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Tribe, Local Governments Team Up on Transportation Planning

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

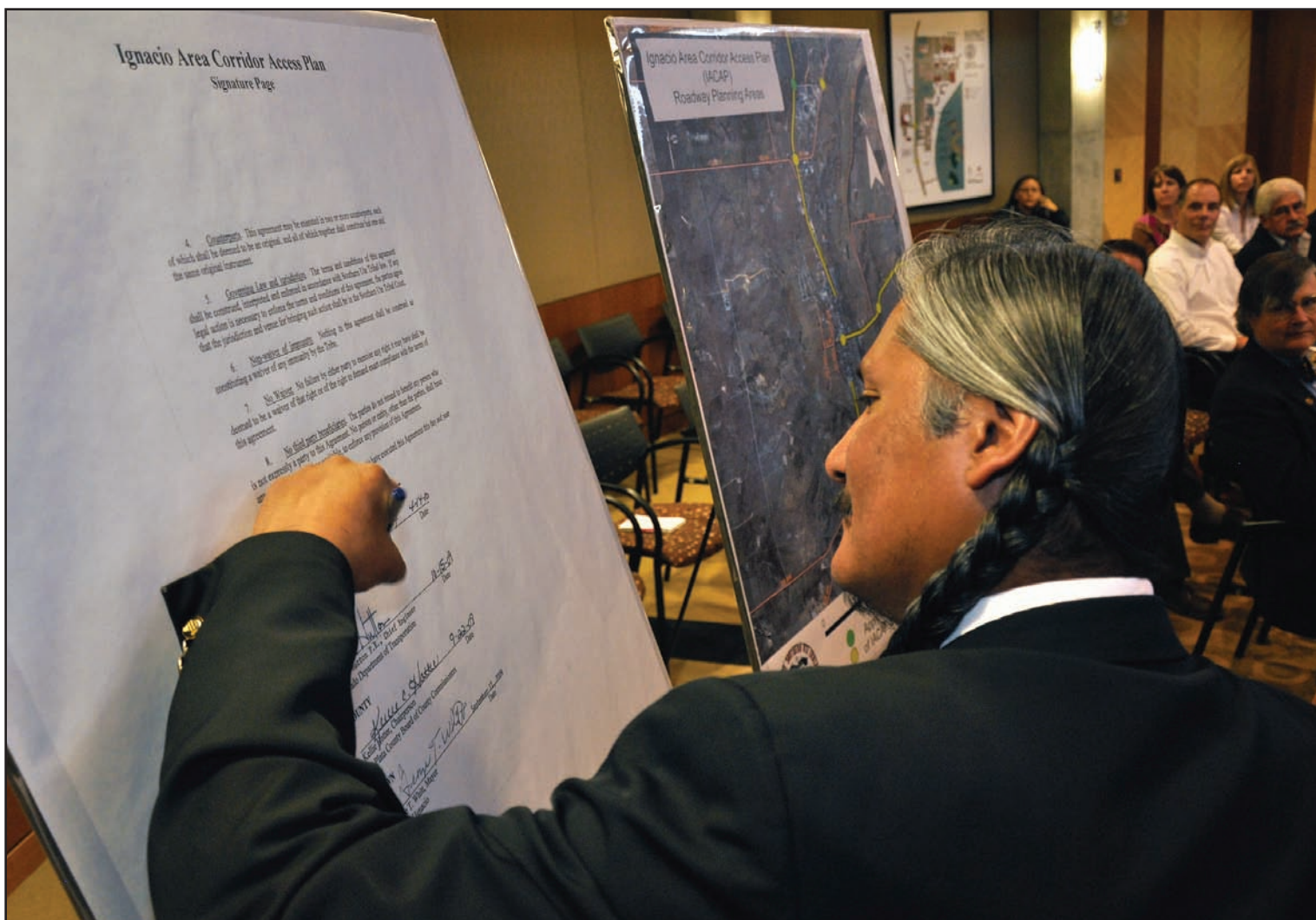
Members of the Southern Ute Tribal Council met with state and local government representatives on May 11 to sign a historic agreement to jointly plan for the future of transportation on the Reservation.

The meeting is being called a landmark as it represents the first time the Tribe, the Town of Ignacio, La Plata County and the Colorado Department of Transportation have combined forces to develop a transit plan. Russel George, executive director of CDOT, said he hopes it will provide a model for future agreements.

“What we’re doing is not particularly new. It’s common and critical. But what is new is how we’re doing this together,” George said, adding this is the first time CDOT has asked any tribe to take the lead in such an effort. “We really like that and respect that.”

The memorandum of agreement required signatures before work on the Ignacio Area Corridor Access Plan could continue. The planning process will look at Highway 172 from the Sky Ute Casino Resort to the south edge of Ignacio and will take between eight months and a year, according to the Tribe’s Planning Department.

Tribal Council Chairman Matthew J. Box said he felt honored to take part in a project that will benefit future generations.



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute Tribal Council Chairman Matthew J. Box signs a memorandum of understanding on May 11 between the Tribe, the Town of Ignacio, La Plata County and the Colorado Department of Transportation. The governments have agreed to an unprecedented cooperative effort to plan for future transportation needs in Ignacio.

To accomplish this, there is “no better way than the gathering of many minds,” he said.

“Together, we can mark a moment in history and time,” he added.

Vice-chairman Jim Newton Jr. echoed those sentiments, saying the cooperation of town, county, state and Tribe is unprecedented.

“I think that’s a good example, because as we know, in Indian

Country that doesn’t happen,” he said. “Be proud. I’m proud that we are setting a good example.”

Ignacio Mayor George Whitt said he was happy to see the town and Tribe working closely

together.

“So goes the Tribe, so goes the Town of Ignacio,” he said. “I think our relationships have improved. ... Good luck to all of us.”

Council, SUPD Honor Fallen Officers



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Carl Smith, deputy director of the Southern Ute Justice and Regulatory Department, addresses Tribal Council during a memorial ceremony on May 10. Smith prepared words to honor the 123 police officers killed in the line of duty in 2009, including five in the Four Corners area. President John F. Kennedy originally set aside May 15 as a day to honor fallen officers in 1962.

By Carl Smith
Southern Ute Justice and
Regulatory Department

National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Week, also known as Police Week, took place May 9 through 15.

This week is set aside each year to honor the men and women of law enforcement who have died in the line of duty. President John F. Kennedy penned a proclamation to set aside this time for thanking and honoring officers and their families who made the ultimate sacrifice. The proclamation was adopted by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962. Every year tens of thousands of police offi-

cers flock to Washington D.C. to celebrate this occasion.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Department of Justice and Regulatory observed this

“We as law enforcement officers truly believe we can and will make a difference when we put on our badges. ”

- Carl Smith, J&R deputy director

solemn occasion with a remembrance of all fallen officers and a celebration of life for the Southern Ute officers who still serve their community.

The Tribe is blessed with different law enforcement agencies

that serve the tribal members. The Southern Ute Police Department handles general law enforcement on the reservation. The Tribal Rangers protect the

rural areas of the reservation from outside trespass, the poaching of wildlife, and threats to ancestral artifacts. The Division of Gaming enforces

Officers Honored page 2

Tribe Weighs In on Energy, Irrigation Bills Before Congress

Media Release
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Chairman Matthew J. Box of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council appeared before the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on April 22 to testify on the Indian Energy Promotion and Parity Act of 2010.

The bill, still in draft form,

would amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to help with tribal energy development in Indian Country, including the development of renewable energy resources. Box had previously met with members of the U.S. Senate and their staffs to discuss siting issues for renewable projects.

In both cases, Box stressed the importance of consultation with

tribes in the course of energy development.

“The legislation is highly complex,” he said, adding that it could result in financial, administrative, and structural assistance to the Southern Utes and others, many of whom often face a myriad of federal reviews and approvals

Energy Bill page 2

Carved in Stone



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Some names are added and others updated on the central wall at the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park on the morning of Friday, May 7. The wall contains the name of all Southern Ute veterans, living and passed, who served in the United States military during various conflicts over the past century including World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam and Iraq.



Tribal Update

SunUte Announces New Hours for May

The SunUte Community Center will have the following changes to the normal business hours in May.
May 21: 6 a.m.-5 p.m., gym resurfacing • May 22-23: closed for gym floor resurfacing
May 28: 6 a.m.-5 p.m., Memorial/Bear Dance weekend • May 31: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Memorial Day

Ignacio Elementary to Screen Students

Ignacio Elementary School will be screening incoming kindergarten students who will be five on or before October 1. Screening will take place on Monday, May 24 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 970-563-0675.

Food Service Training Course Coming

Get your food handler training certification. The certification will take place May 25 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building's Buckskin Charlie Room. For additional information call the Southern Ute Colorado Ute Service Unit at 970-563-9443.

Education Department to Host College Application Sessions

College application sessions will take place at the Higher Education Building on the following Thursdays: May 27, June 3 and June 10. Each session will begin at 6 p.m. Food and drink will be offered. The final session and application review will be set for June 24. For more information, call the Education Department at 970-563-0237.

Water Users Meeting Coming Up

The Pine River Indian Irrigation Project will have a water users meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 27 in Sky Ute Casino Resort's Bonny Kent Room (banquet room three). For more information, contact John Waconda and 970-563-4511.

Annual Brunot Area Rare Game Permitting Lottery

Included with the off-reservation Brunot Area hunting now available to Southern Ute Tribal hunters is the opportunity to pursue rare big game, including: Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat. Due to the rarity of these animals in the Brunot Area, only a limited number of permits will be available each year through an application and random draw process held by the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. Tribal hunters may apply to receive permit(s) during the month of May only, and drawings and notifications will be made in June. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PERMIT APPLICATION IS MON., MAY 31, 5 PM (Hand-delivered or Postmarked). Applications are available free-of-charge to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members only. Applications must be obtained/returned at the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, contact the Division at 970-563-0130.

TERO Hosts Logo Design Contest

The Tribal Employment Rights Office is looking for a logo. The winner will receive a prize of \$250. Our mission is to promote Indian preference in any employment, contract and subcontract conducted on or near the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. We work with tribal entities, oil, gas and construction companies to make this happen. All art media will be accepted until May 28. A winner will be selected by June 4. Artwork should be no bigger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Selected artwork will become the property of TERO to be used in all advertising. All Southern Ute tribal members and local Native Americans are encouraged to submit their ideas and drawings by dropping them off at the TERO office at 116 Mouache Dr. or sending them to P.O. Box 737 #34, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Fathers Workshop Coming This Summer

"A Nurturing Father's Journal for Developing Attitudes and Skills for Male Nurturance" will take place Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. beginning June 9 and running through Sept. 1 at Southern Ute Montessori Head Start at 279 Capote Dr. In Ignacio. Babysitting will be available (call 970-563-4566) or meals will be provided. A \$50 stipend will be awarded to all applicants who complete training. For more information, call Sam at 970-563-2566 ext. 23 or Joe at 970-563-4566 ext. 27.

Census Gives Tribal Members Steps to be Sure They Are Counted

Living on tribal lands and not sure you were included in the 2010 tally? Vicki McIntire, deputy director of Denver's ten-state region, says until May 22, 2010 all you need to do is call your local census office and ask to speak with operations. The census taker will ask for basic information of your household and of those you are calling to say were missed. All information is confidential and protected by law. Southern Ute Tribal members should call the Grand Junction census office at 970-361-3690.

Health Department Seeks Input on Diabetes Program

The Southern Ute Tribal Health Department is looking for volunteers to participate in an advisory group for the Shining Mountain Diabetes Program. For more information, call Julie or Henry at 970-563-4741.

Tribes Weighs In on Energy • from page 1

based on their unique status and relationship with the federal government.

In his prepared remarks for the committee, Box said the draft bill represented "another step forward in our longstanding effort to level the playing field of opportunity when it comes to Indian energy development."

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is widely recognized for its successful endeavors in energy development, which have served to create significant economic benefits to the Tribe and its members. Senators who attended the hearing recognized the Tribe's expertise and successes, and Box was one of only five witnesses invited to provide input on the important draft legislation.

After review of the oral testimony provided by Box and others, as well as written comments by other tribes and energy interests, Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-North Dakota, chairman of the Indian Affairs Committee, is expected to introduce a bill along with Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyoming, the vice-chairman.

On April 29, Box was again invited to appear before the committee. He, along with Lena Atencio, director of the Tribe's Department of Natural

Resources, testified in support of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project Act, introduced by Colorado senators Mark Udall and Michael Bennet. The act, which the Tribe has supported for several years, would address the ongoing failure of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project to deliver water to its users.

The PRIIP provides water to nearly 12,000 acres and nearly 400 individual users, including approximately 100 non-Indians, and is operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. According to a 2006 study by the Government Accounting Office, the project is carrying a deferred maintenance backlog of needed improvements that amounts to approximately \$20 million.

The bill currently being considered by the committee would require the Secretary of the Interior to study the condition of the PRIIP, develop priorities for rehabilitating it, and initiate cost-sharing projects with the Tribe to address those priorities.

Ultimately, if Congress approves the bill, nearly \$65 million could be appropriated over the next six years to improve the PRIIP. Box's testimony stressed the desire of the Tribe to work with both the Bureau of

Reclamation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the proposed legislation calls for cooperative agreements to achieve the bill's goals.

"It is always busy at the Tribe's headquarters near Ignacio, but it is also critical to make sure that Congress hears and sees the Tribe's views on these important issues," Box said. "The Tribal Council and I have a number of priorities, but the development of sensible tribal energy policy and the rehabilitation of the PRIIP are at or near the top. ... We are pleased that Congress is also considering these important issues and hope that our input, as a leader in Indian energy and a beneficiary of the PRIIP, will be considered as this legislation moves forward."

It is hoped that following the hearing, the PRIIP legislation will be approved by the committee this spring and recommended for passage to the full Senate, either as a standalone bill or as part of any broader package of natural resources bills.

Box also met with committee staff in the U.S. House of Representatives to discuss a potential hearing on an identical PRIIP bill introduced there by Rep. John Salazar, D-Colorado.

Council, SUPD Honor Officers • from page 1



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Employees of the Southern Ute Police Department, Tribal Rangers and other law enforcement organizations were present May 10 for a ceremony in Tribal Council Chambers honoring fallen officers across the country. Drum group 12 Gauge performed several songs in memory of men and women who have died in the line of duty.

gaming laws within the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The Southern Ute Detention Center is an excellent facility that provides local detention services. Southern Ute dispatch is the heartbeat of all emergency services for service to and protection of the membership and the local community.

Each year, various events are sponsored by each law enforcement division during Police Week. This year, something new was added: Tribal Council approved an opening day ceremony to kick off the week. The ceremony took place in Council Chambers on Monday, May 10. All Southern Ute law enforce-



ment officers, probation officers, detention officers, investigators and dispatchers were present for

the ceremony. Retired and past officers and tribal members were also invited to attend.

The Southern Ute Drum 2010 Ad Rates

STANDARD-SIZED DISPLAY AD DIMENSIONS AND RATES

Ad type	Actual size	(Col. x height)	Layout	Single insert	3 issues	6 issues
Sixteenth	3.859" x 4"	(2 col. x 4")	Square	\$ 59	\$ 153	\$ 252
Eighth	5.872" x 5"	(3 col. x 5")	Horizontal	\$ 112	\$ 285	\$ 469
Fourth	5.872" x 10"	(3 col. x 10")	Vertical	\$ 225	\$ 573	\$ 945
Half	11.911" x 10"	(6 col. x 10")	Horizontal	\$ 449	\$ 1,147	\$ 1,889
Full	11.911" x 19.625"	(6 col. x 19.625")	Vertical	\$ 899	\$ 2,295	\$ 3,779

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DEADLINE

The deadline for each issue is 5 p.m. the preceding Friday. All materials, including copy and camera-ready logos, artwork and photos, must be submitted on time.

MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

1 column:	1.846" wide
2 columns:	3.859" wide
3 columns:	5.872" wide
4 columns:	7.885" wide
5 columns:	9.898" wide
6 columns:	11.911" wide
Full page:	11.911" x 19.625"

GENERAL RATES

All display ads are based on a rate of \$7.50 per column inch. This rate applies to ads that do not conform to the standard sizes listed above.

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A. Three-issue agreement

Applies to agreements for three consecutive insertions of a standard-sized ad.

B. Six-issue agreement

A 30-percent discount applies to agreements for six consecutive insertions of a standard-sized ad.

The Drum also offers display ads to Southern Ute tribal members at half the regular rate.

CLASSIFIED RATES

The Drum offers classified advertising. The first five words of each ad are free and each following word is 25 cents.

BUSINESS CARD RATES

The Drum offers a business-card rate in its Community Business Section of \$19 per month. These ads are standard and must be 3" x 2" in size. For print purposes, a photograph of the business card is preferred but a scanned card will do.

Los Pinos Spring Classic Softball Tournament

Men's and women's softball teams
Memorial Day weekend (May 29 and 30)
Ignacio, Colorado (Silva Fields)

Deadline: 5 p.m. on May 27
Entry fee: \$250 per team.
Visa and MasterCard accepted over the phone

Men's teams will hit their own .44 COR softball.
Awards will be given for first through third place, all-tourneys and MVPs.

For more information
call R.C. Lucero at 970-563-0214.

SunUte Recreation Presents 2010 Youth Soccer

Boys and girls 5-12
Practices begin the week of May 31

Deadline: May 26
Fee: \$30 per participant

Games will be played on Thursday evenings
and will begin June 13.
Volunteer coaches needed.
Scholarships available based upon need.

For more information
call Damon White Thunder
at 970-563-0214 ext. 2652.

May 21, 2010

Peini (3)

Bear Dance



Mamakwanika (Bear Dance)

Bear Dance and Memorial Weekend Schedule of Events

Southern Ute Head Start Graduation • Wed., May 26, 4 p.m.
Southern Ute Head Start Gymnasium

S.U.I.M.A. Transition Ceremony • Thurs., May 27
SunUte Community Center

- Transition Ceremonies: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Mini PowWow: 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Southern Ute Bear Dance • Fri., May 28 – Mon., May 31
Bear Dance Grounds

- Blessing of the Bear Dance Grounds: Fri. May 28, 10 a.m.
- Bear Dancing: Fri., May 28, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.; Sat., May 29, All Day; Sun., May 30, All Day; Mon., All Day
- Bear Dance Feast: Mon., May 31, 3 p.m.

Southern Ute Bear Dance PowWow • Fri., May 28 and Sat., 29
Sky Ute Fairgrounds

- Gourd Dancing: Fri., May 28, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Sat., May 29, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Grand Entry: Fri., May 28, 7 p.m.; Sat., May 29, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Ignacio High School Graduation • Sat., May 29, 10 a.m.
Ignacio High School Gymnasium

Los Pinos Spring Classic Softball Tourney • Sat., May 29 and Sun., 30
Silva Fields

- Men's and Women's Softball Tournament: Begins Sat., May 29, 9 a.m.

Day of Remembrance • Mon., May 31, 10 a.m.

Southern Ute Veteran's Memorial Park

- Opening Ceremonies
- Procession to Bear Dance Bridge: Honoring those lost at sea
- Procession to Ouray Memorial Cemetery: Honoring and Closing Ceremonies
- Lunch at Southern Ute Veteran's Memorial Park: 1:30 p.m.

Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 28-31, 2010

Blessing of the Grounds: May 28, 10 a.m.

Bear Dance Feast: May 31

Bear Dance Chief:
Matthew Box

Sub Chief:
Jake Ryder

Bear Dance Info:
970-563-4702

Vendor Info:
970-563-0156



Drawing by Matthew Box

Women must be in a dress while bear dancing. No photography or recording of the Bear Dance of any kind!
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.



THE SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE POW WOW

May 28 & 29, 2010 • Sky Ute Fairgrounds • Ignacio, Colorado



Artist: Conrad Thompson

Registration: Friday, 5 pm,
Closes Saturday, 2 pm

Gourd Dance
Friday: 5 pm - 7 pm
Saturday: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm &
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Grand Entry
Friday: 7 pm
Saturday: 1 pm & 7 pm

Adults (18-49)
Fancy
Jingle
Grass
Northern Traditional
Southern Traditional

DRUM CONTEST
\$5,000
Total Prize Money

Teen Boys & Girls (12-17)

Fancy
Grass
Jingle
Traditional

Junior Boys & Girls (7-11)

Fancy
Grass
Jingle
Traditional

Golden Age (50+)

Tiny Tots (0-6) Day Money

VENDOR BOOTHS
Arts & Crafts: Contact Jeanette Frost 970-563-0128
Arts & Crafts Vendors must **PAY BEFORE SET UP**
and need to bring their own set up
\$50 per day for a 10' x 10' booth, for additional tables,
there will be a fee of \$25
Food Booths: Contact Kendra Alexander 970-563-5541

Master of Ceremonies

Alex Shepherd - Cedar City, Utah

Arena Director

Bruce LeClaire - Durango, Colorado

Host Northern Drum

Catching Eagle Singers - Towaoc, Colorado

Host Southern Drum

Pawnee Spotted Horse Singers - Fort Collins, Colorado

Head Man Dancer

Bart Stevens - Albuquerque, New Mexico

Head Woman Dancer

Jackie Stevens - Albuquerque, New Mexico

Head Gourd Dancer

Randy Doyobi - Ignacio, Colorado

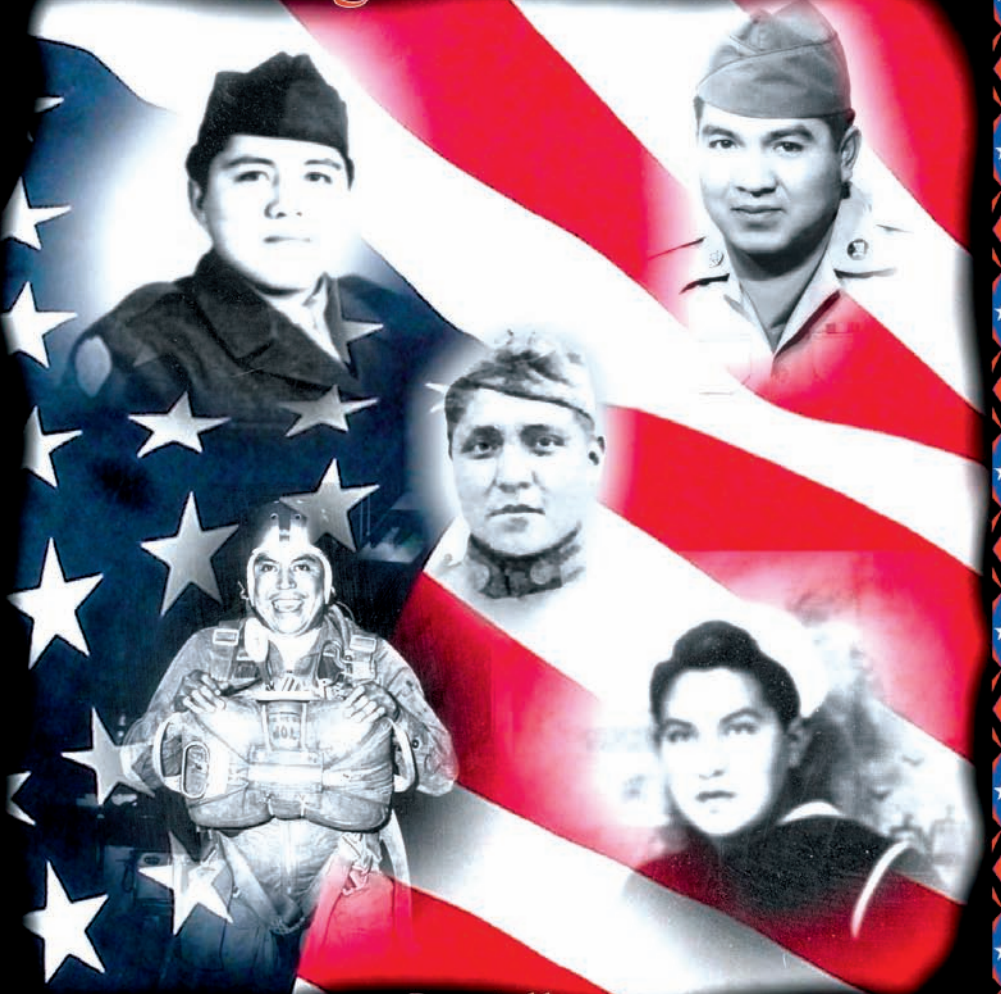
Drum Judge

Benjamin Watts - White Rocks, Utah

Color Guard

Southern Ute Veterans Association - Ignacio, Colorado

Day of Remembrance Honoring All Who Served



Presented by

The Southern Ute Veterans Association

in cooperation with

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe



Memorial Day

May 31, 2010

Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park

10am



The POW WOW Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries, theft or divorces. Alcohol & Drugs not permitted!
For Further Information Contact Corliss Taylor at 970-764-7056 • Cindy Winder at 970-563-0100, Ext. 2301



Of Four Corners Interest

Skateboard Contest Invites All Comers

Come join in as a spectator or participant in the third annual Tear it Up 4 Tyler Skateboard Contest on Saturday, May 22. The day promises to be full of excitement, so come down to the Skate Park and rip or just enjoy the day watching all the great riders. The contest will include both street and bowl events. Registration is from 10 to 11 a.m. with the contest beginning at 11. For more information, call the Durango Parks and Recreation Department at 970-375-7300 or Charlett Valencia at 970-946-7799. Cost is \$6, which covers the cost of T-shirts and drinks. The event is co-sponsored by City of Durango, The Boarding Haus Inferno and Advertising Innovations, as well as many other donations made by local businesses.

EMS Day in the Park Is May 22

The EMS Day in the Park will take place on Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Santa Rita Park. It's a fun way for all ages to learn about injury prevention. There will be free information and giveaways.

La Plata Family Centers Coalition to Host Families Helping Families

Please join the La Plata Family Centers Coalition on May 22nd from 11 AM until 2 PM for our annual Reunion Picnic celebrating 26 years of "Families Helping Families". This is a FREE event at Chapman Hill including hot dogs and burgers, roller skating inside Chapman Rink, a Kid's Carnival with activities for all ages, and the Bounce House. Overflow Parking is available at Christ the King Church across from Chapman Hill.

Development Team Hosts Youth-Adult Forum

The Colorado Youth Development Team, in conjunction with La Plata County, will be hosting a dynamic learning event for youth and adults in La Plata County on May 23, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Community Connections for Change: Building Youth Adult Partnerships brings together youth and adults from around La Plata County to learn and work together in an effort to continue to support the La Plata County Children, Youth and Family Master Plan. During this exciting event, adults will participate in roundtable discussions on youth engagement topics ranging from organizational readiness to service learning. In addition, youth will be engaging in a forum hosted by Colorado Youth Advisory Council to the State Legislature to figure out how to connect their voice to state and local policy issues. This event is free and open to the public and will include dinner. Youth who attend the full event will receive gift cards as stipends for their time, and mileage reimbursement is available to anyone traveling more than 50 miles to attend. To register, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/0523> or call 970-382-6460.

Lasso Tobacco Coalition to Meet May 26

The Lasso Tobacco Coalition is conducting its final assessment interviews of citizens and community leaders to assess Durango's readiness to strengthen the Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act. Strong, comprehensive and effective smoke-free public place and workplace laws prohibit smoking in all workplaces and public places and are considered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to be priority best-practice strategies. The CCIAA is not considered a comprehensive law, because not all workplaces or public places are covered by the intended protections in the law. In addition to limiting the health impact of the law, exemptions and lack of clarity in the language of the CCIAA have made areas of the law difficult to interpret, comply with, and enforce. For more information, call Caleb at 970-247-5702 ext. 236 or come to the next Lasso Tobacco Coalition meeting where interviews results will be shared. The meeting will take place May 26 in the San Juan Basin Health Department's Columbine Room from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Public Forum Will Cover Teen Issues

Parents of teens and other interested community members are invited to a public forum and interactive tabletop expo to educate and support parents, stand together as a community and protect teens through knowledge. The forum is from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, May 24 at the Boys and Girls Club next to the Durango Community Rec Center. Forum participants will share information on how to talk to your teen, resources, current teen trends, options for drug testing, paraphernalia, signs of substance use, self-harming behavior, parental responsibility, legal concerns, social networking and more. Parents, teachers and other interested community members are urged to attend. The event is sponsored by The Power of 3 Moms and Growing. For more information, email Laura Lewis, Nadine Ontiveros or Carrie Whitley at powerofparentsdurango@gmail.com.

Breastfeeding Counselors Offer Post-hospital Guidance

The local WIC program will complete the training of new breastfeeding peer counselors by the end of May. These women will be contacting WIC clients to serve as a model for breastfeeding, establish a connection with the family, help mothers prevent and manage common concerns with breastfeeding and refer them to lactation specialists as needed, provide ongoing encouragement to help mothers meet their breastfeeding goals, link them to breastfeeding help beyond the usual 8-to-5 services, and fill the gap in services immediately after hospital discharge for seamless continuity of care. For more information, call 970-247-5702 ext. 210.

Torch Club Explores Tobacco-free Parks

The Torch Club at the Boys and Girls Club of La Plata County is helping collect tobacco surveys concerning whether parks and trails should be tobacco-free. The Torch Club chose a tobacco-free parks and trails theme for its work with the Get Real! Coalition. Seven Torch Club members just returned from the Get Real! Coalition Conference on May 1 in Pueblo. So far, results show 88 percent of the community supports tobacco-free parks.

PowWow Trails 2010

22nd Annual Snow Mountain PowWow May 28-29, 2010

Snow Mountain Exit #95 • Las Vegas, NV
Contact: Marcia Mahone
Phone: 702-386-3926
Email: powwow@lvpaiute.com
Web: www.lvpaiutetribes.com/powwow

29th Annual UCR PowWow May 28-29, 2010

1000 W. Blaine St. • Riverside, CA
Contact: Raymond Braveowl
Phone: 951-827-3850
Email: rbraveowl@yahoo.com
Web: nasp.ucr.edu/Events/UCR•Pow•Wow.htm

NACA 4th Annual PowWow May 29, 2010

1100 Cardenas SE • Albuquerque, NM
Contact: Anpao Duta Flying Earth or Tara Abeita
Phone: 505-266-0992
Email: anpaoduta@nacaschool.org
Web: www.nacaschool.org

Native American Inter-Tribal Festival June 5, 2010

304 Highway 105 • Palmer Lake, CO
Contact: Al Walter
Phone: 719-559-0525
Email: wldrdr@hotmail.com

8th Annual Sky Ute Casino PowWow June 11-13, 2010

14324 Hwy 172 • Ignacio, CO
Contact: Dustin Weaver
Phone: 970-563-1759
Email: dustin.weaver@skyutecasino.com
Web: skyutecasino.com/index.cfm/fa/category.display/c

Many Moons Ago

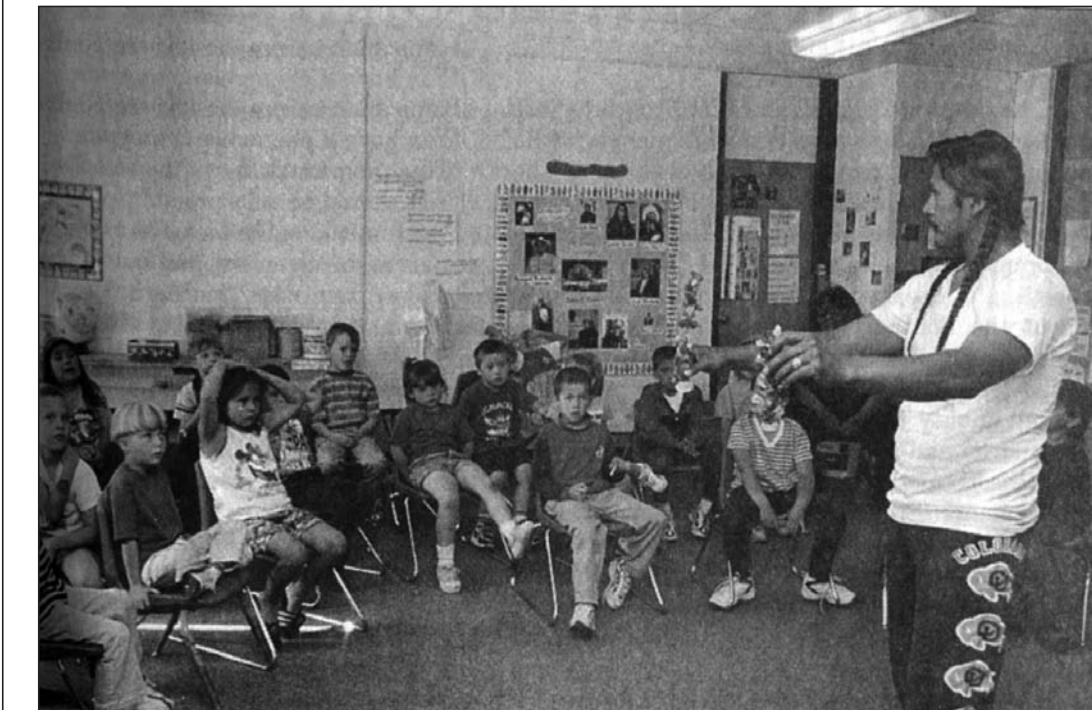


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10 Years Ago

Bear Dance SubChief Matthew Box presented the Bear Dance to students at Ignacio Elementary School. In this photo, Box is telling about the trees and the corral. The students listened and learned a lot about the bear dance traditions.

This photo was published in the May 19, 2000, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



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20 Years Ago

Employee Fitness Day was sponsored by the Southern Ute Community Action Program's Health and Safety department. Some employees took advantage of the events and had some fun. Volleyball took place at Ute Park.

This photo was published in the May 25, 1990, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



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30 Years Ago

Young Southern Ute students Bear Dance in the 1960s pictured left to right, June Box, Raymond Valdez and Lynda Grove.

This photo was published in the May 23, 1980, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



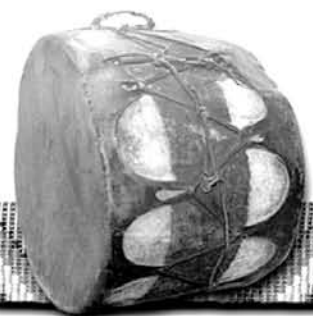
Ute Language

Kwyag'atÜ - Bear

Mamakwanika - Bear Dance

MamakonikakwiÇapÜ - Bear Dance Corral

MamakowiÇi - Participate in Bear Dance



The Kidney Corner: Treatment Choices for Patients

By Dr. Mark Saddler
Durango Nephrology Associates



In the last few issues of the Kidney Corner, we have discussed the two types of dialysis: hemodialysis, which directly removes toxic substances from the blood, usually done three times per week in a dialysis center; and peritoneal dialysis (PD), which removes toxins by flushing dialysis fluid through a catheter implanted in the abdomen, usually done at home every day.

So for patients about to start dialysis, what factors should be taken into account when deciding which type of dialysis to do?

Peritoneal dialysis is typically used by patients who like to be in control of their own treatment. Because it is done at home, patients themselves (or their families) need to be trained in the technique. Of course, there is always a nurse and physician available to solve problems and answer questions. Any deviation from the proper meticulous sterile technique can result in a serious infection called peritonitis.

PD patients need a clean area of the home in which to do the treatments and some space to store supplies. They also usually need to have adequate eyesight and manual dexterity so that their

dialysis exchanges can be done properly. PD is not ideal for patients who have had previous surgery to their abdomen, since the scarring can make the dialysis less efficient.

Occasionally, PD is not effective in removing adequate amounts of toxins, especially in large men who don't have any residual function of their own kidneys. PD also results in loss of protein from the abdominal cavity with each exchange, and if the patient can't replace this by eating more protein, this can sometimes necessitate a change to hemodialysis.

Hemodialysis is the more frequently used type of dialysis in most areas of the United States. It does not require specific training for the patient or caregiver (though frequent education and

support regarding diet, activity and self-care are always part of dialysis care). Some patients prefer hemodialysis because they find it reassuring to have trained staff actually doing the dialysis, rather than doing it themselves.

Hemodialysis requires a good vascular access, or fistula. This is a connection between an artery and a vein, made in the patient's arm by a surgeon, which is accessed by needles at each dialysis procedure (see previous issues of the Kidney Corner). Patients who don't have suitable veins for a good fistula may have problems with hemodialysis, and this can occasionally be a reason to do PD.

Finally, not all patients choose to do dialysis or transplant at all. Some are too frail to tolerate it. Others have overwhelming other medical conditions which are so serious that dialysis doesn't make sense to them. As physicians, we respect each patient's right to choose whether or not to undergo any life-sustaining treatment, including dialysis.

So there's a lot to think about when deciding about dialysis. In addition, kidney transplantation can be a good option for patients with end-stage kidney disease. We will be discussing transplantation in upcoming editions of the Kidney Corner.

'Alive at 25' Defensive Driving Course Targets Drivers 15-24

The SunUte Community Center will be hosting the next Ignacio "Alive at 25" class on June 13 at 12:30 p.m. This four-and-a-half-hour driving instruction course is designed for drivers from 15 to 24. This national program educates younger drivers to the potential dangers faced while behind the steering wheel. Vehicle crashes are now the leading cause of death for this age group. Some drivers may need this course to satisfy a court-ordered education requirement. Drivers seeking a permit at 15 and a half can use the course to satisfy the state graduated license education requirement. Young drivers can also check with their insurance companies to see if they offer a discount of 10-15 percent for completing this course. Registration and payments are made online at www.aliveat25.us or by phone at 866-605-3900. For questions, call Don Folsom at 970-563-0246 ext. 3301.

Free Screenings for Seniors

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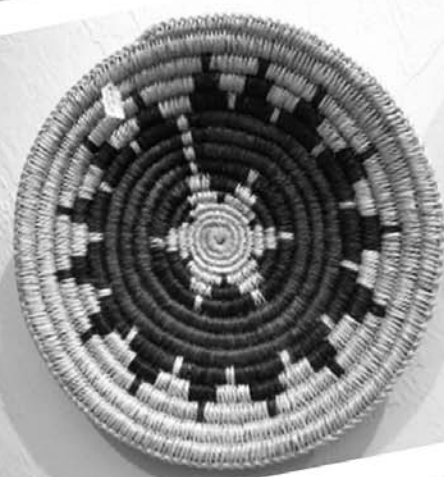
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I Caught a Big One!



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Members of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Fishing Club enjoyed two outings to local hot spots in the past month: one to Scott's Pond on May 4 and the other to Lake Capote on May 18. The students had some luck at Capote, coming back with enough fish to cook up for lunch.

Readers Shatter Goal



The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy celebrated Book Week by meeting and surpassing a challenge set forth by Reading Department teachers Judi Cole (above) and Tamara Brand (left, in background). The teachers had asked the students to read 500 books, offering a banana split party as incentive. The students read 1,733 books, crushing all expectations. To celebrate their achievement, the teachers kept their word with a banana split party on May 13. In addition to the party, the teachers were able to raise enough money at the successful SUIMA Book Fair in April to purchase a book for every enrolled student.

photos Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

This Rodeo Ain't Got No Bull



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Scott Shishim, the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's physical education instructor, installs a bell on a student's bike on Friday, May 14 as part of the school's Bike Rodeo. The event, coordinated by Community Resource Officer Don Folsom of the Southern Ute Police Department, aims to educate children about bike safety, including how to use hand signals and what important road signs mean.

Students Share Knowledge



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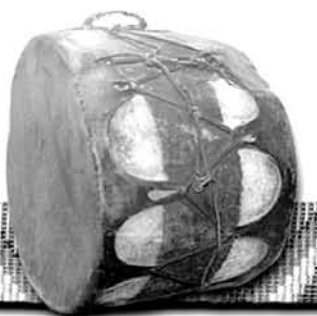
Students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy unveiled their reports on subjects from quartz to Bill Cosby on Thursday, May 6 as part of Knowledge Night, an annual event. Students from both lower elementary and upper elementary classrooms participated. After choosing a topic, they researched it for a month to six weeks. This year, upper elementary students all chose to research historical figures. Lower elementary students had free choice; many chose animals or geological subjects. Pictured here, Upper Elementary Guide Craig Boss talks with Aveleena Nanaeto about one of the displays.

Casino Showcases Youths' Work



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

An Academy Showcase took place on Wednesday, May 12 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort to allow community members a chance to see the work of upper elementary students over the course of the school year. Raffles and silent auctions helped raise funds to buy benches that will be placed throughout the community as a way of giving back after 10 years of support for the Academy. Pictured above, Ben Zimmerman reads a student's research report and upper elementary showcase students Mamakwa Valdez, Shoshone Thompson, Hunter Brasard, Darien Neskahi, David Boyd and Seranden Frost gather for a photo.



Boys and Girls Club Summer Enrollment Approaching

By Jennifer Bartlett
Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

The Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe will be accepting summer registration for current and new club members ages 6-13. A parent, guardian or adult representative must attend one summer enrollment meeting at SunUte Community Center to register their youth. Current club members must also enroll for Summer Club to ensure their space. Enrollment meetings are on May 18 at 6 p.m., May 24 at noon, June 1 at 6 p.m. and June 5 at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and noon.

Yearly membership must be up-to-date and may be renewed

for \$10. Membership expires on Dec. 31 of each year. Additional weekly registration fees for non-tribal club members are collected. Scholarships are available. All youth are invited to participate. Teens of ages 13-18 are invited to apply for the Peer Leader Program at Boys and Girls Club to assist program staff, develop youth programs for their peers, and begin developing their own career. Leadership opportunities and training are included in the program. Peer leaders are volunteer staffers and must complete a Boys and Girls Club membership packets and a peer leader application. Applications will be accepted for the summer through May 24. Deliver to the SunUte Community Center front desk by deadline.

Boys and Girls Club provides culturally diverse education and opportunities through Summer Club programs that involve outdoor adventures, weekly field trips, fitness and athletics, arts, technology, game room activities, teambuilding, character-building and more. For more information, attend a summer enrollment meeting as listed above. For more information on volunteering, call 970-563-0214. For additional information on enrolling your youth in the Boys and Girls Club of La Plata County – a separate club – stop by the club next to the Durango Recreation Center, call 970-375-0010 or visit www.bgclaplata.org. The session one deadline is May 21.

11th Annual Shoshonean Language Reunion

June 29-30 and July 1, Ft. Duchesne, Utah

Host tribe: Ute Indian Tribe.
Information, call Venita Taveapont at 435-725-4083 or 435-722-2331

Head Start Recognizes Staff



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Teachers and other staff members at Southern Ute Head Start enjoyed a variety of snacks on Friday, May 7 as part of Teacher Appreciation Day. The employees took the opportunity to unwind and spend some time bonding on a personal level.

Family Court Services Offers Parenting Programs

By Crystal Thompson
Family Court Support Office

Since August 2009, I have been the strengthening families coordinator. Many of you have probably heard of the Strengthening Families Health Program and might have also participated in the program. The SFP is not the only curriculum we teach. Between the SFP, Raising Resilient Children and Positive Indian Parenting, we are constantly revising the curriculum to meet family needs. The primary focus of SFP is to help create stronger, healthier bonds between parents and teens, as this has been proven by research to be the most important factor for increasing teens' resilience. The SFP has been grant funded through Tribal Court since 2005 and is working in collaboration with the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, SunUte Community Center, Division of Social Services, Victim Services, Detention and

Southern Ute Community Action Programs. Currently, the SFP runs two 12-week sessions a year and one nine-week summer class during the lunch hour, featuring the Positive Indian Parent and Raising Resilient Children curricula. All classes are offered one day a week. The SFP also has incorporated some cultural pieces that focus on positive Native American values and strengths. The class promotes respect, family unity and pride in traditional ways. This joint effort teaches skills that strengthen the physical and emotional well-being of families. Each SFP

class is 12 weeks long, while the RRC sessions are nine weeks long. Class meets one evening each week for two and half to three hours. The class begins with a community dinner and nutrition or fitness lesson. The second portion of the class divides the families into different age groups.

SFP and RRC Class Schedule

Evening Classes

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Cooking class/dinner
6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Groups, parents, teens, children, child care
7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Family meeting
The evening Family Classes were scheduled on Tuesday nights, but starting in the fall we will be hosting classes on Thursday nights.

Lunch Classes

Noon - 1 p.m. Parent group and lunch

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT May 2010 News

Nominations for Floyd Award Now Being Accepted

Nominations are now being accepted for the annual Elbert J. Floyd Award. Eligibility requirements for the Elbert J. Floyd Award are as follows:

- A member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
- Worthy
- A student of any age, formally enrolled in an education program at any level or planning immediate enrollment in such a program
- Someone interested in continuing his/her education
- Someone interested in serving the Tribe and the community
- Someone approved by the Education Department

Recipients need not be living

on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination, but the winning recipient will have to be available to receive the award in person. Nominations may be made by any teacher, tribal member or other interested person. A written nomination must be submitted to Ellen S. Baker at the Education Department by Friday, May 28 and must state the basis for the nomination. For more information, call Ellen at 970-563-0235 ext. 2793. The chairman and the vice-chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council will be the selection committee for this award. The Floyd award is given each year by the children and grandchildren of Elbert J. Floyd in his memory.

GED Test Dates Approaching

Upcoming GED test dates will be June 4 and July 9. The test takes place the first Friday of every month at the Higher Education Building. Registration and payments are due by the Tuesday before the test. Financial scholarships are available for interested Native American people who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class and score a 450 on practice tests. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953.

7th Graders Visit Vets Memorial



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

Seventh-grade students from Ignacio Junior High School paid a visit to the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park on Wednesday, May 12 to learn about tribal members who have served in United States wars over the past century. Here, Howard Richards Sr., a former Tribal Council chairman, describes his military service and explains the significance of the Vietnam Memorial, one of four at the park. The others are World War I, World War II and Korea. A central obelisk names every Southern Ute veteran.

Head Start Tours Drum Office



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

A group of about 15 students from Southern Ute Head Start dropped by offices of The Southern Ute Drum on Thursday, May 13 to learn about how the newspaper is created and printed each issue. The children took portraits in the new photo studio and pasted them on current issues of the Drum, literally becoming front-page news for the day. They also enjoyed some snacks and sang a couple songs for Drum staffers.

The Southern Ute Education Department

1st Annual Youth In-Action Summer Program

June 15-18 & June 22-25, 9 am – 4 pm, Southern Ute Education Building

Open to Tribal Members, 1st Generation Descendents, and registered JOM students who are coming out of Kindergarten through 13 years of age. Registration deadline is Thur., June 10 by 5 pm. Learn about Southern Ute Culture, Arts & Crafts, Reading & Poetry, Math, Sports, Field Trips, and Traditional Activities (hand games, beading, cooking, tepee raising, and much more). Snacks will be provided, but each child must bring a sack lunch and drink. Parents must provide transportation to and from the education building daily. Upon request by parent or legal guardian, registration forms will be mailed to eligible participants.

- High School Credit Recovery Program Support will be offered June 7 to July 16. In the morning will be at Ignacio High School and the afternoon at the Education Center Computer Lab.
- Summer Youth Employment Program for Tribal Members Only, 14 - 21 years of age will begin in June.

Contact the Southern Ute Education Department for more information, registration forms, and questions please call 970-563-0237.



Southern Ute Tribal Court Dedicates New Addition



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Tribal members take their first steps through the doors of the new Southern Ute Tribal Court addition on Friday, May 7. Chief Judge Elaine Newton and Tribal Council Vice-chairman Jim Newton Jr. spoke during the dedication, and Eddie Box Jr. offered a blessing on the building. The addition will house the Family Court Services and Probation departments.

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

The Southern Ute Tribal Court dedicated a new addition to its building on May 7 that will house its Family Court Services and Probation departments.

Chief Judge Elaine Newton, who coordinated the dedication, said the new space is the result of long hours of planning and hard work. Still, the process was efficient: the time between design and move-in was only about a year.

"I'm very proud of what I've

accomplished with my staff," she said. "Anyone who knows me knows I don't give up."

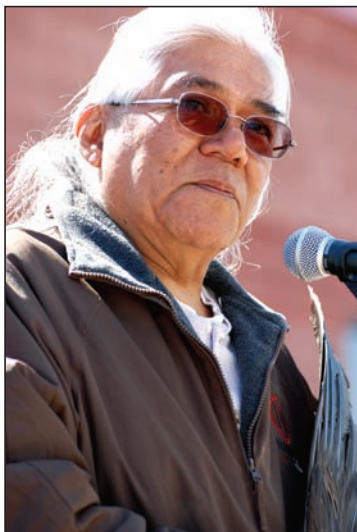
Eddie Box Jr., a former Southern Ute Police Department officer, offered a blessing on the new space. During the event an eagle flew overhead, which Councilman Al Cloud said was an indication that the building was truly blessed.

Tribal Council Vice-chairman Jim Newton Jr. also spoke, indicating the addition will help the Tribe preserve its culture and strengthen its ability to self-govern.

"It's very important as Southern Ute people that we establish our sovereignty," he said. "I've got nothing against the [Bureau of Indian Affairs], but it's important that we govern our own."

Newton thanked the construction crew for helping finish the project under budget.

The architectural firm behind the addition was Reynolds & Associates in Durango. In addition to offices, the new space includes a conference room, a skylighted hallway and a reception area with a freshwater aquarium.



Growth Fund Discusses Past, Future of Revenue

By Amy Barry
The Southern Ute Drum

The Southern Ute Growth Fund gave the tribal members an update on current investments, projects, and goals on Friday, May 7 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Growth Fund Executive Director Bruce Valdez said the United States is still climbing out of recession, and although gas prices are 40 percent lower than 2008, the Growth Fund has been able to remain on or above budget by as much as 6 percent. Oil and gas are crucial elements of the Growth Fund earnings, as 90 percent of the revenue is derived from such sales.

The fund's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization was down significantly in 2009 due to low prices, Valdez said, but have gone up slightly this year due to higher energy prices. Overall, the fund is above budget at midyear and significantly above last year's status at the same time.

Valdez said the Growth Fund has continued to reduce costs by reducing operating expenses and making investments that will increase earnings and tribal dividends in the future. Assets have also grown significantly since the start of fiscal year 2010, he said. Operating costs consist largely of natural gas purchases made by Aka Energy Group, a subsidiary of the Growth Fund, for treatment and resale.

He added that the Growth Fund has remained on or below budget throughout the recession by making sound business decisions. Gas prices increased in the winter months and have shown a slight decline, but should increase within the next couple of months, which bodes well for

the organization.

Regarding oil drilling, Valdez said the Growth Fund has deferred local drilling until next year. Drilling has increased off-reservation as oil continues to do well.

Red Cedar Gathering Company continues to expand its system on the reservation and has increased profits from last year. Aka Energy is landing new business and expanding wherever possible – though doing so, of course, requires up-front spending, Operating Director Bob Zahradnik said.

"We are adding pipeline, and by adding pipeline we have to spend money to expand areas," he said.

Southern Ute Alternative Energy continues to examine opportunities, but is carefully limiting new investments. The algae pilot plant at Coyote Gulch started operating in June 2009 and continues to work on developing the algae process.

The Tribe's real estate investments are doing well in Texas, with the tenant rate increasing daily. The fund's commercial buildings have long-term tenants as well. The Spire, which is located next to the Convention Center in Denver, has finally received certificates of occupancy and has begun to fill more than 150 units. Belmar, a mixed use property in Lakewood, is moving along as planned. The location is benefiting from large chains, such as Target, that have decided to build new stores nearby. Sales at Three Springs continue to increase as well.

Private Equity, the merchant banking arm of the Growth Fund, has been selling portions of its portfolio to reduce the capital commitments and expenses as returns increase.

Sky Ute Sand and Gravel is

currently holding its own, according to the Growth Fund. It continues to reorganize and reduce operating costs by focusing on quality control and specific services that are going to pay for themselves and make revenue.

"We have brand new equipment and do not have the need for constant servicing of our equipment," Marketing Director Vince Mirabal said. "We need to look at providing quality products so we are not having to go back on jobs for repair."

The company continues to hold a prominent spot in the market and compete with local businesses for revenue.

Natural gas revenues continue to follow the production curve, a decline the Tribe's Department of Energy has predicted since 1989. The Financial Plan of 1999 and the Growth Fund Implementation Plan of 2000 were a direct response to the 2000 production peak. The plan's goals were to replace the declining revenue by producing gas and oil off of the Reservation and by diversifying into other investment areas.

Prior to the Growth Fund, the Tribe's revenue came from severance taxes, throughput fees, royalties and right-of-way fees related to the production of natural gas. All revenues were put into the "revenue accumulator," which took money generated and split it for reinvestment and to the Permanent Fund. When the Reservations' natural gas runs out, the revenue generator will disappear. The Growth Fund was created in part to prepare for that. The Tribe has the combined revenue from the declining revenue accumulator and the Growth Fund's earnings to provide income to itself and tribal membership.

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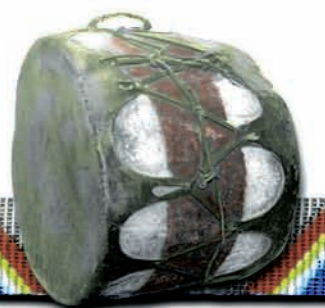
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Tribal Blankets Being Sold



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The Public Relations Division is currently selling woven blankets with the Southern Ute Tribal Seal on them. The cost is \$70 per blanket. Should you wish to purchase a blanket, please visit Special Events Coordinator Amy Barry in the Leonard C. Burch Building on the second floor. There is a limited amount. Sales will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. We will accept checks, money orders and cash. For more information, call Amy at 970-563-0119.



Casino, Royalty Greet Tourists

By Barbara Bustillos Cogswell
Sky Ute Casino Resort

The start of the bus tour season kicked off Wednesday, May 12 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort with the Southern Ute Royalty welcoming a group from Missouri with endearing smiles.

The casino's group sales program appreciated the collaboration with Jennifer Goodtracks-Alires on confirming the royalty's appearance and, most importantly, the parents standing in the wings supporting their daughters.

Miss Southern Ute Samantha Maez, Jr. Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Autumn Medicine Blanket, and Little Miss Southern Alexandria Roubideaux and First Alternate D'Vondra Garcia made a lasting impression on the first-time visitors and fast became the highlight as important ambassadors for the casino.

"When you've been on the road all day and you see such a beautiful casino, you are ready to relax," one visitor said. "But when I got off the bus and felt the hospitality via the smiles of the young women dressed so beautifully... it took away the fatigue of the road."

The casino is becoming the premier stopover for both gaming and leisure travelers to the Four Corners area, doubling both the number of bus tour groups this year and the length of groups' stays.

"I was a little nervous not staying in Durango, but once we got here I knew it was the right choice," Tour Operator Robert T. Buessing said. Planning with Flemming Tours resulted in the special welcome for the East



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Miss Southern Ute Samantha Maez, Jr. Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Autumn Medicine Blanket, Little Miss Southern Alexandria Roubideaux and First Alternate D'Vondra Garcia greeted visitors from the East Coast Tour Company at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on Wednesday, May 12.

Coast Tour Company and Hawthorn Bank.

Bus Tour Magazines has reported that tribal casinos are "great destinations for groups looking to partake in exciting gaming and enjoy unique Native American hospitality, ambiance and culture. With many properties offering hotels, restaurants and a full range of services under one roof, your guests can stay and play for days."

Some of the visitors to the casino said they loved the architectural style, colors and design.

"The Sky Ute Casino runs a first-class operation," one said. "I travel four or five times a year, and I was very impressed with our accommodations. We should have stayed longer."

Gaming and cultural packages at Sky Ute are becoming a big draw for travelers to the area. The group tours program has been promoting the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum and working toward additional cul-

tural packages for 2011. Special group room rates have been given to Manager Kendra Alexander at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds to support the rodeo agenda this year.

The royalty will represent the Sky Ute Casino Resort by riding the Durango & Silverton Narrow-gauge Railroad excursion on Sunday, June 27.

The casino has invited all Native American participants from last year and anyone that would like to learn more about its cultural welcome events to a program meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19 at the casino. It said it appreciates last year's hosts, former Sundance Chief Byron Frost and storyteller Eddie Box Jr., returning to bless this special train event.

For more information on the train and welcome dance program, call Ben Fernandez at 970-563-1750 or Cultural Consultant Mikki Roubideaux at 970-884-4647.

Hopping, Skipping and Jumping



Hundreds of Ignacio Elementary School students and their teachers flooded the running track and surrounding areas at Ignacio High School on May 18 to participate in the school's annual Field Day. Activities included an obstacle course, three-legged races, relays and more. At some stations, Ignacio High students helped coordinate activities and keep the younger children on track. Though heavy clouds threatened to ruin the festivities throughout the day, not a raindrop fell to tarnish the fun.

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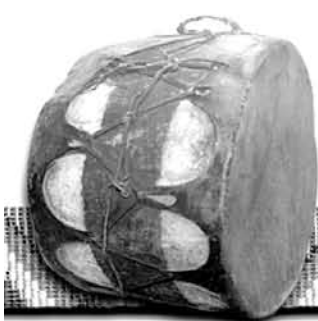
Educator, Scholar Annie Bettini Memorialized at Academy



The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy unveiled a stone memorial on May 10 honoring Annie Bettini, who contributed much to the Academy over the years, near its playground. Pictured from left to right: Family members Jessica Ross, Cecilia Ross, Cody Ross, Jeremy Bean, Brett Ross, Lucile Bean and Danny Bean Sr. witnessed the unveiling of the stone for Bettini. In a brief speech, Howard Richards Sr. said Bettini will "always be in our hearts and remembered by these young people here." Cecilia Ross received an award on Bettini's behalf from Southern Ute elder and veteran Larry Tucker. Fellow vets Tim Watts and Rod Grove then wrapped Cecilia in a shawl. Keifer Goodtracks-Alires and Hunter Frost sang with their drum group during the unveiling ceremonies. The stone is inscribed with the words, "In memory of Anne Bettini, whose dedication to sharing herself with the world will always be remembered."

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Ridgway Closes Book on Lady 'Cats

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

For 31 minutes, the score was zero-zero. Then things “kind of fell apart,” in the words of Lady ‘Cats soccer head coach Andrew Fenity.

“Going into that game the girls were really excited, really psyched about it – I was too – and in that 31 minutes we applied the things we’ve been practicing,” he said. “But after that, I think our defense got tired.”

Probably no team in the Southwestern League would fault the Lady Bobcats, either.

After all, in fighting for the third and final Class 3A State Tournament berth out of the SWL, the Ridgway Lady Demons were taking no chances against a potential spoiler. They were firing from all angles and distances – many from ranges that might have required a calling card to go through.

When senior Rissa Robinson finally managed to put a ball past Ignacio goalie Valerie Armstrong in the 31st, Ridgway’s fastest players seemed to gain yet another gear and RHS rapidly pulled away for a 3-0 halftime lead enroute to a 7-nil win at IHS Field on May 6.

All told, the Lady Demons let fly 44 total shots – 26 on frame – compared to a pair for IHS (2-8 overall, 2-8 SWL). Armstrong did come away with 24 total saves, however, and could thank



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Ignacio goalkeeper Valerie Armstrong hurries to seal off a small opening at the near post, before Telluride’s Jessi Solomon (21) can boot in the ball during the second match of a doubleheader at THS’ Judy Long Memorial Field on May 4. THS swept the Lady ‘Cats, 8-0 and 7-0.

that goal frame for four stops of its own – including one shot that had her beaten through her gloves, but hit the post behind her and made for an easy cover.



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Ignacio’s Destinee Lucero (17) tries dodging Telluride’s Katie Mallard (15) while dribbling upfield during the second match of a doubleheader at THS’ Judy Long Memorial Field on May 4. THS swept the Lady ‘Cats, 8-0 and 7-0.

“She’s really kept us in a bunch of these games, and I’m proud of her. ...She’s definitely learned a lot in practice and applied it to the games,” Fenity said. “We got caught napping a few times – that’s all you’ve got to have. But I’m pleased with our play in the back in terms of... back at the very beginning, that first game. The defense has made vast improvements; it’s the area I can say has improved the most and

never played the sport until this season but progressed quickly.

“I wish I played more than just one year,” Gantt said. “I love soccer more than volleyball now – I played four years of that, six years actually. We knew they were good so we came out ready for it; I think we fought them off pretty good.”

“This year I felt like I did a lot better because I understood what was going on, and I liked my position better,” said second-year senior midfielder Ashley Self. “I realized it was my senior year so I didn’t care if I got a broken bone trying to get the ball. Just wanted to help my team as much as I could.”

“It’s really nice to have... subs!” said Hannah Minkler, another senior mid along with Venicia Sala, about the program’s numbers. “Nice change we’re really not used to; it’s good to have a full team.”

“None of us really fought. We were all pretty much a team; I’ve never really had that,” added Gantt. “We’ve always had drama on our teams, but not this one.”

“I wanted to play really hard, give it my all for Ignacio,” Minkler said. “It was a good season, and I’m glad I played.”

“The senior class – that’s a great bunch of girls,” Fenity said. “They play hard every single game. They’re leaders off the field and on the field.”

MATCH SCORING (player, minute): Ridgway: Robinson, 31; Audrey Jossi, 34; Willa Johnson, 38; Johnson, 43; Alma Johnson, 46; Robinson, 59; Bethany LaSala, 60. Ignacio: none.

GOALIES (player, total saves): Ridgway: Candace Yengst, 3. Ignacio: Armstrong, 24.

Finalists: IHS Baseball Reborn



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The Ignacio Bobcats, after winning the 2010 Class 2A-District 2 championship May 8 on McAndrew Field at Parque de Vida in Cortez. IHS first defeated Western Slope League champs Rangely 12-9, then WSL runners-up Paonia 10-9 in the finale. Head coach Ardie Eleck appears to be receiving a call of congrats at far right.

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“Do they always do that?” asked a Custer County fan, gesturing towards the circle of Bobcats gathered on the practice diamond next to the game field at Ortega Middle School.

The backer’s own Bobcats – state champions in 2008 and 2009 – had just come up short in their quest for a Class 2A three-peat, vanquished by a revenge-minded squad seeking those who’d defeated them in Cortez for the District 2 title a weekend before.

Having witnessed the Maker’s mysterious methods – Paonia’s 7-6 upset of CC in eight innings – again, the D-2 champion Ignacio Bobcats were assembled, again, for a pregame prayer prior to their own journey through the Region III bracket, knowing a second event with the Eagles was possible.

With the stakes raised, only one team would win and therefore play on into the final weekend of the 2010 season. It was not to be for the Bobcats, who fell 9-3, ending their quest to reach the state championship for the first time since back-to-back losses in the 1968 and ‘69 Class A-West finales.

“I’m proud of the boys. They did well over here,” said Eleck, a favorite for San Juan Basin League Coach of the Year after leading the ‘Cats to a 10-12 record, up from 1-17 in 2009 under Josh Stone. “Like I was telling them afterwards, first it starts in the classroom. That was our main focus this year, and the boys did great. And as far as baseball ... they learned a lot.”

Paonia’s Casey Gillenwater said his team knew what they had to do.

“They sneaked by us last time,” he said. “We were fired up. Nobody thought we’d even come close to touching [Custer County]. We came off hot, hit the ball good, and everything worked out great.”

The Eagles (now 11-7) were 2A state semifinalists last in 2008, finalists in ‘07, and champs in ‘03.

“We didn’t underestimate them,” said IHS senior Anthony Porambo. “We knew we were going in to face a challenge. And we went one up, then just went all out for it. We can say we tried our hardest and we can walk with our heads held high; we did all we could.”

Actually, Porambo could have been – and may have been – referring to both contests, in which Ignacio proved in their first ups that they belonged in the bracket (PHS, CCHS, and FHS had all reached Region III in Alamosa in ‘09, along with Dolores). And it started with leadoff man Josh Plehinger.

Drawing a walk off Fowler’s Cody Cesar, the speedy shortstop then stole second and later came in on a Porambo single after two-man Garrett Becker struck out. And against Paonia’s Landon

Long, Plehinger got things rolling with a bloop double to right, then scored on a Becker single to left.

Ignacio then scored two more against Cesar (L; 3 IP, 5 H, 5 ER, 6 BB, 3 K) when six-man Tyler Young whacked a triple to center, plating Tony Hutchinson and Mark Garcia with two out. The ‘Cats led 3-0 after an inning against the Grizzlies (but the Eagles tied after a frame, 1-1).

But the enemies would answer in the third innings. Fowler’s Jake Milberger launched a one-out solo homer to left off Garcia, two-man A.J. Hobby (2-3, BB, 2 R) followed with a triple, and three-man Cesar (3-4, R, RBI) rapped an RBI-ground-rule double to right. He would score on a two-out James Munger single, but Fowler was only back to 4-3 at that point. A Milberger error at short with the sacks packed gave Ignacio two of those runs back in the bottom of the third, and IHS led 6-3.

Paonia, on the other hand, put over three in their third on a Dustin Braslin RBI-triple and Tyler Kendall’s 2-RBI single through Becker at second base, for a fine follow-up on their four-run second inning and a 8-2 lead heading to the top of the fourth.

Fowler (13-8) tagged Garcia for four more in the top of the fifth, and after the ‘Cats – who scored in the bottom of the fourth on a 2-RBI single from Hutchinson (1-2, 2 R, 2 RBI) off reliever Dominic Maestas – failed to answer, Eleck pulled Garcia with Grizzlies at the corners and one out in the sixth.

“I really enjoyed it,” said Garcia (W, 3-3; 5-1/3 IP, 11 H, 4 ER, 3 BB, K). “It was a battle all the way.”

“He did well, was throwing

strikes,” Eleck said. “I thought they might hit the ball, and they did hit the ball pretty good, but we matched their hits. But Mark’s pitched well for us all year, but especially towards the end here.”

Sticking with his all-senior pitcher-catcher [Porambo-Hutchinson] battery, sink or swim, against Paonia, Eleck’s confidence paid off as Porambo allowed just two hits after getting seven-hole Riley Gill to line to Garcia at first, ending the Eagles’ three-run third.

Ignacio got a scratch back in the fifth, as Plehinger (3-3, 2 R; 4-6, 4 R total) led off with a single, took third on a double by Becker (2-4), then scored on a Hutchinson groundout to first baseman Kendall. But the final two taps off Porambo came in the Paonia half of the inning, canceling the effort. Gillenwater (2-3, 3 R) belted a triple to right, and Long (3-4, 2 RBI) plated him with a single after Kendall struck out.

Braslin, Kendall, and Nate Johnson each finished with two hits as well for PHS, and leadoff man K.C. Christian (1-3, 2B, 2 BB) also scored three runs in his five total plate appearances.

Garcia (2-4) was the only other Bobcat to get a base hit off Long and notched a RBI on a single that scored Cuauhtemoc Torres, courtesy-running for Hutchinson, with one gone in the third.

“Just needed to get a lot of strikeouts,” said Long (W; CG, 8 H, 3 ER, 2 BB, 12 K). “I knew I had a good team backing me up.”

Acting on that instinct, Long fanned Becker, Porambo, and Hutchinson in the seventh to end the game after Plehinger singled, stole second, and took third on a balk.

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Pitcher - Jr. 1st Team: Austin Mccracken, Dolores
Pitcher - Sr. 1st Team: Justin Guynes, D.C.
Pitcher - Sr. 1st Team: Anthony Porambo, Ignacio
Catcher - Sr. 1st Team: Austin Knuppel, Dolores
Catcher - Sr. 1s Team: Tony Hutchinson, Ignacio
Infield - Jr. 1st Team: Tyler Underwood, Dolores
Infield - Sr. 1st Team: Josh Plehinger, Ignacio
Infield - Jr. 1st Team: Keegan Arnold, Nucla
Infield - So. 1st Team: Byron Crites, Dolores

Infield - Jr. 2nd Team: Garret Becker, Ignacio
Infield - Fr. 2nd Team: Kolton Shull, Dolores
Outfield - Jr. 1st Team: Ryan Greene, Dolores
Outfield - Sr. 1st Team: Dirk Smuin, Nucla
Outfield - Sr. 1st Team: Bobby Jenkins, Nucla
Designated Hitter - Jr. 1st Team: Justin Goforth, Nucla
Utility Fielder - Jr. 1st Team: Brice Steffan, Nucla
Player of the Year: Austin Mccracken, Dolores
Coach of the Year: Jim Everin, Dolores

BOYS BASEBALL

Class 2A/1A San Juan Basin League
(Final as of May 15, 2010)

TEAM	OVERALL	LEAGUE
Dolores	13-5	9-0
Nucla*	10-8	6-3
IGNACIO**	10-12	3-6
Dove Creek	4-13	0-9

**2A-District 2 champs; lost 2A-Region III final 9-3 to Paonia

*1A-District 1 champs; lost 1A State Quarterfinal 11-2 to Holly

compiled by Joel Priest

GIRLS’ SOCCER

3A Southwestern League
(Final as of May 12, 2010)

TEAM	OVERALL	LEAGUE
Telluride	10-5	9-1
Bayfield	8-5	8-2
Ridgway	6-6	6-4
Pagosa Springs	7-8	5-5
IGNACIO	2-8	2-8
Center	0-12	0-10

STATE TOURNAMENT, Opening Round of 32:
#19 Aspen 1, at #14 Telluride 0
#21 Bayfield 0, at #12 Basalt 2
#30 Ridgway 0, at #3 St. Mary’s 6



18-Mile Walk Brings Health Awareness to Reservations



Walkers Meet at Four Corners Monument

On the cool, windy Friday morning of May 14, a group of about 150 walkers stretched and warmed up for what would be a 19-mile trek from the junction of Colorado Highways 160 and 491 to the Four Corners Monument. The Colorado walkers eventually met walkers from Utah, who began their nine-mile leg of their trek at mile marker 28, where Utah Highway 162 becomes Colorado Highway 41 over the state line. The group eventually met with walkers from Red Mesa, Ariz., at the Four Corners Monument later in the afternoon. It was the first time in 14 years that walkers from three directions congregated to bring awareness to a healthier life. The walk brought together Ute Mountain, Southern Ute, and Navajo tribes with various health departments working together to organize this annual event. Walkers came from Montezuma Creek, Utah; Red Mesa, Ariz.; and Towaoc and Ignacio, as well as other surrounding communities. This was the 14th year of the Walking Together for Healthier Nations. The meeting at the junction of Colorado Highways 160 and 41 brought walkers from Utah and Colorado together for a lunch of sandwiches, chips, Gatorade and water. Speakers from the Navajo Nation, White Mesa and the Ute Mountain and Southern Ute tribes discussed health, leadership and commitment to bettering one's life. Diabetes is the No. 1 life-threatening disease among Native Americans. Southern Ute Council Lady Marjorie Borst spoke of the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Borst was one of the original organizers for the Southern Ute diabetes program and aided in the walk years ago.

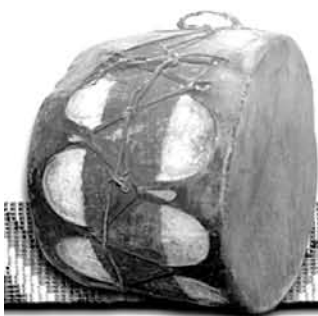
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'Just Move It' Comes to Reservation

The Southern Ute Shining Mountain Diabetes Program, in conjunction with the Just Move It program, came together in an annual event on Saturday, May 15 to raise awareness of the benefits of walking in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The walk began at the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field and followed a route around Scott's Pond to the Ouray Memorial Cemetery and back. The four-mile walk hosted about 200 walkers and runners of all age groups on a beautiful morning. Southern Ute Councilman Steve Herrera gave a welcome to everyone and said it just takes "a little each day to begin a routine." The Just Move It Program is a national campaign to promote physical activity among American Indians and Alaska Natives. The campaign crisscrosses the United States and Alaska.

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Horoscopes by “The Starlady”

♊ **GEMINI (May 21-June 21)**
BIRTHDAY SALUTATIONS GEMINI! The NEW MOON in your sign on the 12th signals a promising start to a beneficial cycle. Personal plans can now become a reality as the SUN encourages fresh ideas and a brighter picture regarding future objectives. Look for communications to be more favorable after the 7th when VENUS enters the talk zone of your chart. Charm and diplomacy are your best allies this month Twins. Intuitively you will know exactly what to say when expressing your thoughts and feelings to others.

♋ **CANCER (June 22-July 22)**
VENUS slips into fun-loving LEO on the 14th and prompts both an increase in your circle of friendships, followed by a spending spree. June's most likely scenario may find you rehashing old situations and wishing you had made better choices. Try not to dwell in the past MOON KIDS. What's done is done and your only other option is to keep moving forward. Muster up your courage and try something new.

♌ **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**
Action is the main theme of this month's forecast. MARS finally exits your sign on the 7th and sets its sights on stimulating your financial picture when it enters Virgo. No doubt you'll be taking a more practical approach with your spending habits as the red planet takes up residence in the practical sign of Virgo. Your social life is activated on the 12th when the NEW MOON in compatible GEMINI triggers a flurry of reunions with old friends.

♍ **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sep. 23)**
Call it what you will, but your job takes on a whole new meaning when the SUN illuminates the career section of your chart. You're certain to be recognized for the quality of your work. Don't be afraid to let your talents shine Virgo. You've earned every bit of the attention coming your way. Put on a brave face and proudly stand tall. SATURN (in your sign now) loves to dole out rewards for a job well done.

♎ **LIBRA (Sep. 24-Oct. 23)**
GET READY LIBRA...a couple of giants from the solar system are coming to rock your world. The two freedom-lovers of the Zodiac, JUPITER and URANUS connect in hot, hot, ARIES propelling you towards exciting partnerships and unusual alliances. A sexy New Moon on the 12th launches a love cycle that should delight both single and committed LIBRA folks. Long range plans are easily put together this month, and you may find yourself planning your dream trip.

♏ **SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)**
Fresh job opportunities brighten your outlook this month as JUPITER and URANUS open up avenues you have yet to explore. Be daring SCORPIO and go beyond the same old routine. JUPITER and URANUS can almost guarantee something new and much more interesting. Keep an eye on finances. The NEW MOON may endow you with the extra incentive you've needed to revamp your spending habits and improve your resources.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**
Partnerships and other close alliances get a boost from VENUS when it enters LEO on the 14th. You may be more than ready to pack a bag, grab your main squeeze and hit the road in search of new adventures. With both JUPITER and URANUS energizing the creative section of your chart, the likelihood of finding new thrills is practically guaranteed. There is nothing like a little excitement to get a Sagittarian's heart pumping again.

♑ **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)**
An abundance of change is headed your way! Looking at the positive side, allowing reorganization into your life is a step in the right direction. A transformative FULL MOON/LUNAR ECLIPSE in your sign on the 26th alters your personal direction and signals the end of a tired old cycle. JUPITER'S arrival in the sign of ARIES lends some comic relief to the flood of activity going on in the domestic section of your chart. The month of JUNE may be a most memorable time for you Capricorn. LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!

♒ **AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)**
This month bigger is better when it comes to planning summertime activities. Be creative Aquarius, use your imagination. No need for elaborate details. Spur of the moment decisions, and impromptu social gatherings sometimes make unforgettable memories and pleasurable situations. You've always been the soul of spontaneity anyway. NEPTUNE in your sign forms an accord with the SUN releasing an abundance of good ideas. Party on AQUARIUS.

♓ **PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**
The base of a well constructed house is only as good as its foundation. Same holds true for people. With the SUN and MERCURY in the foundation part of your chart, new beginnings are a distinct possibility. Be sure to follow through on all business related to real estate, family matters, and personal ambitions. Your positive days include the 7th, 19th, and 24th. Make wise use of those dates Little Fishes. Especially the 24th when MERCURY the idea planet links with your ruler NEPTUNE endowing you with imaginative dreams and creative potential.

♈ **ARIES (March 21-April 20)**
Hold on to your hats Rams! JUPITER the giant one makes its impressive entrance into your sign on the 6th delivering fresh optimism. If that isn't enough, the excitement planet (URANUS) tags along with it and propels you into a new and exhilarating cycle of change. Travel, adventure, and unexpected surprises may put the smile back on your face again. Keep an open mind ARIES, that's what positive growth is all about.

♉ **TAURUS (April 21-May 21)**
Personal ambition runs high in June as the SUN, MERCURY, and the NEW MOON of the 12th stimulate the financial section of your chart. A multitude of clever ideas may cross your mind with lightning speed TAURUS. You might already be thinking up new methods to improve your finances. JUPITER and URANUS give your resources an exciting boost. Revamped financial conditions may produce a better income for you.

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NEW EMPLOYEES



Kirk D. Lashmett
Job Title: Senior Water Quality Specialist
Description of Duties: Assist in monitoring water quality issues within the Southern Ute lands and making recommendations to mitigate assessed water quality concerns as appropriate.
Hobbies: Hunting and fishing.
Tribe: Southern Ute
Family: One minor child.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Thriftway Store, 15051 Hwy. 172, Ignacio, Colorado, has applied for a Retail Liquor Store Liquor License Renewal. The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council will consider the issuances of a Retail Liquor Store License on June 7, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Tribal Council Chambers, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, Colorado. Any questions regarding this application may be directed to Mr. Philip G. Drake, Acting Director of Justice & Regulatory, at (970) 563-0292. Written comments may be sent to: Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Department of Justice & Regulatory, Office of Tax & Liquor, P.O. Box 737, MS#10, Ignacio, CO 81137



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

SUMMER 2010 INFORMATION

- ♦ June 9 - August 19
- ♦ Monday - Friday, 9-5:30pm @ SunUte. Doors open @ 7:30am.
- ♦ Must be ages 6-18 at time of attendance.
- ♦ Tribal Member participants: \$10/yearly membership.
- ♦ Non-Tribal member participants: \$10/yearly membership plus weekly fee.
- ♦ Peer Leaders must register by May 31 @ the SunUte Community Center. (ages 13-18)

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- Tuesday, May 18 @ 6pm
 - Tuesday, May 25 @ noon
 - Tuesday, June 1 @ 6pm
 - Saturday, June 5 @ 9, 10, 11, noon

Express Your Opinions

Thanks From Jr. Miss Indian Colorado

Dear editor,
I am the granddaughter of the late Johnson Box Taylor. It has been an honor and a privilege to have been selected as Jr. Miss Indian Colorado No. 24 for 2009-2010.

To acknowledge this position, my grandmother wanted me to share a meal with my elders, relatives and friends in the community of which I am a part. I am grateful for all those friends and relatives who helped my auntie, mama and our family make this a special meal and a day of traditional dancing and celebration. These special people include

Auntie Barbara, Grandma June Box Tibbits, Four Corners Gourd Clan, Gary Lires and family, Uncle Jake, Uncle Jim Newton, Uncle Conrad Thompson, Uncle Kenny Brown, the many singers who surrounded both the southern and northern drums, Uncle Michael Grant and family, Auntie Cree Medicine Bear and family, Gregory Bison and family, Lil' Sister Avalena Naneato and family, Miss Southern Ute Royalty and families, Southern Ute veterans, aunties Raquel, Heidi, Michelle, Corliss, Ernie, Vanish, Molly, Lindsey, Wally, Auntie Debbie Watts and family, Miss Jicarilla and family, Miss Hozhoni, Andrew Frost and fami-

ly, Ramona Frost and family, Amy Barry, Grandpa Buddy Taylor, relatives who traveled from Oklahoma, Taos and Zuni, N.M., and lots of miles to get here.

I most of all thank the Southern Ute police officers who took the time to raise the flag of my Grandfather Johnson for this special day and the singers who came at sunrise to sing the flag song. This means a lot to our family.

Thank you Mr. DeKay, my school principal, for coming to support me. I know I am going to forget someone, but please know that you were sincerely appreciated on April 10.

Tricia Rose

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In Loving Memory of Cody Cloud Bravo May 7, 1983 - May 13, 2007

Day by day I think of you... I miss you with all my heart... I miss the smell of your cologne, your hugs, your laugh and even our disagreements! I still talk to you... I know you can hear me. Sometimes I hear songs that remind me of you and I smile... Tears fill my eyes... I know you'll be my guide and help me see what I need to do to get through life. I want to wish you Happy Birthday and we celebrate your life. Your love for the outdoors was a good life, you learned so much. Your son Samuel now has the love for the outdoors and I'm sure he'll be a good hunter just like you... You're in God's hands now as he planned. You're our angel in heaven watching over us, never forgotten and forever loved! Rest in Peace...

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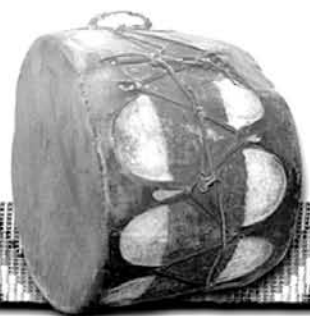
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Watch Where You Point Those



Tribal member hunters were encouraged to bring in their mounts, skulls and shed antlers on May 12 to be measured for the official Boone and Crockett Scoring Night at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Scorers from the Jicarilla Apache Game and Fish Department were on hand to help at the event, which was hosted by the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management. Antlers were measured and tabulated and entered into the official Boone and Crockett system. Pictured above, tribal members Duke Baker and Kenneth Pena check out one of many racks on display. Tribal member Adrian Abeyta held his nice set of antlers while waiting to be scored.

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Southern Ute Indian Tribe Credit Committee Vacancy

Seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill one vacant seat on Credit Committee. The Credit Committee members must be at least 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe with a reputation of dependability and honesty. A confidentiality statement must be signed. They shall be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation for Tribal Credit. The term may be for a three (3) year period. The Committee meets weekly on Tuesday. Committee members must not be delinquent with Tribal Credit or any Tribal Department.

Duties of the Credit Committee:

- Take initial action for the Tribe on all Applications.
- Have the responsibility of assuring that loans made under the Credit Program are repaid when due.

All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on this committee are urged to fill out an application and submit it to the Personnel Department in the Tribal Affairs Building.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Advisory Board Vacancy

Seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill a vacant seat on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. This 7-member Board, first established by the Council in 2005, works closely with the Wildlife Division and Rangers in planning, reviewing, and recommending various actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs. Board members who are not already employed by the Tribe are compensated at \$20/hr. for meeting participation. A commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected as meetings are held several times throughout the year. Tribal Member must not have committed a hunting or fishing related violation in the past 5 years. Knowledge of the Tribe's hunting and fishing resources and its approach to wildlife management is preferred. Eligible Tribal Members interested in serving on the Board must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Interested eligible applicants will be considered for a Board appointment by the Tribal Council. For more information please contact the Wildlife Division at (970) 563-0130.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Gaming Commission Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking one Southern Ute Tribal Member to serve on the Gaming Commission, for a 3 year term. Applicants must possess the following requirements:

- Shall be subject to the same suitability criteria as a key licensee.
- Possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.
- Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
- Have no felony convictions, gambling-related offense convictions, or convictions or offenses involving dishonesty or theft within the past ten years.
- Experience or expertise in regulatory matters, or administrative hearing procedures.
- Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and confidentiality.

All applicants will be subject to background investigations. Tribal members interested in serving on the Gaming Commission should turn in letters of intent to the Division of Gaming Office by 5:00 PM, May 21, 2010. If you have any questions, please call the Division of Gaming office at 563-0180. The Division of Gaming is located at 149 County Road 517, in the West wing of the Judicial Complex.

Notice of Proposed School Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Education of Ignacio School District 11 JT for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011. Said budget is filed in the office of Superintendent of Schools where it is available for public inspection. Such proposed budget will be considered for adoption at the scheduled board meeting on June 29, 2010 at the Board Meeting room at 7:00 PM. Any person paying school taxes in said district may at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget file or register his objection thereto.

*Board of Education
Betty Jo Quintana, secretary*

Request For Proposal

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE IGNACIO AREA CORRIDOR ACCESS PLAN

OWNER:

***Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Tribal Planning
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0100 Ext. 2271***

Separate sealed bids to perform a Corridor Access Plan for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, Colorado will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Tribal Planning Office, located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 9, 2010. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., MST, Thursday, May 20, 2010.

The proposed site is located in Southwestern Colorado, La Plata County and is within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Reservation. The physical address of the project is 15084 Hwy. 172, Ignacio, Colorado 81137. The study area includes the main corridor and two sub-corridor areas – the first sub-corridor in the north east section of the study area and the second sub-corridor in the mid east section of the study area. The main corridor extends from approximately the north boundary of the casino-hotel-museum

Planned Area Development site on the north end of the tribal campus on SH172 (M.P. 10.60), and continues south on SH172 approximately 500 feet south of the intersection of SH172 and CR318 (M.P. 7.54). The north east sub-area extends from the intersection of SH172 and CR517 east and north easterly along CR517, to a point approximately 500 feet north east of the intersection of CR517 and SU317 (Howe Drive). The mid east sub-area extends from the intersection of SH172 and SH151 (M.P. 0.00) and continues east on SH151 to approximately 500 feet beyond the intersection of SH151 and CR521 (M.P. 0.65) (Buck Highway).

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe TERO code has established a preference for contracting and sub-contracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. A bid preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company certified with the Southern Ute TERO Division. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference.

For information on certification, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

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Contractors and Bidders

The Four Corners Office for Resource Efficiency (4CORE) will be seeking proposals and bids from time to time for contractor services (such as marketing, auditing, insulation and air sealing, HVAC) and energy conservation product purchases. 4CORE is requesting that all contractors and vendors interested in being approved and placed on the contractors/bidders list please submit company information to 4CORE. Minority and women-owned businesses are encouraged to apply. Competitive Requests for Proposals (RFPs) will be rated according to price, financial stability, customer service, green business practices, experience, and local (Archuleta, La Plata, San Juan, Dolores, Montezuma counties) ownership/operations.

**Send info to: info@fourcore.org or 4CORE Contractor/bidder
10 Town Plaza, #190, Durango, CO, 81301
Website: www.fourcore.org
Phone: 970-259-1916, Fax: 888-779-3963**

April Meteorological Data

UTE I Monitoring Station • Ignacio BIA Forestry Compound

<u>AVERAGE (Day) HIGH TEMP.</u>		<u>AVERAGE (Night) LOW TEMP.</u>	
April	14.0 C 57.2 F	April	-0.4 C 31.3 F
<u>AVERAGE DAILY TEMP.</u>		<u>PRECIPITATION DATA</u>	
April	6.8 C 44.2 F	<u>Date</u>	<u>Daily Total</u>
<u>AVERAGE WINDSPEED</u>		April 1	.11"
April Average	7.4 MPH	April 16	.248"
Maximum Hourly Average		April 17	.504"
April 23, 2009	24.9 MPH	April 21	.12"
		April 30	.01"
		Monthly Total	.98"

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Member Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has one (1) alternate Election Board member vacancy available for all interested Tribal Members. The Board members must be registered tribal voters, must serve a three (3) year term and must reside on the Southern Ute Indian reservation. The selected individual cannot be a Tribal Council member, a candidate for Tribal Council and must not have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. This is a paid board. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the Election Board are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Building before 5:00 p.m. on July 30, 2010.

IN THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COURT OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE • ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION PO Box 737 #149, CR 517, IGNACIO, CO (970) 563-0240

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2010-088-NC NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Kristopher L. White, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Kristopher L. White has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Kristopher Lee Whitebison. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **Monday, June 7, 2010 at 5:00PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

**Dated this 5th day of May, 2010.
Kelly Herrera, Court Clerk**

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2010-087-NC NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Julian Thomas White, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Julian Thomas White has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Julian Thomas Whitebison. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **Monday, June 7, 2010 at 5:00PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

**Dated this 5th day of May, 2010.
Kelly Herrera, Court Clerk**

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2009-172-NC NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Patrick Gregg Joseph, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Patrick Gregg Joseph filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as

Patrick James Eagle. Therefore, notice is hereby given that Patrick Gregg Joseph name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Patrick James Eagle.

**Dated this 12th day of May, 2010.
Scott Moore, Southern Ute Tribal Judge**

In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2010-084-PR NOTICE OF PROBATE

Bryce Red, Deceased

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **Tuesday, June 29, 2010 at 09:30 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 12th of May, 2010
Trennie R. Burch, Deputy Court Clerk**

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Women’s Conference Focuses on Circle of Life

By Lynda Grove-D’Wolf
Southern Ute Education Department

On May 13 and 14, the “Circle of Life” Women’s Conference made its debut at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

There were 67 women – and one man, Social Services Division Head Steve Brittain – in attendance. The morning of May 13 began with a welcome address from Council Lady Marge Borst of the Southern Ute Tribal Council, who spoke of the vast changes in the way of life for Ute women over time. Invocations were then made by a tribal elder in the Ute language, followed by a brief history of the conference and how it came to be.

There were four presenters at the conference, each representing a sea-

son: Lynda Grove-D’Wolf, a Southern Ute elder, who presented spring; Judy Knight-Frank, an elder from the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, who presented summer; Deanna Penny-Jack, an elder from the Northern Ute Tribe, presented fall; and Pearl Casias, another Southern Ute elder, presented winter.

The women in attendance came from many different walks of life. There were teachers, service workers, young ladies, mothers, students and elders – also, Steve Brittain. There was laughter and sharing of personal stories and, most importantly, massages.

One significant aspect of the conference was the sharing of knowledge of the Rites of Passage. Thursday evening conference attendees enjoyed an evening of relaxation at SunUte Community



photos Amy Barry/SUPR Dept.

Lynda Grove-D’Wolf, coordinator of the Circle of Life Women’s Conference Coordinator, and Barbara Scott-Rarick welcomed attendees of the first annual Southern Ute Women’s Conference at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on May 13. (Above photo, l-r) Tribal employees Marquetta Howe, Patsy Hood, Steve Brittain and Kate Snow, participate in the icebreaker session that kicked off the conference. Deanna Pennyjack (far left photo) shows her father’s fully beaded vest that was passed on to her after his death, while Linda Eagle admires the beadwork and its historical significance to Ute culture. Pearl Casias, a Southern Ute tribal elder (left photo) who represented the winter season in presentations, shares her culture and business savvy with Rafaelita Clay of Southern Ute Social Services.



Center, using the sauna, hot tub, massages from Augusta Burch and a light dinner provided by Estelle Monte-Jimenez.

Friday was a day of recapping all sessions, questions, answers and suggestions for future conferences. After all was said and done, Council Lady Ramona Eagle made the closing remarks. Councilman Al Cloud and Steve Herrera were also present.

My personal thoughts were of surprise as to how many came and thankfulness for their attendance. The purpose of having this conference was to share my experiences



and knowledge with all those who are interested in learning about our Ute ceremonials. If we don’t try to pass on our Ute Rites of Passage and the Ute language, it will perish. So again, I thank my sisters that were willing to come and share with the ladies their wisdom and person philosophy. They are all mothers and grandmothers.

In closing, I would like to say that our lives as women are always busy and never-ending. Thank you once again. May the Grandfather today, tomorrow and into the future take care of you and be there for you in good health.

Spring Cleanup: It’s a Dirty Job



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

As part of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s annual Spring Cleanup event, tribal members are invited to pile trash in their yards for pickup during the last week in April. Though pickings were slim on April 28, Harvey Joy, a Grounds Maintenance worker, found enough – including an old toilet and various other detritus – to fill the bed of his pickup truck as he made a round through the Reservation south of Ignacio.

Veteran Rod Grove Honored



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

In recognition of Armed Forces Day, Southern Ute Veteran Service Officer Rod Grove was honored with a blanket at the Tesoro Cultural Center’s 10th Annual Indian Market and Contest PowWow in Morrison on May 15 and 16. Grove served in the 25th Infantry, 1st Field Forces in Vietnam from 1970 to 1971. Pictured above, Grove is flanked by fellow Southern Ute veterans Ronnie C. Baker and DeWitte Baker in the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park.

90th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair and PowWow Logo and Theme Contest

The Southern Ute Public Relations Division, in conjunction with the Southern Ute PowWow Committee, would like to announce the Logo and Theme Contest for the 2010 Southern Ute Tribal Fair for all Southern Ute tribal members.

All medias of art will be accepted until May 31, 5 p.m.

Artwork shall be no bigger than 8.5 inches x 11 inches.

Selected artwork will be featured on all items involved with the 90th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair and PowWow.

Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with all respective artwork.

All artwork will be accepted at the Public Relations Office in the Leonard C. Burch Building in person or by mail.

Public Relations Division, P.O. Box 737, No. 13, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Barry at 970-563-0119 or email abarry@southern-ute.nsn.us.

The winner will be announced and featured in the June 4, 2010 edition The Drum.



Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job Announcements

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

Foreman, Crusher Operations
Closing Date 5/25/10 - Gallup Sand & Gravel
Day-to-day operations of the crushers to include meeting production goals, inspecting and maintaining the plants and gravel pit operating area per designated maintenance schedules, ensuring compliance with environmental, health and safety permits, plans, rules, regulations and company policies, and supervision of all mine/crusher personnel.

Geologist Level V
Closing Date 5/25/10 - Red Willow Production Co. Houston, TX. Identifying, managing and implementing projects requiring the application of advanced geosciences skills, performing and overseeing geologic interpretation work, and, assisting in developing prospect and play economics and identifying, evaluating and developing exploration and development opportunities.

Welder
Closing Date 5/25/2010 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, CO. Welding and general maintenance of equipment. Fabrication and welding of equipment and providing general maintenance assistance and documentation to management.

Chief Reservoir Engineer
Closing Date 5/26/10 - Red Willow Production Co. Houston, TX. Maintaining complete reserve bookings for all activities, evaluating new acquisitions, divestitures, and exploration projects prior to implementation, reviewing follow-up economics on existing projects, and, coordinating volume forecasting and fiscal year budgeting activities.

Vice-President Investment/Finance of Alt. Energy
Closing Date 5/27/10 - SU Alternative Energy LLC
Applying financial and investment experience to Alternative Energy's business through conducting investment research, evaluating investment oppor-

tunities, conducting due diligence and actively monitoring existing investments.

Applications Development Manager
Closing Date 5/28/10 - SU Shared Services
Leading the internal application development of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM), Finance and Supply Chain Management (FSCM), Kronos and all other enterprise applications where necessary. Coordinate users groups, managing identified projects, upgrades or development as necessary to provide the highest level of customer support. Supervises technical development staff.

PeopleSoft Senior Finance & Supply Chain Management Developer
Closing Date 5/28/10 - SU Shared Services
Development and production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain Management applications, providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft Payroll technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain applications.

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Development and production support of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM) North America and related interface to General Ledger and Accounts Payable, providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft Payroll technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the North America Payroll application.

Land Records Analyst II
Closing Date 6/1/10 - Red Willow Production Co.
Maintaining orderly and accurate land records for all SUGFRW interest properties, including leases, exploration agreements, joint operating agreements, divisions of interest, title opinions, maintains lease records database, including agreement stipulations.

Ignacio School District

Job Announcements for the 2010 - 2011 School Year
Application/Info: (970) 563-0500 ext. 221 • Application can be found at: www.ignacio.k12.co.us

Custodians
Open Until Filled - Immediate Opening
Maintain a clean and safe building and grounds and reports to the building principal. Must have a high school diploma, able to perform light maintenance and housekeeping needs, be self motivated, able to run custodial machinery including high and low speed buffers, carpet extractors, carpet shampooers. Carpentry, plumbing and electrical, have a valid driver's license, work with other people and relate well with students. Pass a background fingerprint check.

Secondary Math Teacher
Open Until Filled - 2010-2011 School Year
Applicant must hold a Colorado Teaching License in content area or be Highly Qualified in Math with knowledge of Connected Math Program (CMP) preferred.

High School JV Volleyball Coach
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Applicant must have knowledge of volleyball techniques and rules and ability to coach.

SUCAP

Southern Ute Community Action Program
Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • (970) 563-4517
Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices.

Residential Assistant
Open Until Filled - SUCAP/Peaceful Spirit
Full-time residential assistant. Must have High School Diploma/GED, minimum 2 years of continuous sobriety. Must be available to work weekends, nights, midnight shifts, irregular shifts and holidays. Must pass criminal history background check.

Multisystemic Therapist (MST)
Open Until Filled - SUCAP/Peaceful Spirit
Preferred Requirements: MA in Psychology, Social Work, Counseling or related subject(s). Related BA and significant clinical experience in family therapy

& treating serious antisocial behavior in youth using cognitive behavioral techniques. Precise record keeping skills a must. Training provided in MST model.

Substitute Transit Driver
Open Until Filled - SUCAP/Ignacio
Part-time. High School Diploma/GED required. Transit or school bus experience preferred. Must have valid Colorado Drivers License and be insurable by SUCAP. Must pass drug/alcohol test/screening, criminal history & child abuse/neglect background checks. Applicants are required to submit a Motor Vehicle Report with application.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe - Job Announcements

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 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Community Center Director
Closes 5/21/2010 - Day-to-day operation, in accordance with the guidelines (fiscal and philosophical) established and approved by the Tribal Council. Will use all of the resources of the Community Center to promote individual as well as Tribal awareness and pride. Provides coordination of resources between the Community Center, Tribal Organizations, local schools, and community members.

Grounds Maintenance Laborer
Closes 5/21/10 - Performs daily grounds, repair and maintenance of the B.I.A. grounds and buildings.

Community Resource Officer
Closes 5/24/10 - Under the general supervision of the Senior Community Resource Officer, provides prevention awareness activities to the community and serves as a liaison between the Southern Ute Police Department and the community.

Sr. Patrol Officer
Closes 5/24/10 - Patrols So. Ute Indian Reservation. Directly responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community, and, in the absence of the Police Sergeant or Lieutenant, supervises all subordinate police officers.

Patrol Officer
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Advanced Practice Nurse
Open Until Filled - Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Clinical Director. Will have access to the family practice physicians and

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Family Practice Physician
Open Until Filled - Contract position responsible for providing comprehensive medical services with special emphasis in family practice to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center.

Internal Auditor
Open Until Filled - Performs internal auditing procedures for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to identify and eliminate risk, liability, unnecessary spending, and inefficient operations. Develops and implements internal audit processes and procedures and recommends improvements to business processes that will promote overall efficiency, productivity and profitability.

Youth In Natural Resources Crew Member
Open Until Filled - (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. Crewmembers are assembled into a 4 man crew that reports directly to the YNR crew leader. Crew performs a variety of functions associated with environmental education and various disciplines of natural resource management.

Youth in Natural Resources Crew Leader
Until Filled - 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

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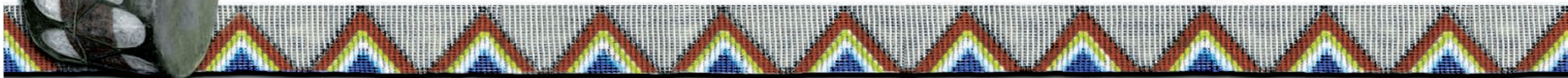
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Trae Seibel
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Jacob Simmons
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Antonio Thompson
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Christian Thompson
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Sylvester Tracy
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Victoria Trujillo-Weaver
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Ariel Weaver
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Stephanie Wilhelm
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Native Graduates Receive Accolades, Encouragement

The annual Senior Recognition Banquet on Friday, May 14 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort was an evening of inspiring words and acknowledgements of Native American students who have earned their high school diplomas. Master of Ceremonies Travis Blackbird, education advisor for the Southern Ute Education Department, is pictured above accepting a gift from Council Lady Ramona Eagle. Blackbird welcomed everyone to the banquet and kept the evening moving with introductions and a few jokes. Guest speakers Joseph Rael Sr. (above right) and Kevin Frost (right) both spoke of the trials they endured in their own lives and what education had done for them. "Endeavor to persevere," Frost said, urging students to achieve their dreams and continue their educations. Chairman Matthew Box gave the invocation and welcomed the many proud parents, friends and families to the banquet. Members of the Johnson O'Malley Committee and Southern Ute Tribal Council distributed gifts to the students in congratulations of their hard work and personal achievement in graduating high school.

Students not present for photos included Hailey Herrera, Hardy Ira Joy Jr., Brandon Lucero, Brent Pinnecoose, Anthony Porambo, Venicia Sala, Timothy Scott and Terence Whyte. Brent Pinnecoose and Hailey Herrera, pictured below shaking hands and accepting gifts from Co-executive Officer Andrew Frost, earned their diplomas in June 2009 and were also recognized at this year's banquet. Pinnecoose is currently serving in the Army and was not present at the banquet.

