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Tribe To Conduct Focus Groups "Shaping A Government"

Dear Tribal Members,

requesting Tribal Member participation. These Focus Groups are a very important process in order to provide Tribal Council with valuable information regarding your opinions on a variety of issues. This process supports the ongoing Financial Plan review and is one of several steps that Tribal Council is taking as it makes plans for the future.

As a participant, you are invited to attend one of several focus group meetings that are designed to gain Tribal member input regarding a number of issues.

We want to hear from you, the

membership, so that we can make reserve your chosen date & time. sound decisions in shaping a gov-Tribal Council is conducting ernment that best meets the needs several Focus Groups and is of the membership. We hope to accomplish this, in part, by sampling your response to various choices that will be presented to you for consideration. We think you will enjoy participating in the program and certainly your feedback to questions and the results of the various discussions are bound to give your Council greater insight into the recommendations of many Tribal members.

> Please call or email Sunshine Flores at (970) 563-0100 ext. or sflores@southernute.nsn.us or Brian Zink at (970) 563-0100 2602 ext bzink@southern-ute.nsn.us

We have the following dates and times for you to choose from if you do choose to participate:

May 13 & 14, Wed. & Thur. 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (both nights)

> May 15, Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The meeting will begin with an introduction by Tribal Council members. Tribal Council members will then leave the meeting and allow the focus group participants to work through the issues

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Three Springs Honored With LEED Certification In The Mercado District

Media Release Durango, CO

hree Springs announced in mid-April that two new buildings in the Mercado District of Three Springs are the first in southwestern Colorado to receive LEED Certification for New Construction - NC from the U.S. Green Building Council. LEED is an acronym for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design.

According to Patrick Vaughn, President of GF Properties Group, LLC, a business unit of the Southern Ute Growth Fund that owns the 125 and 175 Mercado Street buildings, "Three Springs is dedicated to raising the bar for sustainable and socially responsible design/construction practices for high performance buildings and we are pleased to be at the forefront with this distinctive certification."

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Gathering Of Nations 2009



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

The Gathering of Nations PowWow boasts to be "America's Largest Powwow" drawing Tribal members, powwow contestants, and spectators from across North America and Canada. The Powwow is held in Albuquerque, NM at the UNM "Pit" Arena annually. In it's twenty-sixth year, the turn out for this celebration of dance, music and culture was no less than impressive. The three-day gathering included the traditional powwow, live music venues, art vendors and the Miss Indian World Competition. "The Gathering of Nations is the center piece of the state's 'Native American Week' that promotes awareness and education of native cultures and traditions", said Derek Mathews, organizer of the Gathering of Nations.

Cleaning Up Ignacio



On Friday, April 24, 2009 students from the Ignacio Schools pitched in to clean-up Ignacio during Earth week, the National recognized "Earth Day" was April 22, 2009. Students took time out their busy days, instead taking in fresh air and working together in making the world, (at least the town of Ignacio) and it's surrounding areas, including the Tribal Campus cleaner! The students also ventured west on Hwy 318, picking up trash all along the way, leaving th very noticeable orange trash bags, on both sides of the road. Southern Ute Community Officer Gail Pena, assisted with traffic control and implementing safety measures to keep our students safe. The town of Ignacio and the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, THANKS YOU!

photo Michelle Alvarez/SU TIS Dept.

Mothers Day Wishes

When You Thought I Wasn't Looking (Written by a former child) - Author Unknown

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigeraor and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it

was good to be kind to animals. When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you make my favorite cake for me and I learned that the little things can be the special

things in life. When you thought I wasn't looking,

I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and learned to trust in God. When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it,

I learned we have to take care of what we are given. When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities,

even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up. When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's alright to cry. When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up. I looked at you and wanted to say, "Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking."

To Beatrice Wilson

Your One of the Wonderful Few Some Women Are More Special Than They Know Some women are special for things that they do, Still others for all of the joy that they give. There are those who stand out for the kindness they show And for making our lives such a pleasure to live... But then there are women, a wonderful few, Who have all these talents

and that would be you!

Happy Mother's Day with Love May God Bless You Always! Your Sister Sophia

To Amber Box

For a Special Mother A Mother's Day wish to say you're loved Far more than words can tell -Not just on special days like this, But every day as well.

> Happy Mother's Day with Love May God Bless You Always Your Sister Sophia

Happy Mother's Day & Happy Birthday To Janice Peabody

From Your Kids!

To Delilah Wilson

A WISH FOR HAPPINESS "Today's a very special time to let a mother

she's always treasured in the hearts of those who love her so."

All your love,

all your caring,

all your giving,

all these years are the reasons

why my heart thinks of you

on Mother's Day

with a wish for happiness and a world full of love.

> Happy Mother's Day with Love May God Bless You Always Your Sister Sophia

"To Our Beloved Mom"

We just wanted to let you know, when you are looking down on us

that you are still living in our hearts and that we wanted to wish

you a "Happy Mother's Day" in Heaven. We love and miss you

so much and it hurts us, knowing that your gone forever until we

meet again. It's hard knowing, that you will be gone from us a year now, May 8th. It hasn't gotten any easier and we

know that it never really will. But, just to let you know, we are

hanging in there and we'll get through this sad day. We'll be okay and

we will try to stay

strong for dad and the kids.

Love you forever, Your children, grandchildren and Great grandchildren

A Poem for Mom "LaVara June Thompson" 2/14/39 - 5/9/08

Mom, It's been a year since you left us. It's also been a rough year and I never imagine it would be this hard. People say it is and I believe it because everyday I think about you.

Mom I remember all the times we spent together especially that half hour everyday that we watched our show even if it was a half hour it was our time together! I truly miss you. I miss our family trips too that we all shared as one.

Mom, I want you to know that I love you, so much! It hurts very much that I can't go to you when I'm down! You can't be able to hug me and say it will be ok. But I know you can hear me! I know you could hug me if you could.

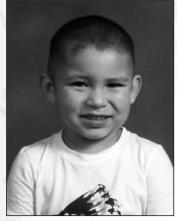
Mom, I just want you to know that you were the Best Mom that we could have asked for no matter what people say about you, you never let that bother you because even though you left us so soon you were a strong woman.

At the end you were brave even if you were in pain, you never complained you just smiled like you always did. It was sad and hard to see you go, but your in a better place! One day we'll all be together, so until then I Love and Miss You, Mom.

Thanks for everything you've done! As you asked we will continue to take care of Dad and stick together as one as we always did and will.

> Love Always Your Daughter, Jo Genia July Cross

Birthday Wishes/Congrats!



"Happy Birthday E3!"

I just want to wish a very Happy 5th Birthday to E3ekiel Jordan Howell on April 26th! I can't believe you are already gonna be 5! Where has the time gone! It seems like just yesterday I was sitting here doing this same thing for your 5th Birthday! And here we are a whole year later and you have changed so much! You are growing up to fast for me son! You are quite anxious to learn and want to know about everything and you ask a million questions! I am so glad that you want to learn! You are keeping me and everyone around you busy! I'm so proud of you son, and I want you to know I love you so much! I hope that you

have the best day ever and enjoy being with everyone that loves and cares about you! And I hope you get everything you want! Happy birthday baby! I love you! Love Alwayz, Momma

Happy Birthday Nishket!

We just want to wish you a very Happy Birthday on April 27th! We hope you have a great day on your birthday filled with joy & lots of love from everyone! And lots of presents too! E3 say's I love you Nishket and Happy Birthday! So once again, Happy Birthday!

> Always, Candi (E3)

Congratulations To Our Granddaughter Reagena D. Thompson

On achieving her Bachelor of Science Degree from Regis

Grandpa & Grandpa Cook

Happy Birthday To Our Little Sister **Gracelynn Thompson**

You make us happy everyday! Luv U - Kyle, Natelle, Krislynn, Stew and C.J.



Happy Birthday To Our Precious Gracelynn Rose Thompson

Who turned 3 years old on 4-17-09. You are the root of our family, you've helped us grow and helped us keep it together.

Thank you sweetie we all love you, very much!

> Luv Mom & dad

Happy B-Day To My Granddaughter **Gracelynn Rose!**

May the Lord be with you, watch over you, and keep you

Love Grandma Zuni

Do You Know The Quality Of Your Groundwater?

Southern Ute EPA Division

With summer approaching, the need to remain hydrated is important. But as you fill up your handy dandy, recycled, non-plastic water jug, do you know the quality of the water that you are about to consume?

In many cases folks do not know and have no need to be concerned about it because the drinking water comes from a water treatment facility. These treatment facilities treat raw water, sample and test the water in order to meet USEPA regulations under the Safe Water Drinking Act (SWDA). In addition, the facilities are required to publish an annual report to their customers about the quality of the water that is supplied to homes, businesses and schools.

But for many people in this region who rely on groundwater for daily use and consumption, how much confidence do they have about the conditions or quality of water? And if that is a concern, who can turn to get sampling analysis completed?

The Southern Ute Water Quality Program (WQP) is one of the few entities that provide the service for free to the Tribal membership. All that is needed is a completed application to the program, easy access for WQP staff to collect the sample and patience because analysis reporting can take up to 2 months.

The WQP samples groundwater for pollutants of concerns (health concerns) and some secondary concerns listed under SWDA. For instance the WQP

Media Release will sample for nitrates/nitrites which can have adverse effects on infants and children as well as mercury, copper and nickel. No that doesn't mean junior swallowing nickels will lead to problems, unless junior is digesting more than the slot machines.

> Within the Southern Ute Reservation though, the WQP is concerned about the quality of groundwater in specific areas such as the Oxford tract or the lower Animas Valley. In both instances, the WQP has found elevated levels of selenium and fluoride respectively in these areas which is then turned over to Indian Health Services for reme-

Below are steps that can easily be undertaken by homeowners to protect the groundwater that is utilized for daily use:

Maintain Your Water Well

· Keep hazardous chemicals, such as paint, fertilizer, pesticides, and motor oil far away from your well. Maintain a "clean" zone of at least 50 feet (15.24 meters) between your well and any kennels or livestock operations. Also, always maintain proper separation between your well and buildings, waste systems, or chemical storage areas. Periodically check the well cover or well cap on top of the casing (well) to ensure it is in good repair and securely attached. Its seal should keep out insects and rodents.

• Keep your well records in a safe place. These include the construction report, and annual water well system maintenance and water testing results.

• Get your water tested annually or anytime there is a change in taste, odor or **appearance**. Annual disinfection of wells removes contamination that may contain harmful bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms that can make you sick. Disinfection can also eliminate nuisance bacteria that can cause unpleasant tastes and odors.

May 8, 2009

The WQP also samples for bacteria (coliform and fecal) that can adversely affect people. Turn around time for that type of testing is about 2 days. If the WQP learns that a well is contaminated by bacteria, the WQP Manager will contact the homeowner and provide information about utilizing bottled water until the WQP staff can get out to the home to provide disinfection. After initial disinfection service, a staff member will return to resample. In most cases disinfection solves the problem.

But on those rare occasions in which disinfection does not work, the program staff will run analysis for iron or sulfur reducing bacteria. This type of bacteria will produce methane like gas that can be detected in 24 days. With that information, the WQP staff will proceed with disinfection procedures that resolves the problem.

The WQP is here to provide technical assistance and peace of mind in knowing that a home's groundwater source is of high quality. If you require or would like to receive a groundwater analysis report, please call the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Water Quality Program to schedule your personal analysis at (970) 563-0135.

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present. The format will involve open discussion, work groups and

a series of questions and answers. Following the introduction, there will be a brief overview of the Financial Plan structure, goals and objectives, and other recent developments. Discussion will then take place regarding the

without any undue influence that current Tribal government struc- request that all attendees respect may arise if Tribal Council were ture and how it is, or is not, meet the opinions of the other particiing the needs of the Tribal membership. The meeting will be conducted by those individuals who specialize in the topic(s) being discussed and they have agreed to contribute their time to help facilitate these discussions.

We encourage everyone to participate openly and honestly. We pants and allow everyone the opportunity to speak and voice their viewpoints and concerns. We are very excited about this process and committed to making decisions with the input of the tribal membership as a foundation!

Southern Ute Tribal Council

Minors Investment Program

A General Information Session will be held in the Chief Ignacio Room of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building on Wed., May 20 at 6:30pm. Representatives from JP Morgan, who is the Investment Manager, will be in attendance. Topics will include:

- Discussion on the current state of the Financial Markets.
- Review of the investments of the minors Investment Program.
- Review of the program requirements for the individuals. • Discussion on the future direction of the Minors fund.

For more information contact: Brian Zink (970) 563-0100, ext. 2602 or Kevin Deighan (970) 563-0100, ext. 2601.

Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

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Tribal Update

Tribal Housing Department Meeting For Home Owner Participants

The Southern Ute Tribal Housing Department will be holding a meeting for Home Owner Participants of the 2007 Home Inspections at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, on May 12, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. For information please call mel Baker, (970) 563-00100, Ext. 2457 or (970) 749-5822. Dinner will be served.

FFA Plant Sale

The Ignacio Future Farmers of America (FFA) Club is putting on a plant sale on May 13, 14, and 15, at 10am-12:30pm and again at 3:30pm -5:30pm. It will be held at the Ignacio High School's greenhouse. There will be vegetables, herbs, and flowers. All proceeds will go to the FFA chapter. Please come join us! For information call Tessa Gamble, (970) 563-0500 ext. 297. We hope to see you there!

Shawl Making Demonstration

The Agriculture Extension invites all interested individuals to a Shawl demonstration to be held on May 14, 2009 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Higher Education Building. For more information please contact Ella Louise at (970) 563-0220 x 3503. Refreshments will be available.

Miss Southern Ute Royalty Workshop

A Shawl Making workshop and Bear Dance Practice will be held on May 17, 2009, from 1-4 pm at SunUte Community Center in the Moache-Capote Room. Refreshments will be served. Info: (970) 563-4712.

Pre-Bear Dance Arts & Crafts Sale

An Arts & Crafts Sale will be held at the Southern Ute Park (Ute Road, Ignacio, CO) on May 21, 2009 ALL DAY! Beginning at 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bear Dance supplies/items, shawls, beadwork, etc., will be on sale. For further information please call (970) 769-3395

Fourth Annual Mountain Spirit Campout, Logo Contest

Deadline for submissions is May 22, 2009! Logo Guidelines: The Mountain Spirit committee is requesting an image that represents the spirit of recovery and is colorful and graphically appealing. You must use a visible, original image (no clip art, please). The image will be used on large and small posters and possibly used on tee shirts. Image should include the following year, date, and location: 4th Annual Mountain Spirit Campout, August 7 - 9, 2009, Lake Capote. Include colors! Maximum of four colors may be used in the design INCLUD-ING BLACK & WHITE! You can use one color as a background. Solid colors only; NO water color, gradients or airbrush. Those techniques look wonderful, but they are too costly to reproduce on shirts, posters, etc.

- Image must reproduce well in black and white.
- Lettering must be identifiable and easy to read.
- No electronic submissions, we ask that you send your entry on paper.
- All entries, images and artwork become the exclusive property of the Mountain Spirit Committee. The Mountain Spirit Committee reserves the right to reject any and all entries, and to request reasonable, minor design modifications from the proposed winner. Following the steps will allow you to properly prepare your artwork and save lots of time doing so. Have fun creating! Please contact Elaine Newton at (970) 563-0240 should you have any questions. Please send you artwork to: Elaine Newton, PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Nominations For Elbert J. Floyd Award Being Accepted

Eligibility requirements for recipients of the Elbert J. Floyd Award are:

- A member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Deserving
- A student of any age, formally enrolled in an education program, at any level, or someone planning immediate enrollment in such a program
- Interested in continuing his or her education
- Interested in serving the Tribe and the community, and
- Approved by the Department of Public Education

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person. Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Nomination must be submitted in writing to the Department of Public Education by Friday, May 22, 2009 and shall state the basis for the nomination. The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of three members consisting of the Director of the Department of Public Education, Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd's children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student.

Home Chore Program In Ignacio

Serving eligible residents 55 years and older within the Ignacio School District, SUCAP Senior Center has begun a Home Chore Program performing safety checks within your home, install grab bars if feasible, check/install smoke or carbon monoxide alarms, and minor home repairs. Information please call Kathy (970) 563-4561.

Shining Mountain Diabetes, May Schedule Of Events

Wednsdays, 3pm: on KSUT, Tribal Radio 91.3 FM, "Feeding The Spirit" radio program. Tuesdays & Fridays, 10am - 11am, "Fitness Hour" at SunUte Community Center. Thursdays, 12:15pm - 12:45pm: Fitness Walk at Veterans Memorial Park. Monday, May 11: Health Screenings (Cholesterol, Blood Glucose & Blood Pressure), MCB Bldg. Thursday May 14, 5pm: Health Screenings & Information at Head Start "Me & My Guy" Saturday, May 17, 9am Registration, 10am Walk: "Just Move It", SunUte Multi-purpose Field. Wednesday, May 20, 12pm - 1pm: Tele-Health "Behavior Change Strategies In Diabetes", MCB Bldg. Thursday, May 21, Leave MCB at 11:30am, return at 1:30pm: "Nutrition Education & Savvy Shopping", Grocery Tour at Durango City Market. Please register - \$10 Gift Certificate & Snacks provided. Tuesday, May 26, 9am - 12pm: Foot Massage & Foot Health, Plase call for info or ride. Friday, May 29: Shining Mountain Breakfast Burrito Sale, proceeds to benefit the "49" Pow Wow. Shining Mountain Diabetes Program: (970) 563-4741, www.southern-ute.nsn.us/ShiningMt

Department of the Interior Minerals Outreach Meetings

Tuesday, May 12, 2009

BIA- Southern Ute Agency, 9:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Ignacio Senior Center, 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

You are invited to come and have your Mineral ownership or royalty questions answered regardless of where your allotment is located. Please plan to attend.

For more information, contact John Roach, Office of the Special Trustee at (970) 563-1013 or Tom Piccirilli, Minerals Management Service at (800) 982-3226.

We look forward to assisting you. Thank You.

Ignacio School Graduations/Ceremonies/Events

Ignacio Kindergarten Graduation May 13, 2009, 1:00 pm

Elementary School Gym Info: (970) 563-0675

SUIMA Field Day

May 15, 2009, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm SunUte Multi-Purpose Field Info: (970) 563-0253

Ignacio 6th Grade Continuation

May 19, 2009, 5:30 – 6:30 pm Intermediate School Gym Info: (970) 563-0650

Ignacio 1-6 Grade, Field Day May 20, 2009, 8:30 am Ignacio High School

SUIMA Transition Ceremony May 21, 2009, 10:00 am SunUte Community Center

Info: (970) 563-0675/0515

Durango High School Graduation May 22, 2009, 7:00 pm Durango High School Info: (970) 249-1630

The Drum Staff Would Like To Congratulate

Ignacio High School Graduation

May 23, 2009, 10:00 am

Ignacio High School

Info: (970) 563-0515

Ignacio Head Start Graduation

May 29, 2009, 4:00 pm

Ignacio Head Start Gym

Info: (970) 563-4566

Other School Graduations

Bayfield High School Graduation

May 10, 2009, 2:00 pm

Bayfield High School

Info: (970) 884-9521

Info: (970) 563-0253 All the Students Graduating in 2009! **Southern Ute Bear Dance Weekend Events**

Ute Nations Day

May 21, 2009, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Sky Ute Casino Resort, Event Center, Info: (970) 563-0100 Ext. 2308

Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 22-25, 2009 Bear Dance Grounds Info: (970) 563-0100/0199

Southern Ute Bear Dance Feast

May 25, 2009 Bear Dance Grounds Info: (970) 563-0100/0199

Southern Ute Bear Dance PowWow May 22 & 23, 2009

SunUte Community Center Info: (970) 563-0100 Ext. 2460 or (970) 764-7056

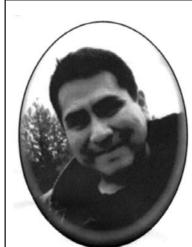
Los Pinos Spring Classic Softball Tourney

May 23 & 24, 2009 Deadline: May 20, 5pm, Entry Fee: \$250/Team Info: (970) 563-0214

Day Of Remembrance

May 25, 2009, 10:00 am Veterans Memorial Park Info: (970) 563-0100 Ext. 2338

Onto The Spirit World

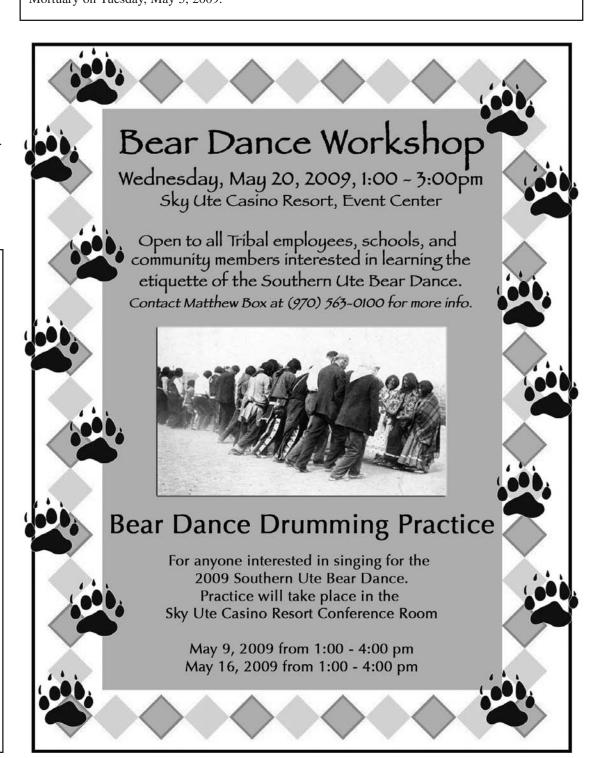


BAKER - Shonie Springer Baker died Saturday, May 2, 2009, in Ignacio, Colo. He was 37. Shonie was born February 9, 1972, in Durango, Colo., the son of Teddy and Vera Baker. He loved working on cars and anything mechanical. He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, hunting with his friends. Shonie always had a smile and had a great sense of humor. He showed a lot of compassion for animals, whether they were in good spirits or in need of care. Being with friends and relatives was important to him. He loved his "Granny"

Shonie is survived by his mother Vera Armenta O'John and stepfather Roy O'John of Ignacio; grandmothers Pauline Armenta Durango and Sarah Jane Baker of Ignacio; grandfather Clifford Springer Baker of Ignacio; aunts Connie Baker and Terry Box of Ignacio, and Ann Baker Blackbird of Lawrence, Kan.; uncles Kenneth George of Bensalem, Pa., and Melvin Baker, Ronnie Baker, Iden Baker, and Tooley Box, all of Ignacio; companion/girl-

friend Joann Olguin of Ignacio; and numerous cousins, friends and family

He was preceded in death by his father Teddy Baker, his grandfather Jim Armenta, and uncle Weslee Baker. Services were held on Wed., May 6, 2009, at Baptist Indian Mission, with Rev. Kelly Winlock officiating. Cremation occurred at Hood Mortuary Crematory in Durango. A visitation was held at Hood Mortuary on Tuesday, May 5, 2009.





Of Four Corners Interest

Ladies Camp Offered to Improve Mountain Bike Skills

Sarah Tescher and Elke Brutsaert have teamed up with Cindy Dahlberg and Durango Mountain Bike Camp to offer an expanded selection of clinics for women. I have attached an image and bio for both Sarah and Tescher, they have been very active in mountain biking. There will be a series of clinics, the first clinic started on Saturday - April 25th. 10% of all proceeds from the clinics will be given to local charities, including Mercy Medical Center-Breast Care Center, Women's Resource Center, DEVO and Fort Lewis College Cycling team. \$50 per clinic or \$225 for the series. For reservation please visit www.durangomountianbikecamp.com. Sarah Tescher (970) 779-8480, Elke Brutsaert (970) 749-2946, Cindy Dahlberg (970) 385-0411.

Clinic #2: Saturday, May 9th, 9:00 until 1:00p.m. Mother's Day Clinic. Meet at Mountain Bike Specialists: 949 Main Avenue.

Clinic #3: Saturday June 13th, Two separate clinics - one for beginners and one for more advanced rid-

ers. 9:00a.m. - 1:00. Meeting location to be announced. Groups: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced. Clinic #4: 2 clinics, Saturday, July 11th, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Meeting location to be announced. Groups: Intermediate and Advanced.

Clinic #5: Saturday, August 22nd, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Location to be announced. Groups: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

Pottery Analysis In The Mesa Verde Region

In recognition of Archeology and Historic Preservation Month, Deb Jensen, archaeologist at Mesa Verde NationalPark, and Patricia Lacey, archaeologist at the Anasazi Heritage Center, will present a program on "Pottery Analysis in the Mesa Verde Region." This program is sponsored in part by the Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society. Deb Jensen has worked in the Southwest for many years analyzing Ancestral Puebloan pottery. She will be giving a power point presentation on Mesa Verde Region pottery types. A short hands-on activity will follow the lecture in which attendees will sort and handle pottery from the education collection at the Anasazi Heritage Center. Tuesday, May 19, 7pm at the Cortez Cultural Center.

May Health & Safety Classes

The American Red Cross is offering these Health & Safety, and Disaster Services training classes at its Southwest Chapter office, 1911 Main Ave., Suite 282: Class sizes are limited, for more information on any class or to register; contact JoLynn at (970) 259-5383 or email jolynn@swcoloradoredcross.org. Classes also can be scheduled for business locations. Our class schedules are also available on our web site swcoloradoredcross.org. First Aid: Tues., May 19, 6-10pm. Cost \$45, 3 year certification.

Adult CPR/AED: Thur., May 7, 6-10pm. Cost \$45, 1 year certification.

Adult, Child & Infant CPR/AED: Tues., May 12, & Thur., May 21, 6-10pm. Cost \$65, 1 yr. certification. Adult CPR/AED and First Aid: Sat., May 9, 8am-5pm. Cost \$60, 1 & 3 year certifications.

Adult, Child & Infant CPR/AED and First Aid: Sat., May 16, 8am-5pm. Cost \$70, includes 1 & 3 year certification respectively. You may challenge any Red Cross Health & Safety class. Cost is \$25. You must pass the written exam and perform the skills without prompting or review. If you fail you must complete the entire course in order to obtain certification. Jolynn for online classes.

Learn About Santa Fe's Rich Past On a Downtown Walking Tour

Santa Fe, celebrates 400th anniversary this year, home to Native Americans, Spanish explorers, rugged frontiersmen, Santa Fe Trail, a bordello or two, and artists and writers. The downtown area is anchored by the Plaza; the 400-year-old Palace of the Governors, the nation's oldest public building; and the Cathedral of St. Francis, built under the direction of Archbishop Jean Baptiste Lamy and completed in 1886. Walking tours run annually from April through October, every Monday-Saturday at 10:15 a.m., starting at the blue gate on the Lincoln Avenue side of the Palace of the Governors, 105 W. Palace Ave. Cost is \$10; children under 17 are free when accompanied by an adult. Tour guides do not accept tips. Two-hour walk covers most renowned downtown area and includes stories people and events that made Santa Fe a world-class tourist destination for decades. Los Compadres del Palacio, one of the key support groups of the New Mexico History Museum and Palace of the Governors, operates the program. Special group tours arranged (505) 476-5100. www.palaceofthegovernors.org.

Dolores Rotary Club's 2 Mile/5K Fun Run

June 6, 2009, Dolores Rotary Club is sponsoring its 2 mile and 5K fun run. Race proceeds go to support Rotary International's goal of eradicating polio in our world! The run is in conjunction with the Annual Dolores River Days Festival. Medals will be awarded for first and second place finishes in six different categories plus the Club will pay \$100 to the fastest individual breaking the 5K run record. Race pre-registration will take place at the Dolores Town Hall and Dolores General Store or on-line at www.doloresrotary.org. Race day registration will take place at 11th and Central Ave from 7-7:45 a.m. Dolores Rotary Club's website at www.doloresrotary.org.

Back Country Horsemen Team Up with USFS

Four Corners Back Country Horsemen and the U.S. Forest Service present three clinics for horsemen in June. June 8-12: Mountain Horsemanship, at Stone Peak Ranch in Ignacio: Master skills to stay safe riding in the mountains. Use your own horse. \$235/BCH members, \$275 others (USFS free)

June 13: Low Impact Stock Use and Camping, at Vallecito Ranger Station in Bayfield (Free to BCH members and USFS; all others, \$10. Demonstrations and hands-on practice on demonstration livestock

June 15-19: Five Day Packing Skills Intensive Training, at Vallecito Ranger Station in Bayfield. USFS free; \$150 all others. Master various packing methods, low-impact stock use skills and more. Use USFS pack string for practice. Spaces are available in all clinics. For information, costs and requirements, Elizabeth Testa (970) 259-1581, Don Kelly (970) 769-6342, (June 13 clinic only) Margie Coates (970) 903-7846.

PowWow Trails

Spring Bear PowWow & Indian Market

May 16, 2009 3333 Regis Blvd. • Denver, CO

Phone: Bear Limvere (303) 648-3414 Email: bear@alterNativeVoices.org Web: www.ravendancers.org

9th Annual Tesoro Cultural Contest PowWow

May 16-17, 2009 19192 Hwy.8 • Morrison, CO

Phone: Eagleboy Whitesheild (303) 960-7601 or (303) 457-4710 Email: www.tesorofoundation.org

Southern Ute Beardance Contest PowWow May 22-23, 2009

SunUte Community Center • Ignacio, CO Phone: Corliss Taylor (970) 764-7056

21st Annual Snow Mountain PowWow

May 23, 2009

Snow Mountain Reservation • Las Vegas, NV Phone: Pow Wow Committee (702) 386-3926 Email: powwow@lvpaiute.com Web: Ivpaiutetribe.com/powwow

2009 Four Bears PowWow

May 28-31, 2009

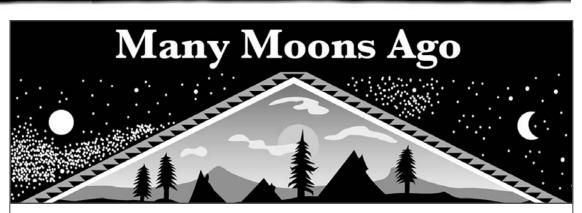
Four Bears Casino • Four Bears, ND Phone: Kathy Dye (701) 421-8545 or Vonie Jo Alberts (701) 421-0601

3rd Annual NACA PowWow

May 30, 2009

1100 Cardenas • Albuquerque, NM Phone: Anpao Duta Flying Earth (505)266-0992 Email: anpaoduta@nacaschool.

Web: www.nacaschool.org



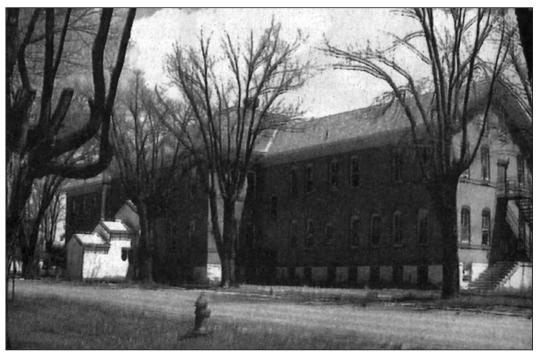


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10 years ago...

May 10th, will mark the end of an era. Building #68, more commonly referred to as the Boy's Dormitory, is scheduled to be demolished. Two months ago, the Tribal Council decided that it was time fot the old bilding to be retired. On tuesday, the 4th of May Council approved a contract with Red Bear Construction to complete the work.

This photo was published in the May 7th, 1999 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



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20 years ago...

Beading Class of Cideahzah Pinnecoose, Seating. L-R, Carol Rock, Dianne Olguin, Jennelle Denny, Stella Sanisteven: Standing, L-R, Josephine Olguin, Cideahzah, Debra Brown, Mr. Briggs, Elaine Newton, and Barbra Scott. Certificate of completion for a 10week were presented by Lee Briggs, Tribal Education Director, on May 2, 1989 at the Ute

This photo was published in the May 12, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



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30 years ago...

Mrs. Tony Sanisteven encouraging the students to continue their education as she did. She said it took her ten years to get her degree from Fort Lewis College and this included raising a family and her job at the So. Ute headstart program.

This photo was published in the May 11th, 1979 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

Ute Words mamakwanika [Means:Bear Dance]

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: "H1N1 Influenza Update"

by Dr. Matthew Clark, MD Southern Ute Health Clinic

Many of you have questions about the recent outbreak of a new influenza virus known as 2009 H1N1 Influenza A (previously referred to as swine flu). This new strain of influenza virus is the result of a combination of bird, human, and swine flu elements and has not been seen before as a cause of infection among humans.

The virus was first reported widely in mid-April after tests confirmed the new virus among infected individuals in Mexico, Texas, and California. The initial reports suggested a high fatality rate among otherwise healthy young adults in Mexico City.

In the interval, an investigation by the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization has indicated that the strain appears to cause relatively mild illness among the majority of sufferers. As of this week, the virus has been confirmed worldwide in over 35 states, 15 countries and with over 500 affected individuals, among whom there were about 20 confirmed deaths (mostly in Mexico).

Experts are cautiously optimistic that this viral strain will not produce widespread severe illness, although preparations



respond should such an event occur. There remains concern that the new influenza strain might re-emerge in the fall and be more widespread and more severe. For this reason, the WHO has been working on the development of a vaccine which might be produced in addition to the regular seasonal flu vaccine for the upcoming flu season. These vaccines are usually distributed in late September or early

The fear of a potential global pandemic of influenza has grown over the years. Pandemics have been known to occur several times each century for at least the last 500 years. The last pandemic was a relatively mild influenza pandemic that occurred in 1968. Many are concerned that we are past due.

On a brighter note, international, national, state, and local pubhave been put into place to lic health organizations have

been working for the last several years on plans for responding to such a pandemic when one occurs. If anything, the H1N1 outbreak this past month is an indicator of how such systems would operate. Within 1 week, national resources were mobilized to the states for possible distribution to areas affected by the outbreak.

Public health authorities will continue to monitor the current outbreak. Due to the mild nature of the illness as it is currently circulating, it is recommended that otherwise healthy persons with mild influenza-like illness remain at home rather than seeking medical testing or treatment. Those with weakened immune systems, those who might be pregnant, and individuals with severe respiratory symptoms should contact their medical provider for advice regarding potential testing and treatment.

The typical symptoms of flu include high fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches, and fatigue. Many other viral infections may produce similar

Everyone should practice good hygiene by frequently washing hands and covering the face with the elbow or sleeve when coughing or sneezing. There is good evidence that alcohol-based hand sanitizers are also effective at preventing the spread of flu and other infectious organisms.

The Kidney Corner: "Swine Flu"

by Dr. Mark Saddler, MD Durango Nephrology Associates

S wine flu, or H1N1 influenza, is not really a "kidney issue", but many of my patients have been asking me questions about this new condition, so I will be discussing it in this edition of the Kidney Corner.

The current outbreak of swine flu seems to have started in Mexico where there have been 568 confirmed cases of the disease, including 22 deaths at the time of writing this article. The United States has had 226 cases with one death. These have been reported in 30 states, including Colorado. At this time, there have not been any cases documented in La Plata county. By the time of publication of this article, these numbers may have increased.

The influenza virus causing this current outbreak contains genetic material from swine (pig), human and bird influenza viruses. It is thought that humans currently have poor immunity to this new virus.

What are the symptoms of swine flu?

It appears that swine flu causes the same symptoms as "usual" influenza, with fever, headache, muscle aches, sore throat and cough. Abdominal symptoms including vomiting and diarrhea may also occur.

How is swine flu diagnosed?

A definitive diagnosis of swine flu can be made in a patient with symptoms suggestive of this condition by performing a swab from the nose or mouth.

Is there a vaccine for swine

No, at present, there is no vaccination available. It is not thought that the regular influenza vaccination will protect patients from swine flu.

Is there a treatment for swine flu?

Yes, two drugs are currently effective: oseltamivir ("Tamiflu"), and zanamivir ("Relenza"). Supplies of oseltamivir have been distributed by the government to be used in this outbreak. Patients felt to be particularly at risk, for whom this treatment is most important, include children, pregnant women, and patients with any chronic disease. In certain cases, contacts of patients with swine flu may require prophylactic (preventive) treatment; at this time it is anticipated that this will apply only to persons at particularly high risk.

How can I avoid getting swine flu?

The most important personal method involves careful and frequent handwashing which prevents spread by the hands to the nose and mouth. Encourage family and friends who may have a cough to cover their mouth and nose when coughing, preferably into the elbow, rather than the hands, with frequent use of disposable tissues; then handwash again after contact with any respiratory secretions.

Adults infected with swine flu who are not seriously ill should try to remain indoors and out of contact with other people as far as possible. This isolation should be continued for a week, or until fever is gone, whichever is longer. Children may continue to excrete flu viruses longer than a week. For this reason, school closures usually are continued for two weeks when swine flu has occurred in a school. More severely ill patients should seek care from a health care facility, especially if severe respiratory symptoms (for example shortness of breath) are present.

Influenza virus outbreaks are notoriously unpredictable so at this time we are not sure how severe this outbreak will be. Further information and updates are available at www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu.

Women's Wellness Connection Offers Free Cancer Screenings To Uninsured

Wellness Connection is expanding its eligibility requirements by offering free breast and cervical cancer screenings to women who are recently unemployed or have

lost health coverage. A recession takes a toll on women's health. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 45 percent of all women, and 58 percent of Hispanic women, have failed to seek medical care in the past year because the cost was too high.

"During hard economic times, women are more concerned with putting food on the table and keeping a roof over their families' heads. As a result, many women neglect their own medical care, suffer from stress and adopt unhealthy behaviors," said Mortensen, Women's Wellness Connection program director based at the Colorado Department of Public

Media Release Health and Environment.

"Generally, women in this state of mind are wholly consumed with other matters and simply With Colorado's unemploy- forgo their health needs, which ment rate reaching a 21-year high could lead to more serious illness at 7.5 percent. Women's and more costly care in the future. It will impact the entire to find out if they are eligible and

Women's Wellness Connection provides free breast and cervical cancer screenings and select diagnostic services at more than 120 provider sites in Colorado.

To be eligible, women must:

- Be ages 40 to 64.
- Be legal residents of the
- United States. · Live in Colorado.
- Have limited or no insurance to pay for these screenings.
- Earn less than \$27,075 a year if single and \$55,125 in a

household of four. "Being uninsured doesn't mean you have to be uninformed." said Mortensen. "The best way to find cancer early is to get routine breast and cervical cancer screenings. In fact, 98 percent of women who find breast cancer early, and 92 percent of women who find cervical cancer early survive it."

Women's Wellness Connection served a record 13,228 women in 2008 and expects to serve nearly 15,000 women in 2009.

For a list of free screening providers throughout Colorado, to make an appointment, women can call 1-866-951-WELL (9355) or visit www.womenswellnessconnection.org.

About Women's Wellness **Connection**

Women's Wellness Connection, which began in 1991, is a program administered by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. It is part of the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The goal of the program, and its staff, is to reduce breast and cervical cancer mortality through the promotion of compliance with routine screening guidelines and timely, state-of-the-art diagnostic evaluation. More information can be found via the hotline (1-866-951-WELL or 9355) or at www.womenswellnessconnection.org.

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Neighborhood Watch **Spring Cleanup**

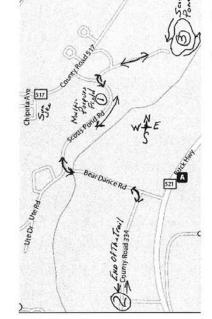


Saturday, May 9th 2009 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Meet at the Entrance

> **Sponsored by the Southern Ute Police Department and** the Neighborhood Watches



Saturday May 16, 2009 SunUte Multi-Purpose Field



Call Julie or Henry 563-4741 For more information 17TH ANNUAL FAMILY FUN RUN/WALKS A 4 MILE THERE AND BACK ROUTE HEALTH CHECKS. REFRESHMENTS AND T-SHIRTS WILL BE PROVIDED

9:00AM REGISTRATION

10:00AM WALK START

1. Walk begins at the SunUte Multi-Purpose field. It will then go south down Scott's Pond Road then turn east on to Bear Dance Road.

2. It will then go east to the End of the Trail road then turn south down the Trail road. It will then go to the end of the road then turn around north and backtrack to Scott's Pond Road.

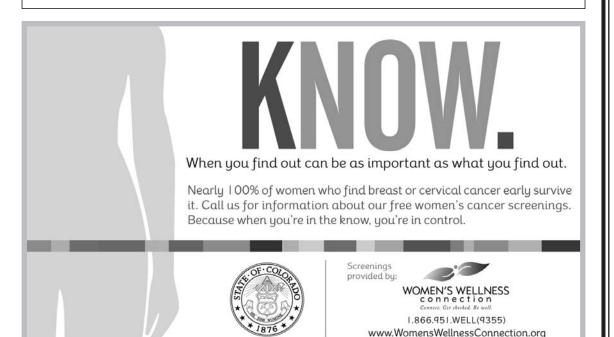
3. Then north on Scott's Pond Road to and around Scotts Pond and finally ending back at the starting point.

A FREE & ALL AGES EVENT



Monthly Social: You are invited to the Senior Center's Social on May 28, 2009. Adventurous Gadabouts: The gadabouts will be traveling to pagosa Springs on May 18, 2009 and Bayfield Gardens on May 21, 2009.

Fund Raiser: May 14, 11am - 3pm: Indian Tacos and Frito Pie, Coffee or soda, Cake all for \$8.00.



Come Get A Tree





"Come get a tree" was the motto at the Pine River Community Learning Center on Thursday, April 30, 2009. Families, children and adults were encouraged to learn about tree planting/health, and native species during this one-day event. Colorado State Forestry specialist, David Dilling (left) gave an informative overview and hands on demonstration about the best tree preparations and forest ecology for our southwest region. PRCLC staff member Scott Baker (above) hosted one of the many educational booths, seen here explaining the details of tree growth. Participants were rewarded with a certified native Ponderosa Pine to take home and plant. The event was organized by PRCLC's own Darrell Roberts and had a highly successful student turn out from the Ignacio Intermediate

photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Sam English Teaches Art





Painter and artist, Sam English, guided art projects on Thursday, April 24, 2009. Students from both SUIMA and B&GC had the opportunity to create their own art pieces and collaborate on a group painting under the guidance of longtime artist Sam English. Students were encouraged by art instructor Trish O'Brian to take on Native American themes and portraits to best draw from the talent and expertise of Sam English. Sam is also an advocate for a drug and alcohol free lifestyle, which he also incorporates into his art lessons with the youth. Originally from the Ignacio community, Sam currently resides in Albuquerque, NM. Sam coaches Marillee Cotton (above) on the preliminary sketch for one of the student group paintings. Hunter Frost (left) details a color portrait using chalk.

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Aspen Students Visit Reservation





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Students of the Aspen High School visited the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in Ignacio on April 17, 2009. The students came to Ignacio as part of the schools curriculmn to study other cultures, some also go to other parts of the United States, some as far as New York, some to help the homeless, some to build houses and lend a hand in a community. The Aspen students visiting our reservation camped at Navajo Reservoir for two nights. While on Southern Ute soil the students met with Southern Ute Cultural Center Museum staff members and then ventured to the Growth Fund building and met with Human Resource Manager, Maria Baker, and Sky Ute Sand & Gravel employees Mike Olguin and Vincent Mirabal. During their visit, Maria gave the students a detailed overview of the history of the Southern Ute Reservation and it's land usage and the resources the Southern Ute Indian Tribe utilize. The students then met with Tribal Council in chambers and asked questions of Tribal Government, they then took a tour of the Leonard C. Burch Building before departing to the Casino for some bowling. The trip was organized with the help of Ellen Baker, Acting Director of the Southern Ute Public Education Department.

SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE

May 22-25, 2009 BEAR DANCE GROUNDS - IGNACIO, CO

BLESSING OF THE GROUNDS MAY 22 (10:30AM)

BEAR DANCE FEAST, MAY 25

BEAR DANCE CHIEF - MATTHEW BOX BEAR DANCE SUB-CHIEF - JAKE RYDER

BEAR DANCE INFO: (970) 563-0199 • VENDOR INFO: (970) 563-0156

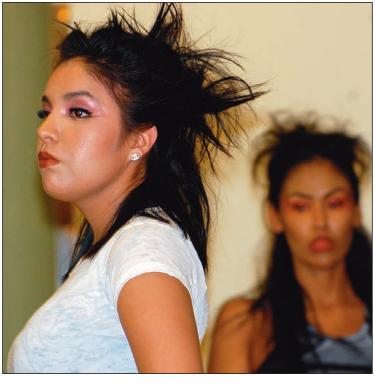


Women must be in a dress while bear dancing. No Photography or Recording of the Bear Dance of any kind! (EXCEPT BY UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS). THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, INJURIES OR THEFT. BY ORDER OF THE SOUTHERN UTE POLICE DEPARTMENT - THE PINE RIVER IS RESTRICTED

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Gathering Of Nations, Much More Than Just A PowWow







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Every year the Gathering Of Nations PowWow in Albuquerque, New Mexico gains notoriety as the largest powwow in the Unites States, and it's evident that with each new year the powwow attracts much more than just dancers and drum groups. Stage 49, outside of the University of New Mexico's "The Pit", included entertainers such as, Native Roots, Quese IMC & Bunky Echo Hawk, Red Cloud and many more. Other attractions included, the Big NDN Show held at the Wool Warehouse in downtown Albuquerque, a night of entertainment from bands such as Rocking Horse, The Cremains, Rocking Horse, Ethnic De Generation, which also showcased Native American clothing designers and models. The All Nations Skate Jam took place over two days, at the Los Altos Skate Park, attracting hundreds of skaters and musical acts. Legendary "Lord Of Dogtown", Tony Alva was also on hand to sign autographers and demonstrate some skills that made him a legend.

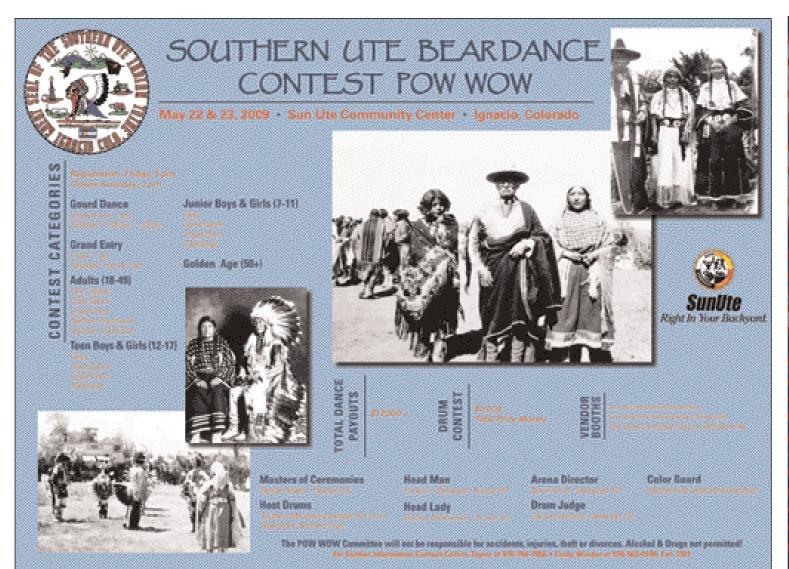


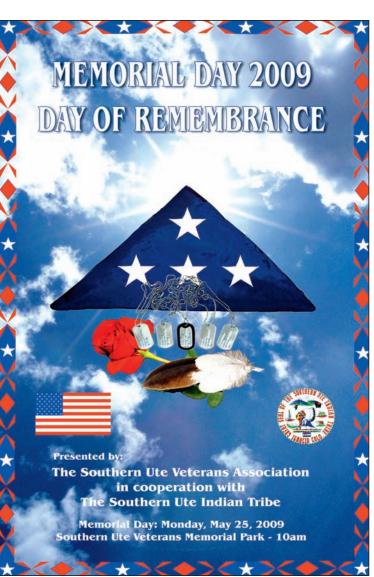
Miss Indian World 2009



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Brooke Grant (center) was crowned Miss Indian World 2009 at this years Gathering of Nations Powwow in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Brooke's Tribal background includes Hupa, Yurok, Karuk, and Chippewa. Brooke resides in Los Angeles, California, where she is obtaining a degree from Mount St. Mary's College. All three of the finalist spoke of the pride and joy associated with being able to represent their respective Tribes and the hard work involved in running for this esteemed royalty position. Brooke hopes that she can relay a message to the younger girls to listen and respect others, while acknowledging the importance of self-respect and leadership. The First Runner-up to this prestigious title was Evereta Lee Thinn (right), Navajo Tribal member from Shonto, Arizona; Second Runnerup was Tara Kitcheyan (left) of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos, Arizona.





Head Start Field Day



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Students, parents and teachers came together on Thursday, April 30, 2009 for this year's annual Head Start Field Day. Activities ranged from tricycle racing to fishing for rubber ducks. Exceptionally good weather and enthusiastic participants made this event a success. Volunteers from Ignacio High School lent a hand with the various activities. Bubble popping was a favorite among many of the Montessori school kids, pictured from left to right, Ashley Flores, Keona Whitey, and Wyatt Ezzell joyfully play in the midst of the bubble machine!

Indigenous Entertain B&G Club



Kindergarten

Announcements

Students entering Kindergarten

at Ignacio Elementary School

2009-2010 are invited to

attend the following events:

May 18, 8:30am-1 1am

(Dial R testing)

May 19, 1pm-3:30pm

(Pial R testing)

Call to setup an appointment

(970) 563-0675

Members of the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe were invited to an exclusive sound check party with famous Blues musician, Indigenous. Indigenous treated the club members with several types of pizza and bottled water before the party started. The sound check party was rockin' especially when Southern Ute Tribal member, Ellie Siebel got half of the BGC members to get up and dance! Picture taking, handshakes, and autographs all happened at the sound check party. The Ft. Lewis Community Concert Hall graciously donated concert tickets that night for the members to attend with their parents. BGC of SUIT would like to thank The Ft. Lewis Community Concert Hall, Indigenous, and his management for making this an unforgettable experience for our members!

B&G Club Youth/Month

Badger Yellowbird

When Badger was 1 year, his Great Aunt Helen made the trip from Uintah & Ouray Indian Reservation. She gave him a blessing, smudged him and gave him his Ute name Ono Pooch or Badger. There are many stories of Badger in Indian Country.

Badger is 7th generation Ute Indian from this country and is descendant of the great migration 10,000 years ago. His Ute blood comes from his Traditional mother's side (photos of his great grandmother's Pooques and Red Rope can be found in the Thorne collection).

Just like his relatives, Badger has lived in a 22 ft. Teepee for the past 4 years hauling water, food, firewood and reading by a flashlight. Listening to stories, he would fall asleep to the sound of nature. Spirits would watch over him and his family of stuffed critters.

He learned to bless himself by burning cedar, to get up before the sun and to be home before it gets dark.

in Denver, CO and currently lives in Ignacio, CO. He is in first grade, and is seven and half years old. Badger's favorite



activity is that he loves to eat. His favorite foods are chicken, hot dogs, and marshmallows. His second favorite thing is that he loves to play. He loves to drum, and sing.

Badger has not missed a day of school and loves to meet his friends at the Boys & Girls Club. His favorite thing about the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is that it is a place kids can have fun.

He is in the BGC classes of SMART moves, Healthy Eats, and playing sports. He has a favorite bear that he carries Badger Yellowbird was born around with him, and his name is Mr. Bear.

> He loves presents, and he would love to get more bears. He also would love more toys.

Ignacio Library News & Events "A Cool Place To Checkout"

Next Friends of the Library Meeting

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Tues., May 12, 11am New friends welcome! (970) 563-9287 for information.

Next Library District Board Meeting

Wed. May 13th, 5pm The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Sign Language Workshop, Sign In!

Wed., May 13, 5pm - 7pm For Adults (18+) learn to use your hands to talk with your friends in a new language. Learn basic sign language and phrases to communicate with the deaf. We will also learn something about deaf culture. Taught by Sherry Ann Marlowe, an interpreter with more than 30 years of experience now interpreting at Ignacio Elementary School.

Senior Center Visit

Thurs., May 14, 12pm The Librarian will be at the Senior Center lunch time. Stop book, and find out what programs you might be interested in attending!

Spring Artist Reception

Fri., May 15, 4:30pm Celebrate Spring and art all at the same time. Come to hear about the art and the inspiration. Starving artists and others will be fed.

Spring Book Sale

Sat., May 16, 10am - 3pm "Spring into Summer" with our Book Sale on the Library Plaza, or visit our On-going Book Sale any day in the Library AND get ready for Summer Reading on June 3rd!

Garrison Keillor Documentary

Fri., May 22, 6pm - 8pm A fundraising event for KSUT, admission and details at www.ksut.org. America's foremost humorist and commentator, Garrison Keillor, takes his skits and jokes, music and monologues across the country in his traveling radio show, spinning his stories into American gold.

Writer's Workshop

Sat., May 23, 10:30am-12:30pm Anyone interested in learning new techniques or honing their writing skills is welcome to participate.

Computer Classes

Thur., May 28, 5pm-7pm Introduction to PowerPoint (or How to Really Show Off those Pictures you Took on Vacation). PowerPoint is the ultimate slide show - it's easy to learn, store and share's not just for geeks!

Library Closed Mon., May 25, Memorial Day

Gardening Class Thur., June 5, 2pm

Presented by High Plains Nursery. Enjoying Hardy Shrub Roses in Your Landscape"- Topics covered will be the selection, planting and care of hardy shrub roses in the Four Corners area. There will be a variety of shrub roses in containers, many colors including: Species, Rugosas, Canadian, Easy Elegance varieties. Other topics: Planting and growing semi-dwarf trees and Informational handouts available.

Poetry Contest Winners

1st Place Kathleen Claussen: "My Father Taught Me" 2nd Place Diana Ruthers: "Homage 1"

3rd Place Ronald Yellow Bird: "Chippewa Woman" All poem entries will be on view for reading at the library.

New Additions

Adult Fiction A Reliable Wife (Robert Goodrick)

Turn Coat (*Jim Butcher*) by, get a library card, check out a Lavender Morning (Jude Deveraux)

> Tea Time for the Traditionally **Built** (*Alexander McCall Smith*) Crazy Love: A Memoir (Leslie Morgan)

Once A Runner (John L. Parker

Just Take My Heart: (Mary Higgins Clark)

One Day At A Time (Danielle

Paths Of Glory (*Jeffrey Archer*)

A Mad Desire To Dance (Elie Wiesel)

The Cradle (Patrick Somerville) **Borderline** (Nevada Barr) Long Lost (Harlan Coben) **Bone Crossed** (Patricia Briggs) **Fool** (Christopher Moore)

Adult Non Fiction A Hidden Life: A Memoir

(Johanna Reiss) Act Like a Lady, Think Like Man: What men really think **about love** (Steve Harvey)

I'll Scream Later (Marlee Matlin) Weber's Way to Grill: The

step-by-step guide to expert **grilling** (Jamie Purviance) Yamaha YZ & WR 4-Stroke **Motocross & Off-road Bikes:** service & repair (Alan Ahlstrand)

Book & Movie Charades April winner is Chase Sanchez. Great job Chase!

April Blog Winner

Congrats to Nathan Brown our April book blog winner. He reviewed Sahara by Clive Cussler. Nathan recommends this book to anyone that enjoys reading fast moving adventure books. You can be our May blog winner. Just enter to win by May 27th.

> **Pre-school Weekly Story Time** Wednesdays, 10am

Summer Reading Program, Jun. 3-Aug. 3

What to do with children of all ages during those long hot summer days? Summer Reading Programs! Regular contact with print materials-books, magazines, writing games—helps little kids get ready to read and big kids raise scores. Opening day for sign up is June 3rd, starting at 10:00 am and ends at 3:00 pm. There will be hot dogs and refreshments, and fun games to play for the kids. We will have reading logs to send home with you to keep track of the books read for the summer. There is Family Reading, Independent Readers and this year we are having Adult Summer Reading.

Crafts & Fun Wednesdays, 2pm

Older children and teens crafts and fun will be Wednesdays. We will be working on a float for the San Ignacio Parade during the summer. There will be projects to pick up and work on at home and return to the library or to work on in the library.

Knitting Group

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. Make something! Spin a yarn! Make friends!

Sign Language Workshop, Sign In!

Wed., May 13, 4pm - 5pm For Youth/Teens! Class will teach some basic signing and phrases to students wanting to learn how to talk with the deaf. Taught by Sherry Ann Marlowe, an interpreter at Ignacio Elementary School.

Library Book Scavenger Hunt

Congrats to Kylie Bell - the winner of the April Scavenger hunt! The next Scavenger Hunt will be Wed. May 27th at 2:00 p.m.

New Books for

Tweens & Teens Twilight: Director's Notebook (Catherine Hardwick) Miles to Go (Miley Cyrus)

The Graveyard Book (Neil Gaiman) The Hunter Games (Suzanne

Collins) **Baseball Great** (Tim Green)

House of Night (P.C. Cast & Kristin Cast)

Three Cups of Tea: Young Reader's Edition Mortenson & David Oliver Relin) Wake (Book 1) (Lisa McMann) Fade (Wake, Book 2) (Lisa McMann)

April was National Poetry Month

Thank you kids for submitting your poetry. All poetry received is on exhibit in the library. 1st Place Chrystianne Valdez "Bees"

2nd Place Joy Roehrs "Golden Phoenix" **3rd Place Ellie Seibel** "Poor Christmas Kid"

OPEN REGISTRATION @ THE SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER

Tuesday, May 19 @ 6pm Wednesday, May 20 @ noon Tuesday, May 26 @ 6pm Wednesday, May 27 @ noon Saturday, May 30, 9am-noon (drop-in) Saturday, June 6, 9am-noon (drop-in)

Must attend one Open Registration Meeting. Space is limited and for first registered Summer Club members.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Club is looking for community volunteers to help coordinator and/or implement the following programs: A Walking Club, Native Beading, Outdoor Skills or any other enriching class for youth to learn from. Contact Gina @ 563.0214.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

SUMMER '09 INFORMATION

- Regular Summer Program: June 8 August 19
- Extended Summer Program: Aug 20-Sept 3. Monday-Friday, 9-5pm @ SunUte. (Opens 7:30am)
- Must be ages 6-13 at time of attending.
- Tribal Member participants: \$10/year. Non-Tribal Member Participants: \$10/yearly
- membership PLUS required \$5/summer week. Scholarships available to support fees.
- Teen Leader positions available for ages 13-18.
- Must attend Open Registration to be eligible for summer program (current Club members included).
- Club Information Line: 563.4753

'Cats Drenched, But Do Well At BHS Ladies Net First Wins, End On Road

by Joel Priest Special to the Drum

Donning warm-ups that were anything but, the best foot race between competitors-and fans, for that matter—last Saturday could have been the one back to the parking lot.

With Mother Nature turning naughty and nautical, the Ignacio Bobcats still had enough power, port or starboard, bow to stern, to splash their way to an abbreviated 2009 San Juan Basin League boys' track-and-field title.

Persistent rains and a slight breeze kept temperatures at Bayfield's Wolverine Country Stadium quite cooler than the predicted high of 50—half an hour before the whole Southwest Colorado Multi-League Meet was concluded early, the Fahrenheit reached just 43 degrees.

But IHS had amassed enough points by 2 p.m., driven by the strength of a 1-2-3 discus sweep, to outdo Dolores, 69-65. Ouray was third (58.5 points), five ahead of Mancos, with Telluride rounding out the top five teams.

Senior Abel Velasquez won the discus with a peak fling of 130 feet. Junior Shane Brooks followed at 121'6", with classmate Alex Herrera next at 115'10". Ignacio also took the top two spots in the pole vault for Class 2A, with Dusty Mangus and Raudel Lucero each clearing eight feet despite the precipitation.

Herrera also placed in the shot put, taking fourth (41'7 3/4") in a competitive field including



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

Trying to see through the rain at last Saturday's Southwest Colorado Multi-League Meet at Bayfield HS, Ignacio's Chance Wyatt (right) and Diamond Morgan (middle) accelerate early in the 100-meter dash.

Norwood's Stryker Lane, whose Mavericks finished sixth as a group. Lane had won both throwing events the last time the teams gathered at WCS-April 21, for the rescheduled Pine River Invitational that had been snowed out ten days earlier.

The Lady 'Cats numbered just three, but did score points to officially register in the team standings. Katelyn Sivers took first in the pole vault (7'0"), giving IHS a unique sweep of the discipline, while Santana Rodriguez—back from her brief stint with the Ignacio girls' soccer team earned third place in both the 100-meter dash (14.52 seconds) and the high jump (4'2").

Also representing the SJBL were athletes and/or teams from Dove Creek, Nucla, Ridgway, and even Silverton School. The 2A Southern Peaks and the 3A

Intermountain also contested their league championships at the soggy venue.

Using a motocross analogy, LCQ (last-chance qualifying) time has arrived for those Ignacio tracksters wanting to make the 2009 State Championships in Denver, beginning May 14. The Bobcats are scheduled to invade Ralph Stocker Memorial Stadium at Lincoln Park for this weekend's 2A-Region IV meet in Grand Junction—also the site for 3A-Region VI—with only the top three in each event surviving to see Jefferson County Stadium next week.

As of noon Monday, the CHSAA website's posted list of state pre-qualifiers showed just one from IHS—Velasquez, who topped the 139'0" standard in the discus with a throw of 140'8" at the PRI.



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Multi-League Meet, hosted by Bayfield HS.

by Joel Priest Special to the Drum

In more February-like temperatures, underneath a sky stuck in a persistent sunset that masked well the sun's actual setting, Solar Ranch was a fitting—if not ironically named—site at which the Lady Bobcats concluded their day-and-night soccer season.

IHS head coach Janet Mosher and assistant Andrew Fenity were appropriately dressed to that effect, with the president garbed in a white hoodie and the veep veiled in black for last Tuesday's long trip up to Ridgway and the clash with the league champions.

And though Ignacio had little to gain in the 3A Southwestern standings, they did have two abstracts to play for-their own pride for surviving the '09 grind, and the fact their local rivals were in Pagosa Springs, praying for half of the miracle that would make them loop co-champs.

But Bayfield's wishes were swiftly dashed as RHS' Willa Johnson scored the eventual match-winner in only the fourth minute, and after 36 more were completed, Mosher challenged her side with a request no coach ever wants to make:

"Let's not let them get six," she said in the halftime huddle, "no more goals in this half!"

But RHS' Michal Fagrelius disobeyed seven minutes after the restart, giving the Lady Demons that 6-nil lead on their Senior Day, and when full time was called, Ridgway had enacted the 10-goal mercy rule with an 81st-minute marker from Cory Hibbard.

Freshman Lauren Gleason also notched a hat trick (30', 62', 69') as Ridgway improved to 8-0-2 in the SWL with the shutout. Ignacio wrapped up at 2-8-0, both overall and league.

Night kicked in rather quickly



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

GO K.A.R.T.! The acronym for the Lady Bobcats' halftime cheer at Ridgway on April 28 - the final match of 2009 for IHS was explained only inside their huddle, framed nicely in oldwest style at Solar Ranch. The players' enthusiasm hinted at its effective punch line.

after that, but as the Lady 'Cats packed their gear, Fenity and Mosher did make sure to give shine to the light that hopefully will return to lead Ignacio in 2010. In addition to exhausted seniors Jody Mangus, Katherine Gallegos, Brenna Brown, and Emmylou Covey, the mentors saluted the work of this year's underclassmen, especially freshmen Abeth Okall and Carly Barborinas.

The duo looked as though they could still run another half at least, continuing their play put forth three days earlier as IHS headed east for a doubleheader against Center at Center Community Park. And there, with a replacement goalie and only seven field players available for the trip, the Lady Bobcats roared in the San Luis Valley sun and booked a 3-0, 3-2 sweep.

On her 18th birthday, Brown was moved between the pipes with sophomore regular Bonnie Lucero unavailable (she did return for the finale against RHS), and earned the two wins. Okall scored twice in the opener and Mangus scored once, but the Lady Vikings—with even more inexperience on their roster—weren't about to concede their Senior Day just yet.

Dressing up nine freshmen, but only one senior, CHS battled as hard for a possible first victory as Ignacio had just done, but IHS struck first when Mangus shot past keeper Maetta Woody-one frosh-off a pass from Barborinas in the third minute.

Brenda Valenzuela—another frosh—answered in the 22nd, tying on a breakaway finish past Brown, but Mangus regained the lead for Ignacio in the 30th, burying her own breakaway past Woody for a 2-1 halftime lead.

After Barborinas threatened to slam the door early—just missing in the 33rd (halves' lengths were shortened)—Center's lone senior, Eimi Chavez re-knotted the score in the 39th. Tested somewhat often, Brown truly saved the day in the 47th, robbing Valenzuela who was dashing in alone, and Mangus locked up the triumph with her hatter coming in the 54th.

Ignacio finished fifth in the SWL, while Center (0-10, 0-11 overall) took their lumps, finishing sixth. BHS (6-1-3, 7-3-3) took second place, ahead of Telluride (6-3-1, overall mark unverified), and PSHS (4-4-2, 4-8-2).



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

For the relays completed before last Saturday's Southwest Colorado Multi-League Meet was prematurely concluded, grip on the baton was at a premium in the steady rains. Here, Ignacio's Antonio Thompson makes a successful transfer to Brenden Ruybal in the 4x800-meter event.



IHS' Abel Velasquez, despite a rain-soaked circle underfoot, still gets traction to heave the shot in last Saturday's Southwest Colorado Velasquez did manage to capture first in the Class 2A discus event.

IHS Soccer Summaries

Apr. 25, 2009 (30-minute halves), IGNACIO 3:0 Center: SCORERS: I - Abeth Okall two goals, Jody Mangus one goal, C - none. Goalkeepers: I -Brenna Brown, C - Maetta Woody.

Apr. 25, 2009 (30-min. halves), IGNACIO 3:2 Center: FIRST HALF (scorer, minute of goal) -Mangus (I) 3, Brenda Valenzuela (C) 22, Mangus 30. SECOND - Eimi Chavez (C) 39, Mangus 54. Goalkeepers: I - Brown, C - Woody.

Apr. 28, 2009 (40-min. halves), IGNACIO 0:10 Ridgway: FIRST HALF - Willa Johnson (R) 4, Stine Austed (R) 8, Austed 12, Lauren Gleason (R) 30, Julie Sirotek (R) 37. SECOND - Michal Fagrelius (R) 47, Gleason 62, Audrey Jossi (R) 65, Gleason 69, Cory Hibbard (R) 81. Goalkeepers: I Bonnie Lucero, R - Rowan VanArsdell.

compiled on site by Joel Priest

Correction, For The Record...

In the April 10, 2009 (Vol. XLI, No. 7), a cutline indicated that Mark Garcia was throwing a pitch "with no grip, or pitching arm, apparently". The photo, when snapped, made Mark appear to have no arm, although this was meant to be candid, it may have come off as offensive, our apologies to Mark and his family.

In the April 23, 2009 (Vol. XLI, No. 6) Mr. Larry Walter's job title was listed as GIS Manager, however Mr. Walter's correct job title is; Custodian.

Sky Ute Casino Resort Boxing

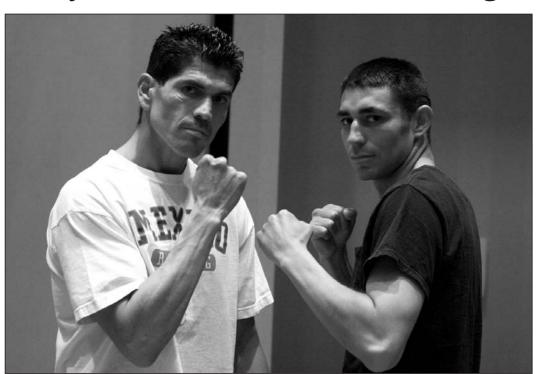


photo Michelle Alvarez/SU TIS Dept.

On Saturday, April 25, 2009 the newly built, Sky Ute Casino Resort held its "Four Corners Showdown" boxing match in it's Event Center - before a sold out crowd, Elco "The Animal" Garcia, 37, (20-7), sent Joe Gomez, 24, (16-1-1) to the ring floor five times, ending in a TKO at 1:29 of the seventh round. Both Joe and Elco are considered locals by many, they both have fought most of their fights here in Ignacio, however Elco lives here, and has been training for his fights at the SunUte Community Center, he was definitely the hometown favorite that night. Elco is managed by Southern Ute Tribal Member Brian Frost, also of Ignacio.

Men's Open Summer **Basketball** League

photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

Ignacio freshman Abeth Okall (left) out-

fights Center's Linda Borunda for the ball dur-

ing the Lady Bobcats' April 25 doubleheader at

Center Community Park. Okall netted two goals in the first match, won by IHS 3-0.

Ignacio then won 3-2 to complete the sweep.

Men 18 years and older, basketball players Games start May 27, 2009 Deadline to sign up is May 22, 2009 \$250 Entry Fee To sign up, or for more information contact: Ian Twiss (970) 563-0214 Ext. 2664 at SunUte.

Southern Ute Tribal Members **Thinking About College?**

The Southern Ute Higher Education Department will be holding informational meetings each month, at the Higher Education building, about our Post Secondary Educational Scholarships.

> **Meeting Dates:** May 13th, 5:30 pm - 7 pm May 20th, 5:30 pm - 7 pm

June 3rd, 5:30 pm - 7 pm June 17th, 5:30 pm - 7 pm

Please call the Higher Education Department to reserve a spot on one of the dates (970) 563-0237.

Refreshments Will Be Served!

Fly-Fishing In France

Special to the Drum

For my right-wing redneck buddies and buddets that don't speak French, once you get the title of this column translated, you will probably have the vapors. It's true; I went to France, and I went willingly. And I can further add that I followed a rule set in stone by a friend. She said, "Don, I do not want to see your face on CNN for causing some type of ruckus." I behaved; she didn't see my face.

So why does a trip to France, by me, rate a column? Well, I followed my number one rule, "Never go anywhere without a fly-rod." So, with my fly-rod safely in hand I began my two-week trip to France by spending the first week on the Canal du Midi. For those of you that aren't as worldly traveled as I now am, this week was spent in the south of France.

For two couples of us the trip began by picking up our motorized yacht at Castelnaudry. We then took a week and motored south on the canal to Port Cassafieres, near Mediterranean. Not knowing anything about fly-fishing in France I took a 6 weight rod, 4X leader, and a wide selection of flies. I mean, how hard could it be to retired guide, live in Colorado, and have fished all over the country. I even had illusions of catching fish for a dinner or two.

The first warning this might be a little more difficult that I expected was when the check in dame at the boat rental office, in broken English, explained we didn't need to worry about having the septic tank pumped out. The reason we didn't need to worry about this was because the toilets flushed into the canal. The second warning, was that the people living along the canal, like many Americans, want to see how many plastic bottles the canal can hold. The validation of these warnings was I saw only one fisherman during the 50-mile canal trip.

Not to be deterred, I rigged up, put a Woolley Bugger on the end of my 4X leader, and started casting. This was after dinner the first night. I had a single malt in one hand, my fly- rod in the other, a cigar held firmly in between my teeth, and was chatting with the other people in my group. Not an easy task. So when I had a strike, I missed it. I thought it was a good sign. Sadly, it was the only semblance of a fish for an entire week of casting.

However, I did find fly-fishing is a universal language. Lots of

Don Oliver catch fish on a canal. Really, I'm a folks, speaking in French, asked me what I was doing. I explained in my combination of French, Tex-Mex, southern Colorado language, about fly-fishing. I also had two men from Ireland, who said they were avid fly-fishermen, stop and talk with me. They wanted to see my fly box, and then commented about how they had never seen flies like mine. They also said, "Should I catch anything, don't touch it, much less eat it."

After a week of this I broke my rod down and mumbled to myself, "It's called fishing, not catching, for a reason." It gave me great comfort, yea right. From here Terri and I left our boat and headed to Paris. Being the optimist that I am, I was hoping not only would everyone in Paris be nice, but that I would also find a spot to do a little fly-fishing. I went one for two. Everyone in Paris was nice; my fly-fishing in France ended at Port Cassafieres.

At this point I do have to say that judging from my experiences in France my preconceived ideas about the people of France were wrong. Not sure about their government, seemed to be about as efficient as ours, but the people were great. Should I find myself there again, I will be better prepared with my French vocabulary and places to fly-fish.

Three Springs Honored With LEED • from page 1

LEED's third-party certification program promotes an integrated design approach and recognizes performance in site development, water efficiency, energy efficiency/optimization, materials selection, indoor environmental quality, and innovation. The USGBC's LEED rating system is widely recognized as the industry's premier tool to ensure responsible green building practices. The benefits of building green are numerous and include: environmental benefits, such as protecting ecosystems and biodiversity; economic benefits, such as reduced operating costs, and improved employee productivity and satisfaction; and health and community benefits, such as improved air, thermal, and acoustic environments resulting in enhanced occupant comfort and health.

The project team was comprised of local firms Tierra Group LLC, another Southern Ute Growth Fund company (Project Management), FCI Constructors Inc. (General Contractor), and Scottsdale-based Nelsen Partners (Architects).

The two mixed-use buildings (over 51,000 sf) are located at 125 and 175 Mercado Street and were completed in late 2007/early 2008. Occupants currently include Alpine Bank, Anytime Fitness, Three Springs Information Center,

TRIBAL OFFICES CLOSED

MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009

IN OBSERVANCE OF

MEMORIAL DAY

GF Development Group LLC, GF Properties Group LLC, GF Private Equity Group LLC, and Red Cedar Gathering Company LLC. And Digs Market Café, a 4,000 sf restaurant/deli/bar at Mercado Street level, just opened in April.

"In the future, we hope that many more Durango buildings will earn LEED certification for new construction. Through sustainable practices, we all need to contribute to a growing greenbuilding economy," says Vaughn.

About Three Springs: Located south of Historic Downtown Durango on Three Springs Boulevard off of Hwy 160, Three Springs is Durango's newest and most unique neighborhood. For more information on Three Springs, or its recent LEED Certification, contact Tim Zink, Three Springs General Manager (970) 764-6000, <u>www.three-</u> springsdurango.com.

Specific implementations to obtain LEED-NC certification for the buildings include:

- Sophisticated storm water management system to limit and treat
- High efficiency systems including Computerized Energy Modeling employed during design to guide design decisions and optimize system performance
- Reduction in building water use (over 30%) due to water conserving fixtures
- Diversion of waste materials from landfills (over 77%) to the onsite construction recycling facility
- Use of post-consumer recycled building structural steel (approxi-
- Use of wood-based materials and products sustainably grown and
- Superior ventilation strategies meeting or exceeding stringent national standards
- Use of low emitting materials with low VOC (volatile organic compounds) in adhesives/sealants and paints/coatings; certified carpet systems; and composite wood and agrifiber products with no added urea-formaldehyde resins
- Use of high fly ash content in concrete
- Superior consideration for natural day lighting and views
- Green Cleaning Program for housekeeping and maintenance



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

IN PROBATE NO. 08-191-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DAVID BENT BOX, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGA-TEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on MONDAY, MAY 29, 2009 AT 10:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 7th day of APRIL, 2009. TRENNIE R. BURCH, Deputy Court Clerk

IN PROBATE NO. 08-174-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ELDRED ALVIN VIGIL, JR., Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009 AT 9:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 14th day of APRIL, 2009. **KELLY HERRERA, Deputy Court Clerk**

IN PROBATE NO. 09-058-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CLIFTON JOSEPH GREANY, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTH-ERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said

cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on FRIDAY, MAY 29 2009 AT 9:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 28th day of APRIL, 2009. TRENNIE R. BURCH, Deputy Court Clerk

IN PROBATE NO. 09-014-PR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NAOMI RED, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009 AT 10:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 5th day of MAY, 2009. **DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk**

IN PROBATE NO. 09-0180-PR

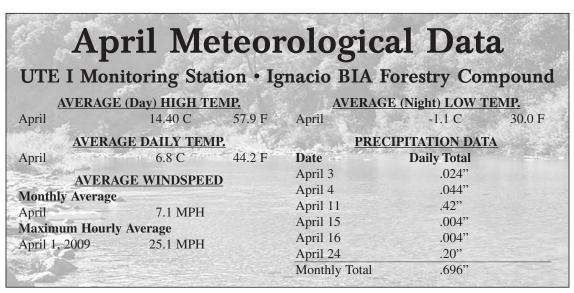
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: HOWARD JEROME GROVE, JR., Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTH-ERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on TUES-DAY, JUNE 16, 2009 AT 10:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary

Dated this 13th day of MARCH, 2009. **DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk**

Attention All Turkey Hunters

To all Tribal/non-tribal turkey hunters. I'm Jason M. Analla, I'm requesting for turkey feathers for my religious purposes. If any Tribal or non-tribal members could donate feathers they will be used in a good way. Contact me at (970) 563-0272. Mon,-Fri., 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thank you, Jason Analla







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.

Bookkeeper

Closing Date 5/15/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel, Durango, CO. Provides bookkeeping support to include accounts payable, accounts receivable, inventory and general ledger duties.

Environmental Compliance Specialist (SECMG) Closing Date 5/15/09 - GF Regulatory Compliance Provides support and assistance in the coordination and administration of Environmental Compliance programs for the oil and gas, sand and gravel, utilities, land development and construction industries.

Office Manager

Closing Date 5/12/09 - Aka Energy Group, LLC This position provides day-to-day office management and support including the preparation of correspondence and reports, maintaining filing systems, coordinating the flow and processing of paperwork.

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Tribal Employment Rights Office TERO Office • PO Box 737 #34, 116 Mouache Dr., Ignacio, CO, 81137 Phone: (970) 563-0117 or 563-0100 Ext. 2294 • Fax: (970) 563-4824

Solix BioFuels Company Background

The Solix vision is to unlock the complex secrets of one of the simplest organisms on earth, microalgae, to create a commercially viable biofuel that will play a vital role in solving climate change and petroleum scarcity. Becoming a member of the Solix team includes the ability to be self-motivated, a team player, possess excellent communication skills, and have the ability to adapt to the fast paced environment of a rapidly growing company. Solix Biofuels offers a very competitive compensation package, including an attractive benefit package (health, dental, and vision insurance, 401k, and paid time off).

Automation & Controls Technician Closing Date: May 15, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

Position Summary: This position will be responsible for installing, repairing, and calibrating automation and water handling/treatment equipment and related systems used in the pilot production of microalgae.

Responsibilities: Perform tests to determine chemical levels and system parameters. (this requires observing color changes). Handle common water treatment industry chemicals. (bleach, chlorine acids, etc.) Fill chemical tanks per specifications. Must perform basic calculations. Repairs and calibrates all equipment and devices. Work with metal and plastic materials for the purposes of installation and repairs. Perform basic wiring installation, trouble shooting, and repair. Tests, adjusts, documents and records equipment performance. Performs simple software diagnostics. May perform simple Visual Basic programming. Fill out service reports and related forms. Must be willing to fill in operator duties when technician responsibilities are not required.

Required experience and skills: 5-10 years experience as electrical/mechanical/water treatment technician installing, repairing and maintaining manufacturing systems and equipment. Prefer multi-skilled candidates with both electrical and plumbing skills. Basic wiring skills for voltages up to 120 volts; awareness of 480 VAC three phase. Electrical troubleshooting; communication bus trouble shooting. PLC wiring experience. Some LabView experience preferred. Strong verbal and written communication skills. Able to work well independently and as a team member in a small, focused team environment. Level C or D water plant operator certification highly preferred. Excellent math skills.

Required Education: Associates degree in a technical field (electrical, electro/mechanical preferred) or equivalent combination of education and experience.

Work Environment/Physical Demands: Be able to safely lift 50 pounds and able to move (with assistance) items up to 150 pounds.

Mechanical Technician Closing Date: May 15, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

Position Summary: Multi-disciplinary technician role in a small, diverse plant producing algae for use in biofuel production. Includes general mechanical and some electrical responsibilities plus facilities-related maintenance tasks.

Responsibilities: Installs, repairs and maintains machinery and mechanical equipment, such as motors, pumps, centrifuges, valves, blowers, motors, etc. Purchases small equipment and PPE. Examines mechanical equipment to diagnose problems; disables machines and repairs or replaces broken parts. Adjust functional parts of mechanical and electrical devices as necessary. Cleans and lubricates parts. Tests, calibrates, repairs and modifies control and instrumentation systems for plant production/process equipment. Orders and installs replacement parts; inspects completed repairs. Analyzes malfunctions of instruments and control systems, and determines necessary steps to repair equipment. Prepares reports and records on calibration, inspection, testing, and repair activities. Uses computers and software to log results. Performs all work in accordance with established safety procedures.

Required experience and skills: Five or more years experience in an industrial or municipal water/wastewater treatment operations role, or Five or more years' production operation/technician experience. Strong verbal and written communication skills. Excellent teamwork skills and willingness to be flexible. Strong math skills. Basic electrical skills including lock out/tag out. Experience with using PC's including creating documentation, and using facilities-related software.

Required Education: AA degree in mechanical or electrical/mechanical technical area, or equivalent combination of education and directly related work experience.

Work Environment/Physical Demands: Able to list and carry 50 pounds safely and without difficulty. Work requires good color vision. Able to work around and with water, chemicals, and related systems on a daily basis. Some weekend and overtime work will be required.

TERO is currently taking applications for the new museum construction. If you have any skills in electrical or construction please apply at TERO. You will need to bring a photo ID, social security card and TRIBAL ID or CIB with you.

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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.

Financial Literacy Program Trainer

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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.

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YNR Crew Leader (Temp Summer Position)

The crew leader serves as a role model and mentor for the high school participants. The crew leader must be a responsible, enthusiastic, and mature individual who will provide the high school students with the appropriate guidance, encouragement, and support to succeed in YNR

YNR Crew Member (4 positions)

This is a temporary summer position for Southern Ute tribal member high school students who are 16 years of age or older. Although Southern Ute Tribal members receive hiring preference, other individuals enrolled in other federally recognized tribes or decedents of Southern Ute Tribal members will also be considered based upon availability. YNR Crewmembers are assembled into a 4 man crew that reports directly to the YNR crew leader. The YNR crew performs a variety of functions associated with environmental education and various disciplines of natural resource management.

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RAC members will serve four-year terms upon appointment by the Secretary of Agriculture. Members will serve without compensation, but can be reimbursed for travel expenses. Members must be Colorado residents, preferably living in one of the counties served by the RAC. Meetings will be held at least once and up to four times a

Citizens interested in applying for RAC membership can retrieve an application form and background check form on-line at: www.fs.fed.us/r2/sanjuan/news/2009/rac

Applications should be submitted by June 15, 2009 at San Juan Public Lands Center, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301 ATTN: Bill Dunkelberger. Applications must contain original signatures and complete information.

For more information, contact Ann Bond, (970) 385-1219 or abond@fs.fed.us

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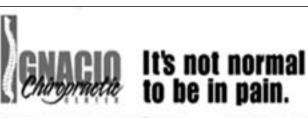
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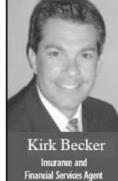
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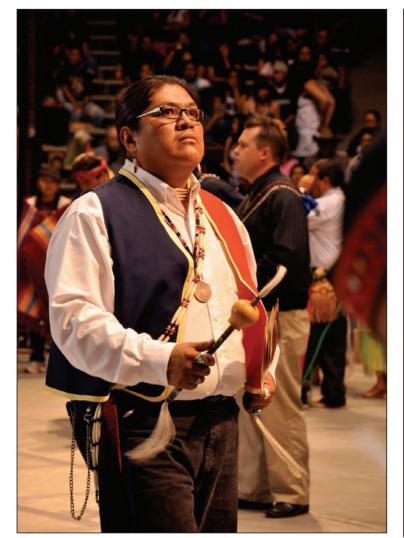


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