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Certification of Votes for the 2019 General Election

In a memo for Certification of Votes from the Southern Ute Election Board to the Southern Ute Tribal Council on November 4, 2019, The Election Board submits the following certification.

Pursuant to the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Election Code, the official ballots containing names of eligible candidates seeking the office of two (2) Tribal Council Members in the General Election was submitted to the qualified voters of the Tribe on November 1, 2019.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS:

Total Number of Registered voters	984
Total number of ballots distributed	265
Total number of votes cast	476
Total number of ballots cast	260
Total number of ballots cast in person	236
Total number of absentee ballots distributed	29
Total number of absentee ballots cast	24
Total number of absentee ballots not returned	5
Total number of ballots spoiled/void	8

OFFICE OF TRIBAL COUNCIL – NO. OF VOTES:

John J. Washington	64
Adam Red	90
Marjorie D. Barry	78
Ramona Y. Eagle	91
James M. Olguin	91
Conrad Thompson	62

2019 RUN-OFF ELECTION



Marjorie D. Barry



Ramona Y. Eagle



James M. Olguin



Adam Red

Cast your vote on Dec. 13

According to the Election Code, the two (2) Tribal Council Candidates receiving the majority of votes will be elected to Tribal Council. No candidate received the majority of votes (120).

Therefore, pursuant to Article 10, a Run-Off will be held between the two candidates receiving the highest number

of votes for each vacant position. Because there are two vacant positions, the Run-Off will be between the four (4) candidates that received the highest number of votes. These four (4) are Adam Red, Marjorie D. Barry, Ramona

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EDUCATION

Parents raise concerns at annual IPP meeting

By Fabian Martinez
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

It was a special Indian Policy and Procedures (IPP) meeting as the Southern Ute Indian Tribe hosted the coinciding Colorado Commissioners of Indian Affairs (CCIA) meeting this year, with Lieutenant Governor Dianna Primavera as one of the guests. This was an important step for the state to understand the issues that Southern Ute and other Native American students face in their education, many of whom are enrolled in the Ignacio School District and the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy.

“We are here to listen and to learn and hear about all the great things that the school has done and find out ways of maybe how we could assist in any ways that you might need to improve your school systems,” said Lieutenant Governor Primavera in her welcoming speech.

Members of the Southern Ute Tribal Council, along with Primavera, were also in attendance to discuss issues and raise concerns at the governmental level. Parents, grandparents and guardians were also encouraged to attend and raise their own voice on issues in order to help push the standards set for their own child’s education.

For the Ignacio School District, the IPP meeting is a chance to show the progress that the district has done in the past year and how they help Indigenous students throughout the district. For many parents, this was a way to get better informed on the programs and services that are offered within the district. Participation, student attendance, language and cultural classes were some of the important topics discussed.

“This is what this meeting is about,” stated Chairman Christine Sage. “To help our Native American students ... they are our future.”

The Ignacio School District has been making progress with their academic achievements and test scores



Fabian Martinez/SU Drum

Chairman Christine Sage welcomes parents, Ignacio School District faculty, and CCIA members to the annual Indian Policy and Procedures (IPP) Meeting held on Monday, Oct. 28 at the High School auditorium.

within the 2018-2019 school year. The district is no longer in the category of “Priority Improvement,” but is now in the “Improving” category based on Colorado State Standards. According to Dr. Kathy Pokorney, the district is now within 40th to 60th percentile in their academic achievement. Most students are testing in the average range with most students scoring within this percentile. The Elementary and High School has moved in in the “Improvement” category, while the middle school is maintaining a “Performance” rating.

“We are pretty excited about that, and we are on the right track,” said Pokorney.

The overall performance of Native American students and their test scores, in particular, were not discussed during this meeting.

The district also gave an update on the attendance rates of Southern Ute and other Native American students. This update was given by the individual principals with the district; Barbara Fjerstad of the Elementary School, Chris deKay of the Middle School, and Melanie Taylor of the High School.

“We take attendance by period ... if they miss a single period, it shows up on their attendance,” explained Middle School Principal Chris deKay. “Any missing time is really important.” The Elementary school differs by taking attendance in the morning and after the lunch period.

The District policy for absences only allows for four full days of unexcused absences and ten days of excused. After a student meets the criteria for these absences, a mediation will occur with the principal and the truancy team to map out an attendance contract. Further mediation can be enforced by the Southern Ute Truancy Team.

“In my eyes, excused or unexcused, doesn’t make a difference,” said Elementary School Principal Barbara Fjerstad. “They are not getting their education. We need them to learn [and be in class].”

As of the 2018 year, there was an attendance rate of 92 percent in the Elementary school, 90 percent in the Middle School, 95 percent in the High School. An average of 90 percent was recorded for the entire district. As of the meeting, the District has a goal to have 95 percent attendance across all three school in the 2019-2020 year.

Another topic that was heavily discussed was that of parent participation. In early October, the school district sent out over 300 surveys to parents of Native American children along with the information regarding the IPP meeting. Only 13 surveys were returned from parents. This raised a concern from the Ignacio School District as those surveys allow for feedback on cultural events and improvements on student ac-

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CCIA

Commission prioritizes tribal health and natural resources

By McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) held the first quarterly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort in Ignacio, Colo. Tribal leaders, local governments and members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe were all in attendance.

Colorado’s Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera called the Commission to order, after an invocation provided by Southern Ute elder Alden Naranjo. The meeting began with the approval of minutes from the last quorum and the authorization of the latest agenda. The Southern Ute Tribal Council gave their updates on tribal health, employment and culture. “Employees are key to how the tribe runs and they should be appreciated,” Councilman Adam Red stated. Red recently led the TEAM Challenge which recognized tribal employees for their hard work and provided an opportunity for tribal council to meet with each employee.

In addition to the challenge council shared that



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute Councilman, Adam Red emphasizes the importance of Southern Ute tribal members and Native Americans to get registered for the 2020 census on Tuesday, October 29 at the first quarterly Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting.

they recently made changes to the tribal mission statement. The mission now reads, “We are a sovereign tribe, managing resources and protecting our culture as we serve our people now and into the future.”

As the meeting went on, the biggest concerns that were brought up had to do with natural resources, mental health and tribal education. “What are we doing as a tribe? We need to start working better as a team,” Councilman Bruce Valdez said. “When we open these opportunities for tribal members, so much is possible.” Recent-

ly, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Fort Lewis College have been working together to create small business startup activities that will coincide with the Southern Ute Economic Development department to possibly open a new entrepreneur program.

During the updates, Councilmen Melvin Baker announced that this will be the last CCIA meeting that he will attend as his term on council will end soon. “There is a lot of work to be done, but I know the council will continue on working hard to

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Haunts, horrors and hilarity



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

From the ELHI to the Multi-Purpose Facility to Tribal Campus, Halloween was in full swing. Costumes, creatures and critters enjoyed a night out on the town at all the festivities. Clowns were hiding around corners and ready to scare at the ELHI’s Haunted Carn-EVIL, sponsored by Southern Colorado Community Action Agency (SoCoCAA) youth services.

See more Halloween photos on pages 6-7.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

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“Money Talks” – Part 2 of 2

By Lorelei Cloud, Treasurer
SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

HOW DO YOU IMPROVE YOUR CREDIT SCORE?

Improving your credit scores takes time, but the sooner you address the issues that might be dragging them down, the faster your credit scores will go up. A credit score reflects credit payment patterns over time, with more emphasis on recent information. Payment history and credit utilization ratios are among the most important in many critical credit scoring models, and together they can represent up to 70% of a credit score, which means they’re hugely influential. Focusing on the following actions will help your credit scores improve:

1. Pay Your Bills on Time

When lenders review your credit report and request a credit score for you, they’re very interested in how reliably you pay your bills. That’s because past payment performance is usually considered a good predictor of future performance. You’ll want to pay all bills on time – not just credit card bills or any loans you may have, such as auto loans or student loans, but also your rent, utilities, phone bill and so on. It’s also a good idea to use resources and tools available to you, such as automatic payments or calendar reminders, to help ensure you pay on time every month. If you’re behind on any payments, bring them current as soon as possible. Although late or missed payments appear as negative information on your credit report for seven years, their impact on your credit score declines over time; older late payments have less effect than more recent ones.

2. Pay off Debt and Keep Balances Low on Credit Cards and Other Revolving Credit



Lorelei Cloud
Treasurer
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

A low credit utilization ratio tells lenders you haven’t maxed out your credit cards and likely know how to manage credit well. It is calculated by adding all your credit card balances at any given time and dividing that amount by your total credit limit. For example, if you typically charge about \$2,000 each month and your total credit limit across all your cards is \$10,000, your utilization ratio is 20%. Lenders typically like to see ratios of 30% or less. You can positively influence your credit utilization ratio by paying off debt and keeping credit card balances low and/or becoming an authorized user on another person’s account (as long as they use credit responsibly).

3. Apply for and Open New Credit Accounts Only as Needed

Don’t open accounts just to have a better credit mix – it probably won’t improve your credit score. Unnecessary credit can harm your credit score in multiple ways - from creating too many hard inquiries on your credit report to tempting you to overspend and accumulate debt.

4. Don’t Close Unused Credit Cards

Keeping unused credit cards open—if they’re not costing you money in an-

nual fees – is a smart strategy, because closing an account may increase your credit utilization ratio.

5. Don’t Apply for Too Much New Credit, Resulting in Multiple Inquiries

Opening a new credit card can increase your overall credit limit, but the act of applying for credit creates a hard inquiry on your credit report. Too many hard inquiries can negatively impact your credit score.

6. Dispute Any Inaccuracies on Your Credit Reports

You should check your credit reports at all three credit reporting bureaus (TransUnion, Equifax, and Experian) for any inaccuracies. If you see errors, dispute the information and get it corrected right away.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO REBUILD A CREDIT SCORE?

If you have negative information on your credit report, such as late payments, a public record item (e.g., bankruptcy) or too many inquiries, you should pay your bills and wait. There is no quick fix for bad credit scores. The length of time it takes to rebuild your credit history after a negative change depends on the reasons behind the change:

1. Delinquencies remain on your credit report for seven years.
2. Most public record items remain on your credit report for seven years, although some bankruptcies may remain for ten years.
3. Inquiries remain on your report for two years.

HOW DO YOU ESTABLISH OR BUILD YOUR CREDIT SCORES?

If you simply don’t have a credit score because you have little experience or history

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Many Moons Ago



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

The Shining Mountain Diabetes program held a Wellness Walk on the morning of Saturday October 24, 2009 as part of the events of the day, which included, the 5th Annual “49” Powwow held at the SunUte Community Center, later that evening.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 9, 2009, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Jenny Gummersall/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Agricultural Extension temporary secretary Renee Tree-Wilhelm and Robert Watts stand with a portion of the 9,230 pounds of potatoes and 5,260 pounds of beans that Ag Extension sold at bargain prices.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 5, 1999, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Lilian Seibel answers a question from tribal members during the “Meet the Candidates Night.” Seibel was reelected to her council seat on November 3, 1989.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 9, 1989, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

40 years ago

Ghouls and goblins stalk around, waiting for the contest to start on Halloween night at the Southern Ute Community Center.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 9, 1979, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

PARENTS RAISE CONCERNS • FROM PAGE 1

tivities and academics.

“We try everything we can,” said Superintendent Rocco Fuschetto. “We send reminders. This is information that we need...if there are any concerns good or bad, so we [will] know where we can improve.”

At the IPP meeting only a handful of parents, grandparents and guardians were in attendance, resulting in questions being asked surrounding how more parent participation and involvement can occur.

“We need our parents involved. We are parents who are expressing our concerns,” stated former Tribal Council member and parent, Alex Cloud. “We need to push other parents [to attend], so they can get their questions answered.”

Other commentators suggested that it is not just parents that need accountability, but also teachers who are willing to take their jobs seriously by helping those children in need by taking into consideration their cultural and academic needs.

As for culture, the Ignacio School district has taken Native American Heritage Month into full account for their curriculum. Cultural presentations including the

Round Dance and traditional drummers have taken place during the month of November. Classes study Native American history and culture more in depth. According to the results of the survey, parents raised concerns why this cultural emphasis only applies to the month of November and not throughout the year. A complete list of cultural activities as well as the results of the survey were given out as part of a packet at the meeting.

A similar issue was brought up about the quality of cultural education within such classes as Native Studies and Ute Language classes. Currently, the Ute Language class is not being offered within the 2019-2020 school year. The class was cancelled after there were not enough students being enrolled in the course. According to Superintendent Fuschetto, another issue stems from not having a qualified teacher to teach the class as well as not having one sanctioned by Tribal Council, per the initial agreement made more than eight years ago. As of now, the class is expected to be offered in the 2020-2021 school year.

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUI-MA) was also present at the IPP Meeting and gave

a report on their 2018-2019 academic year. According to their report, SUI-MA has been making many improvements over the last school year. Currently improving on attendance and academics, SUI-MA recently adopted the same attendance policy as the school district.

In academics, SUI-MA has now increased their instruction time in all classes. Instead of one hour of full instruction in some classes, students now receive up to three or more hours of instruction. Along with this, students are now taking such progress tests like the STAR Reading test to help teachers map their student’s progress in reading. These steps are helping SUI-MA become more aligned with the Colorado State Standards while still keeping the Montessori method, helping students become more prepared for the jump into public school.

“When we were working on our policy book this summer, we had out the elementary handbook ... and middle school handbook from Ignacio and Bayfield,” explained SUI-MA Principal Mary Jo Owens, “Now we have a lot of things aligned with those districts.”

ATTENTION WATER USERS

**PINE RIVER INDIAN IRRIGATION PROJECT (PRIIP)
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Masquerade Powwow



Cake walkers compare their numbers before they start powwow dancing once more.



Powwow participants try their luck at apple dancing to win the grand prize of a gift card.



The switch dance at the powwow brought out a dozen of contestants to compete for baskets full of goodies.



Little Goku drums and sings the night away with Iron Colt at the powwow.

Attention

Southern Ute Culture Preservation is seeking Southern Ute, Ute Mountain Ute, and Ute Indian Tribe teachers for the following classes;

- Beaded or Plain Moccasins/ High-tops
- Ribbon Shirts
- Ribbon Dresses
- Beaded or Plain Gloves
- Loom Beading
- Cradle Board Making
- Drumsticks and Hand Drum
- Choker and Breast Plates
- Growlers

If interested please contact Education Coordinator, Hanley Frost Sr. at 970-563-2306.

Violence against Native women



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Arlene Millich, Dedra White Eagle and Diane Millich all listen to the morning presentations at the 2nd Annual Violence Against Native Women Symposium held at Fort Lewis College, Center of Southwest Studies on Saturday, Nov. 2.

Diane Millich watches the video of herself in Washington D.C. when the Violence Against Women Act was signed by President Obama in March of 2013. Millich is a domestic violence survivor who shared her powerful story with those in attendance.



COMMISSION PRIORTIZES HEALTH • FROM PAGE 1

fix the many issues that they are presented with,” Baker stated. Councilman Red also announced that this will potentially be his last CCIA meeting but assured everyone that he is campaigning hard and hopes to be elected again to serve on council as well as the commission.

Echoing the councilmembers before him, Councilman Cedric Chavez thanked the Commission and provided an update on the issues of water, mental health and school. “It’s common and known that mental health issues effect people but looking forward I would like to see how we can help our young people be able to learn more about their health and pay attention to the impacts that this will have on their futures.”

In addition to health concerns, the commission was given a presentation by staff from the West Springs Hospital in Grand Junction, Colo. The hospital is a psychiatric care facility that specializes in treating PTSD,

mood disorders, anxiety disorders and suicidal thoughts. West Springs is currently working with tribes to provide better culturally informed care. They are one of a few inpatient hospitals to accept Medicare and Medicaid insurance and even have a sliding scale fee for those without insurance. According to their website, they are dedicated to “Rebuilding lives and inspiring hope by providing exceptional mental health and addiction recovery care, to strengthen the health and vitality of our communities.”

Currently the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is working to expand the number of tribal members who are working with the 2020 Census, which is used to account for accurate tribal households and the community for the next 10 years. “This is an opportunity for extra work while helping the community,” Red explained. “The counts help the state be represented in Congress and even determines the way funds are al-

located.”

Bringing the meeting to a close, Ute Mountain Ute Councilman Austin Turtle provided an update on behalf of his tribe. The councilmembers recently underwent a change of leadership. Manuel Heart was sworn in as the Ute Mountain Ute Chairman on Monday, Nov. 5. In addition to the change of leadership, they have been working to meet with the tribal community to discuss the feasibility of a new grocery store—he believes this will be a real possibility in the coming years.

“Thank you for your devotion, leadership and commitment to serving on the commission—I look forward to seeing you all again,” Primavera expressed. The meeting was then adjourned and commission members who were traveling were rushed to the airport to outrun a snowstorm.

The next CCIA meeting is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 13, and will be held in Denver, Colo.



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HEALTH

Cold and flu season is upon us!

By Paige Kapp
SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

The flu is spreading around the United States, including Colorado. The CDC reports that the most common strain of influenza virus this season is H3N2, which can cause worse symptoms that last longer than other types of flu.

On the bright side, the vaccine for this season appears to be a good match, providing a high level of protection for those who are vaccinated. If you have not had your flu shot this fall/winter, it is not too late. Flu shots are still available at the Southern Ute Health Center, as well as local pharmacies.

If you are young and healthy, and feel that you may not be at high risk for the flu, it is still important to get a flu shot to protect the children, pregnant women, and the elders in your family who could get very sick if exposed to flu.

The signs and symptoms of flu can be a lot like the common cold. The important differences are fever, body aches, and fatigue that makes it hard to get out of bed.

See your healthcare provider as soon as you have symptoms of the flu. There are medications available to treat influenza if the virus is caught early.

Prevention is the key to

slowing the spread of influenza, stomach flu and colds, so remember to:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve when you cough or sneeze.
- Wash your hands after coughing or sneezing, after using the bathroom, and before eating.
- Always use disposable tissues when you have a cold.
- Get rid of tissues as soon as you’ve used them.
- Do not go to work or school if you are feeling sick or have a fever.
- Make sure you are up to date on immunizations, including a yearly flu shot.

Signs and symptoms of flu	Signs and symptoms of common cold
• cough	• cough
• sore throat	• sore throat
• runny or stuffy nose	• runny nose
• headache	• headache
• fever	• sneezing
• chills	• watery eyes
• muscle or body aches (often severe)	
• fatigue (tiredness)	
• sometimes vomiting and diarrhea (more common in children than adults)	

Domestic violence vigil



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Brandi Archuleta keeps her candle close to keep the flame lit, while attending the domestic violence prevention candlelight vigil on Tuesday, Oct. 22 outside the Ignacio Community Library.

Southern Ute Chairman Christine Sage helps light candles while attending the candlelight vigil for domestic violence prevention at the Ignacio Community Library on Tuesday, Oct. 22.



SMHW supports breast health



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Mammogram nurses from Mercy Medical Center introduce themselves and talk about the signs and symptoms of breast cancer, at their breast cancer awareness dinner held at the Sky Ute Casino, Monday, Oct. 28.

Lucinda Webb looks over the Mammogram Basics pamphlet provided by Shining Mountain Health and Wellness at their breast cancer awareness dinner held at the Sky Ute Casino, Monday, Oct. 28.



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8:30am– Aquafit (pool)

9:20am– BodyPump

10:20am–BodyFlow

12:10pm– 30min. CX/ 30 min.
SPRINT

Active Kid Care– 8:30-11:15am

This event is only \$6 per person or
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Southern Ute Tribal Members and
SunUte members.

SunUte is CLOSED for Thanksgiving on
Thursday, Nov. 28th.

Girls on the run



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

The time has come for the 13 weeklong process of “Girls on the Run” participants practicing their laps at the SunUte Fields. Together, these girls will run a 5k race in Three Springs Plaza in Durango, Colo. on Saturday, Nov. 9.

SunUte Pool Winter Hours

Mon.: 6 am – 7 pm
Tue.: 7 am – 7 pm
Wed.: 6 am – 7 pm
Thu.: 7 am – 7 pm
Fri.: 6 am – 7 pm
Sat./Sun: 10 am – 4:30 pm





SUIMA sings at accreditation



courtesy Maria Rivera/SU Indian Montessori Academy

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy lower elementary students: Malikai Taylor, Aydin Baker-Valdez, Keyon Alston, Meskvlwv Wesley, Aeden Richards and Nevaeh Sandoval sing, “A Song for Peace” at the American Montessori Society Accreditation Team welcome dinner that was held Sunday, Oct. 27.

EDUCATION

Weaver leads youth programs

By McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Back in August, the Southern Ute Education Department welcomed Dustin Weaver into two new roles, both as the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory (SCSYAC) and Youth Employment Program (YEP) Coordinator.

As the YEP coordinator, he is responsible for working directly with the Tribal Government (Permanent Fund and Growth Fund), Casino and other outside entities for summer employment opportunities for tribal member youth and first decedents aged 14-18 years. Collaborating with SCSYAC and YEP, Weaver stated that one of his goals is to, “get youth councilmembers working within YEP so they are able to shadow and hopefully learn from their own Tribal Council.” He will work with approximately 50 youth this summer to place them with the appropriate departments, track their working hours and monitor their work production.

Weaver is no stranger to the YEP program, as he was one of the first kids to start in the program when he was 15 years old. His first job with the program started in the Higher Education teaching program as an aid, he was working alongside Education Department Director, LaTitia Taylor at the

time. Before starting with the education department this year, he was working with the Culture Department as a temporary worker and before that he spent seven years working for the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

With his years of experience and three college degrees, Weaver plans on keeping the programs running and hopes to implement new trainings for each. He graduated from Ignacio High School in 2002 and went on to receive his Associates degree from the University of Johnson and Wales in 2004 in Culinary Arts. Not stopping there, Weaver graduated from Johnson and Wales for a second time in 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Food Service Management and again in 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Event Management. “I’m grateful to the community and tribal members who pushed me to apply – I think this will be a great educational experience,” Weaver expressed.

As the SCSYAC coordinator, he will help the youth council schedule regular meetings, keep updated minutes and give them leadership opportunities. According to their website, SCSYAC is dedicated to being the voice of the Tribe’s youth. They are setting an example of leadership for the community by participating in tribal activities and events. In

addition to going to school and extracurricular activities, the councilmembers are committed to some big projects on the reservation. The latest project being the youth skatepark which is currently in its planning and construction phase. For the past five years the youth council has hosted the Jimmy Newton Jr. Youth Conference. This year they are working to create the first ever youth general meeting. “The kids always work hard, but they find a way to make it fun,” Weaver said.

Both programs are dedicated to increasing awareness and empowering the Southern Ute Indian Tribal youth to use their voice within their communities. “I want to keep the kids hopeful, because they are our future – and we must all lead them by example,” Weaver stated.

In the by-laws of the SCSYAC, meetings are open to any Southern Ute tribal member under the age of 18 and they are encouraged to speak out about any topic that may be of interest or require the action of the council. Adults are allowed to attend the meetings, but only to supervise. To join or learn more about each program, visit Dustin Weaver at the Education Dept. located at 330 Burns Ave, in Ignacio, Colo. or contact via Email: dweaver@southernute-nsn.gov, Phone: 970-563-2786.

SUIMA

From the Eagle’s Nest

Work and purposeful activity

Staff report
SU INDIAN MONTESSORI
ACADEMY

Maria Montessori observed that children learn through purposeful activities of their own choosing. Montessori schools call all the children’s activities “work.” While the term “work” sounds like a serious endeavor, Dr. Montessori observed that children exhibit joy and experience this purposeful activity as “play.”

When you put this into the perspective of an adult “working” in the garden, the adults work to perfect the environment. When a child chooses “work,” he or she is working to perfect him or herself.

Many adults think that “play” should be the correct word, in fact, when a child chooses “work” it supports the child to grow into a confident adult. This doesn’t mean that a child should never play. Play is vital to a child’s formative years. Maria Montessori believed that sometimes, even more than play, children enjoy challenging tasks that increase their concentration, coordination, competence, and ultimately their independence.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Jayceon Richards and Leandro Litz Jr. hang from the jungle gym while at recess.

Think of a young child seeing you at “work.” You often hear that child saying “I can do it” or “Let me do it.” This is a way for the child to fulfill the deeper inner need of being independent.

“Work” activities you can let your child do at home are:

- Roll pie dough
- Make fry bread
- Water plants
- Match and fold socks
- Decorate cookies

SUIMA Events and Activities

- Nov. 12 – **PAG school meeting is cancelled.** PAG encourages families to attend the Veteran’s dinner being held at the Ignacio High School
- Nov. 13 – **Picture Retakes**
- Nov. 20 – SUIMA’s annual **Thanksgiving meal.**
- Nov. 21 – **Cultural activities** at the Culture Center from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Check out the newly opened Adult Education Room at the Education Department for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The space is designed for adult Learners and Individuals seeking their CED.

If you have any questions, please contact

Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger at 970-563-2784.



SUIMA Commendation



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

SUIMA's toddler two teacher, Jared Ruybal accepts a certificate from Southern Ute Chairman, Christine Sage commending him for jumping into action when a student was experiencing a life-threatening situation.

Newly appointed Executive Officer, Barbara Scott-Rarick commends two Southern Ute Montessori Academy Staff, Jared Ruybal (Toddler Two Teacher) and Tristian Benally (School Nurse) on Wednesday, October 30. Ruybal and Benally used their training and skill to save a child’s life.



Youth get schooled



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Sierra Red plays “Spot the Difference” at the Southern Ute Drum’s booth, set up for the annual Career Fair at the Ignacio High School on Wednesday, Oct. 23.

Bird Red asks the recruiting Army representative questions about the physical requirements and necessary education for enlistment during the annual Career Fair at IHS on Wednesday, Oct. 23.



Trick or treat



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

"Freaks and Oddities" spooked and scared visitors at the ELHI's Carn-Evil. The Southern Colorado Action Agency (SoCoCAA) Youth Services worked on the Carn-Evil.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Just when you think the haunting is done, you are chased by this masked chainsaw man out into the street from the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Building.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

The Psych Ward clown gives you a final scare as you exit the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Building into the dark night.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Guarding the meat room, this scary harlequin is ready to pounce at the wrong move at ELHI's, SoCoCAA Youth Services Carn-Evil.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Hunter Frost makes his way through the haunted alley just before revving his chainsaw, and then chasing kids and families at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Building.

Senior Center Halloween



photos courtesy SoCoCAA/Ignacio Senior Center

The Ignacio Senior Center, run by the Southern Colorado Community Action Agency (SoCoCAA), held a Halloween party and lunch with games and a costume contest for Halloween on Thursday, Oct. 31. Left to right, Ramona Eagle (Oscar the grouch), Hugo Vega (The Beast) Gareth Vega, Ilyana Vega (Bell), Ashley Zacamolpa-Flores (Don't be salty girl), Genevive Thompson (Jason), Laverne Turnbull (Vendor), Larry Gooden (Mad Hermit) Hazel Starbuck (Jester) and LeNora Martinez-Barry (Scarecrow).



Carving pumpkins at the Ignacio Senior Center put client's skills to test during their every-other weekly crafts class. Senior Center staff members reached out via Facebook asking for pumpkin donations and received 10 pumpkins from a good samaritan in Kirtland, N.M. Crafts projects take place every other week.

The winners in the costume contest at the Ignacio Senior Center are: Jester, Hazel Starbuck for best store-bought costume and Scarecrow, Lenora Martinez-Barry for best homemade costume. They were both awarded trophies and cash prizes.



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Trunk-or-Treater Kandin Johnson looks apprehensive while peering into the trunk of Maria Trujillo's zombified trunk. Trujillo won the best trunk decorating contest at the Multi-Purpose Facility, Thursday, Oct. 31.

Witch in the red robe, Cece Ryder hands out candy to Wonder Woman, Ilyana Vega at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility's Trunk-or-Treat, Halloween evening, Thursday, Oct. 31.



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Basket Lady (Trennie Collins) and Deer Woman (Robert Ortiz) scare as many families and employees as they can with their costumes and hallway themed “Native Nightmares” on Thursday, Oct. 31.



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Zxander Wartman walks towards the Tribal Information Services building to trick or treat for candy with his class.

This scary skeleton makes her way through Tribal Council and Executive Offices during the academy’s trick or treat visit through tribal campus.



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A young tiger rests in his parent’s arms before competing in the costume contest at the Halloween Carnival.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Nevaeh Sandoval makes the crowd laugh at the Halloween Carnival with her costume as a grandma with grey hair and all.

Smell my feet



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

The Tribal Information Services Department dresses up as characters from the movie “Nightmare Before Christmas”. Their department won the Chairman’s Choice award of eight hours of Administrative Leave to use before Halloween in 2020.



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Bob Ross (Ben Zimmerman) and his “Happy Little Tree” (Nicole Pearson) retrieve their prize for winning in the Creative Category in the Southern Ute Tribal Council Costume Contest.

Halloween, the perfect time for spookiness and hauntings. This year Ignacio was full of safe and chilling activities for everyone to enjoy on Thursday, Oct. 31. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe hosted hallway contests and trick or treating routes for students and families to enjoy. They even brought back the costume contest for staff to compete in as a group or individually. In Ignacio, the community was encouraged to visit the haunted houses at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility and the ELHI Building. For the families and younger kids, the annual Halloween Carnival was held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort where candy, costumes and games were abundant.

Fall Festival fun!



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Jontique, Jaelon and Kylan Velasco are all dressed up at the 13th annual Three Springs Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 26 in Durango, Colo.



Conseula and Maria Phillips walk along the Three Spring Plaza with their mom Samantha Maez at the 13th annual Three Springs Fall Festival.

Ammonie Johnson aka Simba the lion trick or treats at houses in Durango, Colo. during the Three Springs Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 26.



CERTIFICATION OF VOTES • FROM PAGE 1

Y. Eagle and James M. Olguin.

Pursuant to the Tribal Election Code, a Run-Off Election must be held within forty-five (45) days and shall be conducted by the Election Board in the same manner as the General Election, except that no Statements of Intention need to be filed. Therefore, the Run-Off Election must be held on or before December 16, 2019. The Election Board shall move forward with preparing for and holding the Run-Off Election. (The run-off election will be held Dec. 13, 2019).

It is the Election Board's recommendation that Tribal Council accept the certification of the 2019 Southern Ute Tribe General Election.

Respectfully submitted,
Southern Ute Election Board
Natalie Richards, Chairman
Shondeena Richards, Vice-Chairman
Joyce Delaware Ford, Secretary
Angelo Valdez, Alternate Member
Michelle Chavez, Alternate Member



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John Washington drops his election ballot into the voting box for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's General Election on Friday, Nov. 1 at the Election Board office. These ballots were counted and have since determined a run-off election between candidates; Adam Red, Marjorie D. Barry, Ramona Y. Eagle and James M. Olguin.

Please note: (The Southern Ute Run-off Election will be held Dec. 13, 2019. Voting will occur at 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, Colo. from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

Southern Ute Tribal Administrative offices will be closed, Mon., Nov. 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

Normal office hours will resume Tues., Nov. 12.

If you have any questions please call 970-563-0100.



MONEY TALKS • FROM PAGE 2

with credit, you likely have a thin credit file. That means you have few (if any) credit accounts listed on your credit reports. Generally, a thin file means a bank or lender is unable to calculate a credit score, because there is not enough information in a user's credit history to do so.

There are things you can do to improve your credit profile, such as applying for a secured credit card, becoming an authorized user on someone else's credit card or taking out a credit builder loan.

WHAT YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT CREDIT SCORES

In addition to knowing the most important factors considered in credit scoring, it can be helpful to know a few other facts about credit reports and credit scores.

These components tend to be the most important:

1. Late payments appear for seven years from the date you first missed a payment.
2. Paying off a collection account won't immediately remove it from your credit report.
3. Bankruptcies can remain on your report for seven to ten years, depending on the type of bankruptcy.
4. **You don't need to carry a monthly credit card balance to build your credit history. You can pay off your credit card bills every month and positively affect**

your credit standing.

5. Settling accounts for less than the full amount you owe can harm your credit scores. Any time you fail to repay a debt as you originally agreed, it can negatively affect your credit. That said, the negative impact of settlement is still less than the negative effect of not paying a debt at all or declaring bankruptcy.
6. The good news is, all negative information will eventually cycle off your credit report. Until it does, focus on the things you can positively influence, including paying all your bills on time.

Considering how critical credit scores are to your overall financial well-being, it's wise to do everything you can to ensure yours are as good as possible. Rebuilding your credit or improving your credit scores takes time - there are no shortcuts. Regularly checking your credit report and knowing your credit scores are most important. Then, by recognizing the basic credit score factors, you can maintain and improve your credit health with confidence.

I'm always here for my Tribal Members. If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Credit: Miranda Marquit and Experian for contributions to this article.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe 2019 Run-Off Election
TWO (2) TRIBAL COUNCIL Seats

The Election Board has determined these dates for upcoming 2019 Run-Off Election according to the Constitution and Election Code.

Run-Off Election Friday, December 13, 2019 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.
held at 285 Lakin Street in Ignacio, CO

Voter Registration Deadline Wednesday, December 4, 2019 by 5:00 P.M.
Absentee Ballot Request Deadline Wednesday, December 4, 2019 by 5:00 P.M.
Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline Thursday, December 12, 2019 by 5:00 P.M.

Tribal Council Candidates

Adam Red
Marjorie D. Barry
Ramona Y. Eagle
James M. Olguin

Contact the Election Board at
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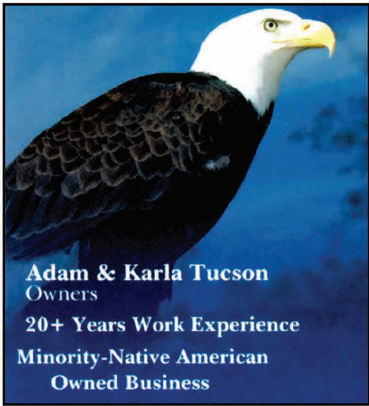
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THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM OFFICE IN THE LEONARD C. BURCH BUILDING OR BY MAILING TO: PO BOX 737 #96, IGNACIO, CO 81137.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS CONTACT TRENNIE COLLINS, PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR AT 970-563-0118 OR TCOLLINS@SOUTHERNUTE-NSN.GOV

CONTEST GUIDELINES

K-3RD GRADE:
1st place will be awarded to one person from each grade level in this category.
• ART CONTEST: ALL FORMS OF ART ARE ACCEPTED.
- Art must be a family portrait.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be awarded in this category.
ESSAY CONTEST: FAMILY ROLE MODELS
ESSAY MUST BE TWO PAGES WITH 12pt. FONT WITH SINGLE LINE SPACING.
ESSAY MUST CONTAIN:
1. Who is your family role model?
2. Who do you consider your family role model?
3. What important characteristics or traits does your role model have?
4. Why is it important to have a family role model?
5. What has your role model done to inspire you?
6. Do you consider yourself a role model? And why?
7. To you, what is the definition of a family?

POETRY AND ART CONTEST:
- Draw a picture of your family and write a narrative poem about your family and your many adventures.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ART AND POETRY CONTEST:
ART: MUST BE A FAMILY TREE
POETRY: A NARRATIVE POEM ABOUT YOUR FAMILY.
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MIDDLE SCHOOLERS CAN PICK BETWEEN THE ESSAY CONTEST OR THE ART AND POETRY CONTEST.
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THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

8TH ANNUAL LEONARD C. BURCH ART AND LITERACY CONTEST

Dear Students,

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe would like to invite you to participate in the 8th Annual Leonard C. Burch Art and Literacy Contest.

Leonard C. Burch was the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for more than 32 years. Under his leadership, the Southern Ute Tribe became a major economic force in La Plata County and in Indian Country.

The Southern Ute Tribal Council passed a resolution in 1996 to declare Dec. 10 of every year Leonard C. Burch Day. This year, we will honor Leonard C. Burch and his life by holding the 8th Annual Leonard C. Burch Art and Literacy Contest.

The contest is open to all Elementary and Middle School students. This year's theme is: "Family" and all entries must pertain to this theme. The contest will end on Dec. 6, 2019. All entries must be submitted to Trennie Collins at The Southern Ute Drum office by Dec. 6 at 5 PM or can be mailed to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Please see the flyer for complete information on contest guidelines.

Sincerely,
Trennie R. Collins
Public Relations Coordinator
The Southern Ute Drum

970-563-0118

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RECREATION

Ideas and concerns addressed as skatepark takes shape

By Robert L. Ortiz
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A meeting was held to discuss design elements and address concerns, questions and input for the community skatepark to be built at the location where the Sky Ute Casino and Pino Nuche Restaurant used to sit, across from Thriftway.

A panel made up of the skatepark development team, WCA Construction, Artisans Skateparks, SEH, DHM Design, Pillar Design Studios and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe were on hand to answer questions and guide community members through the design process of the skatepark master plan.

The master plan for the skatepark was organized and hosted by the Southern Ute Tribal Planning Dept. at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on Tuesday, Oct. 29. Doug McDonald, Southern Ute Tribal Planner outlined a few topics for the presentation including: safety, budget concerns, and youth ideas for the facility.

The meeting featured a presentation from Brad Siedlecki, of Pillar Design Studios LLC of Phoenix, Ariz. Siedlecki spoke about the various skateparks his company has designed across the country, and how elements can be tailored to specific ideas and adhering to the vision of the community.

Pillar was founded in 2006 and is owned and operated by action sports enthusiast, Brad Siedlecki. As stated on their website, “Pillar came as a result of a need for appropriate design methodology pertaining to action-sport facility development. Pillar takes a different approach and style to design and implementation of Action Sports facilities, one unlike any other ‘skatepark company’ in the current market. The objective is to create facilities that offer distinctive site-specific designs, which are sensitive to both the client’s wants and users’ needs. Creating aesthetically pleasing parks that all community members can enjoy.”

Our number one concern is safety, but “I don’t want to take you off the streets and put you in a cage,” expressed Siedlecki. The process is started by coming up with elements from existing parks, amenities that are wanted and needed to provide an enjoyable “skate” experience. Discussions about: seating, tables, shade structures, restrooms, landscaping, even splash pads can be incorporated into the design of the skatepark.

“We want to incorporate the cultural aspects of the Utes: color, patterns, use of natural materials,” said Siedlecki. “If



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Skaters, Dewayne Hendren, Nate Hendren and Cyrus Naranjo choose various concept ideas from drafts and mack-ups from existing skateparks.

we unearth a big rock, I want to use it somehow in the design of the skatepark, not remove it, but use it.”

Pillar Designs has worked on skateparks from Raleigh, N.C., Cherokee, N.C., to Scottsdale, Ariz., and also a skatepark in Barbados, an island in the Caribbean.

“We make every skatepark different. How do we make it different? We incorporate what you want,” Siedlecki emphasized.

The 20 attendees, from youth to elders, asked various questions about the future skatepark. “Will the skatepark be able to handle longboards?” asked by LaTita Taylor, Southern Ute Education Director. “Yes, we can incorporate sidewalks, pathways, all stateable,” answered Siedlecki.

Regarding safety aspects, “We have the location of the store [Thriftway] across the street, will we incorporate a safe passage?” asked Southern Ute elder Neda Rhea Chackee.

McDonald addressed the safety concern to and from the Thriftway convenience store across the street from the skatepark. “We are not going to build a bridge. We have a fixed budget to work with, we will however address a guarded crosswalk, such as what we have already in front of the Growth Fund building,” said McDonald.

Safety was addressed heavily in the presentation, with HWY. 172 running parallel with the skatepark, and the Thriftway across the street, there will be heavy traffic from time to time. “We want to make the skatepark as safe as possible,” added Siedlecki. “The skatepark will be well lit, we want a well-lit design.” Security cameras, fencing, a first-aid station and even a panic button was brought up.

“Will there be a beginner skatepark?” asked Southern Ute youth, Vince Naranjo. “We want all aspects of the skatepark to be progressive, [from beginners to advanced] we want the skater to be able to progress with their skills.”

The skatepark will be a community skatepark, “for everyone to enjoy, all skate

levels, even our older skaters can teach the younger skaters,” said Siedlecki. “The skatepark will be for everyone. It will also be a family place, a safe place, to hang out, and to skate.”

KSUT is in the process of building their new station, the Eddie Box Jr., Media Center just south of the skatepark site. “With a stage we can incorporate music. Skateboarders are artists too,” said Hendren. Parking already exists around the skatepark site, south in front of KSUT, and in the old casino parking lot, as well as north by the Moache-Capote Building.

Drug dealers and sex trafficking was asked about, could building a facility of this nature may attract this type of negative behavior?

“I’ve been skating since I was 11 or 12, we were harassed by the police. If we provide a safe environment, which will be very visible, the kids tend to police themselves,” said Siedlecki. “The difference between skaters our age, is we didn’t have adults [our parents] who skated, they lived a different lifestyle. We now have skaters my age who are the parents, and we support our children and the youth as skaters.”

“We have an opportunity to build something special, something unique in this community,” said Siedlecki. “Let’s got out of the norm.”

Money was allocated to the skate park project through Resolution 2010-122 by the late Chairman Jimmy Newton Jr. Newton. The resolution states, one half of the BP settlement money would go to the tribal membership and the second half would be put into a restricted fund for the youth. “Half went to the membership and the other half is going to go towards youth initiatives,” stated Southern Ute Councilman Adam Red in a Nov. 2018 article published in the Southern Ute Drum.

Per Resolution No. 2018-133: The skate park planning development team acquired land from a Southern Ute Tribal Council land dedication. The dedication comes from an area of tribal trust land, and development will be led by the SunUte Community Center.

The skatepark is in the planning stages, all concerns, questions and ideas can be brought before the planning development team at the next scheduled meeting. The Youth Park Design Alternative Presentation will be Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the Sky Ute Casino Event Center B from 6- 8 p.m.

The skatepark planning and development team will present the design alternatives for the skatepark and youth recreation master plan. Dinner will be also be served. For additional information contact Renee Tree, Tribal Planner administrative assistant at 970-563-2270.

AIR QUALITY

State, Tribe assemble on environmental policies

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Environmental Commission met to address concerns and provide updates during their regional meeting, hosted at the Tribe’s EPD Conference Rm. in Ignacio, Tuesday, Oct. 22. The Commission convenes regularly each year to share updates on environmental policies and enforcement practices, many of which correlate directly to the Tribe’s sovereign status.

New employees with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Environmental Programs Division were introduced as the first order of business. Christopher Franco accepted the position as Air Quality Analyst back in August. Ambrish Sharma also with Air Quality Program, is an Air Quality Analyst working under the Minor Source Program; both of these positions operate under AQP Manager, Danny Powers.

The Commission meeting came just ahead of the Four Corners Air Quality Group Meeting, where Air Quality Technical Manager, Oakley Hayes presented the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s monitoring update and Minor Source Program, 2017 Emission Inventory details in Durango, Colo. on Wednesday, Oct. 23 at the Durango Public Library.



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Attorney Sam W. Maynes, a partner of Maynes, Bradford, Shipp & Sheftel, LLP, provides legal counsel for the Tribe’s Air Quality Program (AQP); AQP implements policies and programs adopted by the Environmental Commission.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Environmental Commission members discuss updates to state legislation during their regional meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 22.

Lisa Devore, Planning and Policy Program for the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division, gave a thorough presentation to the commission regarding Colorado’s 2019 Legisla-

tion on air quality, in addition to Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) rulemaking updates.

Chairman Rolfe Spiegel was voted in as the newest Chairman for the Environmental Commission by the board members, replacing Demi Morishige.

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Youth Skatepark Design Alternatives Presentation



Date: December 3, 2019
Place: Sky Ute Casino Event Center B
Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

The skatepark planning & development team would like to present the design alternatives for the skatepark & youth recreation master plan. Dinner is served.
Call Renee Tree for more information at 563-2270





Royalty Walk

Saturday, Nov. 16, 2019 at 9 a.m.
Ignacio, Colorado

The Southern Ute Royalty would like to invite everyone to give thanks and join them for a walk!

The walk will start in front of the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park and end at the SunUte Community Center.

Come meet and visit with Tribal Royalty!
Light refreshments will be served in the SunUte Capote Room.

Questions? Leonora Burch at 970-799-3498.



The great pumpkin splash



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Curtis White Thunder-Lucero swims with his pumpkin of choice at SunUte's annual Pumpkin Splash on Thursday, Oct. 24.

SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL THANKSGIVING DINNER



Saturday, November 16
Sky Ute Casino Event Center
11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Southern Ute Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner is open to Southern Ute Tribal Members and Immeditate family, Ute Mountain Ute and Ute Indian Tribal Members.

Southern Ute Elderly and Disabled Tribal Members unable to attend may sign up for home delivery.
Please Contact: Southern Ute Elder Services, (970)-563-0156.

For more information contact
Events Coordinator Tara Vigil
at (970) 563-2985

UMU brings hoards of gourds



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Per tradition, members of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe deliver a trailer full of locally sourced pumpkins to members of their Southern Ute sister tribe. Amanda Jacket lends a hand with distribution, Thursday afternoon, Oct. 17.

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Smithsonian focused on vets



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Kevin Gover, Director, National Museum of the American Indian paid a visit to Ignacio, Thursday, Oct. 24. Gover set up meetings with the Southern Ute Veterans Association and Chairman Christine Sage to discuss the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) National Native American Veterans Memorial, and the museum's fundraising efforts.

Former Colorado Senator, Ben Nighthorse Campbell and Howard Richards Sr., Southern Ute Veterans Assoc. Commander gave their input on the importance of the National Native American Veterans Memorial and what that recognition means to those who served in the armed forces.



Teaching the old ways



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder Evalyn Russell cuts and seasons pieces of buffalo meat to dry on Wednesday, October 23 at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility.

Potential Firewood Shortage

This public service announcement (PSA) is to inform the Southern Ute Tribal membership, that utilize the Forestry Fuels Yard, of a potential firewood shortage. This current situation is a result of the heavy winter of 2018/2019 that brought deep snow to the reservation and prevented our program from wood cutting, an increase in demand and utilization of the firewood program, and equipment failures throughout the year. Firewood deliveries or pickups may be affected between November 2019 through April 2020. We encourage the membership to only order firewood when needed (no stockpiling) and to use firewood conservatively to supplement other heating sources in their residence. By doing so, we hope to avoid a decrease in monthly allowances of firewood or a complete shortfall. We will keep the membership informed with future PSAs as the firewood season progresses.

Annual Turkey Class Potluck

Multi-Purpose Facility

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Ignacio CO



Wednesday

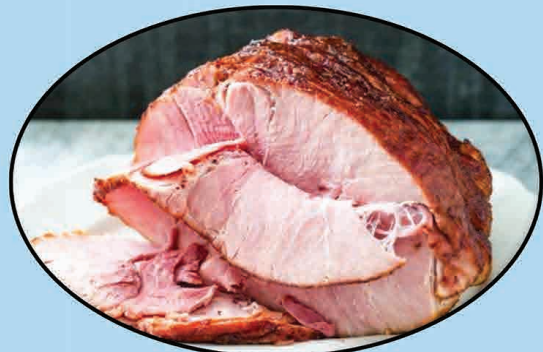
November 13, 2019

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We will clean, stuff and roast a turkey.
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Sip, Chat & Chew Potluck



Friday November 22, 2019
11:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Multi-Purpose Facility
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BOBCATS FOOTBALL

'Cats manage credible onslaught late at Centauri

Season ends with 53-21 loss to No. 4 Falcons

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

One normally watches an NFL Films highlight program to witness two of the most famous – or infamous – plays ever seen in American football.

Or one would have needed to attend the CHSAA Class 1A Southern Peaks Conference clash in little La Jara, Colo., the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 1, 2019, pitting visiting Ignacio against fourth-ranked [CHSAANow.com poll, Oct. 28] Centauri.

With the vaunted Falcons' first six actual drives producing touchdowns, following sophomore Baron Holman's 79-yard scoring return of Alvaro Ros Ortiz's game-opening kickoff, a mercy-rule outcome – the 40-point, running-clock scenario was enacted by senior Taj Cornum's 5-yard TD carry with 9:27 still left in the second quarter – appeared almost predestined.

Junior kicker/reserve quarterback McKay Russell's ensuing kickoff found its way into the end zone, and IHS' offense jogged back out for a series starting at their own 20-yard line with 7:07 remaining before halftime. Runs by juniors Lawrence Toledo and Joe Garcia advanced the ball to the 30 and earned the guests a fresh set of downs. Toledo's next carry gained just a yard, and sophomore quarterback Gabe Tucson then threw two incompletions under near-instant pressure from Centauri's overwhelming pass rush, and Ros Ortiz then trotted out along with Ignacio's punt unit to relinquish possession.

What the Spanish foreign-exchange student-athlete didn't know was how that would transpire.

Unable to collect the snap cleanly, Ros Ortiz found himself staring straight at an oncoming red jersey (the Bobcats, normally clad in the same color, wore white for the game) bent on destruction. Initially electing to flee to his right, Ros Ortiz then – unknowingly – did his best Garo Yepremian with an awkward shovel-pass attempt straight into surprised CHS sophomore Zach Buhr's hands.

Unlike Washington Redskin cornerback Mike Bass, who returned the Miami Dolphin's botched desperation throw – stemming from a field goal blocked back to the Cyprus-born kicker by



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio freshman Jace Carmenoros (63) squares up to block Centauri's Jownes Archuleta (62), Friday, November 1 in La Jara, Colo.

Haxtun, Colo., H.S. alum Bill Brundige (who would have turned 71 on Nov. 13) – 49 yards for a TD in Super Bowl VII, Buhr managed only a short runback to the IHS 21.

He may as well have taken the gift to the house, though; Cornum blasted through for a score on Centauri's next play, and Russell's point-after kick – already his fifth in eight tries (one missed wide, two were blocked), increased the Conejos County locals' jaw-dropping advantage to 53-0 entering intermission. Able to resist the allure of an unusually warm, sunny day, those fans sticking around to witness the fast-expiring second half were treated to some highlights actually benefiting the visitors.

Set up at their 42 after a short Russell kickoff, Ignacio junior Dylan Labarthe – his first and last name coldly butchered by the PA announcer – gained 13 yards on first down into CHS territory. Falcon freshman Adrian Prieto then barged through to sack Tucson for ten yards back to the Bobcat 45, but Tucson answered with a 55-yard pitch-and-catch to senior Colten Jackson.

With 9:18 left in the third quarter, Ros Ortiz's PAT split the uprights and IHS, at long last, was on the scoreboard. Centauri's ensuing drive, begun at their own 10, quickly ended three-and-out and freshman Manuel Luce-ro's punt situated the 'Cats at CHS' 37 with 4:28 left.

A 22-yard Toledo burst advanced Ignacio to the 13, but Garcia and Labarthe were each dropped for 5-yard losses and despite a 3-yard Tucson-to-Garcia connection, Ros Ortiz's 37-yard field goal fell short on the fourth quarter's first play.

Awarded an automatic touchback and possession at their own 20 with 11:34 remaining, Centauri actually appeared somewhat stunned

when Russell – taking over for senior incumbent Eric Maez – hit Estevan Vega for two yards on first down, only to see the freshman lose the ball and Jackson scoop it in stride for a 22-yard scoring return with 10:31 left.

Ros Ortiz made no mistake on the PAT, and the 'Cats were unexpectedly in double digits.

Seconds later, IHS sophomore Tyler Barnes crawled out of the pileup holding the ball – fumbled by CHS on the kickoff – and the Bobcats were back in business at the Falcon 26 with 8:30 left. With Tucson icing his non-throwing right elbow and sidelined near senior Ian Weinreich – victim of a left-ankle injury early in the contest – freshman Teagan Roukema was summoned, but was dropped for a drive-killing, 18-yard loss on fourth-and-6 from the 22. He'd have a chance at redemption, however.

Two Kolten Johnson carries netted just a yard, and the Centauri freshman was stripped of the ball on the second. Conjuring images of the NFL's humorous 'Holy Roller' incident – Oakland Raider tight end Dave Casper's Sept. 10, 1978, forward bumbling of quarterback Ken Stabler's fumble, producing a winning TD at San Diego – neither squad managed to get control of the bouncing ball as it inexplicably retreated ever closer to CHS' goal line.

At long last, Garcia emerged from the mob scene with the pigskin and the rest of the Roukema-led offense hurried out to commence work at the Falcon 7 – or 34 yards (the 'Roller' essentially covered 24) from where Johnson lost his grip.

Toledo was dropped for a 3-yard loss on first down, but then swung out into the left flat on second to snag a 10-

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BOBCATS VOLLEYBALL

Wins in Rye ensure Volleycats' postseason presence

Ignacio trips Trinidad twice at RHS Invite

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

The 2019 volleyball season began for Ignacio with a three-pronged plan: League, Regionals, State.

Dreams of conquering the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League had been decidedly dashed, the Volleycats went into their regular-season-ending appearance at the November 1-2 Rye Invitational still believing the other objectives were obtainable.

Needing to avoid disaster in order to remain a top-36 team in CHSAA's RPI standings, the No. 32 'Cats clinched a postseason berth – and, for good measure, even rose two places to 30th – with strikingly similar showings versus Trinidad on Day 2 of the event.

Unable to short-circuit the hosting Lady Thunderbolts in the Day 1 finale after nearly a six-hour wait to play, Ignacio lost 15-25, 16-25, 20-25 and then began the Saturday session collapsing 31-29, 25-22, 20-25, 23-25, 12-15 against Sanford in a clash lasting nearly two hours.

Scheduled to then face THS immediately after with third place at stake, IHS led Game 1 against the Lady Miners nearly wire-to-wire and prevailed 25-20 when Trinidad senior



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Ignacio's Grace Gonzales (10), Laci Brunson (12) and Makayla Howell (7) celebrate a success against 3A Trinidad during Day 2 of the November 1-2 Rye Invitational. The Volleycats defeated the Lady Miners twice, clinching a berth in the Class 2A State Tournament's regional-phase round on the weekend of November 8-9.

Julia Holden netted a back-row kill attempt, after Ignacio sophomore Lexy Young downed a cross-court spike to bring up game point.

Down 5-0 early in Game 2 after an ace-filled run on serve by Volleycat junior Marisa Carmenoros, Trin-

idad would respond in unexpected fashion, managing to eventually stave off game point four times and equalize at 24-24. Young then pounded a kill, only to see Holden blast one herself.

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Leading the packs



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Competing for Bayfield Saturday afternoon, October 26, in the CHSAA State Championships' Class 3A boys' feature, Ignacio High School senior Elco Garcia, Jr., strides it out during the middle portion of the course centered about Norris-Penrose Event Center in Colorado Springs. Clocking an outstanding fourth-place time of 16 minutes, 48 seconds flat, Garcia helped the Wolverines finish eighth in the team standings with an adjusted (individual entrants' results weren't factored in) score of 228 points. To Garcia's left, Broomfield-based Jefferson Academy junior Jacob Crookston finished fifth in 16:51.7.

Ignacio junior Charlize Valdez (117) leads a pack of competitors during the last mile of the CHSAA State Championships' Class 2A girls' feature Saturday morning, October 26, with the route centered about Norris-Penrose Event Center in Colorado Springs. Making her State debut, Valdez placed 26th out of 122 entrants with her time of 22 minutes, 11.7 seconds.

Repeat YAFL champs!



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Durango Demons, fourth-grade, football team won the Youth American Football League (YAFL) Super Bowl in Bloomfield, N.M., Saturday, Nov. 2. The Demons defeated the Aztec Apes, 26-12 at the Bloomfield High School Football Stadium. Led by Demon rusher, Malique Rodriguez, the Demons ended the season with a 9-1 record, The Durango Demons won the 2018 YAFL Super Bowl last year as third-graders.

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COMMUNITY GREETINGS



Congratulations to our daughters

Ashley Baker, was accepted as a student to Bastyr University for the School of Naturopathic Medicine. Her projected graduation date is 2023. As a graduate of Seattle and Pacific University and all of her pre-med requirements completed earlier this year. Her educational path so far has been challenging and extremely taxing but her perserverence and stead fast force on her pursuit in this field has been nothing less than OUTSTANDING. Above, Ashley's White Coat Ceremony held on Oct. 18, 2019, Bastyr University Chapel, Kenmore, Wash.



Genevieve K. Baker, graduated from California Lutheran University with her Master's in Science in Physiology. This all done while managing a family and two children. Everything is POSSIBLE if you stay the course! Above, Genevieve's graduation ceremony May 17, 2019, Thousand Oaks, Cali. Special thanks to the Tribal Higher Education Department for their financial support.

Rachel and I, are both truly overwhelmed by their accomplishments this year!
Raymond Baker, USN Retired

EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

THANK YOU

Mique my relatives I just wanted to say thank you for the opportunity to campaign again (I am learning more and more) and the journey my family and I have embraced meeting with some of the tribal members in listening to your life stories and how the tribal government has impacted your traditional ways and the original intent of certain departments or even the Montessori school for example.

My family will continue this path – the more we become comfortable to communicate our desires and concerns (who knows more than the people themselves who are actually affected by our government) and see we truly have a lot more in common than we think, we will be capable of working together to give the people the power to instill all our traditions, culture, language and lifestyles within our government that seals our sovereignty.

In our past our great leaders took the steps to provide financial security and a living standard which is always remembered by us all, but now we need to adapt to the world once again and improve our homeland to create an urban setting and public identity to provide an honor to be a Southern Ute.

Our children have no public identity in our public schools; we could easily use a revenue stream (ads from local businesses) free standing interactive kiosk located in the hallways of our schools filled with interviews from elders, tribal council, and presentations of jobs with day to day purpose and function to inform our students of the jobs they may be interested in and work towards for their tribe by participating in internships AND including these as part of their working history to be capable to qualify for today's job requirements.

I will always be for the people and my way of life. I saw many revenue opportunities lost and our family's are falling apart because of the ONE policy that is written with no experience and it has been proven otherwise there would be effective results and satisfied members - I want to restore families, language, communication, power to the people, and an honor to be a Ute member equally within our tri-ethnic community.

John Washington II

MPF HAUNTED HOUSE THANKS

The Multi-Purpose Facility Haunted House was an awesome event with over 380 people attending over the 3 days the Haunted House was open.

Thank you to all the great volunteers, volunteering their time, and their scary supplies, bringing food to help feed the volunteers. Thank you to Amber Box, she provided the main dish for three nights to the volunteers and made the best Spanish Rice. Thank you CeCe Ryder, for your rice and wonderful desserts, and Twyla Black Bird for her Mac & Cheese and Green Bean Casserole, and everyone who brought food for the volunteers as they worked late into the evening. Thank you, Marquetta Cloud and Stefanie Fasano for bringing soda for everyone. Terry Box who made her famous salsa.

Thank you to Pearl Casias and Jennifer Goodtracks for their generous monetary donations.

Thank you to all the people who supported the haunted House by purchasing food at the Chiller Frybread Burger sales, and the monthly yard sales. Terry Box, Amber Box and Stefanie Fasano for helping with all the food sales. Terry Box and Dennis Vicenti and Valerie Armstrong did a great job, taking money in the cold. Willette Whiteskunk

and Katie Whiteskunk for their donations and fundraising by holding a bake sale.

Thank you to Stais for being the leader and support for the volunteers, and the MPF staff for rolling up their sleeves and pitching in, working long and odd hours to get it done.

A special thank you to Jeremy Rock for his patience and understanding while the MPF was covered in plastic.

I can't forget the users of the MPF who held their events in the Gathering Room and the Sewing Room while the rest of the rooms were occupied.

It was a great turn-out, and I know all the volunteers felt the joy of knowing all the hard work was worth was scare!

The Masquerade PowWow was great fun, thanks to the haunted House volunteers for putting this free community event on. The donations of the community made the event, the potluck was awesome, the dances and contests were fun. You can't have a Pow Wow without singers, and dancers, thank you Tim Ryder and your drum group and all the other drums who came for the joy of dancing and singing. The Community came together to make the Pow Wow a success.

The following volunteers are commended for awesome service to the Haunted House:

Terry Box, Valerie Armstrong, Dennis Vicenti, Marquetta Cloud, Matt Archuleta, Stefanie Fasano, Marie Carel, Rhianna Carel, Fabian Martinez, Stais Harlan, Meghan Harlan, Helaina Taylor, Terrance Hight, Amber Box, McKayla Lee, Aaron, Roberta Scott, Jeremy Cuthair, Tim Ryder, Aislinn Red, Bird Red, Tricia Leroy, Alana Watts, Terena Hight, Christen Heart, Katie Whiteskunk, Hendren Boys, Hunter Frost, Meeko Wesley, Leann Wesley, Roman Velasquez, Kaylin Good Tracks, Philman Lopez, CeCe Ryder, Twyla Blackbird, Maria Trujillo, and Gracelynn Thompson.

I apologize, if missed any volunteers, please know all your help was appreciated. Building Maintenance, was a great support.

*Thank you,
Elise Redd*

MPF Operations Manager and Staff

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL THANKS

We would like to thank the people involved in planning the Ignacio Community Halloween Carnival at the SkyUte Casino. We were able to have a fun and safe event with hundreds of children and their families. Helping plan all of excitement were: Brian Lundstrom, Trennie Collins, Cassandra Sanchez, Takota Armstrong, Dustin Weaver, Lisa Manzanares, Joanne Gomez, Brandi Archuleta, Natelle Thompson, Tristany Sanchez, Nick Sanchez, Journii Nez, Amanda Lucero, Chris Naranjo and Don Folsom.

The teams of people who sponsored booths this year included: Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Council, Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Tribe, Southern Ute Tribal Rangers, Southern Ute Police Department, Ignacio High School Junior Class, Sky Ute Casino Employees, South West Rainbow Youth, Southern Ute Food Distribution, TERO, Pow Wow Committee, and Los Pinos Fire Department.

We had numerous businesses, families, people and organizations donate prizes, candy and decorations to make this a success.

A special thank you goes to our incredible DJ's of the evening, Eddie and Betty Box whose enthusiasm for kids and Halloween make this event special.

Don Folsom

*Community Resource Officer
Southern Ute Police Department*

SunUte HVAC project



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

There are so many people to thank as we move through our four-month HVAC project! Tribal Council, a big thank you for approving this much needed capital project. Thank you to SunUte staff as it has truly been difficult to hear over the noise, figure out which entrance to use and when and where we move our programming. I would also like to thank all the SunUte members for being so patient and understanding and to Tyson Thompson and his crew, Ray Torres and April Toledo and Jon Morgan with FCI. I am proud to say that we did not cancel one program or event due to the HVAC project. This is due to our dedicated and imaginative staff!

*Robin Duffy-Wirth
SunUte Director*

In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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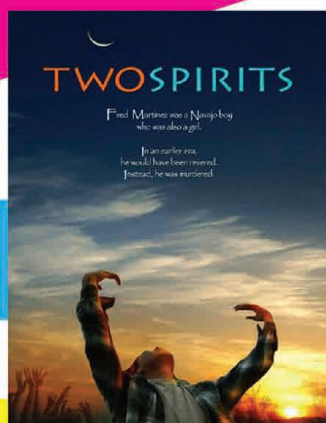
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Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing

before the Tribal Court at the above address on December 17, 2019 at 11:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 4th of November, 2019
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

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45-Day Notices of Availability

Under Section 29-2-105 of the Land Assignment Code, public notice is being given that the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Department of Natural Resources is accepting applications from Southern Ute Tribal Members eligible for a tribal-land assignment.

Please review each posting carefully to determine specific eligibility requirements.

Visit the following website to view the currently available assignments.

<https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/natural-resources/lands/assignments/currently-available-assignments/>

If you do not have access to a computer, the postings are available at the Department of Natural Resources and will also be posted around the Tribal Campus, the USPS Office, and Tribal Housing.

Notice Of Draft Title V Operating Permit and Request For Comment

Notice is hereby given that renewal applications have been submitted to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Environmental Programs Division's Air Quality Program, P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado 81137, for the following sources of air pollution:

Applicant: BP America Production Company

Facility: Treating Site # 6 and the Southern Ute 32-9; 8-4 Wellsite NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 8, T32N R9W, 13 miles southwest of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a central natural gas facility

Applicant: Red Cedar Gathering Company

Facility: Bondad Compressor Station Section 24, T33N R10W, 14 miles west of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a natural gas compressor station facility

Applicant: Red Cedar Gathering Company

Facility: Ponderosa Compressor Station Section 7, T33N R6W, 5 miles east of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a Natural gas compressor station facility

Applicant: Red Cedar Gathering Company

Facility: Spring Creek Compressor Station Section 31, T33N R6W, 6 miles southeast of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a natural gas compressor station facility

The Air Quality Program (AQP) has prepared the draft Title V operating permits based on the information submitted by the applicant. The draft permits and accompanying statement of basis are available on the AQP's website at <http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/air-quality/air-permitting/>, and at the Environmental Programs Division office at 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio CO, 81137 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and request a hearing. Written comments and requests for hearings may be sent to the AQP in care of Danny Powers, Air Quality Program Manager, at P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado 81137; or emailed to dpowers@southernute-nsn.gov. Any hearing request should: 1) identify the individual or group requesting the hearing, 2) state his or her address and phone number, and 3) state the reason(s) for the request. Notice of any public hearing will be provided at least 30 days in advance of the hearing. The AQP will consider the written public comments and requests for a hearing that are received within 30 days of this notice, (October 30, 2019).

Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission Vacancy

Closing 11/18/19, 5 p.m. – Tribe-Appointed Member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission. 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: 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
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Boards, Committees & Commission Vacancies

TRIBAL CREDIT COMMITTEE

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee is looking for eligible tribal member applicants to serve on the Committee. The appointment is for up to three (3) years. This is a compensated Committee, and, you will be considered an employee of the Tribe, per IRS guidelines. The Credit Committee submits approved applicant recommendation to the 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. Some of the duties of the Tribal Credit Committee are: Approve loans as required by the Credit Division Declaration; Monitor compliance with the Declaration; Monitor all approved loans for performance; Make recommendations to the Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations; Maintain confidentiality, objectivity, and fairness in conducting all Committee business; Hold weekly 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. If you have any questions, please speak with Daniel Larsen, Tribal Credit Division Head, at 970-563-2458.

POWWOW COMMITTEE

The Southern Ute Powwow Committee is seeking interested person to serve on the Powwow Committee. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member or a Native American Community Member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian Powwow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture through Powwow song and dance. All interested individuals are urged to submit a letter of intent to the Southern Ute Powwow Committee, PO Box 737 #16 Ignacio, CO 81137.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BOARD

Closing 11/22/19 – The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is currently looking to fill one (1) volunteer Board Member positions. A majority of the committee shall be tribal members. The Board of Directors is responsible for knowing and effectively articulating the mission, vision, core values, goals, policies, and program areas of the Club. Members of the Board must attend meetings regularly and attend applicable committee meetings

on a regular basis; also attend a minimum of 1 priority event and 1 Club event annually. Members must maintain confidentiality of sensitive information and conduct oneself as a model for children in a manner that exemplifies high character. Interested parties must pick up an application available on the www.bgcsu.org website or by request from Mr. Bruce LeClaire at 970-563-2694 or bleclair@southernute-nsn.gov. Applications must be returned to Mr. LeClaire.

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 Dept. at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137.

YOUTH TRIBAL MEMBER NEEDED FOR WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD

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? Call Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130.

PUBLIC NOTICE, TO GENERAL PUBLIC Unauthorized grazing on Tribal lands

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violators of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief. If you have livestock trespassing on Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until **DECEMBER 15, 2019** to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133.

Signed by Pearl E. Casias,
Southern Ute Indian Tribe, June 9, 2011

Tribal Member needed for Ute Cultural Expert position on Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board

The Tribe is seeking an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member wishing to fill a special Culture/Expert vacancy on the Wildlife Advisory Board. This individual will fill a non-voting position with a non-expiring term on the Board. The Cultural Expert is expected to incorporate traditional Ute Indian values, beliefs, and perspectives into the Board's various deliberations involving the welfare, use, management, and protection of the Tribe's wildlife resources. The Cultural Expert must be recognized within the community for his or her expertise in Ute culture and tradition as they pertain to wildlife and hunting. 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. Meetings are held several times throughout the year, typically on a weekday morning, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. Each Board member is eligible to receive \$20/hour compensation for meeting attendance provided he or she is not already employed by the Tribe. Interested tribal members must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137 Attn: Wildlife Advisory Board. This letter should address the individual's qualification to serve in a Ute cultural expert capacity on the Wildlife Advisory Board. The deadline to submit a letter of interest is 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 15. For information, contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130.

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93 Mountain Dew Circle. West Cedar Point. Triple-wide home includes: 5-bedrooms, Master bedroom with walk-in closet and a master bathroom (double sink, shower, bathtub), 2 bedrooms have walk-in closets, 2 bedrooms have standard closets, 2 full bathrooms, laundry room with washer/dryer hook ups, laundry room has room for a freezer. Large kitchen with a small breakfast area, separate dining area, wood flooring in all the bedrooms, hallway and living room, walk in pantry, brand new ceiling fans in each room, black-out blinds, built in sprinkler system, fenced in yard front and back, shed, paved driveway and patio, new roof. New appliances. Refrigerator and stove will need to be purchased. Home sits on Southern Ute Tribal Assignment, you must be a Southern Ute Tribal Member to purchase with the assignment. Non-tribal members who would like to purchase the home. Costs to move the home would be your responsibility to move off the assignment. Contact 970-563-2985 if interested.




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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

Family Court Caseworker

Closing 11/20/19 – Providing guardian ad litem, special advocacy, parent coordination, and mediation services as assigned through Court appointment and clinical supervisor. Responsible for psycho-social educational classes for youth as assigned by clinical supervisor. Case management activities and/or counseling services involving assigned adults and juveniles. Position is both Tribal funded and grant funded. Full-time status is contingent on grant funding. Pay grade 20; \$48,898/year.

Gaming Investigator III

Closing 11/15/19 – Under the general supervision of the Gaming Director, this is a senior level position responsible for supervision and oversight of subordinate officers within the Gaming Division. Regulates and controls Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

Part-time Dentist

Closing 11/11/19 – Providing, clinical, health promotion and disease prevention, and educational services for the Dental Division. Part-time with benefits.

Scorekeeper

Closing 11/11/19 – Keeps accurate scores for sporting events held by SunUte Recreation Department. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Umpire/Referee

Closing 11/11/19 –Maintains rules and regulations on the playing field and courts during SunUte Recreation Dept. sporting events. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

Clinical Supervisor

Open Until Filled – Senior level position that provides Clinical Supervision to staff Caseworkers providing a full range of intake and/or ongoing social casework services for a variety of program areas such as child abuse and neglect cases, youth-in-conflict cases, and adults unable to protect their own interests. Provides clinical supervision and oversees Family Preservation and the Foster Care Program Coordinator. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/year.

Cultural Preservation Director

Open Until Filled – Southern Ute Members only. Professional management, formulation, planning, implementation and management of tribal language, cultural and historic programs and various related activities. Provides direction, support, guidance, and general supervision to divisions and programs within the Department to promote and maintain the integrity and continuity of Southern Ute Language, culture and history. Shall ensure all actions of the Department are based upon and effectively express the cultural values, principles and perspective of the Southern Ute Tribe as a whole and ensuring the primary beneficiary of its actions is the tribal membership. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/year.

Family Practice Physician

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

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.

Physical 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 physical therapy services. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/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. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

TEAM Worker

Open Until Filled – Southern Ute Tribal Member only. The TEAM program is an opportunity for enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to find temporary employment within the various departments of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. For both part-time and full-time temporary positions.

TERO Worker

Open Until Filled – Under the supervision of the TERO office. It is an opportunity for enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members and other local Native Americans to find temporary employment within the various departments of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. For both part-time and full-time temporary positions.

Ute Language Teacher

Open Until Filled – Southern Ute Members only. Assisting the Coordinator of the Ute Curriculum and Design in teaching the Ute language to the students, staff, and parents of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA). Employees will be trained to write the Ute language using the Charney system by coordinator of Ute Curriculum and Design.

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Welcomes and greets all guests in a friendly, professional manor and provides an exceptional dining experience by ensuring timely and appropriate seating of guests. Answering phone calls and tracking reservations. Will assist with meal and beverage service as well as clean up services when needed. Must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma or GED and have 1-year previous host/cashier experience. Must be able to lift up to 30 lbs., work with minimal supervision, and must be able to multi task. Must be able to sit, stand, bend, squat, kneel etc. extensively throughout shift.

*Casino Housekeeping Staff (Full-time)

Duties consist of cleaning all public areas including Casino floor, public restrooms, restaurant, lobby, offices and employee break rooms. Must be at least 21 years old. High school diploma or equivalency preferred. Previous experience in hospitality or retail field required. Previous cleaning or motel/hotel housekeeping experience preferred. Must possess good communication skills. Must be available to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Must have excellent attendance.

Event Staff (On-call)

Primary responsibilities include assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. You will act as a guest service representative at Banquets and related events. 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 or equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 years old. 21 years of age or older preferred in order to serve alcohol. Must have food handling experience. Must be able to lift, carry, push, pull and move 40 to 60 pounds frequently. Must be able to sit, stand and walk for prolonged periods of time.

AV Technician (Full-time)

Will interface directly with customers, both internal and external, on a daily basis. Set up and breakdown of audio and visual equipment for meetings, conferences and special events. Performs minor repairs, adjustments, and routine checks and cleaning of audio and video equipment throughout the property. Controls the lights and sound of events, such as live concerts, before and after performances and during intermissions. Must have a Bachelor Degree in audio & visual or related field. Must have at least one (1) year audio & video experience. Must have a working knowledge of digital control systems, operations, maintenance and repair of audio/visual equipment. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Previous experience with Creston control systems or similar systems preferred. Certification in at least one or more related fields preferred. Must be able to work all shifts including night, weekends and holidays.

Front Desk Staff (Full-time)

Providing quality guest services that include reservations, registration and check-out, PBX operations, mail and message service for hotel guests. Must be accurate with daily accounting procedures. Responds to telephone and in person inquiries regarding reservations, hotel information and guest concerns. Assistance with guests may include; but not limited to: luggage assistance, directions/maps, driving guests

to/from the airport. Must have a High school diploma or equivalency. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have previous experience in hotel front desk. Must have 3 months previous customer service experience. Must possess a valid driver's license and be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must possess excellent communication skills.

Line Cook (Full-time)

Works under direct supervision of the Lead Cook. Preparation of the menu and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness. High school diploma or equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least one (1) year cooking experience as a cook in a fast-paced full-service restaurant OR four (4) months In House training OR presently attending culinary school.

*Player's Club Rep (Full-time)

Performs all administrative functions of a Players Club Representative such as: signing up new members, player's account maintenance, answer player club and general property questions, administering redemption, complimentary and access rewards and benefits to qualified players club members. Must have a High School Diploma or equivalency. College degree preferred but not necessary. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a minimum of 2 years' experience in customer service. Previous Casino host or club (player tracking program) experience preferred. Working knowledge of casino data base programs and computer systems preferred. Career interest within the hospitality field or related industry is preferred. Must have excellent customer service skills.

*Multi-Games Dealer (On-call)

Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Greets and interacts with guests in a friendly, professional and welcoming manner. Efficiently and accurately deals blackjack, three card poker, roulette and other Class 3 specialty games according to Casino policies and procedures and Southern Ute Division of Gaming IC-MP's (Internal Control Minimum Procedures). Monitors guests' play and table action to ensure security of game and Casino assets and notifies supervisor of any irregularities. Must be at least 21 years old, have a High School diploma or equivalent, and must have at least 6 months as a Table Games Dealer or have Dealer School Certification.

*Count Team Supervisor

Day to day operation and direct supervision of all activities within the Count Department. Ensures compliance with the Casino's policies & procedures and applicable Gaming regulations. Ensure integrity and accountability of all functions as they pertain to each drop or count activity in accordance with defined policies and procedures. Must have complete knowledge of all Internal Control Minimum Procedures and the Gaming Code as they pertain to the Count Department's responsibilities. This includes revisions, new procedures or variances granted or changed by the Division of Gaming. Must be at least 21 years old, have a High School diploma or equivalent, must have at least 3 years experience in a Supervisor position, must have experience training and mentoring staff. Count team experience is preferred.

SoCoCAA Job Opportunities

For job opportunities apply on-line at www.sococaa.org or call 970-563-4545/4517.

Therapist

Closing 11/25/19 – SoCoCAA/Peaceful Spirit. Come join a newly forming team dedicated to making a difference in the lives of families in our region! Candidate will assure the evidence-based multisystemic (MST) program delivers quality family-based care in Archuleta and La Plata Counties. MST training is provided and no previous MST experience needed. MA in a social work, counseling, or other behavioral health related field required, although relevant work experience may also be considered. Must be able to be credentialed as a Medicaid provider. Must pass Criminal History & Child Abuse/Neglect background checks; be insurable through SoCoCAA. \$43K for qualified individual DOE.

Driver for Road Runner Transit (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Do you enjoy driving and have a CDL? Part-time driver for Road Runner Transit at SoCoCAA in Ignacio, Colo., needs you. Must have current medical card and passenger endorsement preferred. High School diploma/GED required. Must be insurable

by SoCoCAA. Must submit a Motor Vehicle Report with application. Must be able to pass drug/alcohol test and background check.

Intercity Bus Operator

Open Until Filled – Full-time (\$17/hour) for SoCoCAA/Bustang Outrider for Durango to Grand Jct. route. Experience preferred. This position requires a Class "B" CDL with P2 & Air Brake endorsement, medical card, and a good driving record. Must submit a Motor Vehicle Report with application. Must be insurable by SoCoCAA. Must be able to pass drug/alcohol test and background check. Must have or be able to obtain CPR/1st Aid.

Monitoring Technicians (Male)

Open Until Filled – SoCoCAA is looking for a part-time Monitoring Technicians (Male). High School diploma/GED required. Previous experience and training working with recovering substance abusers required. Must be able to obtain a CPR & 1st Aid certification. Must pass background checks. Individuals in recovery must have 2 years of continuous sobriety.

Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc.

Closing 11/22/19, 5 p.m. – I² Positive Directions for Native Health Program and Prevention for Community Wellness Positive Directions for Native Health Program Coordinator, Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc. and reports to Southwest Tribal NARCH Program Manager. Will work with the Intergenerational Intertribal (I²) Positive Directions for Native Health and the Prevention for Community Wellness Positive Directions for Native Health Programs. Will work closely with the Director, Lead Analyst, Epidemiologist, and Evaluator, to plan, develop, coordinate and carry out activities in compliance with guidelines established by the funding agency, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Native Connections and Strategic Prevention Framework Partnership for Success grants. The overarching aim of these projects are to utilize a strategic prevention framework (SPF) to address and prevent suicide and underage drinking among American Indian youth. American Indian applicants will be given preference, in accordance with the exemption provided under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Send a letter of interest, CV/Resume, list of three professional references, and salary requirements to Rachell Tenorio at rtensorio@aaih.org or regular mail to Rachell Tenorio, Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board Inc., 7001 Prospect Place NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110.

Southern Ute Growth Fund • Job announcements

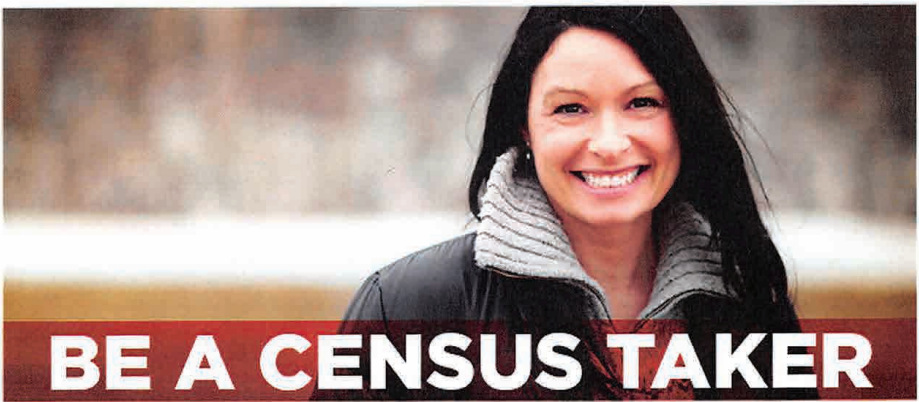
Please visit our website at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp for full job details and to apply online. Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check. Southern Ute Growth Fund, Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.

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

Closing 11/13/19 – Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land and lease records, including all related documents and contracts, for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated. Advises all other departments of changes related to Red Willow holdings. Works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain accurate records. Works independently, follows existing processes.

Tribal Member Employment/HR Generalist Trainee – Human Resources (Ignacio, CO)

Closing 11/12/19 – Trainee position is designed to provide training, mentoring and on the job experience for up to 18 months in order to learn and be responsible for functions within the HR Department, to include recruitment and job placement of enrolled Southern Ute Tribal members into business enterprises of the Southern Ute Growth Fund; recruitment and job placement to business enterprises of the Southern Ute Growth Fund, to include drafting ads; reviewing application qualifications; responding to applicants; maintaining applicant files; as well as providing general human resources support to the HR Office.



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Sibs, stride for stride



Ignacio sophomore Avaleena Nanaeto (116) leads Monte Vista senior Heather Prevatte (155) during the last mile of the CHSAA State Championships' Class 2A girls' feature Saturday morning, Oct. 26, with the route centered about Norris-Penrose Event Center in Colorado Springs. Nanaeto, who qualified for last fall's grand finale as a freshman, would place 52nd out of 122 entrants with her time of 23 minutes, 22.2 seconds (Prevatte finished 54th in 23:28.8).



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Competing for Bayfield Saturday afternoon, Oct. 26, in the CHSAA State Championships' Class 3A boys' feature, Ignacio High School senior Jonas Nanaeto ascends a hill near the first mile marker on the course centered about Norris-Penrose Event Center in Colorado Springs. Nanaeto placed 36th overall in 17 minutes, 50.7 seconds – helping the Wolverines finish eighth in the team standings with an adjusted (individual entrants' results weren't factored in) score of 228 points.

CATS MANAGE ONSLAUGHT • FROM PAGE 12

yard TD pass with only 1:20 left. Ros Ortiz's PAT then ended the game with the final margin reading 53-21.

Unofficially, Tucson finished 4-of-8 passing for 59 yards while Roukema was 2-of-3 for 13, with neither intercepted. Toledo unofficially netted 22 yards on seven carries, but Labarthe

finished with 3 on four and Garcia minus-5 on five as Ignacio (3-6, 2-2 SPC) was held collectively to minus-21 on 19. Jackson finished with two catches for 58 yards, while Toledo caught two for 11 and Garcia two for 3.

Cornum (unoff. 9-80 rushing) and sophomore Mason Claunch (4-39) combined for

five rushing scores and Buhr (2-8) added another, while Maez finished 2-of-3 passing for 59 yards and a 40-yard TD to Holman – making the score 39-0 with 12 ticks still left in the first frame.

Russell was 2-of-2 for 13 yards in helping Centauri (8-1, 4-0) prepare for another State Playoffs showing.

WINS IN RYE ENSURE PRESENCE • FROM PAGE 12

THS sophomore Rylie Pachelly then netted an attack, but had new life when IHS sophomore Alexis Pontine hit long. Pachelly then unluckily served into the net, however, and the 'Cats went up 2-0 in the match, 28-26, via a kill by freshman Grace Gonzales.

Knowing at least one win over the Lady Miners, tenth place in the 3A Tri-Peaks League during regular-season play, would likely guarantee the prolonging of their campaign, Ignacio built up a 10-7 lead in Game 3, only to then find out just how resolute Trinidad was as THS suddenly took an 11-10 upper hand.

The two sides would find themselves tied six more times down the stretch, until IHS junior Charlize Valdez scored with a block for a 23-22 lead. Gonzales followed with a kill, and after junior Jayden Brunson netted her match-point serve, Young put the issue to bed with one last kill.

Forced to endure another extensive wait as SHS stunned Rye 25-14, 15-25, 23-25, 27-25, 15-9 in the championship match, Thad Cano's Volleycats and Jose Velazquez's Lady Miners again took the court for a contest with no bearing on the tourney standings (similar to Sanford's five-game

win over Rocky Ford on Day 1).

The results were the same, with Ignacio prevailing 25-22, 26-24, 27-25 and exiting southwestern Pueblo County standing 13-10 overall. Falling to 57th (out of 73) in the 3A RPI standings, THS finished the season 6-16.

Gonzales' 18 kills – at a reported .600 rate – paced IHS offensively in the first meeting, while senior Makayla Howell downed 11 at .611 and Young 10 at .455. Howell finished with a double-double, having also logged 15 digs – trailing junior libero Ebonee Gomez's team-high 26 – while Carmenoros also recorded a double-double with 18 assists and 10 digs. Howell also racked up five solo and six total blocks defensively.

In the rematch, Howell smashed 18 kills at a scalding .643 clip, while Gonzales and Young each downed seven. Howell finished with another double-double, credited with 12 digs, and also posted six solo stuffs in a more defensive-oriented battle. Gomez logged an outstanding 34 digs, while Valdez came up with 11 and Pontine (who served five aces) ten.

Distributing 22 assists offensively, Carmenoros

also registered another double-double with her 15 digs.

HAVE BALL, WILL TRAVEL

Regional-phase brackets were released Monday, Nov. 4, with Ignacio receiving the No. 30 seed and Region VII inclusion. Set to venture north to Kremmling, Colo., the 'Cats will first face 7-seed West Grand (19-4), then duel No. 18 Ault Highland (15-8). WGHS-HHS will then close the show, with only the first-place squad earning a trip to the State Championships in Denver.

With Rye becoming their sixth consecutive victim prior to the postseason, SHS improved to 13-8 overall while the Lady Thunderbolts – upset in five by Pueblo West-based Swallows Charter Academy the night before the tourney – fell to 15-8. RHS, however, slipped only slightly to 12th in RPI while Sanford climbed to 17th.

Seeded 17th for regionals, SHS will compete against 8-seed Fowler (16-7) and 29-seed Colorado Springs School (13-10) in Region VIII, while No. 12 Rye will host Region XII and entertain 13-seed Yuma (13-11) and No. 25 Calhan (11-11).

The Southern Ute Drum's Crossword Puzzle

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Across

- 1 Sending up
- 6 Coarse file
- 10 Rare bric-a-brac
- 12 Voltages
- 13 Expression of disapproval
- 14 Get ready to take off
- 15 "The Peaceful People" of Arizona
- 17 Cur claws air round cutter
- 23 Ashcan target
- 24 "Wild" star --- Witherspoon
- 25 Malcolm ---, TV sitcom
- 27 Where the Owl and the Pussycat went
- 28 Wearying journey
- 30 Grab quickly
- 35 Sarcastic Roman description of Jesus
- 36 Stately
- 37 --- Grande Ruins National Monument
- 38 Complex unit?

Down

- 1 Statute
- 2 Boil liquid?
- 3 Annoy
- 4 Future louse
- 5 Skull Valley people
- 6 Called it a day
- 7 Accumulated
- 8 CGI and other illusory techniques
- 9 Trident-like Greek letter
- 11 Scandinavian toast
- 16 White River Utes
- 17 --- bono (who benefits?)
- 18 Arabian son
- 19 Thoroughly objectionable persons
- 20 --- Mounds, Illinois Mississippian culture site
- 21 Handy way to communicate
- 22 Very small
- 26 White Ute community?
- 28 Involuntary muscular contraction
- 29 Genetic "transmitter" molecule
- 31 Gone by
- 32 Play on words
- 33 Coyote State school
- 34 Go to the next page

Answers for this crossword will appear in Nov. 22 issue of the Drum.

Answers for the Oct. 25 crossword puzzle.

Across: 1 Adele, 6 Oat, 9 Belay, 10 Otoe, 12 Chokecherry, 15 Senecas, 16 Paa, 17 Bur, 18 Risk, 19 Shlep, 22 Aides, 23 Woad, 24 LTD, 25 I am, 26 Targets, 30 Graniteware, 32 Dram, 33 Sadie, 34 Rye, 35 Tyson.

Down: 1 ABCs, 2 DeHe, 3 Elon, 4 Lake bed, 5 Eyecup, 6 Oohs, 7 Ate, 8 Torpid, 11 Erase, 13 Car, 14 Yaks, 18 Ridgway, 19 Swig, 20 Hoard, 21 Lamarr, 22 At rest, 24 Lat, 26 Time, 27 Eads, 28 Trio, 29 Seen, 31 Nay.

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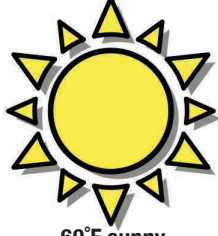


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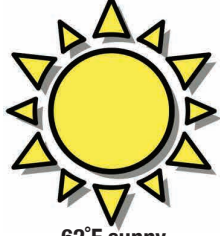
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Friday, Nov. 8



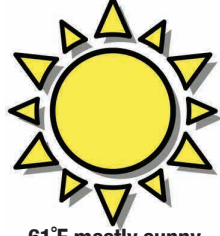
60°F sunny
Calm winds in afternoon

Saturday, Nov. 9



62°F sunny

Sunday, Nov. 10



61°F mostly sunny

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