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SUIT Leads The Way For Clean Air Policy On Tribal Land



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Air Quality Specialist, Mike King, points to the meteorological tower at the Ute 3 monitoring site, the tower measures wind speed, wind direction, outdoor temperature, relative humidity, and solar radiation. Dedicated data collection, documentation, and analysis are essential to the ongoing success of the Tribe's Air Quality Program. Air Quality analyst, Chris Ellis, explains the workings of a "precipitation tipping bucket" used to record annual precipitation levels at specific testing sites within the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

by **Jeremy Wade Shockley**
Southern Ute Drum

With the ever-changing governmental policies that affect Tribal Lands/Reservations, The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking to further control pollution within the Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Air Quality Program has been working to tighten the control on air pollutants from natural gas development and other forms of industry within the exterior boundaries

"I believe we come from the land, we are born of it, and eventually we return to it in our passing, therefore we must respect it in every way possible. What we do to the land, we do to ourselves."

The Tribe is dedicated to the responsibility of caring for the land, perhaps even setting an example for other tribes, while further influencing neighboring communities through action. On the subject of Native American culture and their respect for the environment, James Temte states "As Native Americans we are

be responsible for issuing the permits as well as ensuring that the sources are operating within the terms of their permits. This specific type of permitting program is currently only implemented by State on State lands. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is the first Indian Nation to apply to the EPA for permission to implement a Title V Clean Air Act Part 70 Operating Permit program," Stated James Temte, Air Quality Program Manager.

This permitting program and the further development of air rules and regulation is a very important "step forward" in safeguarding the environment and one that has gained support from Tribal members and Tribal Council.

In a recent air quality meeting in Durango, Colorado the Tribe's Air Quality Program staff reviewed the proposed major source operating permit program application packet with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission. The application packet, which the Tribal Council officially approved for submittal to USEPA this past Wednesday, contains the specific air rules found in the recently adopted Reservation Air Code as well as documents such as a detailed transition plan, and workload analysis. The submittal of this application packet is the result of over fifteen years of work overcoming legal challenges, jurisdictional boundaries and program feasibility.

The Air Quality Team has set precedence and met significant milestones in the past year and looks to continue the momentum into 2009. With the approval of



Members of the Southern Ute Air Quality Program and the Tribe's legal council sit before Tribal Council in Chambers on Wednesday, January 14, 2009, seeking approval for submittal of the Tribe's permitting program applications to the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

of the Reservation. These lands are open for development to outside companies such as BP and Williams, but are also contracted to Red Cedar Gathering Company and Red Willow Production Company, divisions of the Southern Ute Growth Fund. The Tribe's Air Quality Program is striving to balance clean energy development with protection of the environment through adoption of Reservation specific air rules and regulations and the development of Reservation specific permitting programs.

Land is sacred; has always been a mantra to Native American Culture. The land has always provided when cared for, and it continues to do so. But the Tribe should also be willing and ready to safeguard our resources, perhaps even more so now as populations continue to rise in number and the availability/existence of open land begins to diminish. While the idea of land is sacred, one must also understand that the terminology "land" is actually a reference to the habitat, the wildlife, the water and the air. Southern Ute Tribal Vice-Chairman Jim Newton, Jr. spoke of his own values regarding the sacred role of land in his culture

called to protect the earth and our natural environment from which our livelihood stems. It is very exciting to work for a Tribe that values the natural environment and is looking to take on the responsibility of protecting the environment through the development of environmental regulations and permitting programs."

One of these permitting pro-



The Southern Ute Air Quality Program stands for a photograph on Monday, Dec 12, 2009. From Left: Brenda Sakizzie, Marlene Scott-Jewett, Mike King, James Temte, and Chris Ellis.

grams is the Tribe's Proposed Title V (Major Source) permitting program. "This program will require larger sources of air pollution to apply to the Tribe for operating permits. The Tribe will

the "Reservation Air Code", submittal of the first ever application packet for a Tribally implemented Part 70 Title V Operating Permit

SU Tribe Asks Town of Bayfield to Take Actions to Prevent Pollution of Dry Creek

Media Release
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Southern Ute Indian Tribe officials announced today that the Tribe has asked the Town of Bayfield to take actions to prevent the continued pollution of Dry Creek by the Town's Gem Village sewage disposal plant. Additionally, Tribal officials announced that they also have asked the Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to take immediate enforcement action to assure that Bayfield's pollution of Dry Creek will not continue during 2009. In October 2008, the State sent the Town a Compliance Advisory-Notice of Significant Noncompliance for alleged violations of water pollution discharge limitations for the Town's Gem Village wastewater treatment facility. The effluent from the Gem Village facility is discharged by the Town into Dry Creek,

which flows onto the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and joins with the Pine River north of the Tribal administration campus.

In letters (published below and on page 2, in their entirety) to the Town and State signed by newly-elected Tribal Chairman Matthew J. Box, copies of which were released to the media, the Tribe states that it, "understands and appreciates the efforts taken and expense incurred by the Town in an effort to correct the many problems that largely can be blamed on the now-dissolved Bayfield Sanitation District. We know that the Town is in the process of constructing a new modern wastewater treatment facility and that steps have been taken to design and obtain part of the financing needed for the construction of a lift station in Gem Village. Based on the Tribe's review of recent correspondence between the Town and State and based on media reports and conversations between Town and Tribal staff, we have learned that

not only have discharges from the Town's Gem Village wastewater treatment center been polluting Dry Creek but also that the Town does not intend to take actions and measures to assure that the pollution will not recur during 2009. Instead, Town officials have indicated that solutions to the sewage-treatment problems in Gem Village necessarily must wait until Bayfield's new plant is operative, which is estimated to be in late 2009. When the stream is being polluted, however, waiting should not be an option. The Tribe believes that interim improvements should be a priority to assure water quality while the Town's main facility is being constructed and while financing is obtained and a lift station for the Gem Village system is built."

For more information please contact: Chairman Matthew J. Box - (970) 563-0100; or Michiko Burns, Water Quality Program Manager - (970) 563-0135.

Letter Submitted To The Town Of Bayfield

January 7, 2009

Justin Clifton, Town Manager
Rick Smith, Town Mayor
Town of Bayfield
P.O. Box 80
Bayfield, Colorado 81122

Re: Gem Village Wastewater Treatment Facility

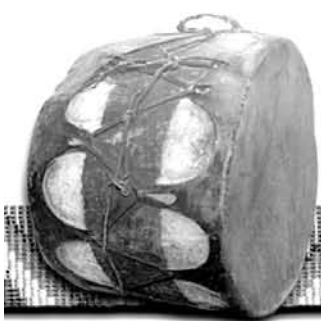
Dear Manager Clifton and Mayor Smith:
Based on our review of recent correspondence between the Town and State and based on media reports and conversations between the Town and Tribal staff, we have learned that not only have discharges from the Town's Gem Village wastewater treatment center been polluting Dry Creek but also that the Town does not intend to take actions and measures to assure that the pollution will not recur during 2009. Please know that we understand and appreciate the efforts taken and expense incurred by the Town in an effort to correct the many problems that largely can be blamed on the now-dissolved Bayfield Sanitation District. We know that the Town is in the process of constructing a new modern wastewater treatment facility and that steps have been taken to design and obtain part of the financing needed for the construction of a lift

station in Gem Village. Hopefully, the new main facility in Bayfield and the lift station in Gem Village, together with improvements in the collection systems to prevent infiltration, will be the long-term solutions to Bayfield's sewage treatment problems.

We are concerned, however, because the Town does not appear to be committed to making interim improvements that are necessary to prevent the continued discharge of pollution during the interim period before construction of the Town's new main plant is finished, estimated to be in late-fall 2009, and financing is obtained for and a lift station is constructed in Gem Village. In your written response to the State, dated November 11, 2008, you state that, "[w]e are not in the position to make any interim improvements given the current shortfall of revenues needed to complete the permanent solutions. Given the economic downturn, coupled with the size and scope of improvements to the Bayfield plant required by [the State] we may have to raise rates to unprecedented levels to cover debt service." The letter also notes that the Town still needs almost \$1 million in financing for the lift station and that that financial constraints may result in additional lag time after the main plant is built before the lift station is built. In a Durango Herald newspa

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Express Your Opinions

Letter To The Editors



Dear Editors:
Something is wrong. Something is dreadfully wrong at Mercy Regional Medical Center Emergency Department.

Four times, now, I have been a patient there since Nov. 17, 2006, sometimes for several days at a time.

AT NO TIME, WHILE A

PATIENT THERE, HOWEVER, HAVE I BEEN ALLOWED TO USE THE TELEPHONE TO MAKE A LOCAL CALL. I have asked repeatedly to use the phone to inform my wife of my whereabouts, to speak with my Durango private attorneys, to contact my Durango private medical doctor or my Ignacio private medical practitioner. Always I was told, "A telephone will be brought to you soon." NEVER, I REPEAT, NEVER WHILE A PATIENT AT MERCY, HOWEVER, WAS I GRANTED THE USE OF THE PHONE ONCE FOR A LOCAL CALL.

I know that criminal suspects housed at the La Plata County Jail are allowed to call out locally as needed.

Nevertheless, I have been repeatedly, routinely, held totally incommunicado and denied all opportunity to inform loved ones

or necessary local persons of my whereabouts.

Article II, Section 25 of the Constitution of the state of Colorado provides that, "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law."

How much time will pass before due process of law causes persons who work at Mercy to respect the life, the liberty and the property of persons who are there as patients?

On the wall of the lobby of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building near Ignacio, Colo., is a plaque stating that the Southern Ute Indian Tribe sovereign grants 12 acres of their sovereign Reservation at Three Springs, Colo., to Catholic Health Initiatives, to build a hospital, "for the improvement of the health of members of the Tribe and the surrounding community."

How does depriving a person of the liberty to inform loved ones or other local persons there contribute to the improvement of the health of the Tribe and the surrounding community?

I mean LOL! LAUGHING OUT LOUD! with our loving Creator Boholnihii Nature and all our fellow creatures.

Is laughter not the best medicine?

Thank you.

*Yours very truly,
Mr. Richard M. Greene*

Extension Unit Thanks

The La Plata County Service Extension Unit would like to thank the citizens and businesses of La Plata County who again

contributed to a very successful bell ringing season. Over \$75,000 was collected in the red kettles placed throughout Durango, Ignacio and Bayfield. Thank you to the following businesses that allowed us to ring: North City Market, South City Market, Albertson's, Wal-Mart, Durango Mall and Honeyville, Ignacio Shur-Valu, and The Grocery Store in Bayfield. We also want to thank the First National Bank staff who counted all those dollars and coins each day.

We really could not do this without the 750 volunteer bell ringers from all walks of life. Thanks to the Southern Ute and Ignacio communities for your support of Salvation Army and to

all of you who rang the bell this year! Your donations benefit those in our community who find themselves in crisis situations and need extra assistance. Your donations remain in La Plata County and will continue to assist those who need rent and mortgage assistance, motel and shelter vouchers, gasoline, car repairs, prescriptions, meals and much more. We will continue to work with our many community partners to assist those with emergency needs.

Thank you for your incredible generosity and continued support of the Salvation Army.

*Wanda Ellingson,
Chair*

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Gem Village Wastewater Treatment • from page 1

per story dated December 3, 2008, a statement is attributed to you, Mr. Clifton, that "[s]olutions of sewage-treatment problems in Gem Village necessarily must wait until Bayfield's new plant is operative."

When the stream is being polluted, waiting should not be an option. The Tribe believes that interim improvements should be a priority to assure water quality while the Town's main facility is being constructed and while financing is obtained and a lift station for the Gem Village system is built. The construction of Bayfield's main plant and a lift station for Gem Village are critical as long-term solutions but it is not acceptable to the Tribe for no money to be spent on interim measures. Bayfield should not allow to continue what, by all accounts, has been long-term noncompliance. The main plant and lift stations should be built and interim measures should be taken to assure environmental protection until the main plant and lift stations are built.

We understand that interim actions and meas-

ures to assure that discharges from the Gem Village facility are in compliance with State limitations throughout 2009 may be costly and result in tap fees and monthly charges that are higher than State averages, but in the Tribe's view that is a price that probably must be paid to remedy the problems caused by years of neglect and poor management of the system. In conclusion, we request that you consider and commit to taking immediate actions and measures (such as the rental or purchase of a portable treatment facility), as difficult as they may be financially and otherwise, to assure that the Gem Village facility will not continue to pollute Dry Creek during 2009. Also, we would offer to meet and discuss how interim solutions might be found, including Tribal support for possible state or federal funding assistance for Bayfield.

*Sincerely,
Matthew J. Box, Chairman
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council*

Letter Submitted To The State Of Colorado

January 7, 2009

Dave Akers, Clean Water Facilities Program Manager

Ginny Torrez, Clean Water Compliance Assurance Unit

WQCD, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

4300 Cherry Creek Dr. South
Denver, Colorado 80246

Re: Town of Bayfield's Gem Village Wastewater Treatment Facility

Dear Mr. Akers and Ms. Torrez:

It is with interest, disappointment, and concern that the Tribe has reviewed the recent correspondence between the State and the Town of Bayfield and has had phone conversations with you, Ms. Torrez, as well as Bayfield Town Manager Justin Clifton regarding the violations of water pollution discharge limitations by the Town's Gem Village wastewater treatment facility.

We are interested because the prevention of water pollution and protection of the environment are matters of importance to the Tribe and because the effluent from the Gem Village facility is discharged by the Town into Dry Creek, which flows onto the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and joins with the Pine River north of the Tribal administration campus. Pollution from the Gem Village facility in violation of State limitations not only is a violation of the law but is a risk to human health and the environment which could threaten groundwater resources in the area as well as have negative impacts on water quality in the Pine River.

We are disappointed that the State has allowed the violations to continue unabated for such an extended period of time, at least two years. Some of the blame certainly can be laid on the now-dissolved Bayfield Sanitation District for years of neglect and poor management, but the failure by the State to ensure that adequate actions were taken by the District to maintain and replace the facilities has resulted in the Gem Village system being antiquated, undersized to serve the needs of the growing community, susceptible to infiltration, and unable to assure that the discharged effluent is within the limits required by the system's State-issued permit. The Tribe and other down-stream property owners and water users are counting on the State to fulfill its duty to regulate and ensure compliance with State wastewater discharge requirements. With regard to the Gem Village wastewater treatment facility, we feel that the State has failed to fulfill its

duty.

We are concerned because neither you nor the Town appear to have a plan for preventing the continued discharge of pollution during the interim period before construction of the Town's new main plant is finished, estimated to be in late-fall 2009, and financing is obtained for and a lift station is constructed in Gem Village. In its written response to the State, dated November 11, 2008, the Town states that, "[w]e are not in the position to make any interim improvements given the current shortfall of revenues needed to complete the permanent solutions. Given the economic downturn, coupled with the size and scope of improvements to the Bayfield plant required by [the State] we may have to raise rates to unprecedented levels to cover debt service." The letter also notes that the Town still needs almost \$1 million in financing for the lift station. Town Manager Clifton also said that financial constraints may result in additional lag time after the main plant is built before the lift station is built. In a Durango Herald newspaper story dated December 3, 2008, a statement is attributed to Clifton that "[s]olutions of sewage-treatment problems in Gem Village necessarily must wait until Bayfield's new plant is operative."

When the stream is being polluted, waiting should not be an option. The Tribe believes that interim improvements should be a priority to assure water quality while the Town's main facility is being constructed and while financing is obtained and a lift station for the Gem Village system is built. The construction of Bayfield's main plant and a lift station for Gem Village are critical as long-term solutions, but it is not acceptable to the Tribe, and we believe it should not be acceptable to the State either, for no money to be spent on interim measures. Bayfield should not be allowed to continue what, by all accounts, has been long-term non-compliance. The main plant and lift stations should be built and interim measures should be taken to assure environmental protection until the main plant and lift stations are built.

For the reasons set forth above, the Tribe requests that the State take immediate, aggressive enforcement action to assure that Bayfield's pollution of Dry Creek will not continue during 2009. In the absence of Town and State action sufficient to provide that assurance, the Tribe will be forced to consider taking legal action in an effort of its own to prevent the pollution and protect the environment.

*Sincerely,
Matthew J. Box, Chairman
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council*

Izabella Howe Little Miss Southern Ute, 08-09



Maiku Tuguvini! Nunei Nia Izabella Howe. Nunei nuunia Little Beaded Moccasin. I am Little Miss Southern Ute 2008-2009.

Nunuei mua is Walter Howe. Nunei pi Marquette Howe. My Grandmothers are Isabel Valdez and Renee Cloud and my Grandfathers are Stephen Valdez and Don Howe. I have two older brothers Isiah 13, Sergio 9 and I have two younger sisters Yllana 4, Ollyvia 2. Mamus nunei puau!

Since, September 2008, when I received the crown I have partici-

pated in many events and I have learned so much. I danced at the Southern Ute Fair before and after I received the crown. Also, I traveled to Delta Colorado to participate in the exhibition dances for Delta Days. Shortly after that, I danced at the New Mexico State Fair in the Indian Village, Gathering Nation Limited -25 Year Celebration PowWow. In October 2008, I introduced myself to The Southern Ute Tribal Council and listened to Eleanor give her presentation on her Proclamation on the Tribes. After that I visited the Head Start children and answered questions about what ever they wanted to know about and took pictures with the classes. Also, I went to eat lunch at the Ignacio Intermediate School and visited with the children. November, I PowWowed with my family at the Veterans PowWow and the 49 PowWow in Ignacio. Participated in the exhibition dances at the Fort Lewis College for their Mining Night, which was a good experience because I got to meet a few new Natives. I performed the Lord's Prayer with another SU Royalty

and handed out raffle tickets, talked to the people and presented them with their raffle winnings at the Southern Ute Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner at the New Sky Ute Casino Resort. The Most recent activities in December was the And I Basketball game, I got to seat the elders and meet the And I team. I attended the swearing in of the new Chairman Matthew Box and Alex Cloud, I observed the prayers, heard the comments and learn some good things that day. At the Christmas Program I performed the Lords Prayer, sang a Christmas carol in Ute with the Adult Ute Language class and served some of the Tribal Elders stew and cookies. Christmas Dinner at the Sky Ute Casino Resort was beautiful and filled with good thoughts from the membership. I performed the Lords Prayer and visited with all the people. The Year 2008 was a good year for me, I learned so much from the people around me and I know 2009 will be just as good!

*Punikyavat sum'ara'! Tog'oiak
Izabella Howe
Little Miss Southern Ute 08-09*

*Don't forget that special valentine on
Valentine's Day, February 14, 2009*

*Deadline to submit Valentine Wishes to the
Southern Ute Drum will be
February 9, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.*

**Please submit all wishes to Amy Barry at the
DRUM office in the LCB Building, or by fax (970)
563-0391, or via email abarry@southern-ute.nsn.us**



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Tribal Update

Road Runner Public Transit Closure

The Road Runner Public Transit will not be running on Monday, January 19, 2009 due to the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday. The Road Runner will resume normal service on Tuesday, January 20, 2009. For more information call Road Runner Transit (970) 563-4545 or (970) 749-0223. The Road Runner Public Transit service is operated by the Southern Ute Community Acion Programs. Enjoy your holiday!

Ute Creek Archers Winter Shooting

The Ute Creek Archers will start their winter indoor archery fun shooting! The archery shoot will be at the indoor arena of the Sky Ute Events Center beginning January 14, 2009 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm every week. Archery shoot is open to boys and girls, men and women. Archers will be shooting at 3-D targets and excelsior bales. Instructions for first-time archers will be given for safety and proper use of archery equipment. If you have any questions contact Muz Pinnecoose at (970) 749-6206. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Creek Archers will not be responsible for accidents or theft.

Financial Skills for Families Classes Offered

Classes are every Tuesday & Friday for 3 weeks ending February 20th from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. in the Chief Ignacio Conference Room of the Leonard C. Burch Building, starting Tuesday, February 3rd. Tribal Members & Tribal Employees (with Tribal Members given preference). You give us an hour over lunch & we give you an hour on the clock! Lunch will be provided. Register with Stacey Lock at (970) 563-0100 Ext #2600.

FREE Ute Language Classes

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy is offering FREE Ute Language Classes. The dates for the New Year 2009 are Thursday, January 29th, Thursday February 26th, and Thursday, March 12th. Classes are held in the Ute Language Room located at the Academy and anyone in the Community is welcome. Light refreshments will be served. For more information contact Georgia McKinley at 563-0253 ext 2701.

Seeking Elder's to SHARE

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy is looking for Elder's to participate in the "Grandparent's Program". We invite you to come and share your stories, traditional values, and any talents you may have in art, traditional music, traditional clothing, traditional food, traditional dance or from your life experience. The Ute classroom would enjoy involving elders in teaching our children first hand from your hearts! You will be paid a stipend from our Grandparent's Program Funds, and transportation can be provided if needed. Come and see for yourself what your children are learning and be a part of their future. If you are interested in sharing, please call (970) 563-0253 ext 2701. Thanks for caring enough to share

Department of the Interior MMS to Conduct Royalty Seminars Meetings

The Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service (MMS) will be holding minerals and royalty seminars on February 3, 2009, in Ignacio, Colorado and February 4, 2009 in Towaoc, Colorado for American Indian mineral owners who may have questions about royalty payments from energy production that occurs on their lands. All American Indian mineral owners are invited to attend and have their questions answered, regardless of where their allotment is located. The meetings will feature representatives from MMS and cover topics including lease terms, royalty calculations, and reading your explanations of payment reports. The seminars are scheduled at the following locations and times:

- **Tuesday, February 3**, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Ute Agency Office, in Ignacio, Colorado.
- **Wednesday, February 4**, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Ute Mountain Ute Agency Office, in Towaoc, Colorado.

Persons seeking additional information should contact Tom Piccirilli, Wanda Lilly or Mike Clerkin of the Minerals Management Service at 1-800-982-3226.

Volunteers Needed!

The SU Tribal Services is seeking volunteers to help with our elder and disabled members. We are seeking kind, strong individuals to help with shoveling snow, moving, hauling wood outside of reservation boundaries and other duties. There are also opportunities to volunteer for some of the other Tribal Services Programs. For more details and if you would like to help, please contact Gail Cross at (970) 563-4728.

Parents, Grandparents, Ignacio Community Members, Tribal Staff

Our Boys & Girls Club is looking for community volunteers to donate one hour per week, for 7 weeks (Jan 6 - Feb 20), who can enrich the lives of our local youth, ages 6-13. We'd like to offer specified enrichment classes for the youth to participate in during Club hours. These classes can vary from a certain sport, dance, culture, health, arts, etc. There are no limits to creativity when it comes to youth programs. If you have an interest or talent that you'd like to share with our youth, this is a great opportunity! We are also looking for volunteers with grant writing, tech support (teen or adult), tutoring assistance, and cultural education. The classes can be offered for one hour, any day Monday through Friday (your choice), at either 5:00-6:00pm or 6:00-7:00pm, at the SunUte Community Center (or outlying facilities). Please contact our Program Specialist, Gina Cosio, if you have any questions or may be interested in volunteering by emailing her at gcosio@southern-ute.nsn.us.

Boys & Girls Club Seeking Magazine Donations

The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is looking for magazine donations that can be used in our smart moves class that is part of Club programming. If anyone has any magazines that could be used for this purpose and you would like to donate them to our Club, they would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me and we can make arrangements for them to be picked up or you can drop them off at the Front Desk at the SunUte Community Center. Please feel free to email me at mvilla@southern-ute.nsn.us. Thanks! Mari Villaluna, Boys & Girls Club Program Aide.

Attention Aspiring Native Artists

In Native communities, humor is highly valued. The Southern Ute Tribal Court is accepting "wellness cartoons" from aspiring Native cartoonists. Your drawings should be in black and white about 8" x 8". You may submit as many cartoons as you want. 10 cartoons will be chosen from all the entries. One cartoon will be published bi-weekly in the DRUM newspaper. All cartoons are the property of the Court. \$50-\$100 will be awarded for each cartoon that is published. You may either mail your cartoons or bring them in person to: Chief Judge Elaine Newton, POB 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Please put your name, address, and phone number on a piece of paper so we can contact you. Be sure and put you captions on your cartoons. Deadline is March 31, 2009. Any questions call (970) 563-0240.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Krislynn Nikole Thompson On Jan. 24

Your birthday tells a story
about a daughter too special for words,
about hopes realized,
memories to keep,
and dreams waiting to come true.
Your birthday tells a story
about how beautiful a life can be
when it holds as much warmth
and friendship
and love
as yours does...

That's why today is so important
to everyone who knows you
and who loves the wonderful person you are.
Wishing You Happiness
Today, Tomorrow, and Always
Happy Birthday
May God Bless You and Keep You Safe Always.

Love MOM

Pine River Community Learning Center

Family Wednesday
Family Wednesday is every Wed.! This is a great time to have lunch with your child, read a book, or get information about our resources.

Community Luncheon
On Jan. 22, 2009 from 11 am - 1 pm in the PRCLC Kitchen. join us for the 1st Annual New Year Potluck! Food provided or bring your favorite dessert. RSVP by Jan. 20, 2009. (970) 563-0681.

Brown Bag Discussion
If you have questions about reading strategies please stop by the Parent Room on January 20, 2009 @ noon. (970) 563-0681

Ignacio Community Library News & Events

"A cool place to check out!"

Library Closures

Monday January 19th, 2009
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

E-Mail Computer Class

Thursday January 29, 2009
5:00 to 7:00pm

Techno-challenged? Don't know which e-mail service to use? How to use the features? How to not send the gossipy paragraph to your boss by accident? Oops.

In this class we will examine e-mail and how to make it work for you. We'll examine the features of various e-mail sites, learn to use Outlook and let you send an e-mail to a friend. (Just remember to bring your friend's e-mail address!)

YOU AND YOUR MONEY

Series begins Saturday Jan 24 at 10:30am. Dave Furnas, a financial consultant with Wells Fargo will speak to us and answer questions about personal investing and the current state of the financial world.

YOU AND YOUR MONEY

Series continues on Saturday Jan 31 at 10:30am. Jessica Davis, Operations VP of the Ignacio Wells Fargo bank will talk about getting the most bang for your personal banking buck.

Librarian News

I was welcomed into Ignacio by a blanket of snow and a worrisome traverse over Wolf Creek Pass. It didn't matter. I am so glad to be here!

Hi! My name is Jo Ann Viola Salazar, and I am the new Librarian at the Ignacio Community Library. I hope that you will drop in to meet me. I want to learn what you think is important in the community and how I can help here at the library.

I moved here from Colorado Springs; before that I lived in Denver. I am excited to be in a smaller town, where life is not so anonymous, and am eager to get involved in the community.

I worked as the Law Librarian for the Denver District Court for eight years. That was an adventure! It was a small library—the last one with twenty foot high wall shelving and a ladder that rolled around the room. My duties were to maintain the library, provide research assistance to the judges and provide reference assistance to lawyers and the public. Most of my patrons were from the public sector. They were often people who were representing themselves in a legal action, and needed information to navigate through the system.

After my stint at the Court, I worked for the Colorado Bar Association—where I learned that I was much more of a "people person" than I thought I was. My job there was as the liaison for local bar associations and legal services offices. It was my job to get involved in every local legal community in the state and to provide leadership training and support for both groups.

What did "support" mean? Well, I once had my bags packed, ready to move into the home of a legal services coordinator to care for her child and the office while she spent time in jail for con-

tempt of court because she refused to testify in a murder case. The information she had regarding the defendant in the case had been transmitted to her in a preliminary divorce interview with the defendant's soon-to-be-ex-wife. It was confidential. That coordinator was ready to serve time rather than betray the attorney-client privilege of confidentiality and I was prepared to back her up, even to the point of providing childcare. Luckily, the judge agreed with the coordinator and denied the District Attorney's motion to compel the testimony.

The issue there is not too far from what we do here. We provide access to information and reference assistance—while keeping what you read and ask about confidential. We are here for YOU. So drop in and see us, and if you have time I would truly enjoy meeting you.

New DVDs

- **Coach Carter**
- **Mummy the Tomb of the Dragon Emperor**
- **The Boleyn Girl**
- **Elisabeth the Golden Age Woman Warrior Queen**
- **Star Dust**
- **Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who!**

New Books

Dreams From My Father: A Story Of Race and Inheritance by Barack Obama

What To Expect When Your Child Leaves For College

Complete idiot's guide to learning Spanish, Russian, Italian, and German

Learn Spanish in your car: Three volume set of Audio books

Cross Country by James Patterson

Snake Dreams by James D. Doss

Ghost At Work by Carolyn Hart

Just After Sunset by Stephen King

Family Lego Night

Monday, January 26th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Legos, games, snacks and refreshments. We request that children be with a parent or family member. Enjoy some time with our children. It is a lot of fun. Thanks to Badger Yellowbird for his display of Indiana Jones Lego set he and his family put together. We will have it on display for a short time in the library.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:00am. This is a fun hour of stories and crafts. Please come and join us.

Friends Of The Library

Thanks to the supporters at the Taste of Christmas booth. Next meeting will be Tuesday February 17th 11:00 am A special thanks to all the wonderful donations that have been sent to the Friends in memory of Barbara Jaques. Barbara will be missed by all in the community.

Up Coming Events

Guitar Hero
January 28th, 3:30-5:00pm

Writer's Group

The Ignacio Community Library's Writer's Group had its initial meeting on November 21st. Tanaya Winder comes to us with creative and inventive exercises, and participation has been enthusiastic.

Our next meeting will be in February. Check out www.ignacio.colibraries.org for more information about Tanaya Winder and the Writer's Group.

The Writer's Group is an ongoing program usually held monthly. Anyone is welcome to join us along the way. Please call or come in to sign up to reserve a spot.

Writers Work Shop has been canceled for January. Check with us soon for the February schedule.

2009 Tax Forms

We have Colorado Tax booklets available or you can visit www.coloradoefile.state.co.us. Some IRS tax forms are printed out some booklets and available. If we do not have what you need the IRS website has all forms and we can help you printed them out. <http://www.irs.gov/>

Donations & Volunteers

We would like to thank our volunteers who come every week and do an assortment of jobs, covering books, relabeling books, shelving and many other helpful projects.

Thanks for all the wonderful donations in the month of December. The library truly appreciates all donations, small and large.

A special thank you to Margarita Wilson for all the beautiful snow flakes that she cut out for us. We have them hanging on display at the library. Also thanks to her brother John Wilson for the origami star for our Christmas tree.

Teen Scene

New Teen books

Here are just a few of the new books in the Junior and Young Adult Collection

Diary of a Teenage Girl That was Then by Melody Carlson

Ranger's Apprentice by John Flanagan

Jumper by Steven Gould

Firestar's by Erin Hunter

Melting Stone by Tamora Pierce

Red Glass by Laura Resau

Impossible by Nancy Werlin

Books in Spanish

Huesped (Host) by Stephenie Meyer

Eclipse by Stephenie Meyer

December Book Blog

Congratulations to our winner Nathon Brown for her blog titled "The Silmarillion" by J.R.R. Tolkien.

For each blog you turn in you will be entered into a drawing.

January Book Blog Drawing will take place on January 28th.

NEW EMPLOYEES



Mariko Myer (Miko)

Clinical Supervisor - Department of Social Services

Mariko Myer (Miko) was born and raised in Vermont and Hawaii. Her love of outdoor activities, such as skiing and mountain biking, has made her a permanent resident of Colorado. Her family heritage of Japanese and Lithuanian parents has influenced her greatly. She began working in the social work field while in college, and later earned a Master's Degree in Clinical Social Work from Smith College. Miko looks forward to working as the Clinical Supervisor of the Social Services Division, and hopes to contribute in a good way toward the goal of community wellness. She has great respect for the traditional foundations of the Southern Ute Tribe, and looks forward to the relationships and experiences that will come with this position.



Of Four Corners Interest

Public Art Project Planned for Police Substation at Three Springs

The City of Durango's Public Art Commission is excited to announce a Call to Artists to acquire a work of art for Durango's police substation located at Three Springs. The Public Art Commission invites artists within the four corner states to submit qualifications and proposals for an original three-dimensional work of art to be placed in front of the substation. The Three Springs police substation is located in a new, mixed-use community near Mercy Regional Medical Center. The artwork project is intended to create an attractive and meaningful entry feature to a building that will be used primarily by law enforcement personnel. The budget for this project is \$15,000. An open house is tentatively scheduled for January 26, 2009, where the community will be invited to view the finalists chosen by a selection committee. The Public Art Commission anticipates final selection by January 30th. Installation of the new piece will occur in spring 2009. For more information about the Call to Artists or to volunteer for the art selection committee, please go to the City's website at www.durangogov.org and look under "Items of Interest" or call the City Manager's Office at (970) 375-5005.

LaPlata Department of Health Offers Home Heating Assistance

La Plata County Human Services will accept applications for LEAP from November 1, 2008 through April 30, 2009. LEAP does not pay the entire costs of home heating, and for most households, benefits will be paid directly to the utility company or fuel supplier. To be eligible, households must pay heating costs to a utility company or fuel supplier or pay heating costs as part of their rent. The maximum monthly income for a one-person household is \$1,604 and applicants must reside in Colorado. Applicants must submit a copy of their most recent heating bill or rent receipt if heat is included in rent, proof of lawful presence, and proof of income. Potential program applicants can apply several ways: Call 1-866-HEAT-HELP (1-866-432-8435) to have an application mailed to your home. LEAP applications are available at the La Plata County Department of Human Services, 1060 E 2nd Avenue, Durango. LEAP applications can also be downloaded from the program's Web site at www.cdhs.state.co.us/leap/apply.html. Applicants may then mail or deliver a completed application to La Plata County Department of Human Services, 1060 E. 2nd Ave., Durango, CO 81301. Applications may also be faxed to (970) 247-2208. For additional information, please contact the La Plata County Department of Human Services at (970) 382-6150.

Fort Lewis College Calendar: January 11 – January 24, 2009

- Thur., Jan. 15: Durango Chamber Annual Awards Celebration-5 p.m., Comm. Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College
- Sat., Jan. 17: Concert: St. Columba Parish presents Steve Angrisano-7 p.m., Comm. Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College
- Sun., Jan. 18: The San Juan Symphony presents the Adams Foundation Piano Recital Series featuring Ian Hobson - 3 p.m., Comm. Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College. FLC Music Department presents the Alexander Murray Faculty Recital Series featuring Douglas Owens - 3 p.m., Roshong Recital Hall at Fort Lewis College
- Mon., Jan. 19 - Thur., Jan. 22: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration - various times and campus locations. Check www.fortlewis.edu/news for more information and complete schedule.
- Tue., Jan. 20: Concert: Sam Bush - 7 p.m., Comm. Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College
- Sat., Jan. 24: FLC Women's Basketball vs. Western New Mexico - 6 p.m., Whalen Gym. FLC Men's Basketball vs. Western New Mexico - 8 p.m., Whalen Gym
- Ongoing Events
- Oct. 24 - Jan. 15: Call for Entries - 2009 Juried Photography Show "Images of the Southwest" - Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College. For more information, www.swcenter.fortlewis.edu or call (970) 247-7456.
- Jan. 12 - Jan. 29: Invitational Student Exhibition - Fort Lewis College Art Gallery Art scholarship recipients and distinguished student artists will exhibit their work in the Invitational Student Exhibition at the Fort Lewis College Art Gallery from Jan. 12-29, 2009.
- Art students Lea Alo, Shellie Douglass, Steven Garrett, Laura Neubert, Angie Schmer, Leah Secor, and Colin Spear will show two- and three-dimensional works and installations, including paintings, sculpture, ceramics, art and video installations. Fort Lewis College Art Gallery, 100 Art Building, 1000 Rim Drive, Durango, CO. Gallery hours: 10 am - 4 p.m., Monday - Friday.

2nd Native American College Day, January 16 At Fort Lewis College

Fort Lewis College's 2nd annual Native American College Day will be held on Friday, January 16, 2009, beginning at 9 a.m. in the College Union Building Ballroom. Native American College Day is a chance for Native American students to get an in-depth and personal introduction to getting into college. High school juniors and seniors, as well as transfer students from the region, are invited to attend. The program includes financial aid and scholarship instruction, college application help, tours of campus, lunch with FLC students and general exposure to college life. FLC holds a unique place among academic institutions in that any Native American from a federally-recognized tribe can attend the College free of tuition. This arraignment stems from Fort Lewis' historical origins as a military post. The military post became an educational institution with the agreement that all Native Americans would be granted a tuition-free education. For more information about Native American College Day, contact Kelly Colford at (970) 247-7203.

La Plata County Hosting A Land Use and Transit Open House

La Plata County is hosting an open house on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Durango Recreation Center, 2700 Main Avenue, Durango, CO.- The open house is part of a county-wide study of transit needs and services as well as overall land use patterns. At this meeting, participants will be able to review the results of previous outreach efforts, which include two community open houses, three focus group meetings and more than 20 stakeholder interviews; and make comments on the preliminary recommendations for growth corridors and nodes, and tools and strategies to achieve land use objectives. The objective of this study is to develop a plan that evaluates land use and multi-modal transportation options, such as walking, biking, transit, vanpool and carpool, in a coordinated connected process. This approach will ensure the most efficient use of resources to construct infrastructure as well as healthy neighborhoods and communities. All residents of La Plata County are invited and encouraged to attend. Participants may arrive at any time and stay as long as they want. All ages are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, please contact Jason Ragsdell, Project Manager, at (970) 382-6212 or by email at ragsdelljx@co.laplate.co.us

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Web: kc-icmn.org

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3620 W. 182nd Street • Torrance, CA
Phone: Jorge Lechuga (310) 987-1274
Email: wildhorsesingers@yahoo.com
Web: www.wildhorsesingersanddancers.org

29th Flagstaff Native American Club PowWow
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Email: curleyjason@hotmail.com

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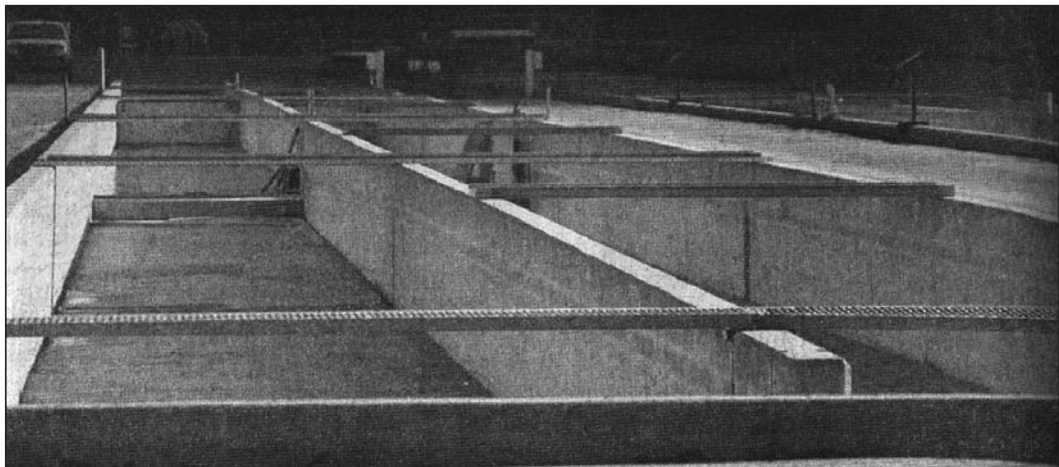


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10 years ago...

Tribal Council okays study on potential for fish hatchery on the resorvation. The Southern Ute Tribe could own a fish hatchery raceways like these, only full of water and fish, if Tribal council deciedes it is advantageous for the tribe to invest in such a facility. Council has approved for a feasibility study on the idea and could get findings back in about four months. The raceways pictured above are located at the Colorado Division of Wildlife hatchery on the Animas River in Durango.

This photo was published in the January 15, 1999 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



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20 years ago...

Congratulations to Latisha Taylor who recieved a plaque from the tribal Council on her achievement of recieving a B.S. degree in Biology from North Central University in Edmond, Oklahoma.

This photo was published in the January 20, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



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Tribal Buffalo herd will be decreased but one due to on productivity of a bull. The third buffaloe from the left was the one eliminated. In the background is Delbert Cuthair, Animal control Officer, getting ready to feed the buffalo.

This photo was published in the January 20, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

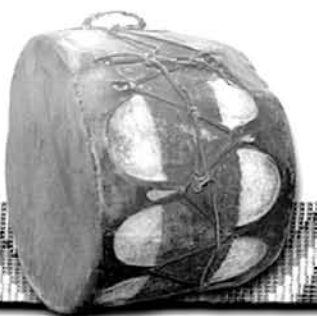
30 years ago...

There was no photo published in the January 19, 1979 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

Ute Words Ag'apocha'?

[Means: Where are you going?]

Editor's Note: The "Ute Word" is provided from material being currently taught to Tribal Employees, The Ute Language instructor is Georgia McKinley.



Healthy Perspectives: “The Common Cold”

by **Matthew A. Clark, MD**
Southern Ute Health Clinic

Did you ever wonder why they call it “the common cold?” I’m talking about that runny nose, sniffing, sneezing, feeling-run-down kind of illness that seems to strike everyone at least once or twice each winter. That’s the answer to the question. It’s called the common cold because it’s so common.

The common cold is actually a whole bunch of different illnesses caused by different infections that produce the same type of symptoms. The classic symptoms of an upper respiratory infection include low grade fever, tiredness, runny nose, sinus congestion, and sore or scratchy throat. Occasionally, cough also occurs.

The fact that cold symptoms are caused by so many different types of infections is the reason the cold is so common. Many

different types of viruses are the cause of these infections. They have such names as coronavirus, rhinovirus, and adenovirus. Not only do these many types of viruses cause cold symptoms but there are many members of these viral families, known as strains, which cause the cold.

In addition, each of these viral strains is prone to mutation, meaning some change in how the virus interacts with the body’s immune system. Basically, when you get a cold virus, your body’s immune system develops antibodies to get rid of the virus. Unfortunately, after the virus clears, if it mutates then the antibodies won’t protect against a re-infection. Unlike other infections where your body develops permanent immunity, you can get infected with the same strain of cold virus year after year.

This is also the reason why medical science has not been able to figure out how to cure the

common cold or to prevent it with vaccines. Since there are literally hundreds of cold virus strains that are circulating and constantly mutating, vaccines cannot provide protection. Also, since the cold is caused by a virus rather than bacteria, antibiotics do not help.

The best prevention for the common cold is regular hand washing. Cold viruses are transmitted by mucus on the hands. Our hands touch everything and then touch our mouths and noses, where the virus enters the body. By regular washing, covering sneezes and coughs with the elbow rather than the hand, and by avoid hand contact with the face, the risk of the common cold goes way down.

When the cold happens, about all you can do is rest, drink plenty of fluids, and have some chicken soup. The good news is that, with a healthy immune system, that nasty virus will eventually be gone- at least, until it mutates.

Be SAFE on ICE

Walking to and from parking lots or between buildings at work during the winter requires special attention to avoid slipping and falling. Slips and falls are some of the most frequent types of injuries that Risk Management sees – especially during the winter months. No matter how well the snow and ice is removed from parking lots or sidewalks, employees will still encounter some slippery surfaces when walking outdoors in the winter. It is important for everyone to be constantly aware of these dangers and to learn to walk safely on ice and slippery surfaces.

Risk Management recommends keeping these important safety tips in mind:

- In cold temperatures, use caution when walking and assume that all wet, dark areas on pave-

ment are slippery and icy.

- During bad weather, avoid boots or shoes with smooth soles and heels. Instead, wear shoes or boots that provide traction on snow and ice; boots made of non-slip rubber or neoprene with grooved soles are best.
- Use special care when entering and exiting vehicles; use the vehicle for support.
- Walk in designated walkways as much as possible. Taking shortcuts over snow piles and other frozen areas can be hazardous. Look ahead when you walk; a snow or ice covered sidewalk or driveway, especially if on a hill, may require travel along a snowy edge for traction.
- Point your feet out slightly! Spreading your feet out slightly while walking on ice increases your center of gravity.
- Bend slightly and walk flat-footed with your center of gravi-

ty directly over the feet as much as possible.

- Extend your arms out to your sides to maintain balance.
- Keep your hands out of your pockets. Hands in your pockets while walking decreases your center of gravity and balance. You can help break your fall with your hands free if you do start to slip.
- Watch where you are stepping and ... GO S-L-O-W-L-Y!!
- Take short steps or shuffle for stability.
- Wear a heavy, bulky coat that will cushion you if you should fall.
- Try to avoid landing on your knees, wrists, or spine. Try to fall on a fleshy part of your body, such as your side.
- Try to relax your muscles if you fall. You’ll injure yourself less if you are relaxed.

This message brought to you by the Southern Ute Risk Management Division.

The Kidney Corner: “New Years Quiz”

by **Dr. Mark Saddler, MD**
Elizabeth Helms, MD
and Erin Hamlin, PA
Durango Nephrology Associates

Happy New Year everyone! We wish everybody a healthy 2009. Following our Christmas break, we’re going to have a quiz to start out the year. Like our last “Kidney Quiz” last Summer, it will contain questions based on previous articles in the Kidney Corner. Good luck! Answers are at the end of the article.

- 1. True or false:** Over the counter medicines have been tested for safety, so you don’t need to worry about kidney damage from them?
- 2. True or false:** Urinary tract infections are more common in men than women?
- 3. True or false:** Laxative medicines used for preparing the bowel for colonoscopy can cause kidney damage?
- 4. True or false:** Hypertension is the most common cause of kidney disease in the United States?
- 5. True or false:** Once you have kidney disease, there is nothing that can be done to help protect your kidneys?

- 6. Which of the following people should restrict sodium (salt) in his/her diet:**
 - A patient with heart failure
 - A patient with high blood pressure
 - A patient with osteoporosis (low bone density)
 - A patient with liver disease
 - An healthy person with none of the above conditions

ANSWERS:

- 1. False!** Like prescription medications, over the counter medicines have the potential to cause side effects. One group of medicines which frequently cause kidney problems are non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as ibuprofen and naproxen (which come marketed under many names, including Motrin, Advil, Nupren, Alleve, etc). In addition, this group of medications can also cause stomach irritation and hypertension.
- 2. False.** Urinary tract infections (UTI’s) are more common in women, possibly due to the fact that the urethra is shorter in women, so bacteria can more easily invade the bladder.
- 3. True.** It has recently been shown that certain bowel preparations for colonoscopy can cause

kidney failure. Examples are phosphosoda bowel preps which are now not used in people at risk for kidney disease. However, most other laxatives, and the newer bowel preps for colonoscopy do not carry this danger. If you have any questions about a bowel prep, ask your doctor whether it’s safe for your kidneys. And don’t put off getting a colonoscopy if it is recommended by your doctor. This procedure can pick up potentially dangerous conditions, including bowel cancer, at an early, treatable stage.

- 4. False.** Diabetes is the most common cause. Hypertension is the second most common cause of kidney disease. The combination of these two conditions is particularly dangerous for the kidneys.
- 5. False!** There are now several groups of medicines which can protect the kidneys from further damage and slow down the progression of kidney disease.
- 6. All of them!** Salt restriction limits symptoms of heart failure and liver disease, lowers blood pressure, limits calcium loss in the urine promoting healthy bones, and is part of a healthy diet for all of us.

How did you do? We hope you enjoyed this Kidney Quiz and wish everybody a happy and healthy 2009.

January Is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month

It’s a new year and one of the most important resolutions you can make is to get your Pap test. January is Cervical Cancer Awareness month, a time to make your health a priority! A Pap test can find abnormal cervical cells years before a cancer occurs. Don’t let any more time slip by! Get your test now! Encourage other women in your life-mother, sister, wife, friend, neighbor or co-worker - to take control of her health and get checked! Contact the Women’s Wellness Connection to see if you qualify for free screenings. Call (970) 259-3527 or toll free 1-866-951-9355 or go to www.womenswellnessconnection.org.

San Juan Basin Health Can Help with Your New Year’s Resolutions!

Does your New Years resolution list include quitting smoking or getting healthier? San Juan Basin Health can help. Call 247-5702 for free resources and referrals to help quit smoking or chewing tobacco. They also offer a free cardiovascular health screenings with recommendations for healthier eating and exercise to help reach your goal. In the last few months, over 200 individuals have already made the first step. Call JoJo at (970) 247-5702.

Leadership Writing Workshop

These poems were submitted from the Leadership Writing Workshop held as part of the Leadership Club at the Southern Ute Boys and Girls Club.

All About Me By Skyla Ruybal

I am Skyla Jo Ruybal and my favorite food is pizza. Also my favorite sport is basketball and volleyball too. I go to Boys and Girls club do you? I think my life is awesome. My favorite music channel is 1 top 40 hits. My favorite music is what ever you like, forever, its over, closer, I want to be good, Na, na, na. I like hip hop too.

I am so excited and I can’t wait until Christmas Eve and Christmas day. I love Christmas because I have a lot of fun and it is Jesus’s birthday. I help my family by doing housework and being very good and nice. I love my family so much. I can’t ever stop thinking about them. Me and my older sister are the middle children because Brenden is first, and Amanda is second, and I am third, and Sarah is last of getting to be born. I am so happy for my family and I love them very much.

Boys & Girls Club “Youth”



My name is Skyla Ruybal, and I am nine years old. I was born in Denver in 1999. I go to the Ignacio Intermediate, and I am in 4th grade. I play on a basketball team called the Cougars. We only lost one game this season. My mom is from Bayfield and my dad is from Ignacio. My parents’ names are Tanya and Charley. I have two sisters and their names are Amanda and Sarah. My brother’s name is Brenden. I also love my cousin Jennifer. My favorite things to do at Boys and Girls Club are swimming, dance pad, writing poetry, and rock climbing. I have done leadership club at Boys and Girls Club. I love the teachers at Boys and Girls Club. I feel like I am special because I am Youth of the Month.

Youth of the Year is a program in Boys & Girls Club across America. The program recognizes outstanding citizens of the community and within our local Club. Youth are chosen as the Youth of the Month, at the end of each month. These nominees are determined by their trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, citizenship, fairness and caring attitude (The Six Pillars of Character at our Club) throughout the month. The Club staff looks at youth whom have improved over time at Club or have also held these attributes while at Club. At the end of the summer, all of the Youth of the Month nominees will be a candidate to become the Youth of the Year for our Club. They will then continue on to compete against other Club’s Youth of the Year; state-wide, regionally and nationally. Regional winners receive a trip to Washington, D.C to meet the President of the United States in his Oval Office. This program has shown great success throughout other Clubs and their recipients.

December Meteorological Data

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AVERAGE (Day) HIGH TEMP.		PRECIPITATION DATA	
December	1.3 C 34.3 F	Date	Daily Total
AVERAGE (Night) LOW TEMP.		December 8	.156"
December	-7.7 C 18.1 F	December 14	.048"
AVERAGE DAILY TEMP.		December 15	.28"
December	-4.2 C 24.4 F	December 16	.39"
AVERAGE WINDSPEED		December 18	.24"
Monthly Average		December 22	.48"
December	4.5 MPH	December 23	.08"
Maximum Hourly Average		December 25	.44"
December 18, 2008	22.0 MPH	December 26	.08"
		December 31	.01"
		Monthly Total	2.204"

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Lady 'Cats Drilled At DCHS

by Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Success probably wouldn't have been measured on the scoreboard.

Considering the Lady Bobcats were battling against the San Juan Basin League's odds-on favorite, led by one NCAA Div. II signee already, in their gym, success for IHS last Friday might have come simply by any sustained running of their own offense.

And that happened for a good three-minute stretch late in the second quarter, beginning with freshman Rylie Jefferson's bucket with 5:45 before halftime. Senior Hailey Herrera, sophomore Santana Rodriguez and senior Rocio Garcia then each added a two-pointer, and senior Tasha Herrera canned a free throw--all playing a tempo better than the preceding period.

But after Dove Creek scored a layup off the opening tip, built a 13-1 lead in just 3:23 of action (a

N a l a n i Thompson FT erased IHS' egg), and led 26-5 after the first eight minutes, not even the second-quarter push posed a threat to the likely outcome.

Regis-bound senior Kellie Deremo scored 16 in the first quarter alone, and finished with 29 in a 78-28 DC victory. One of six Lady Bulldogs in the 5' 9" - 6' 0" height range, J i m Buffington's star canned a three with about 5:15 left in regulation, then exited to appropriate applause. And after getting whacked across the nose while scrapping for a loose ball, DC junior Sonja Strong (nine points) drained a triple herself on the next possession, adequately illustrating the team's state tournament-level resolve.



photo courtesy J. Priest

Ignacio senior Tasha Herrera swipes the ball from Dove Creek's Summer Davis during last Friday's game at DCHS, but apparently neither player wanted to see where the rock ended up once dislodged.

Dove Creek (5-1 overall, 4-0 SJBL) was Colorado Preps' #7 in Class 1A coming in.

Tasha Herrera paced 2A Ignacio (0-2, 0-2) with ten points, including IHS' two third-quarter points, coming with 3:47 left, as DC led 57-16 heading to the fourth. Jefferson and Arianna Weaver each totaled four points and Thompson finished with three. Garcia was held to two down low by the Lady Bulldogs' posts, who conversely got ten each from Summer Davis and Sarah Nielson. Veronica Boyd added eight, and reserves Kyli Banks and Zoey Young each scored four late to punctuate the evening.

With Monday's make-up date at Dolores now re-re-scheduled for Feb. 3 (Pagosa Springs game that day now moved to Feb. 17), Ignacio will have had extra time to continue developing and preparing to host Mancos tonight and Telluride tomorrow afternoon in further league play.

When Dove Cries: IHS Rips Creek

by Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Off the opening tip, Oakley Hayes swished an immediate three.

And from that point—or those points—on, it was a No 'Dog Night for DCHS.

For after the junior guard gave the guests a 3-0 boost, Ignacio unleashed a running game the likes of which local fans likely hadn't seen, well...ever. Granted, boys' basketball at the school isn't exactly placed on the same pedestal as sports requiring shoulder pads or singlets. But the hapless hosts were simply blitzed by Bobcats from all angles all game long, and were demolished 90-25 last Friday.

Utilizing a suffocating full-court press defense after scoring, Ignacio pilfered the peel following most Bulldog inbound passes, then flipped the ball forward to teammates who often hadn't even turned their heads yet. And then IHS' height made all the right they'd need.

Senior forward Taylor Dean was all but unstoppable at or above the rim in transition, and scored 17 of his 19 points in the first half, helping Ignacio dash out to leads of 23-4 after eight minutes, and 45-11 after sixteen. Senior forward/center Micah Odoms was just as omnipotent, and nearly booked a statistical rarity—a quadruple-double. He finished with 22 points, 11 rebounds, eight assists and eight steals. And four blocked shots to boot (Dean did likewise).

Sophomore Ryan Brooks was also efficient in the post, collecting ten boards and six points, and junior Anthony Porambo came from the bench to score ten points (including 6-of-8 free throws). Hayes also tallied ten, and junior Trae Seibel notched five to go with seven assists.

"Hey we've got two games in now!" said head coach Chris Valdez with playful, yet factual sarcasm. "All the kids got to play, which is good since some might not as much when we play teams like Mancos and Telluride in our league."

Speedy sophomore reserves Pedro Vigil and Deion Hudson netted seven and six points, respectively, and senior Ryan Egger added four more. DC's high man, junior Blaine Daves, had just eight and senior Ryan Martin—laden with the task of defending Dean or Odoms—totaled six points (just 2-of-10 FT's) before fouling out with 3:58 left in the fourth.

Dove Creek descended to 0-6 overall (0-4 San Juan Basin



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IHS senior Micah Odoms made a run at a statistical quadruple-double in last Friday's road game at Dove Creek, helped by many close-range baskets like this one over DC's Ryan Martin.

League), while Ignacio improved to 2-0 (2-0 SJBL) with the aforementioned Blue Jays (4-3, 3-2) and Miners (5-1, 3-0 before last night at Norwood) visiting IHS Gymnasium this weekend.

Averaging 74 points per game, THS recently cracked Rocky Preps' Class 2A top ten (tenth), and rank essentially eleventh in the Colorado Preps poll—as the first 'teams to watch' squad. IHS, still an unknown to the Denver dailies, continued up CP's ladder to #4 in 2A, putting extra prestige onto tomorrow's test (MHS comes tonight).



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Ignacio senior Elisa Gallegos decelerates quickly during last Friday's road game to change direction away from oncoming Dove Creek junior Sonja Strong.

Bobcats Roar Through Eagles Scream

Posing for posterity after last Saturday's Screaming Eagle Invitational hosted by Paonia HS, the Ignacio wrestling team placed a respectable second behind PHS—the top-ranked team in Class 2A—but ahead of the third-place Palisade JV and Cedaredge. (IHS had also dualled Paonia the night before, losing 44-31, after routing Sargent 61-6.) Bobcat champs at the Screaming Eagle were: Alex Pena at 112 pounds, Casey Haga at 125, Raudel Lucero at 140, and Chance Wyatt at 215. IHS heads to Shiprock, N.M., this weekend.



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SUNUTE HOLIDAY HOURS
Martin Luther King Birthday: January 19, 2009 8am-5pm

January Birthday Wishes



I would like to wish my beautiful daughter, Shyanne (Nanny) Whiteman a Happy 8th birthday on January 28th! Keep smiling pretty girl and thank you for ALL you do for our family! God Bless you on your special day! Love, Mom

Happy 1st Birthday to Little Henry on the 24th!

We hope you have a wonderful day filled with hugs and kisses. Rhonda, Larry & the boys

Happy Birthday Andre! Uncle Tony & Grandma Tina

Well, Andre it looks like we gotta keep you. Love, Gram Gram



Happy 1st Birthday to Andre Ute Thompson on January 24, 2009! Love, Mom



Happy Birthday Miracle! May your entry into adulthood be filled with everything you could ever wish for. May you also see with an open heart and an open mind all that comes your way. Learn from everyone and everything, because everything happens for a reason. Happy 2-month Birthday to my grandson KJ too! Love, Daddy/Grandpa



Happy 2nd Birthday to Neatris on the 22nd! You have grown into such a mischievous little boy who can charm anyone with your beautiful smiles. We Love you very much and are blessed to have you in our family. Love, Mom, Dad & your big brothers.

Happy Birthday Grandpa Joe Gonzales Love, Gracie Girl

Happy Birthday Velma! Hope your 29th Birthday Anniversary was everything you hoped for & much more! Thank you for being you and there when I needed you. Always, Robert

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Every Wednesday
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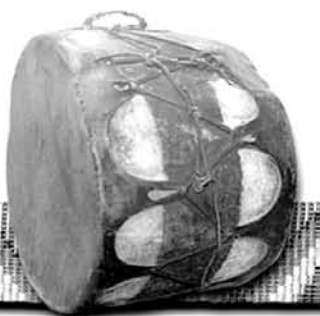
XLIII SUPER BOWL PARTY

Biggest Super Bowl Party in the Four Corners on the biggest screens in the region! Sunday, February 1, 2009 - Doors open at 3:45 p.m.

Management reserves the right to change or cancel these promotions without prior notice. Please see the Bear Club Player Rewards Center for further information and all rules.

If you are 21 and older, please make sure to stop by the Bear Club Player Rewards Center and sign up to become a member. You will receive special coupons and discounts to be used throughout the Casino, hotel, and dining facilities. In addition, every time you game and use your Bear Club card, you will accumulate points which can be redeemed for cash and prizes. Please see the Bear Club Player Hosts for further information.

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2009-2010 Fishing Proclamation: Southern Ute Indian Reservation



WHAT’S NEW FOR 2009-2010

Bag Limit Changes

Following a review of harvest limits on game fish, the bag limit for white crappie has been increased from 5 to 10 fish for juvenile anglers and from 10 to 20 fish for adult anglers. In addition, largemouth bass is now included as a game species with established bag limits of 5 and 10 fish for juvenile and adult anglers, respectively. Finally, yellow perch has been added to the list of species for which bag and possession limits are unlimited.

Native Fish Species Protection Expanded

Three large-bodied native fish species that occur in the streams of the Southern Ute Reservation are the roundtail chub, flannemouth sucker and bluehead sucker. All three species are declining throughout their ranges in the Colorado River Basin, and the Tribe is committed to their conservation in Tribal waters. Roundtail chub is already protected from take, and flannemouth and bluehead suckers now have this same protection. If any of these three fish species are caught by anglers, they must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. Photos of these species are provided in this Proclamation.

Zebra and Quagga Mussel Alert

Zebra and quagga mussels are exotic mussel species that are rapidly spreading across the U.S., disrupting natural ecosystems and water-related infrastructure. These mussels are currently being found in numerous bodies of water across Colorado. Once the mussels inhabit a lake, reservoir, or stream, it is impossible to remove them from the system. Therefore, it is important for anglers and boaters to follow some simple guidelines to prevent the further spread of this problem. Guidelines are included on Page 10 of this Proclamation.

SEASON DATES

Southern Ute Tribal streams are open to fishing year-round. Season fishing permits are valid from January 1st through December 31st, each year.

STREAM FISHING PERMITS

Southern Ute Tribal Members: Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal members, both juveniles and adults, must have in their possession a Southern Ute Fishing Permit when fishing on the Southern Ute Reservation. No state fishing permit is required, and a Tribal permit allows a Tribal member to take game fish from all waters within the exterior Reservation boundary. See Stream Access for specific restrictions regarding access on Tribal assignments, allotments, and private property. A Tribal member stream fishing permit is issued free of charge and is valid for the calendar year in which it is issued. A Tribal member must show proof of enrollment by presenting his or her Tribal census card.

Southern Ute Member-Senior Fishing Permit: Southern Ute Tribal members age 55 or over may receive a lifetime stream fishing permit through the Wildlife Division. A Tribal member Senior Fishing Permit is issued free of charge and is a lifetime permit. A Tribal member must show proof of enrollment by presenting his or her Tribal census card.

Non-Tribal Members: All non-Tribal members must obtain a Tribal stream fishing permit to fish on designated Tribal waters. A Colorado State fishing license is not required to fish on Tribal waters but is required to fish on private property. See Stream Access for the list of designated waters and specific restrictions regarding access on Tribal assignments, allotments, and private property.

NON-TRIBAL MEMBER PERMITS & FEES			
Age	2-Day	5-Day	Season
Juvenile (12 years & under)	\$10.00	\$12.50	\$25.00
Adult (13 years & over)	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$40.00
2-Day Access Permit (13 years & over)	\$5.00	N/A	N/A
Required for any non-fishing adults wishing to accompany a permitted fisherman on designated Tribal waters.			
Permit Replacement: \$2.00			
All non-Tribal fishermen needing to replace lost/damaged fishing permits can purchase duplicates at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Office.			

STREAM ACCESS

For purposes of stream access for fishing, lands within the Southern Ute Indian Reservation are divided into two categories: (1) Tribal trust lands, and (2) allotted and private lands. The Tribe has adopted a policy that allows for open fishing access on Tribal trust lands. Provisions for fishing on these lands are similar for Southern Ute Tribal members and permitted non-members, but not identical. These provisions are further explained below. **Allotted and private lands are private property, and permission to fish at these locations must always first be obtained from the landowner. It is the fisherman’s responsibility to know where allotted and private lands occur.**

Access For Permitted Non-Tribal Members: Fishing by permitted non-Tribal members is allowed on the Animas, Los Piños, Piedra and San Juan Rivers through designated access points (See Designated Waters and maps). Fishermen must use the access points identified on the maps to enter and exit stream corridors, which are located only on Tribal trust lands. Fishermen may move up or down the stream corridors without securing additional permission, but may not continue on to allotted or private lands unless authorized by the landowner. The stream corridor is bound by a 5-foot distance from the edge of the water on both sides of the stream, provided, however, fishermen may depart from this corridor only to the extent necessary to avoid a barrier located within the corridor. *Use of designated access points and stream corridors is allowed for fishing only.*

Access For Southern Ute Tribal Members: Fishing by Southern Ute Tribal members is allowed along all waters on all Tribal trust lands on the Reservation. For fishing on unassigned Tribal lands, Tribal member fishermen are not restricted to access points and stream corridors. *However, to fish on assigned Tribal lands, Tribal members must use the designated access points and stream corridors as described above for non-Tribal members.* Tribal member fishermen are responsible for knowing where Tribal land assignments occur, and fishing is the only activity allowed while accessing Tribal land assignments.

All fishermen are asked to respect Tribal land! Do not litter, cut fences, leave gates open, drive or park in undeveloped areas, or engage in any un-authorized, non-fishing activities. Always remain within the specified stream corridor unless there is an emergency, never trespass on private property, and contact the appropriate authorities if you see violations being committed. Activities by non-Tribal members other than fishing are strictly prohibited and violators will be prosecuted.

Fishing on Tribal land is a special privilege granted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Following the rules and showing respect for the land will ensure that this privilege continues.

FISHING REGULATIONS

All regulations in this section, unless otherwise specified, apply to all fishermen on the Southern Ute Reservation. Also, regulations generally apply to all waters of the reservation, but some exceptions apply specifically for Lake Capote. These regulations are strictly enforced and violators will be subject to fines, seizure of equipment, and/or loss of fishing privileges, per Southern Ute Tribal law. Individuals witnessing a violation are strongly encouraged to report the violation to the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife at (970) 563-0130 or Southern Ute Law Enforcement Dispatch at (970) 563-4401.

Bag and Possession Limits: The daily bag limit is the maximum number of game fish you can take in one day. The possession limit is the maximum number of game fish you can have in possession at any one time, including in your creel, ice chest, vehicle, or home. Game fish caught and not immediately returned to the water are counted in the daily bag and possession limit. The chart below specifies daily bag and possession limits for game fish found on the Southern Ute Reservation. See the Animas River Special Waters section for special bag and possession limits on a portion of the Animas River.

DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS (STREAMS)		
Game Fish	Juvenile (Under 13 yrs.)	Adult (13 yrs. & older)
Trout ** (rainbow, brown, cutthroat)	Tribal Members-2 Non-Members-2	Tribal Members-4 Non-Members-2
Kokanee Salmon ‡	5	10
Channel Catfish ‡	5	10
White Crappie ‡	10	20
Northern Pike ‡	5	10
Largemouth Bass	5	10
Smallmouth Bass ‡	5	10
Bluegill ‡	5	10
** Limits on trout may consist of one species or a mix of more than one species.		
‡ Species, primarily found in the lower reaches of tributaries to Navajo Reservoir.		

The following fish species are also found on the Southern Ute Reservation and are unlimited for bag and possession: Black Bullhead, Common Carp, Green Sunfish, Yellow Perch and White Sucker. If you are uncertain about a species of fish you have caught, it should be released unharmed where it was caught.

Permitted Angling Methods: Game fish may be taken by hook and line only. For bait fishing, one line may be used with up to two single baited hooks attached. For lure fishing, one line may be used with one artificial lure attached. Artificial lures may have up to two hooks (single, double, or treble) attached. For flyfishing, one line may be used with up to two flies attached.

Legal Hours of Take: With the exception of Lake Capote, fishing may occur 24 hours a day. Fishing hours for Lake Capote will be posted on site.

Salmon Snagging: Snagging, or using hooked devices to snag fish in parts of their bodies other than the mouth, is only allowed for kokanee salmon on the Los Piños, Piedra, and San Juan Rivers during the months of October, November, and December. Standard salmon bag limits and gear restrictions for lure fishing apply to snagging. Southern Ute Tribal Members are further allowed to snag salmon in tributaries of the Los Piños River during the same period.

Protected Species

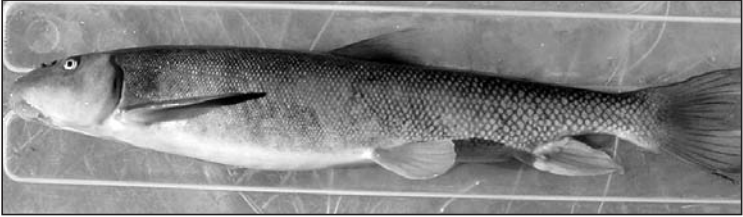
Roundtail Chub (*Gila robusta*)



Flannemouth Sucker (*Catostomus latipinnis*)



Bluehead Sucker (*Catostomus discobolus*)



Roundtail Chub, Flannemouth Sucker, and Bluehead Sucker are rare native fish of the Southern Ute Reservation, and are protected from take. If caught while fishing, these species must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to have these species in your possession.



General Restrictions

Fishing Duration: All fishermen must discontinue fishing when the legal bag or possession limit is met.

Fishing Pole Attendance: Fishermen must attend their fishing pole (be within 50 feet) at all times.

Bait: Use of any live, dead, or parts of fish or amphibians as bait is prohibited in all Reservation waters. Non-fish and amphibian baits such as worms, insects, crayfish, vegetable matter, artificial salmon eggs, and Power Bait are permitted except where special regulations are in place.

Minnows: Unless authorized by the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife, it is unlawful to take, possess, transport, or sell minnows on the Southern Ute Reservation.

Chumming: Chumming, or placing in the water any type of fish attractant for the purpose of catching fish, is prohibited in all Tribal waters. Chumming does not include the use of bait, lures, and flies as specified in the Permitted Angling Methods section.

Planting Fish: Unless authorized by the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife, it is unlawful to release or move into Tribal waters any fish from aquariums, fish ponds, bait buckets, or any other external fish source.

Illegal Fishing Gear/Methods: Use of the following gear or methods to catch fish is prohibited on all Tribal waters: all net types (excluding hand-held nets for landing hooked fish), trotlines, traps, explosives, poisons, guns, or any other gear or method not specified in the Permitted Angling Methods section.

Private Property: It is unlawful to fish on private property without first obtaining permission from the property owner. Private property includes Tribal allotments, but not Tribal land assignments. Not all private property is posted, and it is the fisherman’s responsibility to know when and where access permission is needed.

Boating: Recreational boaters (private and commercial) are allowed to float through Tribal portions of navigable rivers that traverse the Southern Ute Reservation, including the Animas River and San Juan River above Navajo Reservoir. However, unless specifically authorized by the Tribe, launching and loading boats is not allowed on any Tribal lands. The only exception to this rule is that fishermen who have a valid Tribal fishing permit and who are engaged in fishing may put-in or take-out small, portable craft on Tribal lands. Portable craft are those that can be carried by hand to and from the river, but do not include boats that must be trailered into or out of the river.

Guiding and Outfitting: Guiding and outfitting by non-Tribal members is not permitted on any Tribal waters. Only specially permitted Tribal member guides and outfitters may offer this service. For more information on available guides and outfitters, or permitting for Tribal members, contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife.

Restrictions While On Tribal Lands, All Fishermen: No removing or disturbing artifacts; No alcohol or illegal drug use; No off-road vehicle use; No firearms; No littering.

Additional Restrictions for Non-Tribal Members: No Camping; No Dogs.

Animas River Special Waters: The Animas River between the northern Reservation boundary and Weasleskin Bridge is managed for trophy trout fishing. This stretch of water has special regulations as follows:

- Artificial flies and lures only with barbless hooks. **Absolutely no bait fishing allowed in this section.**
- Two (2) trout bag and possession limit, with each fish measuring 16” or greater in total length. **All trout under 16” must be immediately returned to the water.**

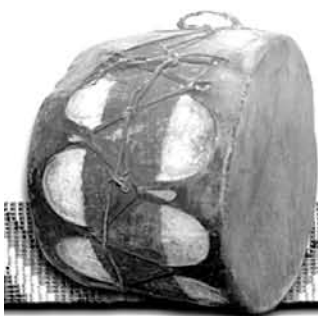
Designated Tribal Waters: The following waters are designated as open to non-Tribal member fishing: the Tribal portions of the Animas, Los Piños, Piedra and San Juan Rivers. Please refer to the maps provided to help identify Tribal and non-Tribal portions of these rivers.

All waters except those listed above, including the La Plata, Navajo and Florida Rivers, all creeks and all irrigation canals are closed to non-Tribal member fishing.

Lake Capote: Lake Capote is scheduled to open in April and close shortly after Labor Day. During the operating schedule the lake will be open 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. After 5:00 p.m., guests wishing to camp are required to fill out a permit and pay their fee(s) at the self-check-in station. Fishing is allowed until sunset. The Lake is stocked with rainbow trout, largemouth bass and channel catfish. Lake Capote now offers small concessions as well as stream permits for fishing on Southern Ute lands. The campground has 10 RV sites, providing electric (30 amp) and water hook-ups, and 30 primitive campsites. All RV and tent camping sites are outfitted with fire rings, picnic tables, tent pads, water access, and a central facility for restrooms and showers. For current and updated information regarding the Lake Capote schedule, events and activities please visit the Division of Wildlife’s website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/WRMweb, or call the Wildlife Administration office, at (970) 563-0130, or Lake Capote, at (970) 883-2273.

DESIGNATED TRIBAL WATERS/ACCESS POINT MAPS

The maps provided by the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management identify Tribal trust waters that are open to non-Tribal member fishing. Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal members may fish all waters within the Reservation boundaries. Also included on these maps are the locations of the designated stream access points. In many places, but not all, boundaries between Tribal trust waters and allotted or private waters are marked in the field. **It is the fisherman’s responsibility to know where these boundaries are and to obtain access permission when needed.**



Notice Of Final Reservation Air Code & Title V Operating Permit Program

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission hereby gives notice of the adoption of a Reservation Air Code which includes the regulations for what is known as a Title V operating permit program under the federal Clean Air Act. As described below, the program will be applicable to all major sources of air pollution located within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

I. Adoption of the Reservation Air Code.

At its meeting on November 12, 2008, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission adopted a Reservation Air Code for the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

II. Legal authority under which the Code was adopted.

Legal authority is vested in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission to promulgate rules and regulations for a single air quality program applicable to all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and to review appealable administrative actions by the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian

Reservation dated December 13, 1999 ("IGA"), and by tribal law (Resolution of the Council of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe # 00-09) and State law (C.R.S. § 24-62-101), and as recognized in federal law (Act of October 18, 2004, Pub. L. No. 108-336, 118 Stat.1354).

III. Effective date of the Code.

The Code will be effective upon the effective date of the approval by the United States Environmental Protection Agency of an application by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for a delegation of authority to administer the Commission-approved Title V Operating Permit Program. Notice of EPA's approval of the Tribe's application and notice of the effective date of EPA's approval and, hence, the effective date of the Code, will be provided at a later date.

IV. Summary description of Code.

The purpose of the Code is to establish an air quality permitting program consistent with the requirements of Title V of the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7661-7661f et. seq.) and the implementing regulations of the United States Environmental Protection Agency found at 40 CFR Part 70. An operating permit program does not allow for the addition of new emissions control requirements, but rather clarifies the air pollution control obligations of major sources by

compiling in one document all of a source's compliance requirements. The intent is that by including all applicable requirements in one permit it will be easier for the source owner, the regulatory agency (i.e., the Tribe), and the public to determine if the source is in compliance. Operating permits, therefore, include a listing of all air pollution regulatory requirements that apply to the source. The permits contain monitoring, record keeping and reporting requirements designed to ensure that the source knows when it is and is not in compliance. Owners of sources with operating permits must certify that the source is in compliance each year, and the permits must be renewed every five years.

The specific purposes of this Reservation Air Code are to establish the following:

- (1) A tribally administered Title V operating permit program which will apply to all major air pollution sources on the Reservation,
- (2) Terms under which a tribally issued Title V operating permit will allow a source to operate,
- (3) Tribal civil enforcement of tribally issued Title V operating permits, and
- (4) The process for applying, issuing, renewing, etc., Title V operating permits.

In accordance with Public Law No. 108-336 and the IGA, the Tribe and the Environmental

Commission will enforce civil compliance with the Code. Appealable administrative actions taken by the Tribe will be subject to review by the Commission in accordance with the administrative appeal procedures contained in the Commission's Procedural Rules.

Pursuant to the program's regulations, emission sources will be charged a fee for releasing air pollutants into the Reservation airshed. Fees will be used to make the program self-sufficient and allow for the development of other applicable and necessary regulations.

V. Where a complete copy of the Code can be obtained.

A copy of the Code is available upon request from the Tribe's Air Quality Program Manager who can be contacted by e-mail, mail, fax, or in person at the addresses noted as follows: **E-mail:** jtemte@southern-ute.nsn.us. **Mail:** Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission, c/o James Temte, Air Quality Program Manager, Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. **Fax:** (970) 563-0348

Further information contact: James Temte, Program Manager, Air Quality Program, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137; telephone number (970) 563-4705 (ext. 2223); fax number (970) 563-0384; e-mail jtemte@southern-ute.nsn.us

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program, the Air Quality Program is looking to further expand the Reservation Air Code to include a minor source permitting program.

The Southern Ute Reservation is a checkerboard Reservation that can be affected by outside land policies, especially those pertaining to water and air quality. Having tighter control over air pollutant emissions on the Reservation is an important step to having cleaner air within the Four Corners region. James Temte has emphasized that "One significant change that the Tribally implemented program will have in comparison to the current federal major source permitting program will be having Tribal control over local sources operating within the external Tribal boundaries. Currently the major source permits are issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). With the approval of this major source permitting program, sources operating

in our backyards will be have to comply with local inspectors living and working on the Reservation. Having the Tribe as the regulatory authority for major source permits on the Reservation will increase the regulatory presence on the Reservation."

Temte also stated that the Air Quality Program is currently working on the development of a minor source permitting program including regulations applicable to both existing sources currently operating on the Reservation and new sources. The minor source-permitting program will help to fill a void in the current federal regulations. This minor source-permitting program will require smaller sources to be accountable for the air pollution, which they are (or will be) emitting.

In addition to the Air Quality Program's rule and regulation development team the Tribe's Air Quality Program has two air monitoring shelters on the

Reservation; the stations are referred to as Ute 1 and Ute 3 respectively. The Tribe's air monitoring network is equipped to collect Oxides of Nitrogen (NOX), Ozone (O3), Carbon Monoxide (CO) and metrological data. The monitoring program has been tailored to the current and ongoing needs of the Reservation, all the while following stringent guidelines set by the USEPA. The data collected from these sites is used to improve understanding of air quality on the Reservation, establish long-term air quality management goals, and protect the health of all residents of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

The Southern Ute Air Quality Program currently employs five staff members, with responsibilities divided between "monitoring" and "permitting". The Air Quality Program is working with outside funding from the EPA, as well as support from the Tribe, and has plans set in motion to expand it's

operations with the addition of three new employees, and expand it's testing facilities to include regular testing for "PM 2.5" (particulate matter) which is a pollutant that is associated with dirt road travel, fossil fuel combustion, and agriculture. As a long-term goal, the Air Team is looking at further expanding the air monitoring network to include an a third monitoring site or possibly even adding a mobile unit to the repertoire of the field stations, enabling the tribe to monitor air quality from a diverse number of sites within the checkerboard Reservation. Additional projects include updating current emission's inventories and including a first ever green-house gas emission inventory.

The success of the Southern Ute Tribe's Air Quality Program is certainly a success for the Four Corners region, as well as a significant milestone for environmental protection. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Air Quality Program

Notice 30 Day Posting

Availability of Tribal Land Agricultural Assignment Posting Period: 12/19/08 through 1/20/09

Notice is hereby given to all eligible Southern Ute Indian Tribal Members interested in this Tribal Land Assignment. Applications must be submitted along with your five-year farm plan to the Department of Natural Resources Lands Division. The available Tribal Land is described as follows:

Township 32 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M., La Plata County, CO,

Section 9: NE 1/4 NW 1/4, lying west of Colorado State Hwy 172, containing 4.00 acres, more or less.

Please contact the Lands Division at 563-0126 ext. 2228 to view property. Please specify Tract 1 if you are interested in this property. You must apply for each tract individually.

Property located south of Ignacio and west of Colo. Hwy 172



TRACT 1

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Section 9: NE 1/4 NW 1/4, lying west of Colorado State Hwy 172 and east of the La Boca Ditch, containing 16.00 acres, more or less.

Please contact the Lands Division at 563-0126 ext. 2228 to view property. Please specify Tract 2 if you are interested in this property. You must apply for each tract individually. Property located south of Ignacio and west of Colo. Hwy 172



TRACT 2

has set an example by leading the way for other Sovereign Nations to pursue environmental policies, rules, and regulations specific to the needs of their Tribe on their lands. The dedication of the Tribe's Air Quality Program extends beyond the Southern Ute Reservation borders as the Air Team helps teach, offer guidance and even assist other Tribes in setting up similar monitoring stations. This includes assisting in the rule and regulation development by offering guest lectures for the Institute of Tribal Environmental Professional and the National Tribal Air Association. The move forward by the Southern Utes is an excellent example of how Tribal funds can be used to give back to the people, the environment, and lead by example.

Working with the State of Colorado and the EPA the Tribe has forged some very progressive environmental policies and will continue to do so with its dedication to testing, monitoring, and permitting on the Reservation. If the land had always been sacred to the Tribes of America, then it should remain so to this day and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Air Quality Program has full intentions of upholding these valued traditions.

Please visit the Air Quality Program Website to learn more. The Air Quality Page can be found as a link on the official Southern Ute Indian Tribe's website by selecting Environmental Programs at the bottom of the Tribe's home page. <http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/>.

2009-2010 Fishing Proclamation: Southern Ute Indian Reservation (cont.)

CATCH AND RELEASE

Catch and release is an important approach to fishing that many anglers voluntarily practice. Not all fish that you catch need to be kept. In fact, the more fish put back in the river, the more fishing time you'll have and the more fish will be available for others to enjoy. Most of the time, if a fish is caught, handled properly, and then released, it will survive to be caught another day. Here are some important things to remember when practicing catch and release:

- Do not play any hooked fish to total exhaustion.
- Keep the fish in the water as much as possible while handling it.
- Gently remove the hook without squeezing the fish or touching its gills. (Barbless hooks make hook removal much easier.)
- If the hook is deeply swallowed, do not pull it out. Instead, cut the line as short as possible so the hook may dissolve inside the fish.
- Allow an exhausted fish to recover before releasing it. Gently hold the fish in moving water, facing it upstream until it swims away.

ZEBRA & QUAGGA MUSSEL ALERT

The Southern Ute Tribe is concerned about the serious threat posed to our aquatic habitats by two invasive, non-native aquatic mussels-the zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*) and the quagga mussel (*Dreissena bugensis*). These mussels are rapidly spreading across the U.S., including within many waters of Colorado. They disrupt natural ecosystems and clog power plants, as well as industrial and public drinking water intakes.

Help prevent the spread of these species by following these guidelines:

1. Thoroughly wash mud from vehicles, boats, trailers, waders, boots and fishing equipment before moving from one body of water to another.
2. Drain water from boots, equipment, coolers, bait wells and water holders on site if possible.
3. Don't dispose of fish entrails or byproducts in any body of water or sink.
4. Use hot (over 40° C or 104° F) or salt water to clean your equipment.
5. Wash your dog with water as warm as possible and brush its coat.
6. The following recipes are recommended for cleaning hard-to-treat equipment that cannot be exposed to hot water:
 - a. Dipping equipment into 100% vinegar for 20 minutes will kill

harmful aquatic hitchhiker species.

- b. A 1% table salt solution, used for 24 hours, can replace the vinegar dip. The table here provides the correct proportions in water.

7. If hot water is not available, spray equipment (such as boats, motors, trailers, anchors, decoys, floats, nets) with high-pressure water.
8. DRY equipment. If possible, allow for 5 days of drying time before entering new waters.
9. Visit www.protectyourwaters.net for further and updated information.

AUTHORITY

These fishing regulations are approved by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council under authority as outlined in Title 13, Article 1, Section 13-1-106, Subsections (1) through (3); Article 2, Section 13-2-101 and 13-2-102, of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code revised and amended by Tribal Resolutions No's. 1989-34, 2001-69, and 2002-215. Adopted December 30, 2008.

SOUTHERN UTE FISHING VIOLATIONS

The following are Tribal fishing-related violations, and associated civil penalties, that would-be offenders should be aware of. In addition to civil penalties, offenders may be assessed penalty points that may lead to the revocation or suspension of hunting and fishing privileges on the Reservation.

Common Fishing-Related Violations	Civil Penalties
Hunting, Fishing or Trapping Without Required Permit or Tag (13-3-111)	\$150
Using Nets, Trotlines, or Traps (13-3-128)	\$250
Taking Undersized Fish (13-3-136)	\$50
Guiding or Outfitting Offenses (13-3-105)	\$2,500
Accessing a Stream for Fishing & Fishing Outside Designated Access & Fishing Easements (13-3-110)	\$150

SOUTHERN UTE FISHING PERMIT VENDORS

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Division of Wildlife Resource Management
116 Mouache Dr., Annex Bldg., P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO, 81137
(970) 563-0130 • Hours: M-F: 8 am – 12 noon 1 – 5 pm

Sky Ute Casino – Gift Shop

14324 Highway 172 • Ignacio, CO, 81137
(970) 563-6269 • Hours: 7 Days: 7 am – 11 pm

Thriftyway

15051 Highway 172 • Ignacio, CO, 81137
(970) 563-9456 • Hours: 7 Days: 6 am – 5 pm

Duranglers

923 Main Avenue • Durango, CO, 81301
(970) 385-4081 • Hours: M-Sat: 8 am – 7 pm, Sun: 9 am – 5 pm

ZIA Sporting Goods

500 East Main • Farmington, NM, 87401
(505) 327-6004 • Hours: M-F: 9 am – 6:30 pm, Sat: 9 am – 6 pm, Sun: 10 am – 5 pm

Float'N Fish

#4 County Rd 4251 • Navajo Dam, NM, 87419
(505) 632-5385 • Hours: 7 Days: 7 am – 5 pm

Lake Capote

389 Highway 151 • Pagosa Springs, CO, 81147
(970) 883-2273 • Hours: 7 Days: 8 am – 6 pm (mid-May – mid-Sept.)
Call for other times.



SOUTHERN UTE GROWTH FUND - POSITIONS

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • PO Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • (970) 563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.

Gas Measurement Tech I
Closing Date 1/22/09 - Frontier Field Services
Maljamar, NM. Performing meter calibrations, gathering and editing meter data, securing gas samples for analysis, calculating gas volumes, sizing orifice plates, service and repair of meters.

Maintenance Tech II
Closing Date 1/22/09 - Frontier Field Services
Maljamar, NM. Maintaining equipment at the gas processing plant and field compressor stations, and serves as primary relief for the maintenance foreman.

Operator II
Closing Date 1/23/09 - Frontier Natural Gas
Canadian, TX. All processes and duties necessary to ensure optimum plant performance.

Water Truck Driver
Closing Date 1/23/09 - GF Utilities
Provides the delivery of water to customers and the safe operation and general maintenance of all Water

Haul Program Equipment. To include delivering water to Tribal and Non-Tribal members who depend on Cisterns for their household water, daily maintenance checks and minor repairs on water delivery trucks and maintaining a daily log water deliveries made, maintenance performed, and other related information on each truck or piece of heavy equipment operated.

Environmental, Health & Safety Specialist
Closing Date 1/30/09 - Growth Fund SECMG
Part of the Safety & Environmental Compliance Management Group. Assuring compliance with applicable water quality regulatory requirements, preparing and overseeing compliance with stormwater management plans, participating in EHS related compliance audits, and, preparing EHS related permits and/or monitoring reports, tracking approval, submission and renewal processes. Provides support and assistance in the coordination and administration of Environmental, Health and Safety programs for the oil and gas, sand and gravel, utilities, land development and construction industries.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - POSITIONS

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept.
P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 Phone: (970) 563-0100 • Fax: (970) 563-0396
*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Material Child Health Specialist – CHR
Closes 1/20/09 - Provides transportation, health and health related homemaking services to elderly and disabled Tribal members and other Native Americans on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Provides services and support focusing on maternal child health and teen issues for Tribal members and other Native Americans on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

Purchasing Technician
Closes 1/20/09 - Performs purchasing duties to include processing requisitions, travel requests, and purchase orders. Assists in warehousing, central receiving, Tribal campus deliveries, and general office assistance.

Surveyor
Closes 1/22/09 - Conducts all survey work, including both administrative surveys and surveys as a licensed Professional Land Surveyor, needed to meet the needs of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Water Quality Technician
Closes 1/22/09 - Assist Water Quality Personnel in performing field data collection, computer data input, and other duties associated with water quality management under the \$106, \$319, and Wetlands water quality grants on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Position is grant funded. Continued employment is contingent upon renewed grant funding.

Recreation Specialist
Closes 1/23/09 - Develops, implements, and monitors all recreation programs.

Justice & Regulatory Deputy Director
Assists the Director of Justice & Regulatory with the administration of the J&R Department. Acts as a liaison between J&R Division Heads and staff members. Focuses on creating efficient and effective practices, procedures and policies throughout the J&R Dept.

Detention Officer
Open Until Filled - Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center.

Financial Literacy Program Trainer
Open Until Filled - Trainer position for an Enrolled Tribal Member or local Native American to conduct classes for the Financial Literacy Program for Tribal Members. The goal of the Financial Literacy Program is to enhance the knowledge of Tribal Members in day to day financial decisions including banking, utilization of credit and investing.

Gaming Investigator II
Open Until Filled - Under general supervision of the Investigator III, incumbent regulates and controls Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation.

Lead Maintenance Technician Trainee
Open Until Filled - Trainee position was developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal member to become fully competent in all the essential duties and responsibilities of the Lead Maintenance Technician. The length of trainee program is one year with semi-annual evaluations and merit increases based upon performance. The beginning wage is 10% below a grade 16. Upon completion of the program, incumbent will be responsible for providing maintenance support, troubleshooting, and preventive maintenance services for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and functions as Acting Division Supervisor in the Supervisor's absence. Collects and categorizes information on systems and equipment. Tracks preventive maintenance, work orders, time and materials for Division's operations. Monitors budget and expenditures. Directs and supervise work on special projects.

Patrol Officer
Open Until Filled - Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community.

Ute Language Teacher
Open Until Filled - 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 Academy (SUIA). Employees will be trained to write the Ute language using the Charney system.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Job Hotline • (970) 563-4777
A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!
The job hotline lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly.
*Applications for Temporary Employment are accepted at the Human Resources Department on an on-going basis. Applications are kept on file for 6 months.

SKY UTE LODGE & CASINO - POSITIONS

Human Resources Department: (970) 563-3387 • Fax: (970) 563-3367
PO Box 340 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • Office Hours 8 am - 5 pm
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Preference Given To Qualified Southern Ute Tribal Members & Other Native Americans.

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IN THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COURT
OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE • ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION

LEGAL NAME CHANGE NO. 08-166-NC
IN THE LEGAL NAME CHANGE OF: ROSS LEE MAEZ, Civil Subject. NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that ROSS LEE MAEZ has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as CRUZ HAVENS. As of DECEMBER 22, 2008 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that ROSS LEE MAEZ name shall be and is hereby legally changed to CRUZ HAVENS.
Dated this 29th day of DECEMBER, 2008.
SUZANNE CARLSON, Tribal Judge

LEGAL NAME CHANGE NO. 08-167-NC
IN THE LEGAL NAME CHANGE OF: ANDREW CHRISTOPHER MAEZ, Civil Subject. NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that ANDREW CHRISTOPHER MAEZ has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as ANDREW THOMAS HAVENS. As of DECEMBER 22, 2008 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that ANDREW CHRISTOPHER MAEZ name shall be and is hereby legally changed to ANDREW THOMAS HAVENS.
Dated this 29th day of DECEMBER, 2008.
SUZANNE CARLSON, Tribal Judge

LEGAL NAME CHANGE NO. 08-168-NC
IN THE LEGAL NAME CHANGE OF: SEVENA MARIA MAEZ, Civil Subject. NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that SEVENA MARIA MAEZ has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as SEVENA BEAN HAVENS. As of DECEMBER 22, 2008 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that SEVENA MARIA MAEZ name shall be and is hereby legally changed to SEVENA BEAN HAVENS.
Dated this 29th day of DECEMBER, 2008.
SUZANNE CARLSON, Tribal Judge

LEGAL NAME CHANGE NO. 08-171-NC
IN THE LEGAL NAME CHANGE OF: LENA MAE BURCH, Civil Subject. NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that LENA MAE BURCH filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as LENA MAE GALLEGOS. As of JANUARY 6, 2008 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that LENA MAE BURCH name shall be and is hereby legally changed to LENA MAE GALLEGOS.
Dated this 7th day of JANUARY, 2008.
ELAINE NEWTON, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

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Ignacio Elementary's Christmas In January



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Ignacio Elementary held their annual Christmas Program on January 18, 2009, at the Ignacio High School Gymnasium. Kindergarten sang "Polar Puppy" and their skit was Decorate the Tree. (Not in picture) First Grade sang "Mouse in the Snow" and their skit was "Santa Clause Rock". (Not in Pictures) Second Grade Sang "Celebrate With Joy" and their Skit "Christmas is OK". Third Grade Sang "I Saw Three Ships" and their skit was "North Pole Rock n Roll". Santa Claus was Joseph Vigil, Mrs Claus was Wren Borriague and all the Elves were Cesar Corona, Daniel Weaver, Jemyni Cordova, Mitchell Neil, Kaylie Guse. The entire Elementary School sang Super Celebration. The Sign Interpreter was Sherry Ann Marlowe, she signed threw the entire program. After the childrens program was refreshments and cookies sponsored by the Accountability Committee.



Maintaining On Site Production



Tony Gallegos, stops in on one of BP's many Natural Gas Extraction Sites as part of his daily work routine. Gallegos works for Dawn Trucking who holds a contract to service these sites regularly in order to remove water condensation (H₂O), a byproduct of natural gas extraction. Stopping to pull water from a site just north of Ignacio as part of the "Rainbow Route" Tony Gallegos braves the cold morning with a smile. "The amount of condensate water that is produced varies from site to site, recently we have had to pull from this pump twice a day" said Gallegos. The water is then taken to an injection site for proper disposal. The "Mack" tanker truck driven by Gallegos is one of the newer models adopted by Dawn Trucking, offering "Zero" emissions as part of a newer, cleaner, more environmentally sustainable truck fleet.

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Digital TV Transition: Consumer Guide in 2009



If you have an analog TV and rely on a rooftop antenna or "rabbit ears," a TV converter box is one option to transition to digital TV on or before February 17, 2009. The TV Converter Box Coupon Program has reached its funding ceiling. If you waited until 2009 to apply for a coupon, your coupon application will be put on a waiting list. Coupon requests from eligible households will only be filled as funds from expiring coupons become available. Coupons will be mailed on a first-come, first-served basis as funding becomes available.

How can you be sure at least one TV in your home will receive digital signals after February 17, 2009? You can:



Buy a converter box, with or without a \$40 coupon, and connect it to your current TV. Boxes typically cost between \$40 and \$80.



Buy a TV with a digital tuner.



Sign-up for cable, satellite or other pay service. Contact your local provider regarding your options.

If you have not ordered your coupon yet or have been placed on the waiting list, consider taking one of the actions above to be sure at least one of the analog TVs in your home is ready for the transition. To apply, go to www.DTV2009.gov, call 1-888-DTV-2009 (1-888-388-2009), mail to PO Box 2000, Portland, OR 97208 or fax 1-877-DTV-4ME2 (1-877-388-4632).



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