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Gathering drums in 30th year



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Young Southern Ute tribal member Avaleena Nanaeto (above) is a whirl of color during a dance at the University of New Mexico as part of the 30th annual Gathering of Nations Powwow, the largest in North America. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe was one of more than 700 represented at the four-day event April 24-27. For more photos, see pages 4 and 5.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Kansas K. Begaye of the Dine Nation (right) was crowned Miss Indian World 2013 during the powwow.

UTE HERITAGE

Tribal elder Grove-D'Wolf launches Ute learning CDs

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Ute language is going digital.

Southern Ute tribal elder Lynda Grove-D'Wolf has launched the first in a series of interactive CDs aimed at teaching basic Ute words and phrases by computer. The first disc introduces Ute words for animals, colors, greetings, numbers, seasons and days, she said.

Grove-D'Wolf, a fluent Ute speaker, said she hopes to make the other four discs available in the coming months.

"I wanted to create something so the people could learn the Ute language. ... I get the impression that people don't think it's important," she said. "The language is who we are as Indian people. If we don't have a language, then we're just paper Indians."

Grove-D'Wolf said she learned the language from her grandmother and grandfather growing up. Many of her generation learned the same way, she said, but it has not since been passed down in the same way.

"I've always been passionate about the language. That was my first language growing up," she said, add-

ing that she's aware of just 30 of the nearly 1,500 Southern Ute tribal members who still speak the language fluently. "If somebody doesn't do something, it's going to die."

Knowledge of the language is a critical component of Ute culture, Grove-D'Wolf said. To that end, she has been sending tapes to her grandchildren in Kansas City since they were born, she said. If more tribal members learned the language, they would "have a better understanding of the culture," she said.

"My hope is that if we learn the language, we'll learn the culture along with it — so that we'll have a better understanding and a better overview of who we are as people," she said.

Grove-D'Wolf is asking \$125 per CD. The five-disc set is available at a discounted rate. For more information or to place an order, call 970-769-3395.

Not one to rest on her laurels, Grove-D'Wolf already has something in mind for her next project. She said she plans to work on a genealogy project next, followed by something to relay traditional Ute stories.

"I work harder now than when I worked," she joked.

SPOTLIGHT ON...

Natural Resources

Over the next four issues, the Drum will be taking a closer look at one of the tribal departments that impacts the Southern Ute Reservation and way of life in myriad ways: the Department of Natural Resources. In this issue, we delve into the Wildlife Resource Management Division and some of its programs.

Wildlife updates council on reservation's elk, deer numbers

By Beth Santistevan
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management met Monday, April 15 with the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for a work session to present its harvest information, game count summary and wildlife population trends on the Southern Ute Reservation and the Brunot Area.



courtesy Jerone Olguin

Jerone Olguin spent several days hunting mountain goats in the high country near Silverton in 2012. He harvested this mature billy on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Wildlife page 8

As word spreads, Bison Meat Program booms

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's program to provide tribal members with free bison meat is turning heads.

Started in 2010, the Bison Meat Program, run by the tribe's Wildlife Resource Management Division, of-

fers up to 10 pounds of meat per month from the tribe's own bison herd to tribal members at no cost. The program gave out approximately 760 pounds each year from 2010 through 2012, but had already distributed 729 pounds in 2013 as of May 1.

Lovvis Downs-Glass, the

division's administrative assistant, said nearly 200 people are coming in to request meat on a regular basis.

The program began with a grant from the InterTribal Bison Cooperative, a South Dakota-based nonprofit geared toward

Bison page 8

Endangered fish on display



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Wildlife Resource Management Division recently installed a fish tank in the Leonard C. Burch Building's Hall of Warriors. The tank features two varieties of endangered fish from the local area. Jon Broholm (background), a wildlife technician, observes the interaction between fish and people after setting up the tank.

The Department of Natural Resources is actively working with other local agencies to help recover endangered fish populations.



SOUTHERN UTE GROWTH FUND Tribal membership meeting

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Events Center
May 16, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Lunch will be served



COUNCIL CORNER

Tribal Council makes concerns clear to BIA regional director

Staff report
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

In the early morning of Tuesday, April 22, Southern Ute Tribal Council members loaded up for the drive to Albuquerque to discuss concerns related to U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs performance and service with the BIA southwest regional director.

The performance of the Southern Ute Agency has frustrated the council, prompting it to call many meetings with the superintendent and regional director. But with nationwide budget cuts occurring, the council decided to travel en masse to the regional director's office to make clear that the issue is a priority for the tribe.

Due to the amount of open positions at the Southern Ute Agency, sequestration is expected to hit the agency especially hard because a hiring freeze and budget cuts promise to make hiring more difficult.

The council requested the meeting to follow up on two letters sent to Regional Director William T. Walker. The first letter asked him to detail regional realty staff to the agency full time, and the second addressed the need for an exemption from the bureau-wide hiring freeze so that more realty staff can be hired.

The response offered by the regional director was not positive. He reported that through sequestration, the bureau experienced a 5-percent budget cut. In addition, the bureau has imposed a hiring freeze, so open positions cannot be

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filled unless an exemption from the freeze is granted by the Bureau's central Human Resources Department in Washington, D.C.

So far the department has received more than 6,000 requests for exemptions, including some from the Southern Ute Agency. Although the Southwest Region is one of four regions given a critical status, which means their waiver requests are being given priority, there is no guarantee that open realty positions at the Southern Ute Agency will be filled.

To make matters worse, the bureau offered an early retirement buyout to its employees, and some realty employees at the Southern Ute Agency and the Southwest Region took advantage of it.

Finally, the bureau is planning a nationwide furlough — which could cut up to eight days per employee be-

tween now and the end of the fiscal year, meaning each employee would need to take one unpaid day of leave per pay period.

Without a solution, the bureau is anticipating even deeper budget cuts in 2014, which translates into deeper cuts in services.

Despite the bad news, the visit was productive. Each of the six Tribal Council members who attended the meeting (the seventh was on tribal business in Washington, D.C.) had the opportunity to speak his or her mind to the regional director and make clear the message that the tribe is dissatisfied with the level of service being provided by the Southern Ute Agency and will not rest until the situation improves.

During the two-hour meeting, the regional director did offer some positive contributions. He committed to providing a regional realty specialist to work full time on projects for the Southern Ute Agency. That individual will work remotely from Albuquerque and has already begun processing transactions.

In addition, Walker reported that BIA Director Mike Black appreciated having the tribe's letter of support for the exemption, as he was able to use it when advocating for exemptions. Walker also proposed several other solutions to improve communication, processing delays and records organization.

The council is considering all of its options for improving the situation.

NEWS IN BRIEF

SOFTBALL FIELDS AVAILABLE

The softball fields by the Multi-purpose Facility are available free of charge for use by tribal members. Reserve a field by calling the SunUte front desk. There is a \$20-per-hour fee to use the lights. The gates remain locked when the fields are not reserved to prevent unauthorized use and preserve the quality of the fields.

AGRICULTURE LAND MANAGERS

The Water Quality Program for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is now accepting applications for the 2013 Cost-share Program. The Cost-share Program is aimed at land managers living within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on the Animas, Florida and Pine watersheds who are interested in implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) for more efficient irrigation and/or riparian protection/improvements. The majority of costs are covered by the tribe through conservation agreements in which BMPs such as surface gated pipe, underground pipe and inlet structures, or riparian

fencing are implemented. Such BMPs limit return flows from irrigated land and restore/protect critical riparian zones, thus decreasing erosion and other pollutants into our local watersheds. Call project coordinator Pete Nylander at 970-563-0135 for more information.

FREE BISON MEAT AVAILABLE TO TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

Bison meat notice to tribal members

As the popularity of the Tribe's bison meat program has increased, the Division of Wildlife has run into difficulty providing the types and quantities of bison meat that our clients want, when they want it. The Program's objective is to supply meat fairly and equitably to as many Tribal Members as possible. Our challenge, however, is in matching the limited supply of meat with the growing demand from the membership. With this in mind, we have developed some simple guidelines for distribution, as follows:

1. Tribal Member clients interested in bison meat must come to the Division of Wildlife Office in the Annex building (Rm. 125) to sign for and pick up meat.
2. The distribution of meat will be a maximum of 10 lbs. per month per Tribal Member household. The distribution is intended only for the Tribal Member and his/her family members who reside in the same household.
3. To ensure the satisfaction of the maximum number of clients, the Division will use its discretion with the amount of preferred cuts distributed per client. In general, the meat cut most readily available is burger, either in patties or 2 lb. chubs. The cuts that are always limited in supply are roasts, steaks, and stew meat.
4. The Division will accept requests for specialty cuts, such as heart, tongue, liver, and oxtail. These cuts generally are not available at the time of request, and the client will be notified when delivery is received from the butcher.

The Division of Wildlife will continue striving to satisfy our Tribal Member clients who utilize the bison meat distribution program. We appreciate your patience and understanding of our limitations.

If you are not satisfied with any aspect of the service you receive, or if you have suggestions on how we can improve this service, please let us know!



courtesy Obdulia Box

10 years ago

Actor Rick Schroder of "NYPD Blue" fame stopped by the Southern Ute Growth Fund offices earlier this year on his way to the Ute Mountain Reservation, where he was promoting a screenplay he had written. Just before he departed for Towaoc, Schroder posed with Southern Ute tribal members Angela Nickerson (left) and Obdulia Box (right).

This photo first appeared in the May 2, 2003, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Robert Baker/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Ignacio Elementary students danced the Bear Dance with sashes they had made themselves in their classes. Everett Burch explained the meaning of the dance, which is a traditional celebration for the Southern Ute Tribe each spring. The catman is shown cutting couples apart while the singers rub their notched sticks together in unison. Southern Ute people celebrate the coming of spring in this way, and the Bear Dance is a social event to be enjoyed.

This photo first appeared in the April 30, 1993, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Gerald Howe cutting his birthday cake at the get-together of the Southern Ute Health Board and PHS staff. Newly elected chairwoman Alberta Velasquez chaired the proceedings.

This photo first appeared in the May 6, 1983, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Committee

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MAY 15, 2013
Sky Ute Casino & Resort

BONNY KENT ROOM
6:30-8:30 PM

Continue to help guide the future of Health Care for Tribal Members



Winder works word magic



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal member Tanaya Winder stopped by the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy on Wednesday, April 24 to talk to the kids about create writing. Winder, the daughter of Nathan Strong Elk and Cindy Winder, invited the children to participate in several exercises, including answering questions written across a beach ball.

Cultures collide at casino



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Ignacio School District hosted the Cultures Coming Together Fair on Wednesday, April 10 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The fair aims to expose students in Kindergarten through the sixth grade to diverse cultures. Representing the Southern Ute Tribe were (left to right) Elliott, Nate and Dewayne Hendren.

CULTURAL UPDATE

BEAR DANCE VENDORS NOTICE

Vendor's space for the Southern Ute Bear Dance are available at a first-come first-serve. Please contact Darlene Frost at 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

SEEKING BEAR DANCE FEAST VOLUNTEERS

The Culture Department is seeking volunteers for the upcoming Bear Dance Feast, which will be held Monday May 27. Need: Fry bread makers; stew cook and servers. Please contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator if you are interested at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

SEEKING SUPERINTENDENTS FOR TRIBAL FAIR

The Southern Ute Culture department is seeking superintendents during the Southern Ute Tribal Fair for the Fry Bread Contest; Baby Contest and Fair Exhibits. Please contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator if you are interested at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

CLOTHING PATTERNS AVAILABLE

Are you interested in making a ribbon shirt, jingle dress or pair of moccasins for the fast-approaching powwow season and upcoming Bear Dance? The Cultural Department has recently purchased patterns to make men's plains ribbon shirts; breechclout and leggings; plains-style moccasins (adult and children); women's tradecloth, regular cloth dress and jingle dresses; child's ribbon shirts; and jingle

dresses. Interested tribal members are encouraged to contact Marge Barry at the Cultural Department at 970-563-0100 ext. 2306, or email mbarry@southernute-nsn.gov to make arrangements to obtain the pattern of your choice.

CULTURAL DEPT. SPRING EVENTS

The following are spring events hosted by the Southern Ute Cultural Department (at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum unless otherwise noted). Meals or snacks and beverages are provided at each class. Call 970-563-0100 ext. 3620 to sign up; classes fill fast.

May

1, 8, 15: Ute 103 with Dr. Givon, Mary Inez and Alden Naranjo. 5:30-7:30 p.m.; small classroom.

2, 9: Shawl Making. 5:30-8:30 p.m.; small classroom. Limit eight.

5, 12: Children & Families Ute Class with Crystal Ivey. 2-4 p.m.; small classroom.

7, 14, 16: Roach-making Class. 5:30-8 p.m.; craft room. Limit eight.

10: Elders Lunch. Noon-2 p.m. Movie TBA.

24: Ute Nation Day & Bear Dance Kickoff Lunch. Bear Dance Grounds.

24, 25: Bear Dance Powwow. Sky Ute Fairgrounds.

24-27: Southern Ute Bear Dance. Bear Dance Grounds. Chief Matthew Box.

Additionally, join us every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to work on craft projects. Space will be provided in the small classroom. Please bring your supplies to work on your projects.



Students seemed to enjoy the hands-on element of the fair.

Several Native American cultures were represented, including Sioux.

Attention tribal-member caterers

The Powwow Committee is asking for meals to be served to the Bear Dance Powwow Head Staff on May 25, 2013. Lunch and dinner for 75 people: We will pay \$1500. We provide: plates, plastic ware, drinks and condiments. You provide the food, and deliver to the powwow by 11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Please submit a menu for lunch and dinner to the Powwow Committee by 5 p.m. on May 15, 2013. You may drop off your menu to the Culture Department located on the upper level of the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum.

Uma Nu Apaghapi Ustii?

Would you and your family like to learn to speak Ute?

This is an introductory class geared to children and adults who wish to learn the Ute language. We encourage you to come and become acquainted with an important element of our culture, our language.

Call the Culture Department at 970-563-0100.

Southern Ute BEAR DANCE

May 24 - 27, 2013

Chief: Matthew Box
2nd Chiefs: Jake Ryder & John Chavarillo

Bear Dancing starts: 10:30 a.m.
Bear Dance Feast: May 27, 12 noon
Bear Dance Grounds, Ignacio, CO
For information call 970-563-0100 ext. 3624

No short dresses or baggy pants while dancing.

Phone photos or videos and recording are not allowed, except by members of Ute Tribes. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be held responsible for accidents, injuries or theft. The Pine River is restricted.



Memorial Day 2013

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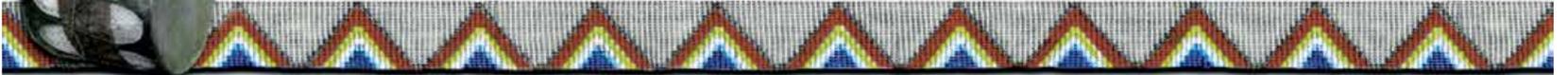
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May 27, 2013



Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park
10am



A U.S. Army veteran leads a procession on the arena floor.



Southern Ute tribal member Marquette Howe and her daughter, Izabella, take part in the grand entry.

Color, sound weave Native American tapestry at Gathering of Nations

The nation's largest powwow celebrated its 30th year April 24-27 at The Pit at the University of New Mexico. More than 3,000 Native American singers and dancers competed to entertain the crowd, which filled the arena to capacity.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Southern Ute tribal member Andrew Frost (right) was one of many Southern Ute tribal members present for the festivities.



A young attendee clings to her mother amid the commotion.



Intricate beadwork adorned the dresses and accessories that made up many dancers' regalia.



The powwow brought together members of more than 700 tribes from across North America.



The regalia from various tribes displayed a wide variety of color and symbolism.



A delicately arranged traditional bustle.

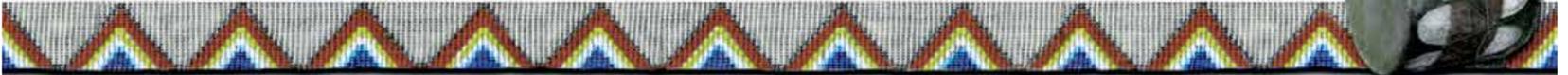


A bald eagle, strongly symbolic in Native American culture, spreads its wings before the crowd.

POWWOW

May 3, 2013

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Little Miss Southern Ute Yllana Howe pauses for a portrait.



Avaleena Nanaeto was one of several who represented a younger Southern Ute generation at the Gathering of Nations.



Also present were several Navajo code talkers, veterans of World War II.



Brianna Goodtracks-Alires wears a beautifully adorned shell dress.



An older dancer takes part in a grand entry ceremony.



Several younger participants step outside with traditional instruments to try capoeira, a Brazilian dance-fighting art.



A variety of shows, including a demonstration of basketball tricks, filled the schedule during the powwow.



On Stage 49, dozens of indigenous bands performed in a variety of genres, such as When Darkness Falls.



A young dancer gathers his materials high above the grand entry taking place on the arena floor.



KIDNEY CORNER

Therapeutic lifestyle changes for high blood pressure

By Dr. Mark Saddler
DURANGO NEPHROLOGY ASSOCIATES

In the last edition of the Kidney Corner, we discussed the importance of controlling blood pressure.

Such control can very effectively prevent the complications of high blood pressure including stroke, blindness, heart disease and kidney failure. Although medications are often needed to control high blood pressure, it is important to start with non-medicine approaches to controlling blood pressure.

We call these "therapeutic lifestyle changes," and they can be extremely effective for blood pressure control. Although it can be difficult to maintain a change in one's lifestyle, these efforts usually don't cost anything and don't have any side effects, so they are in many ways better than medications.

Exercise is one effective lifestyle modification that has been shown to markedly improve blood pressure. I am often asked "Which exercise is the best for me?" There have been many studies done on this subject, and in general they have shown that it doesn't matter what form of exercise is done — the benefits to the cardiovascular system are about the same.



A recent study even showed that it doesn't matter whether exercise is "aerobic" (endurance-type exercise like running, biking or swimming) or "anaerobic" (strengthening-type exercise like weight lifting). The benefit to the cardiovascular system is about the same.

For people who have problems with joints or muscles, some types of exercise that put less strain on the joints — for example, stationary biking or swimming — can be more enjoyable. Another consideration regarding choice of exercise is that "weight-bearing exercise" (walking or running) can be more beneficial for prevention of osteoporosis by improving calcium deposition in bones.

A long-term commitment to an exercise program is essential for it to be effective. So my usual answer to the

question is to ask the patient: "What kind of exercise do you like doing best?" I feel that the exercise a person enjoys the most is the one they will stick with the best.

Thirty minutes five times per week is a reasonable goal for exercise.

Weight loss is another effective way to reduce blood pressure. Exercise and calorie restriction are the most beneficial ways to achieve this.

Even loss of a modest amount of weight can be extremely beneficial in blood pressure control. I don't recommend high protein diets for weight control. Although they can result in rapid weight loss, they are often associated with rapid return of the weight, and their safety is not well established.

Long-term weight loss is better achieved by balanced calorie restriction. In this context, "balanced" means keeping an appropriate balance of protein, carbohydrates and even some healthy fats to maintain a diet high in nutritional value.

Finally, no discussion of therapeutic lifestyle changes would be complete without mentioning the importance of sodium restriction. This can have a significant effect in reducing blood pressure, whether patients are on blood pressure-lowering medications or not.

Head Start gets healthy snacks



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Dru

Matt Palmer prepares to unload a new healthy snack vending machine from a truck. The machine will offer alternatives to a soda machine that was recently removed.

HEALTH UPDATE

FOSTER CARE/KINSHIP TRAINING, RECRUITMENT & LICENSING

The Southern Ute Social Services Division is seeking Foster Care/Kinship families within the Southern Ute Tribe and other Native American families who are interested providing a home for a youth that is in need of placement. A foster care parent is not a lifetime commitment to a child, but a commitment to be meaningful to a child's life. Be the one to make a difference in a child's life by providing a positive environment and safe place for our Tribal children when they are faced with life challenges. Being a foster family means helping families overcome their challenges and move toward reunification for family. Remember our children are our future generation, if we as foster parents can support children and their families we have made a difference in their lives. Contact Kathryn Jacket, Foster Care Coordinator at 970-563-0209 ext. 2328, Southern Ute Indian Division of Social Services, 116 Capote Drive, Ignacio, Colorado 81137.

PREVENT COLON CANCER

All Native Americans are two times more likely to be diagnosed with late stage Colon rectal cancer than early stage Colon rectal cancer. Finding and removing polyps before they progress to cancer can prevent Colon cancer. The American

Cancer Society suggest adults, age 50 or older get one of these tests: A fecal occult blood test (FOBT- a stool test) every year, or Colonoscopy every 10 years. Call the Southern Ute Health Center to discuss what screening test is best for you. Funding programs available: Medicare, Medicaid and most insurance companies pay for colon cancer screening. You may be able to have a free colon test through the Colorado Colorectal Screening Program. Please contact Susan Turner, at the Southern Ute Health Center 970-563-4581 ext. 2363 to see if you qualify! Appointments for Colonoscopy will be at Digestive Health Center in Durango, Colo.

HOST A MAMMOGRAM PARTY

All Tribal and or Native American women are eligible to participate. Medical insurance is required at the time of your appointments. Invite two friends and I will schedule a mammogram appointment at Mercy Hospital for your party - women 50 and above, or if recommended by your provider for an earlier screening. Health Services will provide transportation and lunch - Digs Restaurant in the Three Springs area. For more information call Gloria Casias-Mounts, Community Health Representative Health Service Division at 970-563-0154 ext. 2347.

Elders Services trips for month of May

May

- 17: Farmington shopping trip – Van will be leaving at 9 a.m.
- 8: Shawl making class – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Southern Cultural Center and Museum (lunch will be provided).
- 10 – 13: Fort Duchesne Bear Dance – All travel requests needs to be submitted by Monday, May 6 by 4 p.m. (four or more to go on the van).
- 15: Shawl making class – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Southern Cultural Center and Museum (lunch will be provided).
- 19: Elder Luncheon – at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum.
- 22: Wild Horse Casino trip to Dulce, NM – Van will be leaving at 8:30 a.m.
- 23: Durango shopping trip – Van will be leaving at 9:30 a.m.

All trips will need to have four or more Tribal elders, handicapped or disabled members to attend any of these trips. All trips are subject to change without prior notice. If you have any questions please call the Elders office at 970-563-0156.

11th Annual Four Corners Walking Together for Healthier Nations
May 10, 2013
Reg: 6 am Start: 7 am

All participants that walk 3 miles will receive a FREE Tshirt. We encourage all walkers to wear good walking shoes, a cap, and plenty of sunscreen. Come and join us at one of the starting points and walk to the Four Corners Monument.

Shuttle Service Available! Contact (970) 563-4741

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Saturday May 18th

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Reg: 9:00 am Start: 9:45 am

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Golden students visit tribe



Southern Ute Tribal Council members Ramona Y. Eagle (right) and Alex Cloud shake hands with the students in the Council Chambers after a welcome by the council.



Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy Director Carol Baker Olguin spoke to the students about Montessori teaching and its philosophy during a tour of the academy.

Senior students of Golden High School visited the Southern Ute Indian Tribe as part of their Senior Semester Program's annual southwest trip April 18 and 19. In their second year visiting the tribe, the group was welcomed by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and made introductions. The students then toured the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy, SunUte Community Center, Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum, and The Southern Ute Drum. The students will also visit other tribes in New Mexico and Arizona.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



Southern Ute veteran Randy Baker speaks with the students after a presentation at the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park. Tim Watts (not pictured) also talked as part of the presentation.



SunUte Fitness Manager Robin Duffy-Wirth demonstrates "functional lifting," a technique used to develop muscles used more functionally in our day-to-day living.

A higher education



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Education Department offers students an opportunity to gain a higher education in the Emily Griffith Certification Program. In its first year, the 6-month program helped Ilene Chavez, Celeste Chavez and Gabrielle Herrera earn their certificates and up to 20 college credits by spending 4 to 5 hours a day in the Education computer lab.

District honors students



photos Ace Stryker/SU Drum

The Ignacio School District hosted its 27th annual Academic Awards Banquet on Monday, April 22 in the Ignacio High School gym. Among the Southern Ute and Johnson-O'Malley Program students recognized for maintaining a 3.5 GPA since the beginning of the school year were Chase Francis, Chastity Bear, Avionne Gomez, David Baca, Gabriela Garcia, Clayton Jefferson, Cloe Seibel and Mariah Vigil.

EDUCATION UPDATE

SENIOR BANQUET TO HONOR GRADUATING SENIORS

To all the Southern Ute Tribal students that are currently 2013 graduating Seniors, call or email Ellen S. Baker at 970-563-0237 ext. 2793 or email esbaker@southernute.nsn.gov to let her know so an invitation will be send out to you. The Southern Ute Education Department will be holding a banquet to honor the 2013 graduating senior's students.

HIGHER ED. SCHOLARSHIPS

Southern Ute tribal high school seniors and returning students: Deadline is July 1. Only completed applications will be considered. If you need assistance or have questions in completing an application, contact the Education Department at 970-563-0237 or 330 Burns Ave. in Ignacio.

ADULT OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM, TAKING APPLICATIONS

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is now accepting applications on a first-come-first-served basis. There are 15 scholarships available at this time. The scholarships are for tribal members who are interested in attending a vocational training school (non-profit) or a junior college with a certificate program. In order for students to attend any school, it has to be an accredited and approved by the Council of Higher Education Accreditation. There is no deadline for the certificate program, since some vocational training schools are year round. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, call Luana Herrera at 970-563-0237.

GED TEST DATES

The Department of Education announces the GED test dates for the upcoming months: May 3, June 7, and July 12. The test is held at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953. Computer based GED testing is available through Pearson Vue Testing. Register, pay and schedule at www.GEDcomputer.com. The test must be taken at The Southern Ute Education Center. Call 970-759-1953 for details. **The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will expire and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.** Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 ext. 2784 or 970-749-1953 for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is accepting applications for tribal members who are interested in working for six months as an intern. Call Luana Herrera at the Southern Ute Education Department at 970-563-0237.

Ignacio Junior High Principal Chris deKay greets students and their families to open the event, which included dinner and a raffle.



FREE HOME RADON TESTING

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs is offering FREE home radon testing for Tribal members.

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(Education Dept.)



WILDLIFE UPDATES COUNCIL • FROM PAGE 1

The division, part of the tribe's Department of Natural Resources, typically meets with the council and makes recommendations before it releases the annual hunting proclamation (see pages 12-16). This year it recommended the seasons and regulations for the reservation and Brunot Area essentially remain the same as they were during the 2012-13 season, with only a few minor changes.

Prior to the meeting, the division consulted with the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board and Colorado Parks and Wildlife regarding tribal hunting and fishing within the Brunot Area.

Wildlife Biologist Aran Johnson said the division typically conducts a survey each year during the first or second week of January.

"The survey takes about 30 hours and then a couple of days to analyze and put the data together," he said.

Johnson said he prefers to get all 30 hours done at once. The division uses a conservation company, Native Range, to help with helicopter capture services.

The division issued a total of 982 tribal-member permits in 2012, including 244 buck, 213 doe, 256 cow and 240 bull permits. By doing a harvest survey, it can determine which animals are most sought after by tribal hunters.

In 2011, a little more than 70 percent of the hunters who obtained a buck tag harvested an animal. Just over 20 percent harvested their tags for a bull elk. But according to the data obtained, a quarter of the membership who were issued tags did not use them. Council Lady Ramona Y. Eagle said she would like to see a breakdown of permits obtained by age group.

The tags issued for tribal members in 2012 for the Brunot Area numbered around 135 each for bucks and bulls, 125 each for does and cows, 83 for fall turkeys and less than 20 for rare game and mountain lions. By contrast, only three elk, two bighorn sheep, one mule deer, one moose and one mountain goat were harvested in the area.

Johnson said that could be because the Brunot Area is still a new territory for

hunters.

"A lot of people are still getting comfortable with the idea of going up there to hunt," he said. "The survey I give to tribal-member hunters when they pick up their permits suggests actually about half of the people that pick up Brunot permits go up to at least take a look around, and a quarter of the people that pick up permits actually engage in hunting in the Brunot Area."

Hunters that do take advantage of Brunot hunting rave about the opportunities there.

There have been no reports of conflict with state hunters or state law enforcement in the Brunot area.

Eagle asked the division whether there's an educational brochure or class being offered to educate the public about the area.

"It's important for the public to know there were treaties put in place," she said. "This is a part of our history as well as theirs."

Chairman Jimmy R. Newton agreed.

"That is a good point," he said, "and people need to be educated. This is a good topic for discussion with the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs."

The overall report on the 2012 tribal-member hunting season was that it was a good year for deer hunting, despite a drought year. Hunters were finding and harvesting high-quality bucks.

According to Johnson, the main migratory push onto the reservation, which occurred during the first week of November, was normal and the vast majority of tribal-member feedback regarding mule deer was positive in 2012.

Tribal-member elk hunters also harvested several exceptional bulls this year, on and off the reservation. The late fall elk distribution was quite different this year compared to the past, Johnson said.

"The January cow hunt success was lower this year, most likely due to weather and corresponding elk distribution changes," he said.

On the east side of the reservation, the elk ratios over the past five years have begun to stabilize compared to what the division had seen

in the previous seasons. The calf ratio for elk also suggests a stable-to-growing herd.

The mule deer ratio on the east side has been steady over the past five years, but the fawn-to-doe ratio has been hovering at or above 50 for the last four consecutive years — and if concerning drought conditions continue, those numbers are expected to drop.

On the west side, the ratios for mule deer didn't indicate the herd size and are based on very small sample sizes. The fawn-to-doe ratio was high this year, as was the buck ratio. The elk herd continues to grow slowly on the west side, with the calf ratio being good.

Findings show the bull ratio is low. Recent radio collar data suggests bulls are migrating to the Ute Mountain Ute Reservation over the winter. Overall, not many hunters are taking advantage of the elk hunting on the west side, and the population as a whole continues to be depressed.

The findings for the 2012-13 season suggest that elk were distributed differently in 2012 than in the past. According to the division's presentation, elk were found in smaller groups across larger areas, instead of two or three herds making up more than 400 elk in Washington Flats. The division saw herds of a dozen or fewer elk from Washington Flats through Cabezon, Deep Canyon and Vega.

Johnson said the division will be keeping a close eye on deer on the reservation in the coming years.

"All in all, the deer herd is doing just OK," he said. "Estimates from our radio collars tell us that adult doe survival has been declining for a number of years, which is concerning."

According to Johnson, drought has a major factor on deer numbers.

"Drought impacts are harder on deer than elk, and if conditions stay dry I expect to see the deer herd taking a hit," he said.

For more information on the services and permits provided by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management, call the division at 970-563-0100 or visit www.southernute-nsn.gov/WRMWeb.

BISON PROGRAM BOOMS • FROM PAGE 1

reestablishing herds in Indian Country, said Division Head Steve Whiteman. The tribe needed to find a way to keep the size of its herd in check — ideally, about 35 animals — and the money went to helping cull excess animals by processing them for meat, he said.

"We actually need to harvest animals from the herd so we can keep a healthy herd," he said. "We started a beginning program of giving the meat away to tribal members to see if they liked it."

While not everybody likes the meat, as Downs-Glass pointed out, there are plenty of tribal members who appreciate the program.

"We love it!" said tribal member Geraldine Rael in an email. "Every tribal member that wants can pick

up 10 pounds per month to help feed their families."

Rael said she has used the meat — a healthier alternative to beef — to feed an ailing family member.

One important caveat is that not all cuts of meat are available at all times, Whiteman said. The division typically stocks burger meat on an ongoing basis, but other cuts — such as the popular stew meat, roast and steak — are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

"We try to distribute the more desirable cuts to as many tribal members as possible," Whiteman said. "One of our real challenges is supply and demand, and making sure that we have enough meat to meet the demand."

More exotic cuts, such as tongue, are available — but

may not come in until the next animal is slaughtered, sometimes resulting in a turnaround of a month or two, he said.

The animals are processed at Sunnyside Meats in Durango.

The division also works with the Cultural Department to make other bison parts available to tribal members, Whiteman said, including hides, skulls and horn caps.

Downs-Glass said the division hopes to publish a healthy cookbook featuring bison recipes in August.

For more information or to request bison meat, visit the Wildlife Resource Management Division in the Annex Building. Downs-Glass advised calling ahead for cuts other than hamburger.

NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL ELBERT J. FLOYD AWARD BEING ACCEPTED

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

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

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person. Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. **Nomination must be submitted in writing to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Dept. by 4 p.m. on Friday, May 17 and shall state the basis for the nomination.** For information call Ellen at 970-563-0235 ext. 2793. The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of two members consisting of the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd's children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student.

EXPLORERS CLUB YARD SALE

SATURDAY, MAY 30

Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a huge yard sale in their parking lot. You can rent space for \$15 all the profits you receive from your sales are yours. Start cleaning out your closets, sheds, basements, and storage units. If you would like to reserve a space call Deb Otten at 970-563-0675 ext. 345.



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Aug 17: Native American Parent Conference: Fort Lewis College



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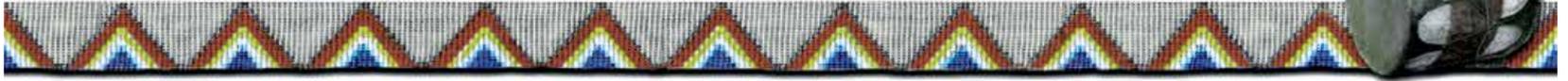
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PEACE JAM

'I Am' Poems

Marisa Carmeneros
I am from ice cream, iPads, Nike, and The Spice Girls.

I am from a dirt road, garden snakes, and a house that is dirty on the outside but clean on the inside.

I am from summer vacations and spending time with my grandparents.

From Nevaeh, Sky, and Shailyn.

I am from running late and hairy arms.

From "stop fighting with your sister" and "be nice."

I am from the Southern Ute Tribe, watermelon and steak.

I am from stories about God and praying.

I am from my picture of my grandma, cashed checks, time spent at the casino, and just being together.

I am from the Sun Dance and the Bear Dance.

From spending time with friends and dancing with girls.

I am from Denver, Aztec and Mexico. From family trips, Roman noodles, steak, and music.

Jayden Brunson and Jazmin Carmeneros
I am from blue skies and basketball jerseys.

I am from lots of plants and crayons.

I am from dirty clothes, scattered, sweaty and wrinkled.

I am from dirty dishes, spotty, smelly and stained.

I am from the red roses, the blue tulips.

I am from the jasmine, the oak tree.

I am from family reunions and loving. From Melanie Lee Lucero, J.D. Jesus Brunson and Bill Facker.

I am from the Bear Dance and Sun Dance and having fun, from my uncle Byron Frost and aunt Darlene Frost, and Carmeneros and Vincente.

I am from the family vacations and appearances of new family members (like babies!).

I am from volleyball games and cleaning clothes and rooms.

From "stay close" and "never be afraid."

From "I love you" and "have a good day."

From cleaning Wells Fargo bank on Sunday and church — sometimes.

From CCD and church — all the time.

I am from Durango and Hispanic Pagosa, bean and cheese burritos and sopapillas.

I am from Durango and the Southern Ute Tribe, Navajo tacos and fry bread.

From my mother's cooking, my grandma's cookies, and my auntie's and uncle's presents.

From my grandma's fry bread, my auntie's Frito pie, and my grandma Dorothy's biscuits.

I am from pictures in the closet, the birth certificates, my grandmother's necklace and my grandfather's high school prom suit.

I am from long ago pictures, the dress, the Junior Miss shawl, the Junior Miss sash, and the otters.

Torrice Howe

I am from a stuffed bunny named Fluffles and I am from Doritos.

I am from the snapdragons.

I am from Bear Dance and I am from braided ponytails at Bear Dance.

I am from Reginald, Neeka, and Shyida.

I am from Red Lobster in Farmington, and from going to Bear Dance together.

I am from "if you can't, you won't" and from "if you work hard you might accomplish something."

I am from going to powwows.

I am from Ignacio and I was born in Durango.

I am from pork and buffalo.

I am from my great uncle Don and Afghanistan.

I am from the photo albums in the living room, the hallway and in the eating place.

I am from pictures on the little tables and on the wall.

Reynelda Martinez

I am calm and funny.

I wonder about the different parts of the world.

I hear the wind call my name.

I see my mom and dad.

I want \$100.

I am calm and funny.

I pretend to be a waitress.

I feel happy.

I touch my dog and cat.

I worry about my mom and dad.

I cry when my cousin died.

I am calm and funny.

I understand when the sun comes up.

I say I can be a baby.

I dream about a cat hitting a tree.

I try to be good.

I hope my mom and dad come back.

I am calm and funny.

Avelela Nanaeto

I am funny and cool.

I wonder if my cat will get big.

I hear pinecones dropping.

I see my cat.

I want a kitten.

I am silly and awesome.

I pretend to be a horse.

I feel my cat and horse's coat.

I touch the saddle on the horse.

I worry about my grades.

I cry when something gets stolen or ripped

of mine.

I am respectful and happy a lot.

I understand I have to ride a horse with

ropes.

I say the world will make a change.

I try to make it around the barrels.

I hope my cat will get bigger.

I am very awesome and cool.

Emilia Price

I am from teddy bears, ice cream, and The

Spice Girls.

From iPad, Xbox, and Nike Jordans.

I am from a grassy yard, spiders, and a

white and blue house.

I am from summer trips to new places and

family dinners.

From Charmaine, Clarissa, and Cherish.

I am from looking similar and running late.

I am from "be nice" and "don't fight with

your sister."

I am from the Bear Dance, powwows, and

church on Sunday for the donuts.

I am from White Mesa, pizza and ham-

burgers.

I am from my sister trying to wake me up

with cold water, and traveling to Durango for

work.

I am from family photos and jewelry

boxes.



courtesy Marisa Rocha/Boys & Girls Club

Members of the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe socialize during the Ignacio Youth Film and Art Identity Show at Fort Lewis College on Tuesday, April 16.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

BGC kids create short films with help from Fort Lewis

Staff report
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's PeaceJam group has been meeting with students from the Fort Lewis College Education Department for the past year to work together to create short films that capture the essence of Ignacio's youth.

On Tuesday, April 16, the first-ever Ignacio Youth Film and Art Identity Show took place at Fort Lewis College. The event showcased short films and poems created by youth from the Boys & Girls Club and the Ignacio Jr. High School.

The Fort Lewis students, led by Coordinator of Field Experiences Will Camp, advertised and planned the event. The room was packed with families, friends and supporters of the participants. The films were humorous, insightful, heartfelt and tear jerking.



courtesy Marisa Rocha/Boys & Girls Club

Club members shared "I Am" poems as part of the event.

Healthy eating



courtesy Marisa Rocha/Boys & Girls Club

Members of the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe learn about healthy eating from Health Educator Julie Olexa.

Boys & Girls Club committee meeting

The Board of Directors of the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe meets the second Tuesday of every month from 5:30-7 p.m.

Contact
Melinda Englert
at 970-563-0100 ext. 2663
for more information.



Tribal members get a taste



The private tasting offered tribal members a chance to experience not just the food, but the atmosphere and service as well.



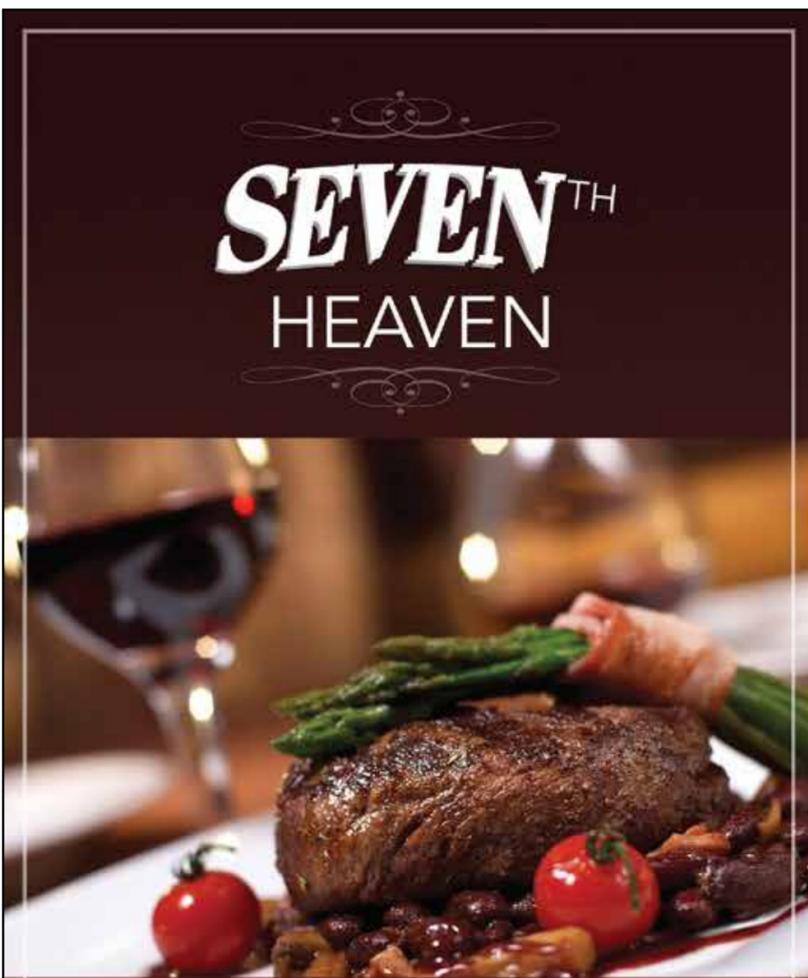
Samples were plentiful at the private tastings.

Seven Rivers, the newest restaurant at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, opened for a private tasting for Southern Ute tribal members on Tuesday, April 30. Another tasting for VIPs followed on May 1. The restaurant joins the Willows Bistro and Willows Baja Grille on the slate of new offerings at the casino, replacing older establishments, including the Aspen Room.

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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Adison Jones loses his lid on a slide into third at home against Dove Creek on April 19. He was called out via the tag applied by Bulldog Jordan Ernst (4).

IHS BASEBALL

Cats put it together in Pagosa

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Fanning nine in a complete-game effort, Dean Scott may have ended up a hard-luck losing pitcher.

But if there was an opponent that would know all about hard luck and losses, it was Ignacio.

And the Bobcats couldn't throw their hands high to the sky fast enough after Iaasic Pena got Pirate leftfielder Joey Campbell swinging to thwart Pagosa Springs' last — and best, as the bases were loaded — rally bid, as well as halt Ignacio's own seven-game skid.

"They only scored two runs," said a proud Lupe Huerta of the enemy's output. "Our defense was just amazing; it's the defense that I've expected all year, and they finally played to their potential and made good plays. And our pitching ... has been good all season. It's the defense that's been kind of falling apart and not helping out."

About the only thing that didn't go according to plan in the 3-2, non-league road win Thursday, April 25 couldn't be helped by the Ignacio head coach or his assistants. Afterward the boss was speaking on the horn to a representative from Nucla regarding a reschedule date for the San Juan Basin League doubleheader at NHS, which was to follow the morning after the Cats departed Strohecker Field.

"They were wanting Monday [April 29]," Huerta said, "which would give us six games in four days. ... I've got pitching, but I don't know if I've got that much pitching."

But against the Class 3A Pirates, he certainly got an

idea. Pena, the fourth arm summoned into service, earned the save after preserving what had been a 2-1 lead when he entered in the bottom of the fifth. His bat then increased it by a scratch — an RBI-double to left, plating Clayton Jefferson from second — with two Cats out in the top of the sixth.

And in the home half of the frame, he managed to get Scott (0-2, 2 BB; 7 IP, 6 H, 3 BB, 3 HB) to bounce a sharp, two-out fielder's-choice grounder to third baseman Bo Ward who, despite missing his tag on oncoming Austin Harker, managed to force the runner out of the baseline to retire the side.

Paco Mounts (2 IP, H, BB, K, HB) had started the game, but received a no-decision after being pulled in favor of Adison Jones with the score still 0-0 through two — thanks to his flip to Pena, then at catcher, to nab Pirate Tyler Manzanares trying to beat out a comebacker to the hill.

Pena (2-4, R, RBI) then led off the guests' third with a triple to left, and quickly came home on a single by two-hole Anthony Manzanares to break the ice. After Joe Herrera was hit by a pitch, Tucker Ward promptly slapped a single into right, bringing in Manzanares and pushing Herrera ahead to third.

Jones was then plunked, but Scott settled down long enough to strike out Mounts (1-3, 2B, HBP), Jefferson (1-4, R) and Javan Webb in succession, and then retire six of the next seven foes he faced.

Jones (IP, 2 H, R, 2 BB) earned the W for IHS, and Jefferson (IP, K) entered to toss an inning — getting out of a jam by inducing Keith Archuleta

to tap into a 1-4-3 double play, rolling up Scott — but was then lifted in favor of Pena (3 IP, 4 H, R, BB, 3 K, HB).

"This game ... really didn't matter to us; I was working on tomorrow's game [at Nucla], a doubleheader in league," Huerta said. "So today I was not going to throw any of my top pitchers — just getting some work with my younger ones, the kids who don't pitch as much. And they did well!"

PSHS' No. 4 and 5 hitters, Caden Henderson and Kennan Goebel, combined to go 4-for-8 in the loss, but scored no runs and drove in just one (Scott, via a Henderson single to center in the third).

Ignacio improved to 3-8 overall, but still 0-5 in the SJBL with not only the postponed trip to far western Montrose County still remaining, but also a May 2 double at SunUte Field against Dolores — with an April 30 non-league home twinbill against the 3A Bayfield JV in between.

"I did, years back, coach a little bit at the high-school level. I've always loved baseball, and it's so much fun to coach," Huerta said. "And they're so young; five [actually four] out of my nine starters are freshmen, and a couple of them are sophomores. So we can't complain."

The 2A-District 2 Tournament, thus the postseason, begins May 4, with IHS grouped in with NHS and Dolores from the SJBL, along with Western Slope Leaguers Paonia, Hotchkiss, Meeker and Rangely. The top two teams will advance to the 16-team regional round the weekend of May 18.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

With all eyes upon them, Ignacio's Roshae Weaver (1) and Alamosa's Kaitlyn Malouff clash on a header during 3A Southwestern League action at IHS Field.

IHS SOCCER

Kickers' slate nearing an end

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Struggling against a side stoked by its season-best performance the previous day, Alamosa's Traci Pitts let her Mean Moose know a 3-0 halftime advantage in Ignacio on Saturday, April 27 was anything but satisfactory.

And IHS counterpart Oscar Cosio himself foresaw what his Lady Bobcats would face once the whistle blew to restart the rematch of teams, which didn't exactly depart AHS' Al Bennett Field on the best of good terms just nine days before.

"We knew Alamosa would bring it in the second half," he said, after the visitors increased their rate of fire on senior goalkeeper Nicole Williams — whose right leg soon became the hosts' best and, quite often, only weapon in reply.

But to the Lady Bobcats' credit, they once again contained the 3A Southwestern's third-place team for a solid 15 minutes as they'd done to start the Saturday match at IHS Field — picking up right where they left off from a 3-1 loss to Center, truly the league's success story in 2013.

Cosio told of a first half in which senior defender Angel Paul stepped up to convert a penalty kick, leaving Ignacio and the visiting Lady Vikings (5-8-1, 4-7-0 SWL as of April 29) tied at 1-1 before CHS broke through in the second to decisively separate.

Knowing they'd virtually avenged themselves and the 8-nil thumping taken out at Center Com-

munity Park earlier this season, IHS went into battle against the Moose with confidence — but also with a crucial lack of speed, as freshman Miel Diaz and junior Gabriela Garcia were both injury casualties, and senior Destinee Lucero (Williams' backup, no less) on the inactive list.

"Our girls played awesome that first half. They maintained formation really well."

— Oscar Cosio, IHS soccer coach

Showing fans one of the loop's lethal right legs, AHS senior Blake Faucett missed with a long blast on the first attempted shot in each half, but the Lady Cats showed little panic. Sophomore forward Tayleur Hillis, one of the state's best scoring threats, finally put Alamosa (8-3-1, 7-3-0) ahead in the 15th, with a pass to freshman Darby Bolt for the finish past Williams.

Hillis then took an assist from junior Nicole Broyles in the 21st and netted the first of her four goals, and after an errant right elbow by IHS junior Roshae Weaver was called inside Ignacio's 18, Faucett stepped up and nailed a 31st-minute PK for the standing score at intermission.

"Our girls played awesome that first half," said Cosio, recently named the winner of the second annual La Plata County Adult Role Model Award. "They

maintained formation really well."

Williams made a media-counted 17 total stops during the initial 40-plus minutes, but as her ailing left knee began to tire and limit her mobility, Alamosa's attacks became relentless once Hillis struck in the 55th.

From that moment on, against gassed resistance, the Moose scored once per three minutes on average, with Faucett's point-blank finish in the 72nd and freshman Elise Tolley's nifty near-post roller in the 79th polishing off the 12-nil (the CHSAA mercy rule had been waived) outcome.

"I had moved my defenders [like junior Ashlee Romero, who marked in the 70th] up to play offense," Pitts said, "so it's nice for us to see that we have many players who can step up and score."

Looking to throw a megawrench into the upcoming postseason works, Ignacio (0-11, 0-11) ended their season Tuesday, April 30, versus circuit frontrunners Bayfield (10-2-1, 8-1-1). Results from Senior Day — the last home match for Williams (24 total saves versus AHS), Paul, Lucero, Mary Kate Adams, Aly Troup, ShaRay Rock, Kayla Knipp and Breana Benavidez — were unavailable before the Drum's deadline.

By way of a 2-2 draw April 27 at Telluride (10-2-1, 9-1-1), BHS went 1-0-1 this spring with the Lady Miners, but could still lose the SWL title with a loss to either IHS or fourth-place Pagosa Springs on May 3 — and a Telluride win over sixth-place Ridgway that same afternoon.

IHS TRACK

Boys' track fourth at Abel Velasquez Invitational

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

With only one individual winner, Ignacio's fourth-place finish on the boys' side of the April 27 Abel Velasquez Invitational was truly the result of a strong group effort.

It was especially driven by the relays, efforts of groups of four.

Ignacio's 4x200-meter team — Wyatt Hayes, Mike Perez, Blaine Mickey and Charles Rohde — took second in a collective 1:38.85, bettered by only 3A Bayfield (1:36.51), and the 4x4 (3:44.56; Hayes/Nick Herrera/Austin Haire/Perez) also finished second, behind only 3A Pagosa Springs (3:43.29).

The 4x100, using the

same personnel as the 4x2, was a quick fourth in 47.45 and finishing behind only 2A Mancos (47.39), PSHS (46.79) and BHS (45.58).

Combined with Herrera's victory in the high jump, the Bobcats amassed 51 team points all told, trailing 4A Durango (75), BHS (134) and champions Pagosa (140).

Stepping up for out-of-town teammate Klayson Smith, Herrera outdid Bayfield's Conner Kennedy via fewer misses with the bar 5 feet, 9 inches off the ground in BHS' Wolverine Country Stadium.

On the girls' side, Michelle Simmons also starred in the high jump, but her 5-foot max was an inch lower than Pagosa Springs' Taylor Strohecker

— nearly 5 inches taller than the Lady Bobcat. But Ellie Seibel and Jerica Jackson also earned Ignacio some points in the event with a 4-foot-7 and a 4-foot-1, respectively placing fourth and sixth.

And the 800-meter sprint medley relay (Sky Cotton, Da'Shona Lloyd, Simmons, Cloe Seibel) took second in 1:57.99, crossing after relay-intensive Dolores' 1:56.44, but helping the girls total 28 points — good for seventh place — in the team chase. Pagosa Springs dominated the 2A Lady Bears for first, 156-118.

Chrystianne Valdez tied for third in the pole vault (6-foot-3), Seibel scored with a fourth-place 1:06.99 in the 400, and Cotton's 15-foot-3-inch long jump was good for

a fifth.

For the boys, Christian Knoll was fourth in the 400, laying down a 56.42, Rohde and Hayes went 6-7 in the long jump (18-foot-8 and 18-foot-3.25 respectively), Sanchez was seventh in the 800-meter run (2:28.50), and Haire tied for seventh in the pole vault (9-foot-9).

Rohde also took ninth in the 100 with a 12.91 dash, and Greg Bison (13.94) was 20th. Keith Joosten finished 12th in the triple jump with a best of 32 feet even, with Sanchez (29-foot-10), Tyler Riepel (29-foot-8), Bison (29-foot-5.5) and Austin McCaw (25-foot-5) finishing 14th through 17th.

Jayce Stricherz was 10th for the girls in the 300-meter hurdles, running a 58.60, and was also 10th in the discus — one of the AVI's true focuses, in honor of the late Ignacio throwing coach — with a best of 67-foot-2. She finished 14th in the shot (23-foot-3.5), with July Stricherz 12th (23-foot-10.25).

Velasquez himself would have been quite proud of how the boys' discus competition wrapped up, with Bayfield's Aubry Brown flinging a winning 129-footer and Ignacio's Kelton Richmond in second with a 120-foot-7 launch. Haire was right behind in third with a 119-foot-8 best, and Bison ended tenth at 95-foot-8.

Richmond also earned a fifth in the shot (37-foot-10.5), with Mickey ninth

(35-foot-4.25) and Caleb Adams 18th (29-foot-7) in the discipline.

Entering the final three weekends of the 2013 season, the Cats will next compete at the Terry Alley Invitational May 4 inside Pagosa Springs' Golden Peaks Stadium.

AVI GIRLS' STANDINGS

1.Pagosa Springs 156, 2.Dolores 118, 3.Durango 82, 4.Bayfield 74, 5.Del Norte 43, 6.Dove Creek 38, 7.IGNACIO 28, 8.Antonito 15, 9.Mancos 2.

AVI BOYS' STANDINGS

1.Pagosa Springs 140, 2.Bayfield 134, 3.Durango 75, 4.IGNACIO 51, 5.Del Norte 45, 6.Dolores 39, 7.Mancos 38, 8.Antonito 20, 9.Dove Creek 3.



HUNTING

2013 Hunting Proclamation: Southern Ute Reservation

Hunt Date Summary

	Pick-up	Season Dates
Deer and Elk		
Early Archery	Aug. 12	Aug. 31 – Sept. 13
General	Aug. 12	Sept. 14 – Dec. 31
January Cow Elk		Jan. 11 – 19, 2014
Limited		
Upland Game Birds		
Birds	Aug. 12	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Migratory Game Birds (doves)		
Birds	Aug. 12	Sept. 1 – Nov. 10
Mountain Lion		
	Sept. 30	Nov. 1, 2013 – Aug. 17, '14
Spring Turkey		
	April 1	April 13 – May 26
Small Game		
	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fall Turkey		
Early Archery	Aug. 12	Aug. 31 – Sept. 13
General	Aug. 12	Sept. 14 – Dec. 31
Waterfowl		
	Aug. 12	Sept. 1, 2013 – Jan 26, 2014

2013-2014 UPDATES & REMINDERS

Chronic Wasting Disease Testing

CWD testing will **not** be a regular part of the Wildlife Division's validation process for the 2013/14 hunting seasons. The Division has been testing for CWD continuously for the past eleven seasons and has not detected a single case of this disease. A tribal member hunter can request CWD testing on their deer or elk if they like and the Division will collect samples and send them out for analysis.

Extended Mountain Lion Hunting Season

Traditionally the mountain lion season has spanned the fall and spring of a particular year. In an effort to increase opportunity for tribal members to hunt and harvest mountain lions, the season has been extended to include the summer months. Rules and regulations, bag limits and quotas remain the same for hunting lions as in previous years.

Guiding and Outfitting

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

Carrying a Tribal I.D. while in the field

To assist the Tribal Rangers it is a good idea to carry your tribal I.D. while hunting on the reservation. Simply carrying your I.D. will immediately identify you as a Tribal member, who with the proper permits is legal to be hunting on the reservation. Contact time will be somewhat longer if you do not carry your tribal I.D.

HUNTING PERMITS

Southern Ute Tribal Members

The following conditions must be met to obtain Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting permits:

1. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member 12 years old or older and be able to present an enrollment card at the time permits are picked up.
2. Hunters under the age of 21 must possess a hunter safety card and must present it at the time permits are picked up.
3. Issued permits must be signed by the applicant.
4. Mail-out permits will be provided to non-resident Tribal Members only after receiving a letter including the Tribal Member's name, date of birth, copies of their enrollment card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of permits desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Duplicate Permits

Lost or destroyed hunting permits will be replaced by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management for a cost of **\$5 per permit**.

New Address/Telephone Number/Driver's License Information

If you held a previous year's hunting permit and your home address, telephone number, or driver's license information has changed, you are required to provide the new information to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

Legal Weapons

Legal weapons for **mule deer, elk and mountain lion** shall include:

1. Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug;
2. Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 of an inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface. Unless specifically approved by the Management Division, crossbows are illegal during the early archery season;
3. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a broadhead a minimum of 7/8 inch wide and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface.
4. Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk;
5. .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets;
6. Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for **turkey** shall include:

1. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns except .410 gauge; bow and arrow, crossbow; rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and Muzzleloading rifles and handguns;

Legal weapons for **waterfowl** shall include:

1. Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for **small game** (including upland birds) shall include:

1. Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, any bow and arrow or crossbow.

HUNTER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Hunter Safety Requirements

All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must present their hunter safety education card to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management when acquiring permits and must carry the card with them while hunting. The DWRM offers hunter education classes twice per year. Please contact the office for more information.

Hunters Under Age 18

Hunters under 18 years of age may hunt regulated species only when accompanied by an adult.

DESIGNATED HUNTING

Designating Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members

Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members over the age of 12 may designate another enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member who meets the hunting permit eligibility requirements to hunt for them during the regular hunting season. Southern Ute Tribal Members who wish to designate another Southern Ute Tribal Member must pick up and sign their own permits, and the Division of Wildlife Resource Management will place the name of the designated hunter on permits at that time. **Designated hunters will only be allowed to harvest female deer and elk, or turkey of either sex during the general fall Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season.** Designated hunters will not be allowed for any other form of hunting.

Designating Division of Wildlife Resource Management

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management will provide designated hunting services to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member elders (55 years of age or older), single women, or physically disabled individuals. Requests must be made to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management, and all animals will be harvested during the regular Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season.

TAGGING AND VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS

Tagging Requirements

All big game must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the **Month and Day** of harvest on the tag, and sign the permit in Ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the tag from its backing and affix to the carcass.

All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass left in camp or in a vehicle.

There is an additional "Antler Tag" attached to the carcass tag. This was developed for Tribal members to be able to have proof of legal harvest on both a set of antlers (or horns) and on a carcass if the two are separated. The antler tag should be affixed to antlers kept at a residence or brought to a taxidermist.

Validation is the inspection of a harvested animal and may or may not be required depending on the species or hunt type. Part of the validation process may also require the hunter obtaining a validation tag as proof of inspection prior to the hunter leaving the reservation with the harvested animal. For further information regarding validations and validation tags, please contact the DWRM within 24 hrs of harvesting an animal.

Validation Requirements

Depending on the season and species hunted, validation of harvested animals may be required. Guidelines vary and are given in detail by species and hunting season below.

- Early Archery mule deer, elk, and turkey: **Mandatory Validation.**
- General mule deer and elk, fall and spring turkey: **Voluntary Validation.** Tribal

member hunters are not required to have mule deer, elk or turkeys validated prior to off reservation transport. Hunters wishing to have their animals validated should make arrangements with DWRM staff during regular business hours.

- Doe mule deer and Cow elk: **Mandatory Validation Exception.** Hunters planning to pick up a second doe tag or a second or third cow elk tags must have their does or cows validated prior to picking up additional tags.

• Mountain Lion: **Mandatory Validation** Validation must take place **within 24 hours** of the kill. Contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management or Southern Ute Tribal Rangers during regular business hours or contact Southern Ute Dispatch outside of regular business hours to arrange validation.

- Upland game birds, waterfowl and small game: **No Validation Required.**

EVIDENCE OF SEX REQUIREMENTS

Evidence of the sex of harvested mule deer, elk, wild turkeys, and mountain lions must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if necessary). Evidence of sex for mule deer and elk include the head and/or the testicles or udder. Evidence of sex for wild turkeys is the beard (for males). For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both males and females must be left attached for sex identification purposes.

GUIDING AND OUTFITTING

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management. Illegal guiding and outfitting on the reservation is a serious offense with consequences for both the hunter and the person providing the guiding or outfitting services. Please contact the Wildlife Division immediately if you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting is taking place on the reservation.

ACCOMPANY CROSSING PERMITS

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management issues crossing permits to non-Southern Ute Tribal Members to accompany permitted hunters while hunting. Persons holding crossing permits may not hunt or carry a firearm of any type while accompanying a permitted hunter. **Persons holding a crossing permit may not provide specialized guiding and outfitting-type assistance to permitted hunters.** Contact the DWRM for more details on crossing permits or to have crossing permits issued.

Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are not in the immediate family of a Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter must acquire a crossing permit so that they may accompany the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member while hunting. **Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are in the immediate family of a permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter may accompany the hunter without obtaining a crossing permit.** For the purposes of accompany crossing permits, immediate family is considered a spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, son in-law, daughter in-law or legal guardian of the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter. Note that a maximum of two permittees at a time are allowed per Southern Ute hunter and the crossing permit will be valid for 30 days or until the end of the hunt season, whichever comes first. Cost for crossing permits will be \$20 per permittee, and each permit is valid for accompanying a single specified Tribal member hunter.

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE TESTING

The Wildlife Division implemented its Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing program in 2002. Over the life of the program, Wildlife staff collected over 1500 samples from deer and elk on the reservation without a positive result for the disease. In 2013 the Division is halting the CWD testing program as part of its regular validation process. If individual tribal members want to have their animals tested, we will accommodate them. For further information contact the Wildlife Division.

ADDITIONAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

A complete listing of regulations pertaining to hunting on the Southern Ute Indian reservation is contained in Title 13: Wildlife Conservation Code. Contact the DWRM for a current copy of Title 13 or visit our web-

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HUNTING

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site: <http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/wrm-web/>. Additionally the Division has a limited number of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Laws Handbook 2008 available to Tribal hunters. Please ask about them in the Wildlife office.

Failure to wear Daylight or Fluorescent Orange Garments

During the hunting season, when required by regulation, it is unlawful to hunt with a firearm unless the person hunting or guiding is wearing a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling five hundred (500) square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50.00 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

Failing to Tag Wildlife Properly

It is unlawful for any person to fail to tag wildlife properly. In its simplest form tagging means to sign and punch the dates on your tag and affix it to the animal's carcass. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 10 points towards permit revocation.

Shooting from a Motor Vehicle

It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Wastage of Game Meat/Abandoning a Carcass

It is unlawful to abandon any edible portion of wildlife or permit it to go to waste. Penalties for big game include a \$1,000 fine and 15 points. Other wildlife includes a \$250 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Additionally it is unlawful to take any wildlife and abandon the carcass or take wildlife only for the head, claws, teeth, hide, antlers, horns, tusks, or organs with the intent to abandon the carcass or to mutilate any living wildlife. Penalties include fines ranging from \$25 - \$20,000 and 25 points towards permit revocation.

Closure of Lake Capote Recreation Area

The Lake Capote Recreation Area will be closed to all hunting. Hwy 160 borders the closure area on the north and Hwy 151 on the west. The range fence directly south of the lake (running east/west) defines the southern boundary and the east boundary will follow the eastern bank of Stolsteimer Creek running north.

Off-road Travel on Tribal Lands

It is unlawful to travel off of established roads and two-tracks with any vehicle while on Tribal lands. This includes ATVs. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

Schedule of Civil Penalties Connected to Poaching Convictions on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

Big Game

Mule Deer:

Trophy Buck \$10,000
(24" or greater inside spread)
Buck \$5,000
Doe \$1,000

Elk:

Trophy Bull \$10,000
(6 or more point count on one antler)
Bull \$5,000
Cow \$1,000

Mountain Lion: \$5,000

Additional penalties associated with poaching convictions often include point accrual and revocation of hunting and fishing privileges on the Southern Ute Indian reservation for 2 – 5 years

AUTHORITY

These hunting regulations are approved by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council under authority as outlined in Title 13, Article 1, Section 13-1-106, Subsections (1) through

(3); Article 2, Section 13-2-101, Subsections (1) through (5); Article 2, Section 13-2-104; Article 2, Section 13-2-105, Subsections (1) through (3); of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code revised and amended by Tribal Resolution No's. 89-34, 01-69, and 02-21.

Southern Ute Tribal season dates and bag limits (Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members Only, unless specified)

Open Areas: Open areas for huntable species shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.

Closed Areas: Closed areas shall include all grounds immediately surrounding the Lake Capote Recreation Area including the campground. For precise boundaries contact the Wildlife Division.

Mule Deer and Elk

Season Dates: Archery: August 31 – September 13, 2013
General: September 14 – December 31, 2013
Permits Issued: Beginning August 12, 2013
Bag Limits: 3 Mule Deer (1 Buck and 2 Does**)
4 Elk (1 Bull and 3 Cows**)

** Tribal Members must have their first cow or doe validated to receive their second cow or doe tag and have their second cow validated to receive their third cow tag.

2014 January Cow Elk Hunt

(SUIT members and Other Native Americans)

Season Dates: Jan. 11 – 19, 2014 Archuleta Unit
Jan. 11 – 19, 2014 Sandoval Unit
Permits issued: Jan. 10, 2014 Archuleta Unit (60 Tags)
Sandoval Unit (60 Tags)

Bag Limit: 1 antlerless elk
Permitting: There will be 10 tags made available for Southern Ute Tribal members who would like to participate in the January Cow Elk Hunt. These tags will be available on a first come, first served basis through the end of the hunt.

Spring Turkey

Season Dates: April 13 – May 26, 2013
Permits Issued: Beginning April 1, 2013
Bag Limit: 1 bearded turkey. No beard length restrictions, but a harvested bird must have a beard naturally attached

Fall Turkey

Season Dates: Early Archery: August 31 – September 13, 2013
General: September 14 – December 31, 2013
Permits Issued: Beginning August 12, 2013
Bag Limit: 1 Turkey (either sex)

Mountain Lion

Season Dates: November 1, 2013 – August 17, 2014 or until the harvest quota is filled
Permits Issued: Beginning October 1st, 2013
Bag Limit: 1 mountain lion (either sex).
Dogs: Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of mountain lions will be allowed.

Restrictions: It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.

Open Areas: Open areas for mountain lion hunting shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.

Harvest Quotas: It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and hunt area closures. Call 970-563-0130 at anytime for quota status

Reservation-wide: 7 mountain lions total or 4 female mountain lions
*****The mountain lion hunting season will remain open until the season ending date or until the harvest quota is filled, whichever comes first.**

Crossing Permits and Guiding and Outfitting

Non-members accompanying Tribal member lion hunters must possess a Hunter Accompany Crossing Permit, which can be purchased from the Wildlife Division. The Crossing Permit is specifically to accompany a permitted hunter while hunting on Tribal land. The permittee is expressly prohibited from carrying a firearm, or providing hunter assistance in the form of equipment, specially trained dogs, pack animals, or other similar types of hunting aids commonly provided by professional guides and outfitters.

Upland Game Birds: Including Blue Grouse and Quail

Season Dates: September 1 – December 31, 2013
Permits Issued: Beginning August 12, 2013
Bag Limit: Dusky Grouse: 3 birds per day
Quail: 8 birds per day

Migratory Game Birds: Including Doves and Band-tailed Pigeons

Season Dates: September 1st – November 10th, 2013
Permits Issued: Beginning August 12th, 2013
Bag Limit: Mourning Doves: 15 birds per day
White-winged Doves: 15 per day
Band-tailed Pigeons: 5 per day
Collared Doves: Unlimited
Dogs: Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of game birds will be allowed.

Black Bear: NO OPEN SEASON

Waterfowl

Permits Issued: August 12, 2013
Season Dates: September 1 2013 – January 26, 2014
Daily Bag Limit: 7 ducks and mergansers; including no more than 2 hen mallards, 2 pintail, 2 redheads, 3 scaup and 1 canvasback.
25 coots
4 dark geese or light geese
25 Rails (Sora or Virginia)
8 Snipe

Possession Limits: 2 daily bag limits

** Please note that all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. Duck Stamps can be picked up at the Post Office.

Small Game: Including Furbearers

Small game shall include beaver, badger, bobcat, coyote, fox species, muskrat, prairie dogs, rabbits and hares, raccoon, ringtail, squirrel species, and weasel species.

Permits Issued: Permits may be picked up at anytime during the calendar year.

Season Dates: The season runs year-round.

Daily Bag Limit: While no bag limits apply to small game species, certain rules and regulations do apply to trapping:

Important Regulations for Trapping

1. **Permission from assignee to trap.** No person shall trap furbearers on assigned property of another without the permission of the assignee or person in charge of the property.
2. **Interference with traps.** It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap, snare or other device lawfully set by a trapper, or remove any furbearer from said devices.
3. **Unattended traps.** It is the duty of a trapper to endeavor to prevent undue suffering by wildlife captured or trapped. It is unlawful for any person to set a trap and leave it unattended in excess of forty-eight (48) hours unless chemical or mechanical methods are provided to prevent suffering of trapped animals.

Attention tribal hunters: Annual Brunot Area rare game permitting lottery

Included with Brunot Area hunting 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 within the Brunot Area, only a limited number of permits will be available each year through an application and random draw process administered by the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. Tribal hunters may apply to receive a permit during the month of May only, and drawings and notifications will be made in June.

**THE WINDOW FOR SUBMITTING A 2013 RARE GAME PERMIT APPLICATION IS:
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 – FRIDAY, MAY 31.**

Applications must be signed by the applicant and received by hand-delivery or postmarked during the application window. Please note that if you apply but are not drawn for a permit in a given year, you will receive a "bonus point" toward drawings for that hunt type in the future. The more bonus points you accrue, the better your chances are at being drawn.

Applications are available free-of-charge to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members only. Applications must be obtained and submitted through the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137.

For more information, contact the Division at 970-563-0130.

First turkey



courtesy SU Wildlife Resource Management Division

Keiston Goodtracks-Alires nabbed his first turkey during the second annual Tribal Youth/Mentor Turkey Hunt on April 20-21. The hunt is designed to give inexperienced tribal-member youths an opportunity to get out with experienced tribal-member hunters to learn about the reservation and about how to hunt turkeys. This year, four youth hunters and two mentors participated. Goodtracks-Alires harvested his tom turkey with a 12-gauge shotgun on the east side of the reservation. His mentor was Elmer Rock.



HUNTING

2013 – 2014 Hunting & Fishing: Brunot Area

Brunot Area hunting and fishing seasons

Season Type	Permitting Start Date	Season Dates
Spring Turkey	April 1	April 13 – May 26
Mule Deer	August 12	August 31 – November 17
Rocky Mtn. Elk	August 12	August 31 – November 17
Fall Turkey	August 12	August 31 – November 17
Bighorn Sheep	August 12	September 3 – October 6 (Sheep)
Mountain Goat	August 12	September 3 – October 31 (Goat)
Moose	August 12 ***	September 7 – October 14 (Moose)
Mountain Lion	September 30	November 1, 2013 – April 30, 2014
Upland & Migratory Game Birds	August 12	September 1 – December 31 (Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant and Chukar) September 1 – November 10 (Doves and Pigeons Only)
Waterfowl	August 12	September 21, 2013 – January 28, 2014 (Pacific Flyway) October 5, 2012 – February 19, 2014 (Central Flyway)
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fishing	Anytime	Calendar Year

***Permitting for these rare game species takes place through a special application and drawing process each spring. For more information, see Rare Game Permitting.

Season bag limits

Big game, rare game, and small game

Hunt Type	Bag Limit (per hunter)
Mule Deer	2 (1 buck and 1 doe)
Rocky Mtn. Elk	2 (1 bull and 1 cow)
Mountain Lion	1 (either sex)
Fall Turkey	1 (either sex)
Spring Turkey	1 (bearded gobbler)
Bighorn Sheep	(Two permits available for 2013) 1 (either sex)
Mountain Goat	(Two permits available for 2013) 1 (either sex)
Moose	(One permit available for 2013) 1 (either sex)
Small Game ¹	Unlimited

¹Small Game includes: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.

Upland Gamebirds

Dusky Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant, Chukar	3 of each per day
Mourning Dove, White-winged Dove	15 of each per day
Bandtailed Pigeon	5 per day
Collared Dove	Unlimited

Waterfowl

Pacific Flyway	7 Ducks and Mergansers ¹ 10 Light Geese/4 Dark Geese 25 Coots/25 Rails/8 Snipe
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Central Flyway	6 Ducks ² /5 Mergansers ³ 20 Light Geese/4 Dark Geese 15 Coots/25 Rails/8 Snipe
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¹ Including no more than 2 hen mallards, 1 pintail, 2 redheads, and 2 scaup.

No canvasbacks shall be taken in the Pacific Flyway.

² Including no more than 2 hen mallards, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, and 2 wood ducks.

³ Including no more than 2 hooded mergansers.

SEASON FRAMEWORK

Hunting and fishing seasons are established annually by the Tribe for all game species found within the Brunot Area. The table found on the inside cover of this proclamation specifies the current seasons (i.e., the start and end dates for legal harvest), as well as the permitting start dates. Most seasons will be the same or very similar from year to year, however, dates of several seasons may vary slightly.

Those animal species not identified as having designated seasons, and those not protected by the Tribe from harvest for cultural or conservation reasons (see Protected Fish & Wildlife), may be harvested without a Tribe-issued hunting or fishing permit.

Cultural and Ceremonial Hunting

Those Tribal hunters wishing to hunt for cultural or ceremonial purposes within the Brunot Area and outside of the regular, Tribal-approved seasons must contact the SUIT Division of Wildlife prior to hunting. Special authorization is required for any hunting outside of the established seasons, and at least two weeks advance notice of a cultural/ceremonial hunting need should be provided.

PERMITTING

All Tribal Members hunting or fishing within the Brunot Area must carry with them the appropriate permit(s) issued by either the Tribe or State of Colorado. Tribal Members who obtain Tribal permits are subject to the Tribal seasons and regulations set forth in this Proclamation, to be enforced by the Tribe. Those who obtain State hunting or fishing permits must hunt or fish in accordance with State seasons and regulations (see the Colorado Division of Wildlife), which will be enforced by the State. It is unnecessary, but allowable, for a hunter or angler to be permitted by both entities.

On-Reservation hunting and fishing permits (i.e., within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation) and off-Reservation hunting and fishing permits for the Brunot Area are separate and non-interchangeable. It is the responsibility of each hunter and angler to be properly permitted for the area hunted or fished, and to follow any and all applicable regulations for that area.

Permitting for Brunot Area hunting and fishing is managed entirely through the Tribe's Division of Wildlife office, located in the Annex Building on the tribal government campus near Ignacio, Colorado. Permits may be obtained in-person at this office or by mail for those Tribal Members living outside the Reservation area.

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are issued free-of-charge for the first issuance. A \$5 fee applies for replacement of lost or damaged permits.

2013-14 Permitting Start Dates

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are available to pick up at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office (or mail out) beginning on the start dates specified on the inside cover of this Proclamation through the end of the established season. Note: Except for Fishing and Small Game, the permitting start dates do not correspond to the actual season start dates.

For Rare Game (i.e., bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat), successful applicants in a lottery process will be notified of their permit availability through the Division of Wildlife following permit drawings held each June.

Permit Eligibility

Only Southern Ute Tribal Members may obtain Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits from the Tribe and the following criteria must be met in order to obtain a valid permit:

- All applicants must present a Southern Ute Tribal identification card at the time of permit pick-up.
- For hunting, but not fishing, only applicants 12 years old or older may obtain a permit, and those under the age of 21 must present a hunter safety card.
- The applicant's hunting and fishing privileges must not be currently suspended or revoked through the Tribe's wildlife penalty-point system.
- Issued permits are not valid unless signed by the applicant.

Permit Transferability

The transfer of Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits is strictly prohibited, even to other Southern Ute Tribal members or other Native Americans. Only the individual named on the Brunot Area permit is authorized to hunt or fish, per the terms of the permit. "Designated hunting" – the transfer of certain permit types between Tribal Members – is an option only for on-Reservation hunting (i.e., hunting within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation) and is not allowed within the Brunot Area.

Mail-Out Permits

Mail-out permit(s) will be provided at no-cost by the SUIT Division of Wildlife only to a non-local Tribal Member and only upon receipt of a signed letter of request from the Tribal Member. The letter must include the hunter's name, mailing address, date of birth, copies of the Southern Ute Tribal identification card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of the permit(s) desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Permit Replacement

Lost or damaged Brunot Area permits may be obtained at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office for a \$5 per permit fee, regardless of permit type. Lost or damaged permits will be immediately voided, and notification of voided permits will be sent to tribal law enforcement.

Rare Game Permitting

Unlike other Brunot Area permitting, permitting for Rare Game (i.e., Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat) is handled through a permit application and drawing process. Availability of applications will be announced through local media in the Ignacio area, and applications will only be accepted during the month of May. Random drawings from among the applicants will then determine the recipients of a very limited number of hunting permits. Notification of these individuals will occur during the month of June. Those who repeatedly apply but do not receive a permit will accrue bonus points, which will improve future chances of selection.

For detailed information on the rules governing the Tribal Council-approved lottery process and bonus point system, please contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office.

HUNTING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the 2013/14 Tribal-approved regulations pertaining to the harvest of Brunot Area Big Game, Rare Game, Small Game, Upland Gamebirds, and Waterfowl.

Legal Weapons

Legal weapons for harvesting **mule deer, elk, mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose** shall include:

- Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 inch with at least 2 blades. Each

cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface;

- Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a minimum broadhead width of 7/8 inch, and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface.
- Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug;
- Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk;
- .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets;
- Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for turkey shall include:

- Shotguns except .410 gauge; bows and crossbows (i.e., as specified above for deer, elk, etc.); rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and muzzleloading rifles and handguns;

Legal weapons for waterfowl shall include:

- Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for small game and upland gamebirds shall include:

- Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, and any bow and arrow or crossbow.

Evidence of Sex

Evidence of sex for harvested mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if required). Evidence of sex will include the head and/or testicles or udder. For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both male and female must be left attached for identification purposes. For wild turkey the beard must remain attached.

Carcass Tagging

The carcass of a harvested large game animal (i.e., mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose) must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest indicated on the permit and sign the permit in ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the permit face (i.e., the "tag") from its backing and affix it to the carcass.

All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass that is first brought to camp or to a vehicle.

For antlered animals (i.e., buck deer, bull elk, bull moose) and horned animals (i.e., bighorn sheep and mountain goat), an optional antler/horn tag is also provided as a tear-off portion of the permit. The antler/horn tag should be used if the head and carcass are to be separated (e.g., if the head is going to a taxidermist and the carcass is going to a meat processor).

Deer & Elk Harvest Reporting

Hunters are required to report – by phone, writing, or in-person – the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area. Hunters should be prepared to describe to the Tribal Division of Wildlife generally where and when an animal was harvested. Reporting must occur within five business days of harvest during regular business hours. Failure to report the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area could subject the hunter to penalties under the Tribe's Wildlife Conservation Code.

Rare Game and Mountain Lion Harvest Validation

Hunters are required to have validated any **mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose** harvested from the Brunot Area. Validation is the physical inspection of the carcass by staff of the Tribal Division of Wildlife. Since Tribal staff is not available for weekend validations, animals must be brought in for validation during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 5:00pm).

For **mountain lion**, the carcass must be inspected within 48 hours of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with skin attached.

For **bighorn sheep and mountain goat**, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with head (skull or cape) intact. If the harvested animal is a ram bighorn sheep, the Tribal Division of Wildlife will affix a permanent mark (plug) to the horn as proof of legal harvest.

For **moose**, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the head of the moose for inspection.

Mountain Lion Hunting

Mountain lion hunting in the Brunot Area is divided into four separate units, and each unit has an associated harvest quota. The mountain lion season is open either until the season end-date or until the unit quota is filled, whichever occurs first. If the quota for a unit is filled, the season will immediately close for that unit. A Brunot Area lion permit is valid for hunting in all units that have not reached the designated harvest quota. Please



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refer to the mountain lion unit map in this Proclamation for the location of each unit.

Lion hunters should be aware that Lion Unit 1 (L1) encompasses both the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and a portion of the Brunot Area. Even though L1 is a combination of Reservation and Brunot lands, lion hunting on the Reservation portion requires a reservation permit, while lion hunting in the Brunot portion requires

Lion harvest quotas

The lion harvest quotas, by unit:

Lion Unit	Harvest Quota
L1	7 lions or 4 females
L2	1 lion either sex
L3	2 lions either sex
L4	2 lions either sex

a Brunot permit. The lion permits for both areas are not interchangeable.

Important Mountain Lion Hunting Information

A mountain lion telephone information line is available for hunters to call to check on the status of the quotas in each unit. It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and unit closures. Call (970) 563-0130 at any time for quota status.

It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt mountain lions.

Upland Gamebird Hunting

Hunting for Upland Gamebirds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Upland Gamebirds includes dusky (blue) grouse, ptarmigan, pheasant, chukar, bandtailed pigeon and doves (mourning, whitewinged, and colared). Columbian Sharp-tailed grouse and Gunnison Sage Grouse may occur within the Brunot Area also; however, populations of these birds are very low and hunting of these species is not allowed.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt migratory and upland birds.

Waterfowl Hunting

Hunting for Waterfowl is allowed within the Brunot Area. Waterfowl includes various species of ducks, mergansers, coots, dark and light geese, snipe, and rails (Virginia and sora).

The Brunot Area encompasses parts of both the Central and Pacific Flyways. Most of the Brunot Area is within the Pacific Flyway, while the Central Flyway portion is a much smaller area located east of the Continental Divide. Please refer to a map and be aware of the waterfowl harvest limits for the flyway in which you intend to hunt.

The possession limit for both the Pacific and Central Flyways is two (2) daily bag limits, except that possession of light geese harvested in the Central Flyway is unlimited.

Please note that, under Federal law, all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. A Duck Stamp can normally be purchased for a small fee at a local Post Office.

Trapping of Small Game

Trapping of small game is a special harvest methodology that is highly regulated at the State level, and is similarly regulated by the Tribe within the Brunot Area. The purpose of the regulations is to minimize the potential impacts of trapping on non-target wildlife, especially rare, threatened, or endangered species. For the Brunot Area, the species of concern with trapping are the Canada lynx and river otter, both of which are the subject of major re-introduction efforts and are protected from take throughout the San Juan Mountains region.

Trapping is allowed year-round, per the established Small Game season, and a trapper must obtain a Small Game permit to engage in any trapping of wildlife in the Brunot Area. Wildlife that may be trapped are those species covered under the Brunot Area Small Game permit, including: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.

All trappers must comply with the following tribal trapping regulations:

- **Trapper Notification & Reporting.** A trapper must provide at least two weeks advance notice to the Tribal Division of Wildlife of any planned Brunot Area trapping effort. The notice must include approximate

location of traps, number and type(s) of traps to be used, and approximate timeframe for operating the traps. Within two weeks of completing the trapping, the trapper must have traps completely removed from the field and report to the Division the trapping results (i.e., identify all target and non-target species captured, animals retained or harvested, and all non-target mortalities).

- **Trap Attendance.** Any individual operating a trap within the Brunot Area is required to physically inspect the trap at least once every 24 hours. Note that this is not a "once daily" requirement; a trapper cannot inspect a trap on one morning and return in the afternoon the next day, as this would be in excess of 24 hours.

- **Trap Types Allowed.** Only live traps may be used for trapping in the Brunot Area, which includes any non-lethal cage, box, or Sneed-design colony traps. All other methods of trapping are prohibited, including, but not limited to, all types of legholds, snares, and instant kill traps.

- **Bait Restrictions.** Visual lures, fresh meat baits, fish oil, and anise oil lures meant to attract felids are not permitted due to the risk of injury or mortality for Canada lynx.

- **Target and Non-Target Captures.** All captured target species must be killed on-site when the trap is checked. All captured non-target species that are un-injured must be released. Accidental mortality of non-target animals must be reported to the Wildlife Division, per the trapper reporting requirement.

- **Interference with Traps.** It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap lawfully set by a trapper, or for a non-operator of a trap to remove any animal from said trap.

Other Hunting Requirements

- **Hunter Safety Requirements.** All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must be able to present their hunter safety education card when acquiring permits, and must carry the card with them while hunting. Both the Tribe and Colorado Division of Wildlife offer hunter education classes, and should be contacted for more information.

- **Hunters Under Age 18.** Hunters under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.

- **Fluorescent Orange.** For non-archery hunters hunting mule deer, elk, or moose within the Brunot Area, it is required that the hunter (and the hunter's guide, if present) wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling 500 square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

- **Loaded Firearm in Vehicle.** It is unlawful for any person, except those authorized by law, or by the Tribe's Department of Justice and Regulatory, Enforcement Division, or Wildlife Management Division, to carry or possess any firearm other than a pistol or revolver in or on any motor vehicle, unless such firearm is unloaded. For purposes of this section, a rifle or shotgun shall be considered unloaded if it is unloaded in the chamber; a muzzle-loader shall be considered unloaded if it is not primed, and, for such purpose "primed" means having a percussion cap on the nipple, a primer in the breech, or flint in the striker and powder in the flash pan; and a bow shall be considered unloaded if an arrow is not nocked on the string. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

- **Shooting from Road.** It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from or across or onto any maintained public road on the Reservation. "Road" shall mean the area extending 50 feet on either side of the center line of the roadway. Penalties include a \$250 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

- **Shooting from a Motor Vehicle.** It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

PROTECTED FISH & WILDLIFE

In order to ensure the long-term conservation of many rare and protected species that occur within the Brunot Area, the Tribe does not allow harvest of certain fish and wildlife by Brunot Area hunters and anglers. These include all species protected from take under

FISHING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the Tribal-approved seasons and regulations pertaining to fishing within the Brunot Area for both 2012 and 2013. The fishing season is the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. Except as noted under **Special Management Fisheries**, standard angling methods and daily bag limits apply to all Brunot Area fishing by Tribal anglers.

- **Important Note:** Numerous creeks and rivers with sport fisheries cross over the Brunot Area boundary. It is important for anglers to remember that, upon leaving the Brunot Area, Brunot fishing permits are no longer valid; State permit requirements and regulations apply outside of the Brunot Area. When entering the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, reservation requirements apply.

Standard Angling Methods

Game fish may be taken by hook and line only, and the use of only one fishing rod at a time per angler is allowed. For bait fishing, one line may be used with up to two single baited hooks attached. For lure fishing, one line may be used with one artificial lure attached. Artificial lures may have up to two hooks (single, double, or treble) attached. For fly-fishing, one line may be used with up to two flies attached.

Daily Bag and Possession Limits

The **Daily Bag Limit** is the maximum number of game fish you can take in one day. The **Possession Limit** is the number of fish you may have in your possession at any one time, including in your creel, ice chest, vehicle, camp, or home. The possession limit for all game fish is no more than one daily bag limit (single species or in aggregate), as indicated in the Daily Bag Limits table. Bag and Possession Limits do not apply to the "Unlimited Take" fisheries.

The Daily Bag Limits for trout, bass, sunfish, crappie, walleye and saugeye are **IN AGGREGATE**, meaning that the limits for each group of fish consist of one species or a mix of the different species indicated.

"Unlimited Take" Fisheries

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession when fishing in ALL WATERS of the Brunot Area: Northern Pike, Yellow Perch, Common Carp, Bullhead, and White Sucker.

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession when fishing in Brunot Area RIVERS and CREEKS: Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass, Bluegill, Green Sunfish, Crappie, Channel Catfish, and Walleye.

Daily bag limits

Game Fish	Daily Bag Limit
Trout *	4
(Rainbow, Brown, Cutthroat, Splake, Golden, Lake, Brook over 8")	
Brook Trout (under 8")	10
Kokanee Salmon	10
Channel Catfish	10
Bass*	10
(Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted)	
Sunfish*	
(Bluegill and Green Sunfish)	10
Crappie*	20
(White and Black)	
Walleye and Saugeye*	5
Tiger Muskie	1 fish, 36" or longer

*Bag limits are IN AGGREGATE for the indicated group of fish

General Fishing Restrictions

- **Legal Fishing Hours/Duration.** Fishing may occur 24-hours a day, unless the daily bag or possession limit is met. Once the daily bag or possession limit is met, the angler must discontinue fishing.

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

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

- **Snagging.** Snagging, or using hooked devices to snag fish in parts of their bodies other than the mouth, is only allowed for kokanee salmon in designated waters during certain times of the year. Standard daily bag/possession limits for kokanee and gear restrictions for lure fishing apply to snagging. See the Spawning Waters section for more information on kokanee snagging restrictions.

- **Bait.** Use of any live, dead, or parts of fish or amphibians as bait is prohibited in all Brunot Area waters. Non-fish and amphibian baits such as worms, insects, crayfish, vegetable matter, artificial salmon eggs, and PowerBait are permitted except in designated Trophy Trout Waters and Cutthroat Conservation Waters.

- **Planting Fish.** It is unlawful to release or move into any Brunot Area waters any fish from aquaria, ponds, bait buckets, or any other external fish source.

- **Fishing Pole Attendance.** Anglers must attend their fishing pole (be within 50 feet) at all times.

- **Minnows.** It is unlawful to take, possess, transport, or sell live minnows anywhere within the Brunot Area.

Special Management Fisheries

Special Management Fisheries are specific streams and lakes within the Brunot Area where closures and/or special harvest and tackle restrictions are in place to protect or enhance the local fish population. These locations include: Trophy Trout Waters, Cutthroat Conservation Waters, Trophy Bass Waters, and Spawning Waters. All anglers must comply with the special regulations in place for these designated waters.

A. Trophy Trout Waters.

For the waters listed below, anglers may use artificial flies and lures only, with no bait fishing allowed. Unless otherwise noted, only two trout 16 inches in length or longer may be kept, per day.

- **Animas River.** From Lightner Creek to the south Brunot Area boundary located at Rivera Crossing Bridge.

- **Bear Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Dolores River.

- **Dolores River.** From McPhee Dam downstream to the west Brunot Area boundary, near Lone Dome State Wildlife Area.

- **Emerald Lakes (Big & Little).** Located 10 mi northeast of Vallecito Res.

- **Lake Fork (of Gunnison River).** From High Bridge Gulch downstream to the north Brunot Area boundary.

- **Los Piños River.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.

- **Piedra River.** CATCH & RELEASE ONLY from USFS Road 631 bridge downstream to the lower boundary of the Tres Piedra Ranch (1.5 miles above US160). All trout must be returned to the water immediately.

- **Rio Grande River.** From the lower boundary of River Hill Campground (near Rio Grande Reservoir) to the east Brunot Area boundary, just west of Creede, Colorado.

- **Vallecito Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.

B. Cutthroat Conservation Waters

are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are managed to conserve pure-strain Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout. Anglers may fish these waters with artificial flies and lures only, but all fish must be returned to the water immediately. Cutthroat Conservation Waters include:

- Deep Creek (6 mi. west of Telluride)
- Elk Creek (10 mi. west of Telluride)
- Cooper Lake (10 mi. southwest of Lake City)
- Sloan Lake (10 mi. northeast of Silverton)
- Hermosa Creek, East Fork (at Durango Mtn. Resort)
- Piedra River, East Fork (15mi northwest of Pagosa Springs)

C. Trophy Bass Waters – Totten Reservoir.

For Totten Reservoir, near Cortez, anglers may only keep smallmouth and largemouth bass that are 15 inches in length or longer. Anglers must also refrain from fishing along the north shore of the reservoir from March 1 through May 31 in order to protect nesting waterfowl.

D. Spawning Waters

are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are inhabited by spawning populations of kokanee salmon or wild trout. In order to conserve these important fisheries and ensure successful reproductive cycles, special seasonal fishing restrictions are necessary. The Brunot Area Spawning Waters and corresponding restrictions are listed below.

- **Florida River (above Lemon Reservoir).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Lemon Reservoir from September 1 thru December 31.

- **Grimes Creek (upstream of Vallecito Res. water line).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.

- **Vallecito Creek (CR501 upstream to Weminuche W.).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.

- **Big Emerald Lake Inlet Creek (CLOSURE).** All fishing is prohibited in Lake Creek inlet for ½ mile above Big Emerald Lake from April 15 thru July 15.

- **Groundhog Reservoir Inlet Creeks (CLOSURE).** All fishing is prohibited in Nash Creek and Groundhog Creek inlets for ½ mile above Groundhog Reservoir from April 15 through July 15.



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the various Federal wildlife laws (e.g., Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act); those species protected under State of Colorado Title 33, and designated wildlife populations that are the subject of special research or re-introduction efforts.

For the Brunot Area, the protected wildlife species most likely to be encountered by hunters include: **Canada lynx, river otter, Gunnison sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, all raptors (eagles, hawks, falcons, owls), and all songbirds.** The protected fish species most likely to be encountered by anglers include: **Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout (designated pure populations), roundtail chub, flannel-mouth sucker, and bluehead sucker.**

None of these protected fish and wildlife species may be harvested by Tribal Brunot Area hunters or anglers. For a complete list of protected species, please contact the Tribal Division of Wildlife.

In addition to the protected species identified above, the Tribe has also designated **black bear** as a protected, culturally sensitive species that shall not be subject to harvest by Brunot Area hunters under a Southern Ute Tribal-issued permit. Tribal hunters, however, retain the option of obtaining a State permit for harvesting black bear.

OPEN AND CLOSED AREAS, PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND INDIAN LAND

Open Areas

Open areas for hunting and fishing shall generally include all public lands within the Brunot Area boundary, which consist of most Federal government and State of Colorado-owned lands (e.g., National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands, State Wildlife Areas, State Parks, State school sections). Certain exceptions apply on some Federal and State-owned properties, or portions thereof; see Closed Areas below.

Closed Areas

Closed areas are those lands within the Brunot Area where hunting and/or fishing is not allowed by the Tribe for (1) public safety reasons, or (2) sensitive resource protection reasons. These areas include:

- all properties within the limits of any Brunot Area town or municipality;
- all properties or areas closed by local government (i.e., city or county) for public safety reasons;
- any place in close proximity to campgrounds, boat ramps, marinas, trailheads, occupied buildings, private residences, and any other facilities where hunting presents an undue risk to users, residents, and/or the facilities;
- any areas closed by Federal or State agencies to protect archaeological, wildlife, or other sensitive natural resource sites;

Note: Additional fishing-related closures are also specifically identified in the Spawning Waters section of the Brunot Area Fishing Regulations.

Private Property

Private property represents a substantial portion, approximately 25%, of the entire Brunot Area. Although permitted Brunot Area hunters and anglers are authorized to take game species on private property, the hunter or angler must always obtain access permission from the land owner prior to entering private land. It is always the hunter's or angler's responsibility to know where private land occurs, even if land boundaries are not clearly marked in the field. Hunters and anglers should carefully review maps provided by the Tribe, as well as those published by State and Federal lands agencies. Always seek knowledgeable help if in doubt about land status.

Indian Land

Indian Land within the Brunot Area is a small portion of the Ute Mountain Ute (UMU) reservation extending to south of Cortez, Colorado and west of Mesa Verde National Park. For purposes of Brunot Area hunting by Southern Ute Tribal members, UMU land should be considered private property and not huntable without the expressed permission of the UMU Tribe.

LAND USE REGULATIONS

Virtually all of the public lands within the Brunot Area – whether federal, state, or locally controlled – are subject to a wide range of land use regulations, some of which are not exclusively directed to fish and game matters. Common examples include, but are not limited to, restrictions on: open fires, recreational shooting, overnight camping, wood cutting/collecting, boating, livestock use, and especially off-road vehicle use (e.g., 4x4 trucks, ATV's, motorcycles, mountain bikes, snowmobiles). One of the more significant

land use regulations affecting hunters is a vehicle ban in certain areas. Within State Wildlife Areas, federal wilderness and research areas, and specially-designated portions of National Forest, vehicle access is commonly banned either seasonally or year-round. The purpose of those regulations includes public safety and the protection of natural resources from public over-use and abuse.

The Tribal Council recognizes that requiring compliance with nondiscriminatory federal, state, and local land use regulations in the Brunot Area as a matter of Tribal law may limit or interfere somewhat with the exercise of the Tribe's Brunot Agreement rights by tribal members, but the Tribal Council finds that requiring compliance with such regulations as a matter of Tribal law is an advisable exercise of Tribal sovereignty in the interest of comity and to:

- Avoid the applicability of such regulations to Brunot Area hunting and fishing from being determined in federal or state court;
- Avoid potential litigation with an uncertain result;
- Avoid potential intergovernmental conflicts.

Such regulations, therefore, shall apply to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing as a matter of Tribal law. The Tribal Council reserves the right to create exceptions to the general applicability of such regulations to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing.

It is the responsibility of tribal member Brunot Area hunters and anglers to know and understand the various land use regulations that are in place and enforced within the Brunot Area. Violations of the regulations are not only violations of Tribal law, but also may constitute violations of state and/or federal law, and, therefore may be prosecuted in Tribal, state, or federal court. In a state or federal prosecution for violation of such regulations, therefore, it may be an ineffective defense to assert that the tribal member was exercising Brunot Agreement rights, since those regulations are applicable as a matter of Tribal law. Hunters and anglers should contact the Tribe's Wildlife Management Division or other appropriate management agencies for more information on applicable land use regulations (e.g., U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Parks, Colorado Division of Wildlife, etc.).

GUIDING & OUTFITTING

A "guide" or "outfitter" is a person who accepts compensation for (1) guiding, leading, packing, protecting, supervising, instructing, or training persons in the take or attempted take of wildlife; or (2) providing facilities (e.g., tents, cabins, camp gear, food, or similar supplies, equipment, or accommodations), equipment or services for hunting activities, including but not limited to the transportation of individuals, equipment, supplies, or wildlife by means of vehicle, vessel, or pack animal.

The guiding and outfitting of a Tribal Member Brunot Area hunter requires special authorization of the guide/outfitter from either the Tribe OR State and Federal authorities, depending on (1) the SUIT member status of the guide, or (2) whether the hunter is hunting under authority of a Tribal or State hunting permit.

If a hunter with a Tribal Brunot hunting permit wants to utilize the service of a Tribal Member guide/outfitter, this guide/outfitter must first be permitted by the Tribe, per Tribal permitting requirements, and the guide/outfitter must comply with the Tribe's established guiding and outfitting rules and regulations. More information on these requirements and regulations is available through the Tribe's Division of Wildlife office.

If the hunter wants to utilize the service of a non-SUIT member guide/outfitter, OR if the hunter is hunting under the authority of a State hunting permit, the guide/outfitter must comply with all applicable State and Federal permitting requirements and regulations pertaining to guiding and outfitting. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) and/or the U.S. Forest Service should be contacted for more information.

The terms "hunting" and "fishing", as they relate to guiding and outfitting, are used interchangeably.

Things to ask to be sure your guide/outfitter is legal:

- Do you have the appropriate Tribal / State / Federal Permits
- What are your permit and/or registration numbers?
- Will we be hunting on public lands at any time?
- Do you have a Bureau of Land Management or U.S. Forest Service Permit?

Indications of an illegal outfitter:

- The outfitter does not provide you with a written contract
- The outfitter counsels you not to talk to state or federal officers or asks you to say you're just friends or family hunting together.

Verify an outfitter as legal:

- Contact the SU Wildlife Division for information on Tribal guides and outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies to verify a non-Southern Ute Tribal member guide or outfitter www.dors.state.co.us/outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Outfitters Association www.coloradooutfitters.org

If you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting contact the Southern Ute Wildlife Division immediately for assistance. Illegal guiding and outfitting is a serious offense and can have severe consequences for you and the guide/outfitter involved in the activity. The above information is provided to keep you safe and legal while hunting on and off the reservation.

INCORPORATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE

The following sections of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Wildlife Conservation Code, as amended and published as of the date of adoption of this Proclamation, are adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and incorporated by reference into this Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Proclamation. The purpose of the incorporation is to provide for the applicability of the incorporated sections to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing notwithstanding any on-Reservation applicability limitation that may be expressed or implied in those sections. All tribal members who wish to hunt or fish in the Brunot Area must comply with the requirements set forth in the incorporated sections. The regulations contained in this Proclamation shall govern in the event of any conflict with the requirements contained in the incorporated sections.

Article 1 (except for §13-1-106) Definitions, Organization, Regulations

- **Section 13-2-105:** Denial, Suspension and Revocation of Permit Privileges
- **Section 13-2-106:** Administrative Appeal
- **Section 13-2-107:** Judicial Review
- **Article 3:** Offenses
- **Article 4:** Penalties and Procedures
- **Article 5:** Evidence and Additional Penalties

JURISDICTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Tribe and State of Colorado have a shared responsibility for establishing appropriate hunting and fishing regulations for the hunters and fishermen under their respective authorities in the Brunot Area, as well as for enforcing those regulations. It is the Tribe's intent to provide a law enforcement presence in the Brunot Area utilizing Southern Ute Tribal Rangers.

Tribal hunters and anglers are likely to encounter both Tribal and State law enforcement officers while in the Brunot Area, and should be prepared to show appropriate identification and permits, if requested by any law enforcement officer. In general, if a violation of a Tribal wildlife regulation has been committed by a Tribal-permitted hunter or angler, that hunter or angler shall be subject to Tribal citation and prosecution in Tribal Court.

Tribal hunters and anglers are required to carry with them their Tribal identification cards as proof of Tribal-enrolled status.

SEARCH AND RESCUE

The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue (CORSAR) card is a means to voluntarily participate in funding the cost of missions, training, and equipment for search and rescue efforts in Colorado. In the event that a card holder is lost or injured in the back country, the county Sheriff can be reimbursed for the costs of a search and rescue mission for that person. The CORSAR card costs \$3.00 for one year, or \$12.00 for five years. Two-thirds of the revenue go to the CORSAR fund, while one-third is retained by card vendors. The CORSAR card can be purchased from local outdoors and sporting goods stores.

BRUNOT AREA MAPS

The Brunot Area maps provided are for general reference purposes only. Detailed boundary descriptions for specific hunt units (i.e., mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose), as well as maps showing precise locations of Special Management Fisheries, are available to tribal members through the SUIT Division of Wildlife office in Ignacio.

Brunot Area contact information

Emergencies:

- **Southern Ute Tribe Dispatch (any time)**
970-563-4401
- **Colorado State Patrol (any time)**
970-249-4392
- **Colorado Division of Wildlife**
Any service center during regular hours. See phone numbers listed below.

General Hunting/Fishing Information:

- **Southern Ute Indian Tribe**
Division of Wildlife Resource Management
116 Mouache Drive,
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-0130
- **Colorado Division of Wildlife**
Southwest Region Service Center
151 East 16th St.
Durango, CO 81301
970-247-0855
- **Colorado Division of Wildlife**
Gunnison Service Center
300 W. New York Ave.
Gunnison, CO 81230
970-641-7060
- **Colorado Division of Wildlife**
Montrose Service Center
2300 S. Townsend Ave.
Montrose, CO 81401
970-252-6000

Federal Lands Offices:

- **San Juan Public Lands Center** (BLM/USFS)
15 Burnett Court
Durango, Colorado 81301
970-247-4874
- **San Luis Valley Public Lands Center** (BLM/USFS)
1803 W. Hwy 160
Monte Vista, CO 81144
719-852-5941
- **Grand Mesa-Uncomp. Gunnison National Forests**
2250 Highway 50
Delta, Colorado 81416
970-874-6600
- **Gunnison Field Office** (USFS)
216 N. Colorado
Gunnison, Colorado 81230
970-641-0471
- **Columbine Field Office** (BLM/USFS)
367 Pearl St.
Bayfield, Colorado 81122
970-884-2512
- **Dolores Public Lands Office** (BLM/USFS)
29211 Hwy. 184
Dolores, Colorado 81323
970-882-7296
- **Del Norte Field Office** (BLM/USFS)
13308 W. Hwy. 160
Del Norte, Colorado 81132
719-657-3321
- **Pagosa Field Office** (BLM/USFS)
P.O. Box 310
Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147
970-264-2268
- **Uncompahgre Field Office** (USFS)
2465 South Townsend Ave.
Montrose, CO 81401
970-240-5300



EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

PLANNING A COMMUNITY GARDEN

Mique nuchu,
I would like to thank the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for their generous support as well as the Southern Ute Education Department for allowing me to attend the First Nations Food Sovereignty Summit in Green Bay, Wis. The summit was a collaborative effort between the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and the USDA Office of Outreach to help build and identify healthy food systems with rural communities.

In the past two years there has been an increasing interest from tribal nations all across Indian Country to rejuvenate growing

traditional foods by planting sustainable gardens. Food has always been a major thread in the fabric of our cultural traditions, and this movement toward growing our own food is our sovereign right.

It is my hope to start a Tribal Community Garden project this year, and time is of essence — therefore, a brainstorm meeting will take place in the next several weeks. Please look for posters throughout the community and tune in to KSUT Tribal Radio at 91.3 FM.

Keep in mind: This is not an ordinary community garden project. To find out more information, please call me at 970-749-0026 or you can reach me at utenica@yahoo.com.

Marge Borst

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

To our Mother, Irene Burch

Thanks mom for always being there when we need you. You have always been dependable and always forgiving. You have taught us to be loving, strong and self-reliant. As we all grow older we have never stopped needing you. You know what is best for us and you still correct us. Thank you for all your sacrifices you have made for us. We love and cherish you forever.

Love your daughters,
Cookie, Leona, Lena, Lisa, Leora, Laurena,
Lynnette and families

I would like to wish all Mothers, Grandmothers and Aunties a very Happy Mother's Day

I hope that you all have a beautiful day, because we all are blessed to have you in our lives. Being a mother is a very tough job and many times we forget to say thank you, so from me Alex Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Councilman I would like to say a big thank you.

To Phoebe, Lucinda, Jesusa, Alberta, Agatha, Neida, Beulah, Sara, Candy, Francis, Amelia, Danita, Liz and to my beloved departed late Essie Kent, I love you and wish you a Happy Mothers Day.

Alex Cloud

Happy Birthday and Happy Mother's Day Grandma Ernie

Grandma
You've always been right there for me Right from the very start.
I always knew you loved me From the bottom of your heart.
When I was small you'd pick me up And put me on your knee.
You could always make it better And always comfort me.
You encouraged me no matter what To do my very best
With you I could do no wrong, And I stood above the rest.
Some say you were harder Back in the day,
All I know is I can count on you No matter what!!

Love Jared Orian

Happy Mother's Day Sisters

Happy Mother's Day to my sisters, Blenda and Melinda, as we know you truly became Mothers the day your children were born. Our Mother, Vera will live on through you, and your children, and your children's children. A special Happy Mother's Day to Miracle, Sapphire and Mataya, continue your journey, in memory of all Mothers before you.

Love your bro, uncle and daddy - Bobby

NEW EMPLOYEES



Martin Wageman

Job title: General accountant

Job duties: Accounting

Family: Wife, Erna Wageman; son, Rock; and daughter, Martina.

STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS TAURUS! A dynamic SOLAR ECLIPSE in your sign on the 9th releases fresh momentum. For the most part the focus is mainly about you and your intentions. Take the lead TAURUS, put your plans into motion. Timing is everything, and the best time to start would be during the NEW MOON on the 9th. Your impressive concentration should work well for you this month. As an added benefit, VENUS glides into a money zone on that same day and helps to improve your budget.

♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

Greetings GEMINI, this month's forecast is about the, "Tale of the Twins". You'll be true to your sign this May as your dual nature dominates early in the month. One Twin wants solitude, and the other wants MEGA attention. No need to fret, your lively little planet MERCURY comes out of hiding on the 15th and makes the Somber Solitude Twin disappear into thin air. On the 27th MERCURY makes a once every 12 years connection with Big Boy JUPITER. By month's end happiness prevails once again.

♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

Social ties and group affiliations may capture all of your attention this forecast period. A compromising approach would be best and may eventually lead you to accomplish a cherished goal. Rely on your inner vision to guide you Moon Kids. The Solar Eclipse on the 9th might shake things up a bit. This is not the month to stubbornly cling to old opinions. Life is full of changes. It might be in your best interest to just "go with the flow".

♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Current planetary influences may encourage you to show off your abilities at work. Granted, you might have earned some bragging rights, but it's equally as important to express your talent with more self-restraint. We don't have to constantly remind everyone the SUN is shining...people can easily see that for themselves. This month your gifts speak for you Lions. Be diligent with your work, and your creativity. By mid month a more playful pattern sets in and you are happily hanging out with your best friends.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

A group of compatible planets connect with your orderly world and inspire new potential. They might tempt you to put some travel plans together. Or perhaps look for new interests. Employment related affairs might improve as JUPITER'S larger than life influence promotes beneficial opportunities which increase after the 9th when VENUS slips into the sign of GEMINI. Stay alert VIRGO people, opportunities could come from any direction. Be sure you have all the facts before you make any big decisions.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

Money and prosperity take priority, as the month is launched on a hopeful note. Conditions improve on the 9th when your playful planetary ruler (VENUS) enters light and airy GEMINI. Your spirits rise with dreams of travel, and the desire to seek out exciting adventures. On the 24th enlightenment arrives when the FULL MOON in Sagittarius fires up the idea segment of your chart. Inspiration will flow like a river. ♏

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

The SUN, MERCURY, VENUS, and MARS, have taken an opposing stance to your sign, and might have you putting on the brakes in stubborn resistance to what others are trying to force on you. Your best option is to keep an open mind, and be cautious of what you promise others. They will expect you to deliver. Partners and close allies are certain to be pleased with your more cooperative manner. May is a promising month to initiate a fresh beginning regarding relationships. Find ways to have more fun.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

Astrologically speaking, Eclipses are noted harbingers of change. This month's Solar Eclipse falls into the work and health portion of your horoscope. Change is good, especially when it's connected to a NEW MOON. Improvements can be made in diet, health habits, work routines, or exercise. Don't be shy Saggies, step up to the plate and go for it. Your sign is one of the most change-welcoming signs in the Zodiac. You have flexibility in abundance. The FULL MOON in Sagittarius on the 24th ends an old cycle.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

There may be times when you have doubts regarding your ambitions. But this month isn't one of those times. PLUTO moves into a positive relationship with the current planetary lineup. Children and others near and dear to you will welcome your attention and fun-loving manner. May is a great month to pursue your favorite pastimes and hobbies. Be of good cheer Capricorn, SPRINGTIME is here!

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

A pack of planets gather in the home and family portion of your chart, and elders may require your care and attention. Later in May the planets shift into the friendly sign of GEMINI and your interest turns to more lighthearted activities. Be true to yourself AQUARIUS. URANUS, your favorite planet links up with VENUS on the 18th supporting your future desires. You might be able to achieve alot more this forecast period by accepting the advice of people you trust. AQUARIANS usually enjoy learning something new.

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

Communication is the central theme for the beautiful month of May. Show an interest in others Little Fishes. Visit relatives, friends, or nearby neighbors. Getting out is what this month is all about. You couldn't ask for a better month to express your opinions, and views. People may be more receptive to what you have to say now. There's just one important point to remember...you must be willing to listen as well. NEPTUNE'S ongoing transit through your sign promotes compassion and kindness.

♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

A waning MARS/SATURN combination gives way to a more optimistic point of view early in the month. The NEW MOON teams with MERCURY, MARS, VENUS, and the SUN in the main money zone of your horoscope. What's more the Solar Eclipse on the 9th brings financial matters to your attention. Carefully consider your options before you lay out a bunch of cash. If necessary, seek the advice of a professional. This is a money month RAMS, there are many options open to you.

Family field day trek

Avionne, Ebonee and Sage took a family field trip with Tim Watts to the Ute Mountain Tribal Park during spring break on April 4, 2013. The group scaled four sets of ladders, into the canyon, where a 40-foot ladder awaiting the group, in Eagle Nest.



photos courtesy Tim Watts

Cleaning up the streets



Wyneena Smith/SU Tribal Information Services

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division joined students from local schools on Wednesday, April 24 to clean up trash along County Road 318 as part of an exercise to celebrate Earth Day.

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Deadline

May 13

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southernute-nsn.gov

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REQUEST FOR BIDS Rock Creek Water System Improvements

Owner:
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT)
Utilities Division
PO Box 1137, 293 Mouache Circle
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-5500

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of the SUIT UTILITIES DIVISION ROCK CREEK WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS will be received by the Owner at the offices of the SUIT Utilities Division, until 2:00 p.m. (M.D.S.T.), MAY 14, 2013, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

Bid security: A Bid security, in the form of a Bid Bond, Cashiers Check or Certified Check in the amount of 5% of the bid amount, must accompany each Bid. The Successful Bidder will be required to furnish a Construction Performance Bond as security for the faithful performance of the Contract.

Description of Work: Work includes installation of HDPE Water pipe, horizontal directional drilling, installation of owner furnished meter and pressure reducing vault, miscellaneous trenching, excavation, grading and backfilling. Revegetation of disturbed areas is required. Only contractors qualified in the installation of HDPE water pipe and horizontal directional drilling shall be permitted to bid on this project. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. A bid preference of 5% will be

given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned companies must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. 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 proposals, to waive any informality in the bid process and to accept the bids deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Prospective BIDDERS are REQUIRED to attend the MANDATORY pre-bid meeting on Tuesday May 7, 2013 at 10:00 AM atU the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Utilities Division Office, located at 293 Mouache Circle, Ignacio, CO 81137.

THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following location:
GOFF ENGINEERING & SURVEYING, INC., 126 Rock Point Drive, Suite A, Durango, Colorado 81301. (970) 247-1705

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Utilities Division, 293 Mouache Circle, Ignacio, CO 81137. (970) 563-5500

A \$60 (sixty dollars), non-refundable deposit will be required for each printed set. Complimentary digital (PDF) plans are available by sending an email request to HUmgallegos@goffengineering.comUH or written request to the above address.

FLY-FISHING

Where are the ladies, younger people, and ethnic diversity?

By Don Oliver
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM



The first weekend of April brought a real feeling that spring had finally arrived with the annual Duranglers Fly Fishing Festival.

The warm weather felt great, and the festival was lots of fun. There was something for everyone to enjoy. Robert Younghanz, aka "The Bug Guy," put on two events to educate the rank beginner to the most advanced fly-fisherman about bugs.

It was fun to learn about the bugs in our streams and how they move through the water. John Flick's presentation was for those that tie their own flies. He covered spinning and flaring hair.

There were casting demonstrations and representatives from various manufacturers to answer questions about gear. There was also a dogs-and-brats cook out. All this activity was finalized with the 2013 Fly Fishing Film Tour.

As I said, there was something for everyone. But as I thought about it, it seemed as if something was missing.

I realized 99.99 percent of the participants were older white guys. It looked like a meeting of the U.S. Congress.

That's not OK with this old white guy. In fact, it causes me great concern. I imagine it also gives fly shop owners and their suppliers great concern.

Truly, why is fly-fishing

not attracting more women, younger people, and more ethnic diversity? The manufacturers have been making equipment designed for curved bodies, smaller hands, and narrow feet to better fit women and the younger set for some time.

Race has no special needs in equipment. So, why isn't more of the population taking up fly-fishing? And, what do we do to motivate said population to the streams and lakes armed with fly rods?

I don't know.

Let's look at the facts: Fly-fishing is affordable, it's fun, it's not hard to learn, it's a great family activity, and unlike lots of other sports, it can be done until you're really old. Just look at all the old white guys who are still fly-fishing.

I think affordability and ease of learning comprise the hardest misconceptions to overcome. If a wannabe picks up any number of fly-fishing catalogs and sees rods for \$800, reels for

\$450, and waders for \$500, who can blame him or her for stopping right there?

As far as learning, you might have heard someone say, "How do they do that?" only to have a fly-fishing friend respond by saying "It takes years to learn how to cast." Who wants to spend thousands of dollars and years of practice to get good at something? Sounds like golf to me.

To cure problems one and two, first direct the new person to the beginner packages retailing for \$250. Then introduce them to an instructor that can have them making basic casts in an hour.

Next, if you know people that aren't old white guys, bring them into a fly shop. I assure you fly-shop owners would love to have a diverse group come into their shops in search of a great beginner experience.

Finally, I would have the advertising companies do a better job. I saw only one woman making a cast in the entire Fly Fishing Film Tour. I also checked my most recent fly-fishing catalogs and magazines and noticed only a few women in the ads.

Needless to say, there was no ethnic diversity. How can fly-fishing expand if 99.99 percent of the ads show only old white guys?

I love this sport, and I want others to love it. Please, work on introducing fly-fishing to a non-old white guy. You could be the start.

COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS Two at-large commission members

NOTICE is hereby given that the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) is soliciting candidates for two At-Large Commissioner positions (volunteer) for three year terms starting in July 2013 – June 2016. Please send electronic copies of:

- 1.) Cover Letter of Interest
- 2.) Resume

Letters of interest and resumes must be submitted to Ernest.House@state.co.us by 5 pm on Friday, May 17, 2013 or earlier. If you do not have email access or require accommodations, please contact our office at 303-866-2087. CCIA At-Large members are voting members of the Colorado Commission

of Indian Affairs who serve three year terms starting from July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016. CCIA meets quarterly throughout the year and travel costs for At-Large members are covered by the CCIA. If you would like further information regarding the At-Large memberships or have any questions, please contact 303-866-5470. The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe will host the next CCIA Quarterly Commission meeting in Towaoc, Colorado on May 31, 2013. Applicants are welcome to attend the meeting at their own expense, but are not required. Applicants will be notified of results after the May 31, 2013 CCIA Quarterly Commission meeting.

SunUte Community Center Special Hours

In observance of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Bear Dance and Memorial Day weekend, SunUte will have the following hours:

Friday, May 24 - 6:00am to 5:00pm
Saturday, May 25 - 8:00am to 5:00pm
Sunday, May 26 - 8:00am to 5:00pm
Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day) - 8:00am-5:00pm
No Active Kid Care on May 27.
No Group Exercise Classes on May 27.

For more information, please feel free to call us at 970-563-0214 or visit our website at www.SunUte.com.



SUNUTE UPDATE

"To expand and improve the quality of life for the Southern Ute tribal members and surrounding communities by stimulating social, physical, emotional, mental, cultural, and spiritual growth through recreational activities."



TRI-UTE GAMES 2013

Events dates to be announced. Looking for athletes and coaches for the upcoming Tri-Ute Games. Games will be held here in Ignacio this summer. Sports: Basketball, volleyball, golf, archery, bowling, swimming, cross-country, ultimate warrior (triathlon), skateboard and hand game. Open to enrolled tribal members and tribal descendants, ages 9 to 18. The purpose of the games is to come together so our children can get to know each other better and to foster friendship between the Northern Ute, Southern Ute, and the Ute Mountain Ute tribes. For more information please contact the SunUte Recreation at 970-563-0214.

TRIPLE WIN PROGRAM

Southern Ute tribal members: Enter to win a gift card every month for the next 12 months. You can enter the raffle if you work out in the gym or pool, participate in noon ball, or attend group exercise classes. Ages 10 and up. Tickets can be redeemed at the trainers' desk.

SUNUTE POOL AREA CLOSURE

The SunUte pool area will be closed from Saturday, May 18 through Wednesday, May 22 for floor repair. For more information call Lisa Allen, Aquatics Coordinator at SunUte, 970-563-0214 ext. 2653. We will re-open at 6 a.m. on Thursday, May 23.

Attention Southern Ute Students
grades 6-12

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turning
July 26th



The Southern Ute Department of Education is exploring Colorado once again. Join us as we visit Western State University in Gunnison. Learn what Western State has to offer as they integrate nature, science, technology, and art to create unforgettable experiences and workshops. Go boating, hiking, and visit the Gunnison observatory in a fun five day adventure in your home state of Colorado. Student/ Parent information meeting will be held May 15th, 5:30 @ the Education Department.



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NASA Space Camp

At the Durango Discovery Museum

Become an astronaut with us for a week! July 15-19 will be a week of fun, learning the basics about NASA. You will simulate lunar and Mars landings by applying creativity and basic physics and geometry skills to various household materials. You will also learn about the human body in space: what do astronauts eat? How does being in space for any length of time affect their muscular and skeletal systems?

Southern Ute students ages 11 to 15 years old.

July 15-19, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Students will need to meet at the Education Department by 8:15 a.m. to be transported to the Durango Discovery Museum, and will be returned to the Education Department by 3:45 p.m.

ACT NOW! There are only 7 spaces available! Have your parent/guardian pick up forms from the Education Department, sign, and return the permission forms to Mrs. Julie Stone or Ms. Dorian Romero at your school or the Education Department by 5 p.m. on May 3. If you have questions, you can reach Mrs. Stone or Ms. Romero at 970-563-0327, ext. 2795.



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.

Mechanic Apprentice – Red Cedar Gathering

Closing date 5/8/13
Durango, CO. The Apprentice Mechanic Program is to provide specific training while gaining knowledge and experience through a structured training program to become a Field Maintenance Technician or Plant Mechanic for Red Cedar Gathering Company under the supervision and/or direction of the assigned/designated facility supervisor.

Roustabout Trainee – Red Willow Production

Closing date 5/10/13
Ignacio, CO. Trainee position for a Southern Ute Tribal member to be trained under general direction of the Red Willow Field Operations Foreman, into a Roustabout position.

Assistant Technical Services Manager – Real Estate Group

Closing date 5/15/13
Lakewood, CO. Assists the Technical Services/Facilities Manager in providing building and property management services to the Belmar project; to include monitoring and maintaining physical structures of buildings, repairing mechanical and electrical equipment and grounds, satisfying tenant requests, and processing work orders. May assist with supervision of technical services and grounds team and coordinating sub-contracted work. Must present a positive and professional image.

Information Specialist – Real Estate Group

Closing date 5/15/13
Lakewood, CO. Responds to questions and

inquiries from persons entering the Belmar Information Center.

Maintenance Tech-HVAC – GF Real Estate Group

Closing date 5/15/13
Lakewood, CO. Performs a wide variety of skilled and semi-skilled building maintenance and repair tasks. Installs, maintains, and repairs machinery, equipment, physical structures, pipes and electrical systems.

Summer Internship – Dept. of Energy

Closing date 5/15/13
Ignacio, CO. A short-term training position within the Department of Energy's Exploration and Production, Lands, and Accounting departments. This internship is designed to give college level science and business students relevant work experience. Intern will provide a summary report in written and oral form at the end of the assignment.

Business Development Geologist – Red Willow Production

Closing date 5/31/13
Ignacio, CO. Planning and implementing technical evaluation of Business Development projects requiring the application of advanced geologic and geophysical interpretation skills. Responsible for working both independently and leading teams and junior geologic staff to evaluate internal assets, third party assets and other viable oil and gas exploration/exploitation plays resulting in the discovery of new oil and gas reserves.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact information on file. P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137

Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

Executive Assistant

Closing date 5/6/13
Performs administrative support and office management for the Department of Tribal Health including budget preparation and monitoring: report preparation, coordination and consolidation, office records management: reception and clerical services to the Department Director, Division Heads and Department staff. Pay grade 16: \$15.63/hour.

(9) Girls & Boys Club Aides

Closing date 5/10/13
Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Summer employment opportunity. Pay grade 12: \$11/hour.

Building Maintenance Lead Technician

Closing date 5/10/13
Provides maintenance support, troubleshooting and preventive maintenance services for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and functions as Acting Division Head in the Division Head absence. Collects and categorizes information on systems and equipment. Tracks preventive maintenance, work orders, time and materials for Division operations. Monitors budget and expenditures. Directs and supervises work of day-to-day activities as well as special projects. Pay grade 19: \$20.64/hour.

Clinic Nurse

Closing date 5/10/13
This is a Registered Nurse position responsible for providing professional and clinical services at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pay grade 21: \$25.66/hour.

Culture Media Technician

Closing date 5/10/13
Southern Ute tribal member only. Creating audio and video documentation of language and culture teaching and activities, creating language and culture learning technological tools, editing the material, copying and archiving the material. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

Elder Services Driver

Closing date 5/10/13
Must be able to read and write at an 8th grade level. Must be able to obtain first aid certification within 90 days of work. Must be able to work weekends and irregular hours. Must be able to travel outside of the local area. Must have valid Driver's License and be insurable under the Tribal vehicle insurance policy. Must pass pre-employment background checks, reference checks and drug test.

Southern Ute Tribal Ranger

Closing date 5/10/13
Under the general supervision of Wildlife Captain, assures compliance of all Tribal Natural Resource Codes, Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Policies. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

(2) Forest Technicians

Closing date 5/23/13
The Forest Technician is under the general supervision of the Forester, represents the Forestry Division in a positive professional manner while assisting in the implementation and coordination of multiple and varied Forestry projects. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

Police Lieutenant

Open Until Filled
Under general supervision of the Chief of Police, coordinates the efforts of the officers and dispatchers to achieve the objectives of the police department. Serves as acting Police Chief in the absence of the Police Chief in the absence of the Police Chief. Pay grade 22: \$60,320.

Chief of Police

Open Until Filled
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking its next Chief of Police. The Chief leads law enforcement on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, managing a current staff of 13 full-time Patrol Officers, 3 Sergeants, a Criminal Investigator, Detective, two Community Resource Officers and a 24-hour dispatch staff. The mission of the Southern Ute Police Department is to uphold the constitutional sovereignty and the customs of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to protect life and property and to promote and preserve peace within the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. This contracted position will be hired in accordance with the Tribes Native American hiring preferences in its Tribal Employment Right Code.

Youth In Natural Resources Crew Leader

Temporary – Open 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. Pay grade 14: \$13/hour.

TEAM Jobs Program

Temporary – Open Until Filled
Southern Ute tribal members only. The TEAM JOBS positions are temporary assignments that are filled as needed from the current pool of applicants. The rate of pay is set at the minimum pay for the assignment, but not less than \$10.82/hour.

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, seven days a week! The job hotline lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly.

For Sale

500 Gallon water tank, \$500. Trailer, \$500. Call 970-317-5372

IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Library Director

Position open Library Director for small, well used library in vibrant, diverse area. Requires MLS or MLIS. For full job description, qualifications and contact information, see <http://ignacio.colibraries.org>

Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Human Resources Department: 970-563-1311 • Fax: 970-563-1419

P.O. Box 340 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • Office Hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Indian Preference Employer • Apply online: www.skyutecasino.com • *21 years or older

Banquet staff

Closing date 5/3/13

Fine dining busser-Seven Rivers

Closing date 5/3/13

*Fine dining expeditor-Seven Rivers

Closing date 5/3/13

*Fine dining server-Seven Rivers

Closing date 5/3/13

*Lead line cook-Rolling Thunder

Closing date 5/3/13

*Property shift manager

Closing date 5/6/13

*Shuttle driver II – Non-CDL

Closing date 5/3/13

SUCAP

Board of directors mandatory board election

Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. will be holding its biennial elections June 4; we are looking for community members who are interested in running for a seat under Category II on our Board of Directors.

Category II – those elected by the community at large, will fill 6 vacant seats. This is a two-year term.

If you have an interest in human services, non-profit organizations or like to be involved in new and exciting initiatives impacting your community – here's your chance!

The SUCAP Board of Directors meets once

a month and committees meet approximately every quarter. You must be 18 years old and reside within the Ignacio School District (11JT) and Southern Ute Indian reservation.

All nominations will be followed up by our office. The deadline for nominations is May 10. Please contact Naomi Russell if you are interested or know of someone who might be at 970-563-4517 or nrussell@sucap.org

Need not be registered to vote in La Plata County. This election is not sanctioned by voting laws in the state of Colorado, need only be 18 and reside within our service boundaries.

SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

Research Committee members

The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum in coordination with Fielding Graduate University. Interested tribal members and community member input is needed for an educational leadership and change research committee. SUCCM has approved of the director to work on this project involving "participatory action research." The committee will meet at the beginning and the end of

the study. Membership on the committee is voluntary and will be for approximately 18-24 months. The committee will evaluate SUCCM and discuss ideas that will help the museum be sustainable to preserve Ute traditions, history and cultural education programs. Please submit a letter of intent in person to SUCCM or by mail to P.O. Box 737, #95, Ignacio, CO 81137.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

Gaming Commission vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking two (2) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Gaming Commission for a three (3) year term. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations:

- Be at least twenty-one years of age;
- Possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation;
- Have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures;
- Have the ability to observe restrictions

concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality;

- Submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and
- Undergo a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office – Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2013. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

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.: 2013-0005-CV-NC NOTICE OF LEGALNAME CHANGE

Ayona Maria Hight, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Ayona Maria Hight filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Ayana Maria Hight. As of April 1, 2013 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Ayona Maria Hight name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Ayana Maria Hight.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2013.

In the Southern Ute Tribal Court

Tasha Herrera, Court Clerk

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2013-0028-CV-NC NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Isiah Athen Tucson, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Isiah Athen Tucson has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Isiah Andreas Valdez. 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 May 3, 2013 at 5 p.m. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2013.

BY THE COURT,

Janie Herrera, Deputy Court Clerk



The Spirit of Women



Members of our tri-ethnic community celebrate our women through art in a variety of media

Come and meet the artists, form new friendships with people who share the love of art and enjoy refreshments at the opening artists' reception

Friday, May 3
5:00–8:00 p.m.

Exhibit continues through May 30

DANCING SPIRIT
COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER
IGNACIO, COLORADO

755 Goddard Avenue | PO Box 414 | Ignacio, CO 81137 | (970) 563-4600 | DancingSpiritCommunityArtsCenter.org
Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Sam Harrison keeps everyone safe and clear as children board the train for a trek down the hill.

Straddling their stick-ponies, students raced across the gym floor of the SunUte Community Center.

A day of fun & games

The end of the school year is upon us. The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start hosted its annual Field Day at the SunUte Community Center on Thursday, April 25. The event kept students, parents and loved ones active as SunUte was filled with laughter and high-spirited kids. A bouncehouse, games of skill, races, face-painting and a train helped brighten the overcast skies.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



Students bound for the lead during the sack race.



The thrill of catching something good is always appealing to the young and old.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Friday, May 3



Sunny 66°F

Saturday, May 4



Mostly sunny 69°F

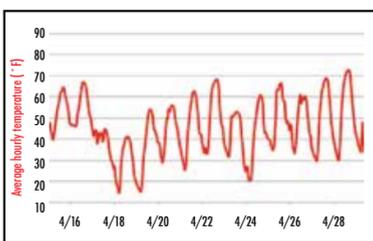
Sunday, May 5



Mostly sunny 69°F

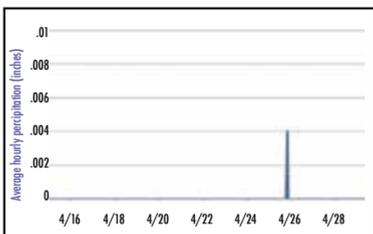


Weather data for April 15 – April 29



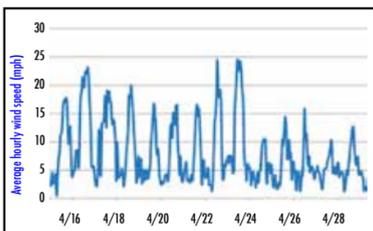
Temperature

High	72.6°
Low	14.6°
Average	45.6°
Average last year	50.4°



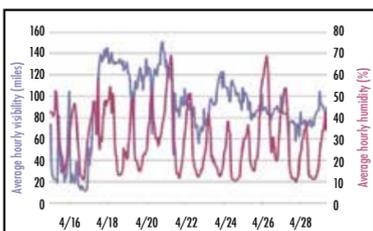
Precipitation

Total	0.004"
Total last year	0.328"



Wind speed

Average	8.0
Minimum	0.4
Maximum	24.5



Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	88.2
Average humidity	29.4%

Air quality

Good



Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

2013 LAKE CAPOTE RECREATION AREA SCHEDULE & FEES

398 HWY 151
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
www.lakecapote.com



Phone #: (970) 883-2273

LAKE CAPOTE OPERATING SCHEDULE

Opening Day: April 11th, 2013

April 11th through May 5th
(Thursday through Sunday)

May 9th through September 8th
facility is open 24/7.

September 12th through October 6th
(Thursday to Sunday)

Closing Day: October 6th, 2013

Lake Capote is regularly stocked with rainbow trout, brown trout, largemouth bass and catfish.
(Fishing Bag Limit: 3 trout, 1 catfish, 1 largemouth bass. All fish 16" or larger are catch and release only)

Southern Ute Tribal Members receive discounted rates, elders & youth fish for free.

- Night fishing when advertised
- More food items & fishing supplies available at Bait Shop
- 2013 Fishing Derby \$2,000 of tagged fish in lake.
1st Prize: \$500
2nd Prize: \$300

2013 Lake Capote Permit Fees

Adult Fishing: \$10
Tribal Member Adult Fishing: \$4
Youth (12 and under) Fishing: \$4
Tribal Member Youth Fishing: FREE
Derby Permit: \$20
Tent Site: \$13
Tribal Member Tent Site: Free
RV Site (elec. & water): \$20
Tribal Member RV Site: \$10
Day Use (1st 1/2 hour free): \$3

(Call for group rates, weekly rates also available)