Eagle residence in Ignacio, CO. A funeral service was held Saturday, August 4, 2018 at the Southern Ute Memorial Chapel in Ignacio, CO with Interment at the Ouray Cemetery.

Notice of Revised Land Assignment Code

On July 31, 2018, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-130, approving a revised Traffic Code. Tribal Council will now submit the Traffic Code to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for review and approval. Once BIA approves it, the Traffic Code will become effective six months later. This will allow the Tribe extra time to educate the membership and the public of the new Code. Among all of the revisions, the revised Traffic Code includes the following substantive eleven revisions:

1. Separates civil traffic infractions (e.g., speeding and parking) and criminal traffic offenses (e.g., DUI and careless driving);
2. Allows the Tribe to cite non-Indians for civil traffic infractions where the Tribe has jurisdiction;
3. Adds a third offense (Aggravated DUI) related to driving under the influence for drivers with a blood alcohol content of 0.15 or more or that injure another person while under the influence;
4. Makes the driver's license revocation periods the same as Colorado's periods (i.e., nine months for first excessive blood alcohol level; one year for a second; and two years for a third or subsequent);
5. Makes revocation periods for refusing to take a chemical test the same as Colorado's (i.e., one year for first refusal; two years for second; three years for third or subsequent);
6. Revocation periods will automatically be amended if the State amends its periods and tribally revoked drivers may apply for a restricted driver's license (i.e., ignition interlock) from the State;
7. Allows law enforcement to stop drivers for not wearing seatbelts;
8. Requires vehicles to comply with tint visibility requirements where registered (in CO, 27% of light in windows, 70% of light in windshield);
9. Requires mandatory insurance for the minimum coverage amounts where the vehicle is registered;
10. Authorizes minors to be prosecuted for alcohol related traffic offenses where minor had a prior, accident resulted in serious bodily injury, or accident resulted in excessive property damage; and
11. Designates roads and trails where off-highway vehicles can be used (see map).

For your information, the Tribe's Department of Tribal Information Services has posted a copy of the Code on the *Southern Ute Drum's* website, the tribal member website, and the Tribe's social media site. Upon request, the Tribal Information Services Department will mail a hard copy of the revised Code to tribal members. To request a hard copy, contact Director, Edna Frost, at 970-563-2250. If you have questions, contact the Director of the Legal Department, David Smith at 563-2140, or dasmith@southernute-nsn.gov.



BP America Production Company is attempting to contact the following individuals in reference to a land transaction:

Mr. Anthony Gunn
Ms. Althea M. Litz
Ms. Marie A. Gunn
Ms. Sandra J. Gunn

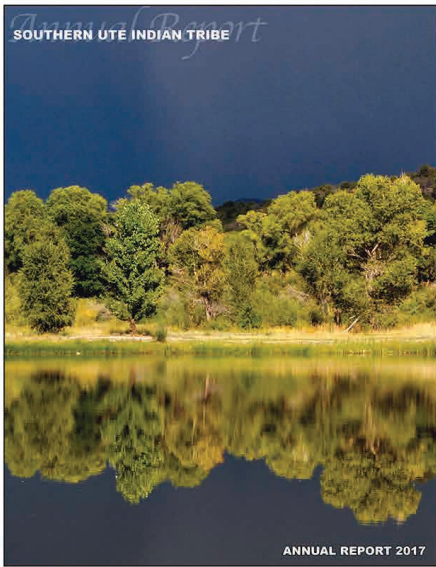
Please contact Miles Venzara with BP at 970-986-6779.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe 2017 Annual Report

The 2017 Southern Ute Indian Tribe Annual Report is available, come to the Southern Ute Drum office or the Tribal Information Services (TIS) office. If you want it mailed to you, contact TIS.

The Southern Ute Drum and the Tribal Information Services offices are located on the Southern Ute Tribal Campus in Ignacio.

Contact the Southern Ute Drum or Tribal Information Services offices at 970-563-0100.



In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2018-NC-0191
Neeka Mae Little Fox Ryder, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Shydia Howe on behalf of Neeka Mae Little Fox Ryder has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Neeka Mae Little Fox Howe. 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 September 28, 2018 at 5 pm. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 13th day of August, 2018.
BY THE COURT, Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2018-NC-0192
Tia James Baby Bear Ryder, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Shydia Howe on behalf of Tia James Baby Bear Ryder has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Tia James Baby Bear Howe. 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 September 28, 2018 at 5 pm. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 13th day of August, 2018.
BY THE COURT, Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

In the Legal Name Change of,

Case No.: 2018-NC-0141
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Dedra Elizabeth White, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Dedra Elizabeth White filed an application for legal change of name, to be known

hereafter as Dedra Elizabeth White Eagle. As of August 6, 2018 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Dedra Elizabeth White name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Dedra Elizabeth White Eagle.
Dated this 6th day of August, 2018.
Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2018-NC-0147
Nancy Rose Weaver, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Nancy Rose Weaver filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Nancy Rose Muniz. As of August 13, 2018 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Nancy Rose Weaver name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Nancy Rose Muniz.
Dated this 13th day of August, 2018.
Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2018-NC-0166
Dennie H. Vicenti, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Dennie H. Vicenti has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Dennis Hugh Vicenti. 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 August 31, 2018. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 18th day of July, 2018.
BY THE COURT, Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

NOTICE OF HEARING

Case No.: 2018-CV-0044: Priority Sales & Rentals vs. Carletta Armstrong
The undersigned are hereby notified that the above-entitled matter has been scheduled for Money Demand before the above named Court on October 9, 2018 at 10:00 AM.

Paula Trujillo, Southern Ute Tribal Court

Tribal Member Portal Account Set-Up



1. Go to www.southernute-nsn.gov
2. In the header, click on "Members".
3. Under the login, click on the blue highlighted link "Register New Account".
4. Fill out the necessary information. (SUSS will verify your information and confirm your enrollment. Your account will be created and the login information will be sent to the email provided) This is only available during business hours and takes 1-2 days.
5. Use the SUSS created login (found in your email) to access the Tribal Member Portal.
6. Once you have access, you can change your password in your profile.

For assistance, please contact
Ms. Lindsay Box at 970.563.2313
or via email lbox@southernute-nsn.gov

Wildlife Advisory Board Photo Contest!

Show off your photographic skills while out on our beautiful reservation

Winners will be featured by the Southern Ute Drum.

Categories:

Youth and Adult Reservation Wildlife

Youth and Adult Reservation Landscape

A maximum of two entries per category

Youth 5 – 17 years

Adult 18+ years

Submit your entries to: Southern Ute Division of Wildlife

Correction

In the Aug. 3 issue of the Drum, Ron Yellowbird was misidentified as a Southern Ute tribal elder.

In the Aug. 3 issue of the Drum, the two MMA fighters during weigh-ins, were misidentified as Chris Jones and Issac London.

In the Aug. 3 issue of the Drum, BGC CEO Bruce LeClaire was misidentified as the CFO of BGC.

Drum Deadline

Next issue:
Aug. 31

Deadline:
Aug. 27

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

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Southern Ute Indian Tribe/ State Of Colorado Environmental Commission

Tribe-Appointed Member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission

Position Closes 5:00 p.m. (MST) on August 24, 2018

Commission Purpose: Establish rules and regulations applicable to the Reservation Air Program; and Review appealable administrative actions taken by the Tribe. **Summary of Commission Duties:** Determine air programs that should apply to the Reservation; Promulgate rules and regulations necessary for proper implementation and administration of air programs that apply to the Reservation, including determining which administrative actions are appealable to the Commission; Establish procedures for the Commission to follow in promulgating rules and regulations and review appealable administrative actions taken by the Tribe; Review and approve the long-term plan; Monitor relationships among State and tribal environmental protection agencies; Review administrative actions by the Tribe; Approve and adopt fees for permits and other regulatory services conducted by the Tribe or the State; Ensure consistency and adherence to applicable standards and resolve disputes involving third parties; Review emission inventories developed by the Tribe and State; Conduct public hearings pertaining to adoption of rules and regulations or review of appealable administrative actions, and issue subsequent orders; Request administrative or clerical assistance from tribal staff when necessary to issue orders and conduct Commission business; and Any other duties necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. **Preferred Commission Member Qualifications:** Knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order; Knowledge of the Clean Air Act; Ethical, strong integrity; Ability to identify conflicts of interest; Knowledge of environmental issues affecting the Reservation; Able to attend regular Commission and stakeholder meetings; and Cooperative and able to work as a team player. **Commission Member Appointment Terms and Conditions:** Commission members are appointed by the Tribal Council. Commission members serve three year terms and are not subject to term limits. Commission meetings are generally held twice per year but more frequent meetings are possible. Stakeholder meetings occur on an as-needed basis. Failure to attend two consecutive Commission or Stakeholder meetings or demonstrated unethical conduct may result in appointment removal by Tribal Council. Compensation is \$100 per half-day meeting for Commission members who are not employees of the Tribe. **Meeting Location:** Justice & Regulatory Administration Building, EPD Large Conference Room, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137. **How to Apply:** Send letter of interest to the: Air Quality Program Office, C/O Marlene Scott-Jewett, PO Box 737 MS# 84, Ignacio, CO 81137 or Hand deliver to: Justice & Regulatory Administration Building, Air Quality Program, Marlene Scott-Jewett, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137 or Email: airquality@southernute-nsn.gov

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Design Engineering & Construction Administration Services for Cedar Point Routes – Road Improvement Project

Southern Ute Indian Tribe:

Tribal Planning Department, P.O. Box 737, 116 Memorial Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-4749

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Cedar Point Routes – Road Improvement Project. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Planning Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2:00 p.m. MDT, on August 21, 2018. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Loretta Velasquez for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-4749 or

lovelasq@southernute-nsn.com. There will be a Mandatory Pre-Bid Walk through located at 116 Memorial Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137, followed by a site visit on August 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

SunUte Office HVAC Replacement

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Construction & Project Management Dept. P.O. Box 737 116 Memorial Drive Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Construction Services for the SunUte Office HVAC System. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2:00 p.m. MDT, on September 17, 2018. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Con-

tact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, August 30, 2018 at 9:00 am at 116 Memorial Drive, Ignacio, Colorado, Construction & Project Management Office. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Boards, Committees and Commission Vacancies

APPRENTICE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Open Until Filled - The Southern Ute Indian Tribe (Tribe) and Apprentice Program Committee has three (3) vacancies. The Committee shall include employees of the Tribe who have a level of expertise and familiarity with the goal of tribal member mentoring and employment in order to make a positive contribution to both the committee and to the objectives of the program. A majority of the committee shall be tribal members. Members serve on a voluntary basis. It is the policy and intent of the Tribe that the Apprentice Program Committee be appointed to administer an Apprenticeship program that provides higher education, training, on-the-job experience, and mentoring to eligible tribal members. All interested Southern Ute tribal members, currently employed with the Tribe, who would like to serve on this committee are urged to submit a letter of intent to the Human Resources Department at PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137, or in person at the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

BOXING COMMISSION

Closing 8/23/18 – The Southern Ute Boxing Commission currently has two (2) commission vacancy. Terms are staggered; one year, two year and three year; individual will receive commission pay – the commission is open to anyone of interest. The qualifications are: Must be 21 years of age; Shall be of good character; and Shall not have been convicted of or plead guilty to any felony or boxing related offenses. Submit your letter of intent by 3 PM on Aug. 23, 2018 to: Southern Ute Boxing Commission, PO Box 737 #74, Ignacio, CO 81137 or you can hand deliver your letter of intent to Hilda Burch at the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO). Or call Hilda at 970-563-2291.

ELECTION BOARD

The Southern Ute Election Board is seeking one (1) Full-Time Regular and (1) Part-Time Alternate Board Member. The closing date is Friday, Sept. 14, 2018 at 5 p.m. Qualifications: 11-2-102, (1) & (3): Must be a Southern Ute Tribal Registered Voter. Must reside within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Shall not have been convicted of a felony, and Shall not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonestly or fraud within five years immediately preceding appointment to the Election Board. The Election Board is a paid committee, IRS Guidelines, a Criminal Background Check is necessary. Southern Ute Employee benefits are offered, and you will be considered an Official of the Southern Ute Tribe. Please submit your Letter of Intent to: Southern Ute Indian Tribe- Election Board, P.O. Box 737 #32, Ignacio, CO, 81137. Physical location: 356 Ouray Drive/LCB, 2nd floor east wing. Contact the Election Board at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303/2305 or via email: electionboard@southernute-nsn.gov

POWWOW COMMITTEE

Closing 8/23/18 – ATTENTION: Tribal Members and Other Natives. The Powwow Committee is seeking a person interested to serve on the Powwow Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to nurture and promote a positive impression of the Southern Ute Tribe through songs, dances and other activities to preserve the culture. The Committee is a non-paid committee and meets bi-monthly. Interested Tribal members can submit a letter of intent by Aug. 23, 2018 3 p.m.; to the Powwow Committee, PO Box 737 #16, Ignacio CO, 81137, or hand deliver to Hilda Burch at the TERO Dept. or email to hburch@southernute-nsn.gov.

ROYALTY COMMITTEE

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

TRIBAL CREDIT COMMITTEE

Open Until Filled – The Southern Ute Credit Committee is looking for eligible Tribal Member applicants to serve on the Committee. The appointment is for three (3) years. This is a compensated Committee, and, you will be considered an employee of the Tribe, per IRS guidelines. Credit Committee will submit approved applicant recommendation to Tribal Council for final appointment. 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 criminal background and reference checks, per the Credit Committee By-laws. The duties of the Tribal Credit Committee are: Approve loans as required by the Credit Committee Declaration; Monitor compliance with the Declaration; Monitor all approved loans for 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 regular meetings and other special meetings, as needed; and Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff. Interested Tribal Members are asked to submit a letter of interest to the Tribal Credit Committee, PO Box 737 #60, Ignacio, CO 81137. Questions, speak with Daniel Larsen, Tribal Credit Division Head, at 970-563-2458.

WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD SEEKS YOUTH

Open Until Filled – The Tribe is seeking an enrolled Southern Ute youth to fill a special youth-only seat on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The 1-year Tribal Member only position – between the ages of 14 and 18 – may be renewed annually, by request, until age 19 is reached. The Wildlife Advisory Board works closely with the Wildlife Division in planning and recommending actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs, both on-reservation and within the Brunot treaty area. This special youth seat provides an outstanding opportunity for a young tribal member to learn about wildlife management, including traditional Ute and contemporary scientific perspectives. Meetings are held several times throughout the year, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. Eligible to receive \$20/hour compensation for meeting attendance provided he or she is not already employed by the Tribe. Interested tribal member youth must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Information, contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Pine River Indian Irrigation Project (PRIIP) Water Supply

The 2017-18 winter snowpack was far below average across Southwestern Colorado and has pushed the region into severe drought conditions. Vallecito Reservoir did not fill to full capacity this year and is currently less than 40% full. Nevertheless, most irrigators on the PRIIP will have a full supply of water for the 2018 irrigation season. But PRIIP irrigators that rely on non-BIA ditches/private ditches for delivery of PRIIP water will likely have difficulty receiving water when that specific ditch exhausts their storage water allotment. Many of these non-BIA ditches/private ditches will shut off in early to mid-August. Please call the Water Resources Division at 970-563-9482 with any further questions.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY

Interested in helping our youth
build GREAT FUTURES? Apply
for the Board of Directors today!
Applications Due 08.24.2018.

Applications available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact
Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CEO, at 970.563.2694



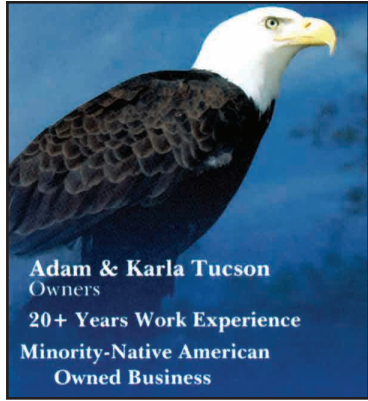
COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) COMMENT PERIOD

The Tribe is considering comments from the tribal membership on the CEDS draft. The document will be available on the tribal member portal. Please submit your comments between August 1 - August 31, 2018 to: Dave Eppich at deppich@southernute-nsn.gov or 970.563.2463. If you have any questions or if you prefer to have a hard copy mailed or a digital copy emailed to you, please contact Lindsay Box at 970.563.2313.

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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. If you need help filling out an online application, please come the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, be sure the HR Dept. has your current contact information on file. Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Human Resources • P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

After School Guide (PT)

Closing date 8/21/18 – Regular part-time position that provides education and physical activities for the afterschool program to meet the needs of children ages 3 through 11 years that are enrolled in the after school program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Assistant Cook

Closing date 8/21/18 – Assisting the Head Cook/Kitchen Manager to facilitate all kitchen food service preparation and cleaning duties at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Construction Services Repairman

Closing date 8/21/18 – Assists in home repair to Tribal Home Rehab Programs, Elders Maintenance Program, Tribal Member and Elderly/ Handicapped Emergency Repair, and Tribal Rental Units. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

Head Cook

Closing date 8/24/18 – Under general supervision of the Food Service Manager; prepares meals for the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. Pay grade 14; \$12.93/hour.

High School Teacher

Closing date 8/24/18 – Professional teaching position with the Southern Ute Education Center. Teaches/tutors Southern Ute or Johnson O’Malley Program students in the High School during and after school throughout the school year. Designs and implements summer enrichment programs, performing student instruction and supervision, managing the programs and reviewing their success. The intent of this teaching position is to assist students in the educational process thereby increasing their potential for success. Position is based on a regular work year (261 days) with approved leaves and vacations.

Lake Capote Maintenance Worker (Southern Ute member only)

Closing date 8/17/18 – Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager, and will: greet guests, collect fees for fishing/camping/small concessions; clean, maintain, and repair grounds, facilities, and buildings; and assist with site development and improvements. Position is seasonal/full time, 8-month schedule. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Active Kid Care Leader (PT)

Open Until Filled – Provides childcare and physical activities for the Active Kid Care program at SunUte Community Center to meet the needs of children ages toddler through 6 years. Pay grade 10; \$9.01/hour.

Clinic Nurse

Open Until Filled – Registered Nurse position responsible for providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

Endocrinologist (PT)

Open Until Filled – Providing specialty endocrinology services to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC).

Group Exercise Instructor

Open Until Filled – Provides group exercise instruction and fitness activities to members of the Sun Ute Community Center, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Home & Community Health Services Manager

Open Until Filled – Management and administration of all community and home based health services, programs, and projects within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Health Services Division. Duration of position is contingent upon grant funding. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/year.

Internal Auditor

Open Until Filled – Performs internal auditing procedures for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to assess risk and identify control deficiencies, unnecessary spending, and inefficient operations. Develops and implements internal audit processes and procedures, serves as project manager of the Performance Management and Key Performance Indicator program, and recommends improvements to business processes that will promote overall efficiency, productivity and profitability. Reports functionally to Tribal Council and administratively to the Tribal Council Chair (or delegate).

Lifeguard (PT)

Open Until Filled – Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Nurse Practitioner

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

Patrol Officer

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

Physical Therapist

Open Until Filled – Works in the tribal health center with diabetes-specific patients, and provides homecare for Southern Ute Tribal Members. Expected to assess, plan, organize, and participate in rehabilitative programs that improve mobility, relieve pain, increase strength, and improve or correct disabling conditions resulting from disease or injury.

Police Sergeant

Open Until Filled – Coordinates the efforts of the officers and dispatchers to achieve the objectives of the Police Department and in the absence of the Police Lieutenant will command the Southern Ute Police Department. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

Scorekeeper

Open Until Filled – Keeps accurate scores for sporting events held by SunUte Recreation Department. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Speech & Language Therapist (PT w/ benefits)

Open Until Filled – Professional position within the Department of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of speech and language therapy services.

Umpire/Referee

Open Until Filled – Maintains rules and regulations on the playing field and courts during SunUte Recreation Dept. sporting events. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements

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

All Applicants Welcome • TERO-Native American Preference

Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

*Bingo Staff (Part-time/no benefits)

Servicing guests during Bingo games, including selling additional special games and pull tabs, instructing customers in bingo play, calling bingo games, verifying bingo’s to the caller, beverage service and other duties promoting guest satisfaction and play. Verifying winning bingo cards and makes payouts accordingly. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have good cash handling skills, previous experience with cash transactions required. Must have effective communication skills - verbally able to provide instruction, respond to questions, and have exceptional interpersonal skills and abilities.

Busser (Full-time)

Performs multiple tasks and duties within the restaurant and kitchen as instructed by supervisor and management. Job duties include clearing off and sanitizing tables for next group guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as plates, glasses, silverware and napkins. Will help cooks, servers and dishwashers perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 16 years old. Must have reliable transportation. Must have a minimum of an 8th grade education, able to read and write at an 8th grade level. Must have basic mathematical skills. Must be able to work as a team and demonstrate a willingness to learn.

Café Cashier (Full-time)

Providing friendly and courteous service to all guests in a fast-paced work environment. Taking guests food orders, accurately totaling food and beverage purchases and collecting payments. Assists in preparing and serving any and all foods necessary for the Cafe kitchen. Prepares ala carte food products from the hot food line in the front area of the Café. Will balance the register at end of the shift, with proper report of discrepancies and complete paperwork. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 16 years old. Must be able to count money and make change. Cash register experience preferred. Food service/preparation experience preferred. Must be able to work at a fast pace and multi-task in a fast-paced environment.

Event Staff (Full-time/On-call)

Primary responsibilities include assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. Requires that you achieve and maintain the highest level of guest service, as well as maintaining professional interactions, safe working conditions and teamwork. 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.

Facilities Staff (Full-time)

Operation of equipment, environmental condition and appearance of the facility and grounds. Responsible for the cleanliness, maintenance and repair of the facility, equipment and building. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Prior experience in one or more related fields preferred. Must be able to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Must have a valid driver’s license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

*Housekeeping Staff (Full-time/Day, Grave)

Cleaning all public areas including Casino floor, public restrooms, restaurant, lobby, offices and employee break rooms. High School Diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 21 years old. Previous experience in hospitality or retail field required. Previous cleaning or motel/hotel housekeeping experience preferred.

Line Cook (Full-time)

Preparation of the A La Carte menu and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness. Ensure all guidelines are followed according to the established specifications and standards in food safety and sanitation. Requires one to be

an excellent team player and trust worthy. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least 1-year cooking experience as a cook in a fast-paced full service restaurant OR 4 months In House training or presently attending school. Must demonstrate cooperation, support skills and willingness to learn. Must have knowledge of standards of food preparation, serving and kitchen procedures.

*Multi-Games Dealer (Full-time)

Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Reports to the Table Games Manager or as otherwise designated. 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.

*Poker Dealer (Full-time/On-Call)

Deals the various games of Class 2 poker while promoting a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Reports to the Table Games Manager or as otherwise delegated. Must have High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in poker.

*Player Development Host (Full-time)

Identifies, develops and creates relationships with Sky Ute Casino Resort gaming patrons. Facilitates VIP events that enhance the overall gaming experience. Fosters an environment that results in generating gaming related revenue measured by more trips and increased spending. Assists with all facets of the Sky Ute Casino Resort Bear Club and Player’s Center as needed. Reports directly to the Player Development Manager. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have High School Diploma/equivalency. College degree is preferred. Must have 2 years of experience in front of house casino operations; Gaming (slot/tables), Marketing, Player Development preferred, or at least four years related experience and/or training, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have excellent computer skills in MS Word, Excel and database skills preferred in marketing database systems. Must be creative and assist with special event planning, such as themed events, slot tournaments and off-property high profile events.

Room Attendant (Full-time)

Thoroughly cleaning (20) hotel guest rooms and performing routine duties individually in a fast-paced work environment. Duties include cleaning hotel room by wiping, washing, scrubbing, vacuuming, sweeping and mopping all areas of the guest rooms. Requires the ability to bend, lift, stand and walk throughout the shift. Duties of this job are physically demanding and may be stressful at times, particularly during peak season periods. Cleaning an average of 12 guest rooms and during peak season, up to 20 guest rooms per shift. Must be at least 18 years of age. High School Diploma/equivalency preferred. One year previous experience preferred in hotel or hospitality business.

*Security Officer (Full-time)

The Security department is responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Sky Ute Casino Resort and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. Department is responsible for guest and employee safety on property. The first identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. Must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. Must have a high school diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years of age. Must have two years minimum experience in law enforcement, security or related field. Must acquire First Aid/CPR training within the first year of employment.

*Must be 21 years old.

So. Ute Shared Services (SUSS) • Job announcements

Please visit our website at www.southernute.com/careers for full job details and to apply online.

Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

Southern Ute Growth Fund, Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO
Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.

Local Area Network Administrator – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 8/22/18 – Enterprise shared services network design and coordination of customer support. Manages information systems, servers, routers and other network appliances.

Computer Technical Support Administrator II – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 8/22/18 – Technical support of end-user hardware and software in the Shared Services Network including escalation support for Service Desk personnel. Provides desktop and mobile operating system and software installation, configuration and re-

pair, and on-site customer visits. Provides end user computing equipment installation and relocation and network connectivity in a LAN/WAN environment.

Web Developer I – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 8/22/18 – Under general direction of the Web and SharePoint Development Supervisor, performs Web application development project work for Tribal entities including security, support, content management, maintenance, development, and training. Assists other SUSS staff as needed in system operation and maintenance to meet information needs.

KSUT Public Radio seeks Development Assistant

KSUT Public Radio seeks a Development Assistant/Underwriting Manager responsible for sales, trafficking, billing and all other aspects of our \$320,000 annual underwriting budget. The Underwriting Manager is a key member of the Development Team that contributes to the brainstorming, planning and execution of all fundraising and marketing activities for KSUT’s two signals (Four Corners Public Radio and Southern Ute Tribal Radio). Bachelor’s degree in related field and three years of media sales experiences required. Additional qualification requirements and full job description online at ksut.org. KSUT is an EEO, Native American preference employer, Tribal preference given. Salary \$34,000-38,000 DOE with full benefits, plus commission issued each quarter based on collections in excess of established goals. Send letter of interest, resume and three professional references to chris@ksut.org by 5 p.m. on Sept. 4, or by mail: Chris Aaland, KSUT Public Radio, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

House for Sale

Located at Cedar Point East, 55 Burning Cedar Ave., Ignacio CO 81137. 4 Bedroom; 2 full baths; Master bath has walk in closet; New Carpet through main part of house; New Metal Roof; Newly Fenced in back yard; and Small storage shed, stove, dishwasher, & fridge included. Southern Ute Tribal Members Only. Appraised at \$127,000. Contact Dan Larson at Southertn Ute Tribal Housing to see inside. Contact Donald Martinez II for further information at 970-623-3078. Contact Southern Ute Tribal Credit for loan.

Hay For Sale for Southern Ute Tribal Members Only

The Tribe’s Agriculture Division will have a limited amount of hay for sale to Tribal members. The hay content is approximately 75% alfalfa mixed with grass. It will be baled in small square bales weighing approximately 65 pounds each and large square bales weighing approximately 1300 pounds each. There will be approximately 800 small square and 40 large square bales available. The price is \$9.00 per small square and \$160 per large square bales. Tribal members will be limited to no more than 160 small square bales OR 8 large square bales. The price per bale includes hauling and stacking within a 15-mile radius of Ignacio. Otherwise, tribal members will need to pick up. This hay is available to Tribal members only and on first come first served basis. The hay will be available after July 25. Contact the Agriculture Division at 970-563-2900 to purchase.

KSUT's not so silent auction



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

KSUT volunteers gather silent auction bids from the 25th annual KSUT Membership Party & Silent Auction in SKA Brewery Headquarters in Durango, Friday, August 11. KSUT raised about \$21,000 from the auction for KSUT's annual fundraising efforts, which are not part of the Capital Campaign. KSUT has raised \$872,000 in their Capital Campaign to raise \$1million, in an all-or-nothing match from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, by Oct. 1, 2018. The funds will be used to move KSUT into the new Eddie Box Jr. Media Center. KSUT will be accepting contributions towards the match up to and beyond the October deadline. Visit www.KSUT.org to make your contribution.

Devin Frost, Alayna Mathews, Snowbird Frost and "Hank" take a quick break from bidding on items, upstairs in SKA Brewery Headquarters during KSUT's Silent Auction.



Items lined SKA Brewery Headquarters' upstairs railing and every available space during KSUT's "Silver Anniversary" 25th annual Membership Party & Silent Auction on Friday, Aug. 10.

Sambrito Creek Fire wrap up



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Firefighting crews wrap up operations on the Southern Ute Reservation Sambrito Creek Fire on Friday, Aug. 10, teams worked together at Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Ute Agency to wash dozens of hoses and other equipment used in the firefighting efforts. There were multiple agencies working on the fire including the Southern Ute Agency and Los Pinos Fire Protection District.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

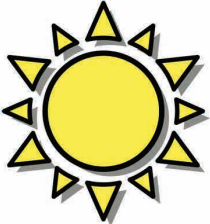
Your weekend forecast!

Friday, Aug. 17



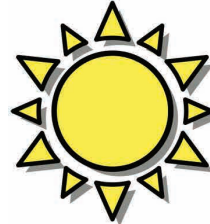
86°F partly sunny
30% chance of precipitation

Saturday, Aug. 18



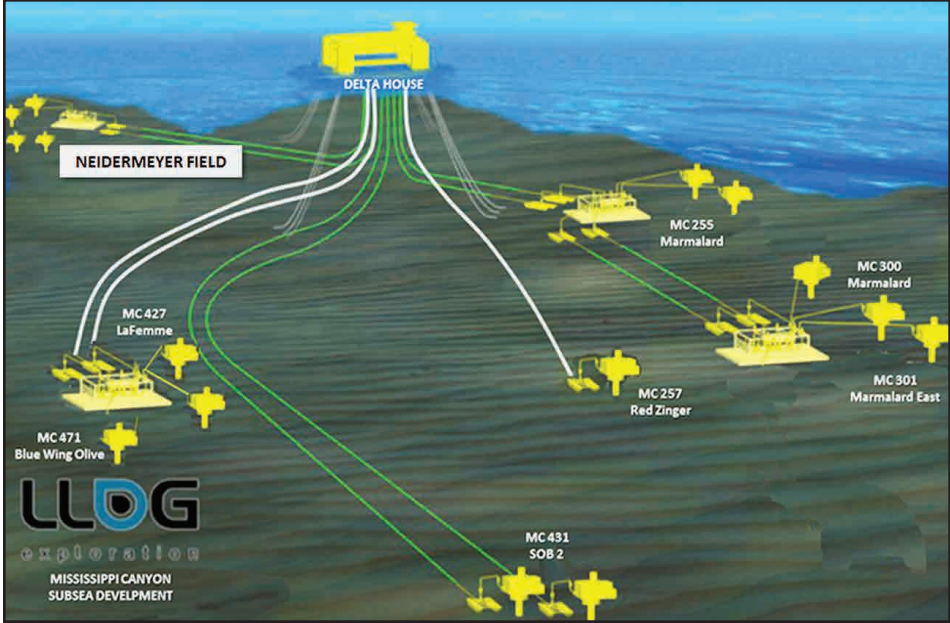
86°F mostly sunny
20% chance of showers/thunderstorms

Sunday, Aug. 19



87°F sunny

Weather forecasts collected from www.weather.gov



courtesy/LLOG Exploration

Graphical depiction of the seafloor facilities impacted during the fall 2017 production shut-ins.

GROWTH FUND

Red Willow deepwater oil production

Staff report
SU GROWTH FUND

Red Willow is a non-operating partner in eight oil fields in the deepwater Gulf of Mexico. When Hurricane Nate entered the Gulf early in October of 2017, our partner-operator companies evacuated their personnel from the offshore facilities and shut-in the oil and gas production that was flowing from Red Willow's fields.

All personnel were evacuated without injury and then returned to the offshore facilities a few days later to bring the production back on-line. Seven of Red Willow's eight oil fields came back on-line without incident. However, the Niedermeyer Field, one of three oil fields that flow to the Delta House Floating Production Facility, experienced a mechanical failure with equipment located on the seafloor, in approximately 4,500 feet of water.

LLOG Exploration Company (LLOG) is Red Willow's partner and the operator of these wells. LLOG's speedy identification of the issue and rapid response mitigated what could have been a significant incident. LLOG immediately informed the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) of the event. These two agencies share U.S. federal regulatory oversight of oil and gas operations in the Gulf of Mexico. After extensive reconnaissance by helicopters



courtesy/Red Willow Production Company

Delta House Floating Production Facility.

and planes, seafloor examinations via remote-operated submarines and detailed water sampling, BSEE and the USCG concluded that any oil released from the mechanical failure was minor and consumed by the bacteria that live on the seafloor.

A few weeks after the incident, BSEE approved LLOG's request to re-start four of the eight shut-in wells, since those wells were unrelated to the incident. The other four wells remained shut-in while LLOG and the federal agencies continued their investigation. In July, all the wells were brought back on production except the "Incident Well", Niedermeyer #2. Niedermeyer #2 is expected to come back on-line once BSEE finalizes its investigation, which may be as early as September of this year, or as late as February of 2019.

Having four high-flow-rate oil wells off-line for such a long period of time caused a 23 percent re-

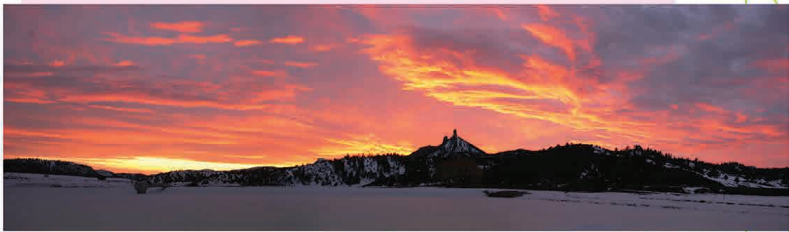
duction in Red Willow's deepwater production, versus what was forecasted. Fortunately, other positive factors offset the delay in production; including six other Red Willow deepwater wells that continued to produce at rates considerably higher than budgeted for the year, operating expenses 29 percent below budget year-to-date, and most importantly, oil prices 32 percent above budget. So, despite lower production volumes, Red Willow's year-to-date deepwater earnings are 11 percent above original estimates.

The deepwater Gulf of Mexico remains an important part of Red Willow's portfolio, generating significant earnings for the Tribe, both currently and into the future. LLOG's experience, rapid response, and timely mitigation of this incident are a testament to the quality and professionalism of our partner-operator in a highly technical and challenging operating environment.

SUIT Tribal Member Reservation Photo Contest

Show off your photographic skills while out on our beautiful reservation!

Winners will be featured in the Southern Ute Drum and other publications of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe!



Categories for YOUTH and ADULT include:

- Reservation Wildlife
- Reservation Landscape
- Maximum of 2 entries per category
- Youth 5-17 years old and Adult 18+
- Submit entries to npearson@southernute-nsn.gov or call 970-563-0130

EXTENDED DEADLINE
DECEMBER 31, 2018



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