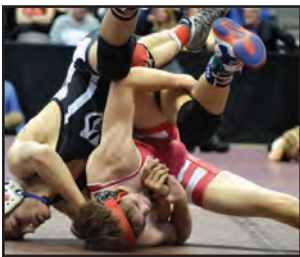




Happy birthday Dr. Seuss

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TRIBAL COUNCIL

Letter of referendum update

DEAR TRIBAL MEMBERS:

On Tuesday, February 14, 2017, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Election Board presented a petition for referendum to the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council. The petition requested:

The Election Board did not seek legal review of the constitutionality of the Petition before the Election Board issued its verification and certification. The Election Board explained that legal review for compliance with the Constitution should occur once the Petition was presented to the Tribal Council. Tribal Council therefore accepted the Petition and set a tentative election date (March 16, 2017), subject to legal review for compliance with the Constitution and the Election Code.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Constitution says that Tribal Members may bring issues to be considered for referendum only if the issue is an “enacted or proposed ordinance or resolution of the tribal council”. (Article VI, Section 1). Except when a referendum addresses an enacted or proposed ordinance, a referendum issue cannot change or limit the powers of the Tribal Council, such as the power to make appropriations, because that would infringe on the Council’s constitutional powers.

Tribal Council addressed a similar issue in 2008, when a “Call for Referendum” was submitted to the Election Board. That Referendum did not successfully pass through the verification and certification process. Among other problems, that Referendum was not addressed at a proposed or pre-existing resolution or ordinance that could be acted upon by the tribal membership through an up or down vote.

Like in 2008, the Petition that was presented last week does not call for an up or down vote on any existing or proposed resolution or ordinance. Council has neither enacted nor proposed any resolution or ordinance appropriating or distributing the funds. Rather, the Petition attempts to leg-

The Election Board reviewed and confirmed the petition for referendum and verified and certified it as a valid petition. The Election Board submitted a memorandum to Council indicating the following:

1. That the Petition had the number of signatures of registered voters required by the Election Code.
2. That each page of the Petition “clearly states” the referendum issue to be put to a vote as the following:
Should the remaining of the Sisseton Settlement Funds \$45,515,000 be 100% dispersed tax-free immediately to the enrolled members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.
3. That each person circulating the petition signed the notarized statement required by the Election Code.

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LOCAL CUISINE

Tribal foodies bring flavor to Ignacio

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Every community has their staple restaurants, the ones you go to out of love for their food, and out of habit. Tribal members Estelle Monte and Elise Redd are becoming increasing known around the community for their food services; offering some new flavor options different from the “usual” restaurants.

Both ladies offer their catering services to the community. Monte, owner and head chef of her business, “Rez Girls Catering” focuses on providing homemade fresh breakfast, snacks, desserts and take-home dinners to the community several days out of the week.

Redd, who hasn’t quite settled on a name for her food endeavor, manages a weekly lunch sale every Monday and continues to cater events around town. Her specialties include some customer favorites – Indian Tacos, brisket and of course chile, she said.

Alike, the ladies have long been known in the community for their food. Monte, said it runs in her family, as her mother would often cater events when she was younger. Redd said she has been catering several community events for the last 12 years, but it has become more consistent over the past year.

Both acknowledged that making money is a goal, however they both said that it’s more than the money; it’s something they are real-



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Laurie Monte and Estelle Monte join together most mornings making food for all to enjoy. Estelle owns a small catering business, which sells breakfast and snack items Monday through Thursday.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Elise Redd prepares fry bread during her Monday Lunch Sale on Feb. 27 inside the Multi-Purpose Facility.

ly passionate about.

“I like to cook, that’s why I do it,” Redd said.

Similarly, Monte said, “I make good money, but it’s not all about the money, I like to make people happy.”

Like most of us know, just because you love doing something doesn’t necessarily make it easy. Both ladies talked about the amount of work that goes into sharing their food with the community – both recognizing early on that it was not a job they could do alone.

Monte employs four tribal members that help her deliver her food – her sister Laurie being her main helper shares kitchen time with Estelle and also serves as the main distributor of the food.

Estelle prides herself on the freshness of her ingredients – everything being made the day it is sold. She said she would never compromise the freshness or quality of her homemade

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IHS BOYS BASKETBALL

Cats cop tenth straight district-level title

IHS boys slip past T-ride in Cortez, 45-44

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Consider the San Juan Basin League rivalry between Telluride and Ignacio resurrected.

And consider the Miners still wondering ‘What will it take?’ to trip up the loop’s perennial heavyweight.

Able to regain the upper hand on the Bobcats, 44-42, in the 2A-District 3 Tournament’s championship game (Sat., Feb. 25) via two free throws by senior anchor Andrew Denny with 0:49 left, THS’ players and fans were left in disbelief when IHS sophomore Lawrence Valdez stole the show 42 ticks later.

Taking a return pass on



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Led by Calvin Levato and Ocean Hunter at near right, the Ignacio Bobcats begin celebrating their 2A-District 3 Tournament championship win, 45-44 over Telluride, at Montezuma-Cortez H.S.

the left wing from junior Kai Roubideaux, himself unable to find an open shot closer to the rim after Valdez fed the ball into the post, Valdez used the backboard to bank in the go-ahead three-pointer—

which ultimately secured victory inside Montezuma-Cortez H.S. Gymnasium, 45-44.

“Kai was doing as much as he could,” recalled Val-

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IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lady Cats wrest D-3 title from Norwood

Ignacio holds SJBL power to 22 points

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Perhaps Alejandra Lujan wanted to see the tempo increased as much as the fans.

Or perhaps she just wanted to slam the door on San Juan Basin League nemesis Norwood by the fastest means she could.

It was probably a bit of both Saturday afternoon, Feb. 25, at Montezuma-Cortez H.S.

Kicking her game into high gear, as well as a plodding 2A-District 3 Tournament championship back to its initial back-and-forth pace, Lujan began the fourth quarter with a steal and hoop. Then after a steal by sophomore Kiana Valdez, dropped in another transition bucket with a hard pull-up shot in the lane over a defender.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Following a 37-22 win over Norwood, Ignacio senior Alejandra Lujan (23) shouts while presenting the 2A-District 3 Tournament’s first-place plaque for fans’ inspection inside Montezuma-Cortez H.S.

NHS’ Amber Padgett managed a jumper in reply, but Lujan countered by twisting her way through traffic for yet another two points – putting Ignacio up 33-19 and on a no-return course towards a 37-22 win over the vaunted Lady Mavericks.

“Well we came back

into the locker room and after we’d finished talking ... I was getting a little irritated,” said Lujan, of the team going into halftime tentatively ahead by four, “and I was like, ‘No! I’m going to put that aside and keep going.’”

Lady Cats page 8

Mid-school, SJBL champs!



courtesy Karla Tucson

CONGRATULATIONS to the Ignacio Middle School Boys A-Team – San Juan Basin League Champions of 2017 – you all deserve it: (back row left to right) Coach Duffy, James Mars, Gabe Tucson, Brady McCaw, Dylan LaBarthe, Bryce Finn, Keaden Reid, and Coach Tucson. (front row left to right) Nakai Lovato, Adam House, Joe Garcia and Holland Rokiumau.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Durango Film Festival volunteer Jason Benally, left, talks with “Power Lines” director Klee Benally about his film at a special screening held at the Ignacio High School Auditorium, Tuesday, Feb. 28.

FILM FESTIVAL

KSUT brings Native films to Ignacio

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Through a collaboration between KSUT Tribal Radio and the Durango Independent Film Festival, KSUT was able to bring a special screening of two native films, “Shiloh” and “Power Lines”, to the Ignacio Community free of charge.

Ignacio residents took advantage of the free screening on Tuesday, Feb. 28 watching both the Documentary Short and feature length film before they screen this weekend at the Durango Film Festival. Both directors were also in attendance and held Q & A sessions with the public.

The first film shown was “Shiloh”. A documentary short directed by Mark D. Williams about a Native female boxer Shiloh “Shy” LeBeau as she competes for the 2016 Ring-side World Championship. The audience is taken on a journey through LeBeau’s life in Lawrence, Kansas where she trains at the Haskell Boxing Club. LeBeau, Diné and Sans Arc Lakota Sioux of the Cheyenne River Tribe, shows us how she trains and stays motivated even as she faces adversities in her day-to-day life as a working mother pursuing her dream. LeBeau’s story serves as an inspiration to all Natives showing them that having a strong work ethic, discipline and belief in oneself can take them places they had never before imagined.

Director, Williams said he got the idea for the documentary from being friends with LeBeau on Facebook and following her boxing



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Mark D. Williams, director of the documentary short “Shiloh” answers questions from the audience Tuesday, Feb. 28 inside the Ignacio High School Auditorium.

matches.

“I seen on Facebook that she just won a title ... it was a story I wanted to tell,” he said, “It’s important we have inspiration in the native community.”

You can catch “Shiloh” screening again this weekend on Saturday, March 4 at noon at the Gaslight Twin Cinema.

Next up, was “Power Lines”, directed by Klee Benally. The full-length feature takes us on a journey with a teenage poet Halee, a Diné relocation refugee, who runs away from home to escape her abusive father. The young poet shares her stories and views through a number of poems she writes

and performs that address social and environmental injustices. Halee is joined by her friend on a suspenseful journey that leads them to Halee’s homeland where she finds out a secret her father has been hiding from her.

Director, Klee Benally said “Power Lines” took him eight years to write and that he made the film to tell a story about the relocation of Natives that is still happening today as well as telling the story of environmental and social injustices.

You can catch “Power Lines” screening again this weekend on Saturday, March 4 at 5:30 p.m. at Stadium 9.

Many Moons Ago



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10 years ago

Harlem Ambassadors Entertain the Southern Ute Reservation at SunUte. This photo first appeared in the March 2, 2007, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

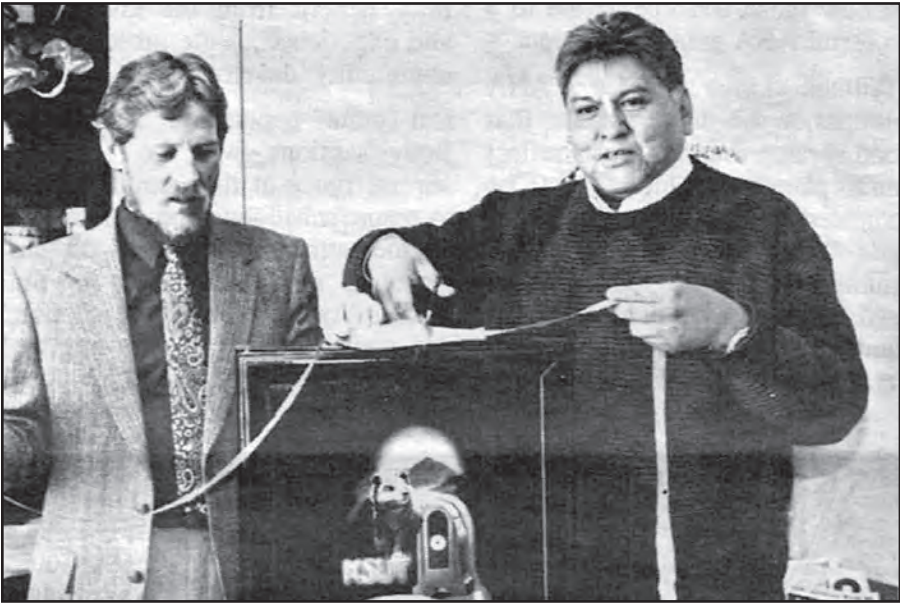


Roberta Cook/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Marjorie Borst interviews Ross Anderson, fastest American Indian on skis, during the Native American Hour on KSUT.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 14, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Congratulations to KSUT Radio Station on their Open House (left to right) Jack McDonald, Manager KSUT and Douglas Remington, Program/News Director of KSUT.

This photo first appeared in the March 6, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Frozen landscapes



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Cattails stand in stark contrast to the thin sheet of ice that still covers the surface of Scott’s Pond on the morning of March 1, 2017.

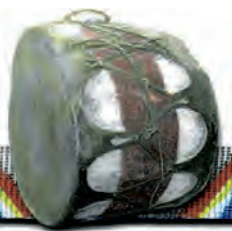
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Community Walk



SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017
10 A.M.

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Elders: Crafts and conversation



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Evalyn Russell shares her latest beadwork project, a set of beaded roses, which will adorn a pair of traditional Ute moccasins at the Multi-Purpose Facility on Wednesday, March 1.



Southern Ute tribal member Jackie TwoCrow decorates her moccasins with a pair of matching turtles, their shells adorned with an orange blaze depicting The Four Directions.

Southern Ute elder Evalyn Russell is among those who enjoy the opportunity for beadwork and socialization.

UTE LANGUAGE

Box works to make Ute language stick in Ignacio schools

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Cultural Preservation Director Edward Box III, started his position in December 2016 and began to pursue the ideas set forth in a 2014 Tribal Resolution, in what Box describes as his “first big and important project,” as director. Chairman Clement J. Frost signed a resolution in 2014 to preserve and teach Ute language to tribal members, tribal staff and students in the Ignacio school system.

“I’m really focusing on the language, engaging with elders and sister tribes [in the process],” Box said. “The main focus is to get it back into the schools.”

The Cultural Preservation Department is working as a team with staff, Ute elders, and the Ignacio School District. Three tribal elders are currently working to create a curriculum for the program.

The present goal is to begin with classes offered at Ignacio High School and then shift the focus to include Ignacio’s middle school and elementary. The projected start date would have Ute language courses starting as soon as the fall semester of 2017. Over the past few years, there has been a push to have the Ute language taught earlier in Ignacio public schools, at least at the middle school level, when most SUIMA



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Cultural Preservation Director Edward Box III outside of his office in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum on Wednesday, March 1, 2017. Box is spearheading the Ute language program for Ignacio’s public schools.

students enter the public school system.

“My grandparents always spoke Ute,” said Box, “I want to encourage tribal elders to pass that on.”

Box explained the conditions he perceived as factors, which helped lead to the decline of fluent Ute being spoken among the Southern Ute people.

Many Utes were discouraged from speaking the Ute Language, especially in the boarding schools. Which then attributed to the loss of language for many Utes of that generation, impacting Ute families who began conversing in English in their own homes – eventually teaching their children English first and Ute second.

The other factor is more straightforward in that the Utes have adapted to English in modern times.

“Ute needs to be our main language,” said Box.

“I need to capture what I can with our tribal elders now,” said Box. “We become our [Ute] bands when we speak our language”

The big question is “how do we capture the younger generation?” asked Box.

Box sees mobile phones and digital media as being a conduit for teaching the Ute language to a younger generation.

“They need to learn to speak Ute,” Box said.

The language courses are expected to be led by tribal elders or tribal members with language experience. Additionally, the teachers will be required to obtain their teaching certification through the State of Colorado.

“Hopefully we can all come together to preserve the language,” he said.

CULTURE UPDATE

POWWOW DANCERS NEEDED

Powwow dancers needed for the Bow Hunter’s event on Saturday, March 18 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort’s Event Center. If you are interested in dancing please call Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-2985.

TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Tribal Membership Events will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) in the Craft room. Classes start at 1 to 3 p.m. Mon. and Tues.

• Ribbon Shirt – Men/Boy: March 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28.

Class is limited to the first (20) participants who Sign up, Early sign -up is recommend that we can plan for class materials. (All classes dates may be changed or canceled.)

105 UTE LANGUAGE CLASSES

Ute Language Classes will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small Classroom every Monday. Classes start at 5:30 to 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

• March 6, 13, 20, 27

Tribal Elder Department events

For more information contact Tribal Elder Services at 970-563-0156.

Southern Ute Cultural Department

Contact Hanley Frost Sr., Cultural Education Coordinator at 970-563-0100 ext. 2306 or 970-563-2306. Email: hfrost@southernute-nsn.gov.

Social Security 101

Are you interested in what Social Security benefits are available to you?

Bridget Byerly, Social Security Public Affairs Specialist will present an overview of Social Security Benefits that are available to beneficiaries.

Join us on

March 8, 2017

Sun Ute Community Center

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Refreshments will be served

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Gallegos, PRC/Health Benefits Coordinator, 970-563-2203

2017 SPRING BLESSING—Monday March 20th

The 2017 Blessing of the buildings, tribal vehicles, staff & Southern Ute community will be held on Monday March 20th. The ceremony will begin at sunrise just South of KSUT.

Sun Dance Chief, Hanley Frost, asks that all staff respect the ways of the Southern Ute people and have all offices & buildings open & available to be blessed. All Southern Ute tribal vehicles will need to be driven to the fire pit located South of KSUT unless you have made arrangements with the Sun Dance Chief for your tribal vehicle to be blessed.

If your department would like a certain Sun Dancer to bless your building, office or cubicle please contact Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil @ 563-2985 or Sun Dance Chief Hanley Frost at 563-2306

Southern Ute community members and or tribal staff that would like an individual blessing, can do so at the fire pit.



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Tribal membership information and assistance upon death of tribal family member

PURPOSE

This information is provided to tribal member families as a means to contact appropriate Tribal Department for assistance in preparing funeral arrangements and other requirements associated with a family member's death.

Contact information and assistance provided to the tribal membership upon the death of a tribal family member.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Executive Officers
970-563-2300 or 970-563-2314

SUPD: CHIEF OF POLICE OR JUSTICE & REGULATORY: DIRECTOR

SUPD Chief of Police
970-563-2811
Justice and Regulatory Director
970-563-2291
• **Escorts.** Arrangements made by family and must be within the boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation.

TRIBAL INFORMATION SERVICES

Tribal Information Services Director
970-563-2250
• Contact entities to lower flags
• Initiate Life Insurance Policy Process – two certified death certificates required

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Property & Facilities Management Director:
970-563-2510
• **Burial sites.** Grounds Maintenance will meet family at the cemetery to pick out the site. Grounds Maintenance and Construction Services will then have staff available the morning of the burial and will work closely with the funeral home to complete the grave site covering.

EMERGENCY FAMILY SERVICES

EFS Program Coordinator
970-563-4718
• Assists with transportation for in-coming immediate family members, either by bus, plane, or mileage. Funds will come out of the family members allotted \$600 Emergency Assistance funds. If the Tribal Member does not have any money left in their individual accounts EFS cannot assist with transportation. Immediate family members includes, mother, father, sister, brother and grandparents.

MULTI-PURPOSE/CHAPEL

Facility Operations Manager
970-563-4784
• Wake, services and/or meal arrangements.

TRIBAL MEMBER HEALTH (TMH)

TMH Coordinator
970-563-4742
• Processes all outstanding medical bills for payment

TRIBAL COUNCIL

Council Affairs Office Manager
970-563-0100, ext. 2319
• **Floral Arrangements.** Arrangements will be made for a casket spray OR flowers to be delivered to the Mortuary. Tribal members may pick their choice of arrangements not to exceed \$500.
• **Food Purchase.** Food may be purchased for a wake up to but not exceeding \$200. A voucher signed by the Chairman will be provided.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Chief Financial Officer
970-563-0100, ext. 2444
• **Tribal Insurance Policy.** Schedule an appointment for information regarding the Tribal Insurance Policy.
• Outstanding debts will be submitted to the Court.

TRIBAL COURT

Court Clerk
970-563-0240
• Probate filing
• **Outstanding Debts.** Processes bills associated with the funeral arrangements, headstones, credit cards, etc. (Paid out of life insurance policy)

NON-TRIBAL CONTACTS

HOOD MORTUARY
970-247-2312
Funeral arrangements

FAMILY CRAFT MEMORIALS
Robert Hahn
970-247-4571 or 970-888-683-0600
Headstones

Dental Clinic Hours

The dental clinic is open:
Monday – Thursday, 7:15 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Fridays, 7:15 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Lunch break (only on Friday) from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
The clinic is now open through lunch, Mon. – Thurs.

Dr. Brian Talley, the pediatric dentist, will be back in the clinic March 27, 28, 29 and 30, for any and all pediatric dental needs

Dental tips

Reminder it is recommended to brush your teeth twice a day for two minutes (in the morning and at night) and also floss once a day.
It is also recommended not to put a baby/toddler to bed with a bottle of anything other than water. Putting a baby to bed with a bottle of milk/juice/etc., causes rampant decay throughout the mouth called baby bottle mouth.

Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired household prescription/over-the-counter medication for safe disposal

Saturday– April 29, 2017
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Southern Ute Police Department
149 CR 517
Ignacio, CO 81137

The following items **WILL NOT** be accepted:
Needles & Sharps, Mercury (thermometers),
Oxygen Containers,
Chemotherapy/ Radioactive Substances,
Pressurized Containers, Illicit Drugs



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EXPANDED HOURS AT SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

In an effort to meet the growing needs of the Southern Ute Tribal Community the Southern Ute Health Center and Pharmacy has expanded its hours of service. The new daily schedule is:

Monday –Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
(open through lunch)

Closing at noon the 1st Thursday of every month

- Please arrive 15 minutes before scheduled appointments.
- Bringing all medications and glucometer to every appointment helps your provider give good care.
- To avoid conflicts with another patient appointment patients more than 10 minutes late will be asked to re-schedule.
- Please call 970-563-4581 if you have any questions OR if you need to cancel an appointment.

SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED

*Clinic, Pharmacy and Dental Closure the first Thursday of each month, from 12 to 5 p.m. for Clinic Staff Meetings and Education to improve the Care we give to you.

If you have any questions, please call 970-563-4581.

Take Control of Your Health: 6 Steps to Prevent a Fall

Every **1.1 seconds**, an older adult is seen in an emergency department for a fall-related injury.
Many falls are preventable.
Stay safe with these tips!

- 1** Find a good balance and exercise program
Look to build balance, strength, and flexibility. Contact your local Area Agency on Aging for referrals. Find a program you like and take a friend.
- 2** Talk to your health care provider
Ask for an assessment of your risk of falling. Share your history of recent falls.
- 3** Regularly review your medications with your doctor or pharmacist
Make sure side effects aren't increasing your risk of falling. Take medications only as prescribed.

CONTINUES.

Take Control of Your Health: 6 Steps to Prevent a Fall

- 4** Get your vision and hearing checked annually and update your eyeglasses
Your eyes and ears are key to keeping you on your feet.
- 5** Keep your home safe
Remove tripping hazards, increase lighting, make stairs safe, and install grab bars in key areas.
- 6** Talk to your family members
Enlist their support in taking simple steps to stay safe. Falls are not just a seniors' issue.

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Elder Fall Risk Prevention

Submission by Julie Olexa, RN, Public Health Nurse



- Falls are the #1 cause of injury related deaths among American Indian elderly adults (age 65 and older)
- 1 out of 5 falls among older people causes a serious injury, like broken bones or head injury
 - *For those taking blood thinner medications, these falls can cause bleeding
- Greater than 95% of hip fractures are caused by falling

Risk factors for falling:

- Generalized weakness or leg weakness
- Vitamin D deficiency
- Difficulty with walking & balance
- Medications for sleep or others that may cause dizziness
- Vision difficulties
- Foot problems or improper footwear
- Hazards in the home such as uneven walkways or steps, throw rugs, cords, or clutter

Prevent falls!

- Have your doctor and pharmacist review your medications with you
- Have your regular eye check-ups & wear appropriate glasses
- Practice strength training and balance exercises
- Increase lighting and use night lights in the home
- Install hand rails or grab bars in bathrooms & stairwells
- Clear clutter & throw rugs, make clear pathways
- Wear shoes inside and outside to help balance and protect your feet

Contact the Southern Ute Health Center Public Health Nursing Program to request an in-home fall risk assessment 970-563-2364

<https://www.cdc.gov/homeandrecreationsafety/falls/adulthipfx.html>

https://www.cdc.gov/steady/pdf/steady_olderadultfactsheet-a.pdf

Albuquerque Area Southwest Tribal Epidemiology: Tribal Injury Prevention Program. www.aastec.net

Breast cancer awareness reception

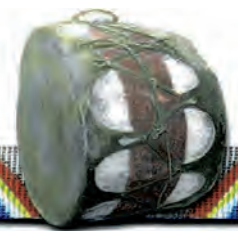
A Breast and Cervical Cancer Awareness reception will be held March 21 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. You are invited for appetizers and conversation at the John S. Williams room at the casino for an informal reception to address the prevention of cervical and breast cancer. It is sponsored by the Womens Wellness Connection Grant, Tribal Health and the CHR program. Good food and prizes! Come to find out more about how you can prevent cancer with routine screenings. Remember, screening is the key to prevention! Call Devon Davalos at 970-563-2347 or Susan Turner at 970-563-2363 for any questions. And remember to get your routine mammogram and PAP smear. If you need assistance with scheduling these appointments don't hesitate to call.



Take a Stand Against Falls.

Don't let a fall strip you of your independence.

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FFA, AG bring petting zoo



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Ethan Rohde-O'Leary bravely reaches to touch the 600-pound pig at the Future Farmer's of America (FFA) Petting Zoo held at Ignacio High School's Ag Building on Friday, Feb. 24.



Sydnee Cruz pets a horse at the Future Farmer's of America (FFA) Petting Zoo held at Ignacio High School's Ag Building on Friday, Feb. 24.

Divine Windyboy enjoys viewing and petting the baby goats at the Petting Zoo sponsored by Ignacio High Schools Ag Department and the FFA.

Dr. Suess celebrated at IES



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

The Ignacio Elementary School had a special guest come to their school in honor of Dr. Suess' Birthday on March 2. Mr. Kneel, who's a professional speaker, Hip Hop Emcee and Beatboxer, came to the elementary school and entertained the kids.

Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council

Opportunities:

- Have your voices heard
- Address important issues
- Volunteering
- Leadership Skills
- Responsibility

To Qualify

- Must be a Southern Ute Tribal Member
- Ages 11-17
- Attend school/Be in an accredited home school program/Striving to complete GED

Process

- Fill out Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Leadership Application Packet
- Write a letter stating why you would like to join
- Letter of Recommendation



***Extended Deadline for applications: Due March 9, 2017 at 5pm.**

You may drop applications off at the Education Department to Natelle Thompson or ShaRay Rock. If neither of them are here you may give them to other staff members in the Department.

For Further Information Contact

Natelle Thompson	ShaRay Rock
Southern Ute Indian Tribe Education Department	Southern Ute Indian Tribe Education Department
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2786	Phone: (970) 563-0237 ext. 2782
nthompson@southernute-nsn.gov	srock@southernute-nsn.gov

POTENTIAL GED STUDENTS!

If you have not received a high school diploma, but would like to, then you may consider working toward your High School Equivalency credentials.

Ashley wanted to earn her GED® credential not just for herself, but to show her daughter the importance of education. Currently a medical assistant, she loves working in the medical field and wanted to further her career. She depended on the online resources and study books she purchased to help her pass the test. Now that she's earned her GED® credential, she plans to go to college and realize her dream of becoming a physician's assistant. Ashley encourages others to go for their dreams, too.



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If you have any questions or need help, call the Adult Education Center and talk with Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger (Adult Education Program Manager) at 970-563-0237.

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Students celebrate the legendary Dr. Suess



SUIMA guide and Southern Ute tribal member Shawna Steffler keeps a close watch on the younger students during the Dr. Suess program.

The Dr. Suess themed performance held at SunUte Community Center filled a portion of the auditorium with students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessorri Academy and the Southern Ute Head Start on Wednesday, March 1.



Students from SUIMA spend a morning at the Sun Ute Recreation Center for a Dr. Suess themed performance.



Shyida Howe sits with her daughter, during the annual Dr. Suess themed school event.



Part DJ, part Cat-in-the-Hat, the performance artist dazzled the children during his act at SunUte.



Young classmates fill the bleachers during the Dr. Suess extravaganza.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum

Casting Call for "The Great Race"

by Rebel Road Entertainment
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Actor/Writer/Director

Sunday, March 5, 10 a.m.
at Ignacio High School

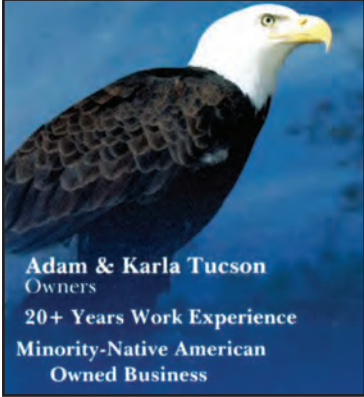
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The story needs an Inuit village populated by all ages of
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Contact: Heather Sanchez, drama teacher hsanchez@ignacioschools.org

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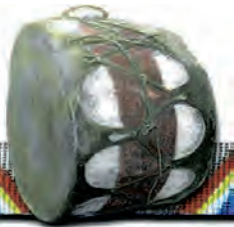
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UTILITIES

SU Utilities: Solid Waste Program reminders

Staff report

SU UTILITIES DIVISION

The Southern Ute Utilities Division Solid Waste Program provides a reliable and convenient way for Southern Ute Tribal customers to dispose of their trash. This is a wonderful program that is **FREE** of charge to Southern Ute Tribal members and Southern Ute Tribal Departments. Here are some friendly reminders to follow at the Transfer Station:

This is the list of items that are acceptable to take to the Transfer Station and there are specific places for you to put them. This will help to ensure proper disposal of all items.

- General household garbage
- Chemicals and oil common to household use such as cleaning supplies and motor oil.
- Branches, leaves, and burnable lumber – take these items to the burn pile
- **The following items can be set aside by the shed:**
- Latex and oil based house paints
- Home appliances, refrigerators, and freezers
- Home electronics
- Car batteries

As always, there is help available to anyone that needs assistance. If the Solid Waste Monitor is not available, you can either call the office at 970-563-5500 for assistance or simply go inside the office building and they will get someone to help you.

The following items are NOT allowed:

- Construction, remodeling, or home and property demolition debris
- Commercial or contractor

- debris
- Chemicals and oil common in commercial or industrial product use
- Concrete, masonry, and rocks
- Dead animals
- Stumps or logs that are greater than 6 inches in diameter
- Vehicles and trailers
- Tires – except during the Spring and Fall Clean Up events
- Poisons

If you have a question on whether or not an item is acceptable to take to the Transfer Station, please call Utilities at 970-563-5500.

Every Tribal member that would like to utilize the Transfer Station is required to register annually at the Utilities Office Building (right next to the Transfer Station) to receive a vehicle pass that will allow access to the Station. Please understand that Utilities will issue vehicle passes to ensure that only Tribal member trash is accepted. This will help guarantee continued free service to all customers.

When taking items to the Transfer Station, customers are allowed to dump no more than 5 cubic yards of personal trash per week. That’s quite a bit of trash, it is just about 8 feet long by 4 feet wide by 4 feet deep, which is the size of a heaping full size truck bed. Out of consideration for other tribal members, if you have more personal trash than the allocated amount of 5 cubic yards per week, the Bondad landfill will accept 3 cubic yards per month for Southern Ute tribal members and tribal employees. The Bondad landfill requires that you bring your tribal identification card.

Trash pickup can be a little confusing sometimes, so here is some clarification. Residents have to have their polycarts at the side of the road by 6:30 am of their scheduled pickup day. If you do not have your cart out by 6:30 am then you are taking the chance of your trash not getting picked up that day. If you had your polycart out in the right place by the right time and it still was not collected, you will need to notify Utilities within 24 hours to obtain a special pickup. However, if you did not have your polycart out in the right place by the right time and therefore missed your pickup, you will have to wait until the following week’s regular pickup. Or, if you simply cannot wait until the next week, you can request a special pickup but please understand that you will be charged a fee of \$30 each time.

Elders and handicapped customers may have their polycarts picked up at their home, instead of the road. You will have to contact the Utilities office to make arrangements. The trash contractor will place blue stakes at the entrance of the customer’s driveway indicating the need for this service.

Last, the Transfer Station hours of operation are posted at the front gates. However, please keep in mind that the Station is closed on holidays and may close when administrative leave is granted or if there is inclement weather without prior notice. If you have any questions regarding service that the Utilities Division provides, please contact us at 970-563-5500 and we will be happy to help you.

Veterans hold annual meeting



courtesy Bruce LeClaire /SU Veterans Association

The Southern Veterans Association held it’s annual meeting on Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Double Tree in Durango. Officers elected at the annual Southern Ute Veterans meeting: Commander – Howard Richards Sr., Vice Commander – Raymond Baker, Secretary – Bruce Heller, and Treasurer – Bruce LeClaire.



Agenda items of the Southern Ute Veteran’s annual meeting included, bylaws review and update, review of 2016 Association activities, election of officers, and strategic plan.

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islate how Tribal funds are spent, and those are powers that are exclusively reserved for Tribal Council as stated in the Constitution.

Lastly, the Petition has a second defect in that it addressed more than one “particular issue”. The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Election Code restricts referendums to “a particular issue” and cannot be used to address more than one issue. The restriction is designed to prevent confusion when there is more than one issue. For example, in the current Petition, the first issue called for the distribution of the funds to the enrolled members. That issue could be confusing when read with the second issue which calls for holding the funds in a restricted account. The Election Code limits the subject of a referendum to

a “particular issue,” and not multiple issues, and the Petition violated that limitation.

For these reasons, the Tribal Council voted today to cancel the referendum election that was tentatively scheduled for March 16, 2017. A motion was carried to offer assistance to the petitioners.

Tribal attorneys prepared a legal memorandum on this issue, and Tribal Council has agreed to make that memorandum available to the membership. Members can request a copy by contacting Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist at 970.563.2313 or lbox@southernute-nsn.gov.

Respectfully,
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

Dedra White and Yvonne Davis have started a new petition for referendum in regards to the remainder of the Sisseton Settlement Funds to be dispersed 100% tax free to the enrolled members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT). A vote allows the membership to exercise their rights under the Constitution to referendum.

Please contact your Tribal Council and ask the following questions:

- *How come the Tribal Council doesn’t bring this issue to referendum (a vote) to the people for the remainder of the funds without the petition? It takes 4 tribal council members to create resolution for referendum.*
- *How come the Tribal Council doesn’t just disperse the remainder of the funds since a majority of tribal members wanted 100% disbursement?*

If you would like to sign the petition please contact Dedra White at 970-759-1192 or Yvonne Davis at 970-553-1424. Please find us on Facebook.

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Financial Literacy Course Series

The Small Business Development Center will be offering FREE financial literacy courses to Southern Ute Tribal Members

Courses begin in the spring, 25 spots available per course, RSVP required.

All Southern Ute Tribal Members are encouraged to register for the Financial Literacy Course Series. This series is brought to the reservation by Small Business Development Center and Dr. Liz Ross. Space is limited, so interested tribal members will need to register and may only register for one course at a time.

There will be two sessions. The first course for Young Adults (ages 16-21) and second for Adults & Elders (ages 22+). All information shared will be the same.

Participants will be entered into a raffle at the completion of each course.

Course Schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, March 8, 2017 – Basics of Money Bank Services

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 – Money Management Tools and Tips

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 – Using Credit to Your Advantage/Planning for the Future

Time:

Young Adult – 5:30-6:30 PM

Adult & Elders – 7:00-8:00 PM

Location:

Buckskin Charlie Room,

Leonard C. Burch Building

TO RSVP OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist – 970.563.0100

Tribal Member Website registration page – <https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/members/financial-literacy-course/>

This series does not replace or fulfill the Financial Literacy course required for Tribal Credit and Tribal Education Programs. This financial literacy course does not constitute financial advice and is not a substitute for advice from a Certified Financial Planner or Financial Adviser.



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Ignacio's Avionne Gomez (center) is swarmed by teammates and coaches after making her state record-tying tenth three-pointer versus Mancos inside IHS Gymnasium on Feb. 16.

IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Gomez ties state three-point record

Junior drains ten vs. Mancos at home

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

As if the Lady Bobcats' 2016-17 season hasn't been special enough, given the abundance of young talent – in most games this winter, head coach Shane Seibel has started three freshmen – and that talent's willingness to develop on the fly, an upperclassman recently forced the state to at least take some sort of notice.

Wielding Colorado high school girls' basketball's hottest hand, Ignacio junior guard Avionne Gomez burned Mancos Thursday, Feb. 16, for a state record-tying ten three-pointers, and was still warm enough two days later to lead a comeback against another 2A/1A San Juan Basin League team bent on not suffering a similar fate.

"We had a big team meeting today, and we talked about personal accountability – not putting blame

on anybody ... your coaches, your parents, whatever," Seibel recalled after the 78-31 domination of MHS on Senior Night. "Take personal responsibility, and the girls responded."

"I wanted all the seniors to have a good home game to remember – even Tori (Archuleta) and Alejandra (Lujan), who are currently out right now," said Gomez, of achieving her larger objective in the team's last regular-season game inside IHS Gymnasium this winter.

Scoring more points than the visiting Lady Jays, Gomez finished with 34 points – without attempting a free throw – and drained three triples in the first quarter, two in the second, three in the third and two in the fourth.

Her work came only nine calendar days after the 20th anniversary of Kerri Alsbach's historic ten-trey day for then-4A Alamosa against Pueblo Centenni-

al – bettering 5A Thornton Horizon star and future WNBA player Jamie Carey's nine recorded not even two months earlier (in December, 1996) against 5A Boulder Fairview.

"I was very nervous out there!" said Gomez, the fifth individual to ever drill ten triples in CHSAA-sanctioned girls' hoops. "I shot, like, nine threes and ... I don't know; I was just really nervous. It was a good day."

"We just understood that it was a state record, ten," said Seibel. "And we gave her an opportunity to hit it, and she did! She came out on fire."

Wrapping up regular-season work on the 18th at 1A Ouray, Gomez scored a team-high 16 points – matched by freshman center/forward Morgan Herrera (who'd dropped 17 on Mancos) – in a hard-earned 47-44 win.

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Grapplers make State



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Wray's Carlos Tarin tries resisting Ignacio's Lorenzo Pena with whatever breath he's got left as Pena applies a decisive squeeze during the Class 2A, 160-pound division's third-place match, Feb. 18 inside Pepsi Center in Denver. Tarin somehow did avoid being pinned, but with Pena recording multiple near-falls, the Bobcat senior easily defeated the Eagle sophomore by 14-3 major decision. Pena finished his last season with a 37-5 record, and IHS finished 16th in the team standings despite having only three entrants.



Ignacio's Stocker Robbins keeps a grip on the leg of Limon's Woody Aguilar, using it for leverage in resisting the Badger's takedown attempt during 132-pound action on Day 2 (Feb. 17) of the Class 2A State Championships inside Denver's Pepsi Center. Aguilar would win a close 6-4 decision, stopping Robbins short of the placing phases of the weight's consolation bracket and finalizing his senior-year record at 21-8 (Aguilar finished 40-7 after eventually placing fifth).



Ignacio's Ethan Appenzeller ponders what to do next with the leg of Peyton's Britton Holmes during the Class 2A 145-pound State Championship, Feb. 18 inside Pepsi Center in Denver. Appenzeller unfortunately lost his rematch with Holmes – whom he'd seen in last year's finale at 138 – by a 5-3 score, finalizing his 2016-17 season record at 38-5 while Holmes ended up 41-2.

LADY CATS WREST TITLE • FROM PAGE 1

Finishing with eight points in the final frame and ten all told, Lujan joined junior Avionne Gomez (11 points) and freshman Morgan Herrera (14) in double figures, but only freshman Makayla Howell (two points) managed anything else before fouling out with 3:06 left and IHS comfortably ahead.

"As a team we all could have played a lot better, but we did play really good," Lujan said, "and now it's time for regionals!"

Wasting no time building upon the previous evening's 64-35 semifinal rout of Ridgway, the Lady Bobcats (15-6) played NHS to an 11-11 draw through eight minutes, with Herrera matching counterpart Macie Magallon's first five points in the marquee individual matchup. But even with Gomez scoring five points in the second, the score at intermission was only 17-13

"I think at the beginning we were just trying to get ahead – kick it up as far as we possibly could, so that we could then run our plays a little better," said Lujan. "But then once the second quarter came I think everyone was just kind of out of it ... panicking, worrying more about the scoreboard than how we were playing."

Having struggled often with her foul shooting during her first high-school season, Herrera nailed five of her six tries during the third quarter as she totaled seven points – singlehand-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

edly outscoring Norwood (17-4), which got only a Padgett basket and two FT's from Stephanie Ragsdale in falling behind 27-17 after 24 regulation minutes.

Magallon, who would foul out with 1:22 left in the fourth, finished with only seven points in defeat. Ragsdale registered six, Padgett five and Cortney Lemon four (zero after the upbeat first quarter).

"It means a lot. It really does," Lujan said, speaking on the significance of reaching the postseason's second weekend with fellow active varsity seniors Sharmaine Price and Rachel Cooper. "Last year we went and our whole goal this year is to beat the first game. We're in the championship game already, so we've just got to wait to see who we play and take it to 'em. It's really good; it feels amazing."

"Now that I realize what we can do together, and that we can work together, we

can get a lot bigger."

Up next, on Saturday, March 4, IHS will play the previous day's Rangely-Sanford winner at Western State Colorado University in Gunnison, for the 2A-West Region, Pod H title and berth into the 'Great Eight,' to be held this year at the Budweiser Events Center in Loveland. Tipoff time at WSCU is slated for 1 p.m.

IN THE DISTRICT SEMIFINAL

Storming out to a 32-14 lead after two quarters against RHS, the Lady 'Cats got 18 points from Herrera, 16 from Gomez, 13 from Lujan and ten from Howell in a well-balanced outing.

The Lady Demons, meanwhile, were led by senior Ara Norwood's ten points. Ashley Medina contributed eight and Geri-June Hall six, but both Emma Copp (three points) and Caitlin Sanchez fouled out.

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dez, carried off the court on teammate Daniel Weaver's shoulders after his only make in the game. "I tried to get it to him to get a shot, he passed it to me and I took mine."

"I've just always wanted to make one of those type of shots to help my team make it to the end."

"Valdez hit a clutch shot! Just wobbled in there, you know?" joked head coach Chris Valdez. "But that's what the game's all about; anybody can win on any given shot! We had the opportunity and took advantage of it."

Telluride did precisely that during the first quarter, taking Ignacio to task to the tune of 16-14 after eight minutes of welcome action, but the 'Cats fought back to take a 25-20 lead back into the locker room.

"We weren't really playing together. We were not making our shots, weren't running our plays right," Lawrence Valdez said. "Once we started doing that it was starting to work out. But it was kind of rough throughout the whole game."

Offsetting a three-pointer by Miner junior Reed Schacht, senior Joaquin King's third long-range connection in the contest put IHS (15-6) up 35-27 with 4:06 left in the third quarter, which ended with Ignacio up 37-31.

Sophomore Clay Seibel (seven points) sank a triple starting the fourth, and junior Johnny Valdez (ten) followed with a closer two-pointer, but Schacht's third trey ignited a dynamite

Miners rally. His fourth shot from deep sliced Ignacio's advantage all the way down to 42-41, and senior Jordan Williams then tied the game with a free throw and 3:24 remaining.

"We got a ten-point lead like we wanted, but never could build on it. We missed a few shots, made some mistakes, turned the ball over – little things like that – and we gave them too many second-chance opportunities ... something we were trying not to give them," said Chris Valdez.

With each side electing to milk the clock for all it was worth on each subsequent possession, a Roubideaux rejection with 1:41 left kept the score even as the Bobcats sought to follow up on the previous night's 61-32 semifinal destruction of Dolores.

After an IHS timeout – preceding Denny's clutch charity chucks – Johnny Valdez missed a makeable up-and-under reverse layup and Schacht (said to originally hail from the Charlotte, North Carolina, area) was fouled on the rebound. But Schacht, who would be the last Miner to leave the locker room when all was said and done, missed both of the ensuing FT's which would have made for a daunting two-possession lead.

"They played a great game. They really did," Chris Valdez stated.

Junior Cole McCaw equaled Johnny Valdez's ten points for a share of the team-high as the Cats won an incredible tenth consecutive district-level title. King finished with nine points and

Ocean Hunter, Calvin Levato and Roubideaux each chipped in two.

"Our coach told us that it might have not happened ever in Colorado," said Lawrence Valdez, of IHS' unique postseason streak. "And ... that I made 'that' shot to seal it was big for me."

Schacht (0-5 FT) and Denny each finished with a game-best 12 points for THS (12-8). Senior Rye Livermore scrapped hard for his ten, Williams finished with eight and Jackson Pettinos two.

Up next, on Saturday, March 4, IHS will play the previous day's Hotchkiss-Del Norte winner at Western State Colorado University in Gunnison for the 2A-West Region, Pod G title and berth into the State Tournament's 'Great Eight' at the Budweiser Events Center in Loveland. Tipoff time at WSCU is slated for 2:30 p.m.

IN THE DISTRICT SEMIFINAL

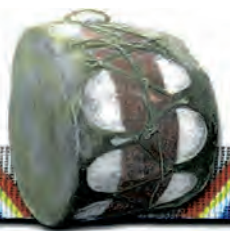
Erupting for five threes and 29 points in the third quarter, the Bobcats went into the home stretch versus DHS leading 58-26. Johnny Valdez logged a team-best 14 points, Levato followed with 11 and McCaw and Lawrence Valdez each scored eight.

Tristen Swaggerty led the Bears with a game-high 21 points, but only Justin Purkat, with five, was anywhere close. Dakota 'D.K.' Smith had four points and Brennan Hite two, to round out Dolores' scoring.

BOBCAT SPORTS



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STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

♊ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

Wishing you a STAR STUDDER BIRTHDAY PISCES! Welcome to the month of MARCH. A warming SUN/NEPTUNE connection on the 1st brightens your day, and enhances your natural psychic abilities. Be true to your instincts, and trust your own judgment before putting your decision into action. If its travel you want, the 1st through the 13th are dandy days to put a plan into motion. Firecracker MARS will be in a rush to get things done. Events might happen quickly Little Fishes so pay attention to money matters. Accruing large debt would not wise.

♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

Congrats ARIES, the NEW MOON in your sign on the 27th launches a playful adventurous cycle. Pursue your personal goals and keep the forward momentum going. MERCURY'S entry into ARIES on the 13th may supply you with bold, fresh, ideas. Demanding that others do your bidding will not get you the cooperation you desire. A more productive scenario is possible on the 22nd, and 23rd. Your Martian power is potent this month. Use it to promote goodwill. It may be best to keep a lid on aggressive actions.

♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

Both you and the friendly FULL MOON are poised to launch a favorable new cycle. With MARS entering your sign on the 9th, and MERCURY entering on the 31st, you are bound to feel motivated, and overflowing with productive ideas. Some plans may be ready to launch this month, other objectives can be put on hold for awhile. VENUS begins its retro dance on the 4th and may slow your progress. You're the patient type, and can gracefully handle delays. JUPITER has your back, and sends you good luck.

♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

Inspiration can come from many different avenues. For you GEMINI, this month may offer a lively menu of entertainment, and many delightful hours spent with love ones. JUPITER'S freedom loving influence promotes happier times on the 5th, and the 31st are both are good days to enjoy with others. VENUS goes into retrograde on the 4th and you need to be mindful of both love and money matters. What you say to others should be diplomatic. The ARIES influence might have you barking orders to friends, Woof, woof.

♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

Your nurturing habits can't help but be aroused with generous JUPITER sitting comfortably in the domestic section of your Horoscope. Try not to get carried away MOON KIDS. We are all aware of the giant planet's tendency to promote an over the top influence. A nurturing surge sets in on the 6th and 7th when Luna passes gently through your sign, and has you favorably connecting with family members. Slow and steady steps, combined with patience, will get you the results you are seeking.

♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

A sociable JUPITER in the communication zone will likely keep you busy Lions. But it's the BIG GUY'S tie to URANUS on the 2nd that may offer an unexpected surprise. Venus turns retrograde on the 4th and sets up the possibility of hearing from a long distance friend. Accept it LEO, you're unforgettable. The other option on the table is that you could meet someone new while traveling. That's if you are single and looking. The sign of LEO rules matters of the heart, and LEO'S understand that principle perfectly.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

A FULL MOON in your sign on the 12th might give you favorable options to explore regarding relationships. The SUN, MERCURY, and NEPTUNE in the mystifying sign of PISCES may not allow you to see the situation clearly. Creating confusion is one of NEPTUNE'S peculiar habits. Stay grounded VIRGO. You have the ability to sort, and analyze most predicaments. When carefully thought out, your solutions are always smart, sensible, and workable. But there are times when emotions make it tougher.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

A FULL MOON slips into your sign late on the evening of the 12th. So next day you'll have more daylight at your disposal. It's the start of Daylight Savings Time. You own the 13th, and 14th as well LIBRA. Pursue your social pleasures. Your mind is fixed on finding adventure now. Throw that serious mask you've been wearing out the window. Fun loving JUPITER is still in your sign. Don't waste any of it. There's nothing more for you to do. Just give in, and go with it.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

Cheer up SCORPIO, flexibility is your Mantra for MARCH. Opening your mind to new thought patterns, and developing healthier eating habits, may lead to lead to a positive turning point if you're not careful. Be inspired. MARS enters your opposite sign of TAURUS on the 9th and might trigger opposition with a spouse regarding money and how to spend it. Be willing to compromise SCORPIO. This is a good month to focus on your favorite amusements, and enjoy spending time with people you enjoy.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

The big news is JUPITER and its MARCH message to you. Contacts with friends, or groups will be friendly and filled with enjoyment. New beginnings are likely Saggies. Spring officially arrives on the 20th with the Equinox. JUPITER'S ongoing presence in the satisfaction section awakens your sense of adventure, and beckons you to come out to play. Now is the time to act Saggies. VENUS, MARS, URANUS and the MOON insure a good time will be had by all.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

Your thoughtful nature has always been reliable, and steady, and will for the most part be that way this month. But the SUN/NEPTUNE conjunction on the 1st may cast some doubt on your plans for the day. Do you, or don't you, will you, or won't you. Confusion may reign. It's not a permanent condition and the SUN will move away the next day. The Solar System is currently endowing you with greater insight. Take this gift and use it wisely when interacting with family members, and elders this month.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

There's a small window of opportunity on the 1st when the SUN and NEPTUNE join forces and entice you to go spend some of that green stuff. Later on the 4th when VENUS turns retrograde you may not be as motivated to shop, or you might go in the other direction and impulsively buy something expensive. Keep your receipts in case you decide to return what you bought on impulse. On the 9th MARS rolls into the sign of TAURUS. Family disagreements might arise. Be the peacemaker AQUARIUS.

Carole Maye is a Certified Astrology Professional with over 30 years of astrological study and practice. Private horoscope consultations can be arranged by appointment, via email: starwheels2@comcast.net

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JAMES

Happy Belated Birthday to James Bird Red, grandpa's almost-Leap-Year pal! May the year bring you adventure, good times, and opportunities for advancement. Remember, always look ahead and to expand your horizons!

*With Love, your mom, grams, gramps,
Char, Kyla, Sage, Anthony, Birdie,
and the rest of the gang!*

TRIBAL OBITUARIES



WILLIAMS – Michael Spencer Williams passed away peacefully on Monday, February 13, 2017. He was 56 years old.

Michael was born on November 7, 1960, to John Spencer Williams and Wanda Mae Accuttoroop in Durango, CO.

Michael is a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and a graduate from Bayfield High School. Michael always had a smile and willing to lend a helping hand. He was an excellent rancher and cherished his beloved cat. He loved going to the casino and playing cards.

He is survived by his brothers: Stanley "Bear," Eric and Roderick Williams and Ronald Yellowbird; sisters: Elizabeth, Marianne, Michelle and Susan Williams as well as numerous relatives and close friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents John Spencer Williams and Wanda American Horse; his brother John Chad Williams.

A Graveside Service was held on Friday, February 17, 2017 at 11:00 a.m., at Ouray Cemetery in Ignacio.

In Lieu of flowers please make donations to the La Plata County Humane Society.

NEW EMPLOYEES



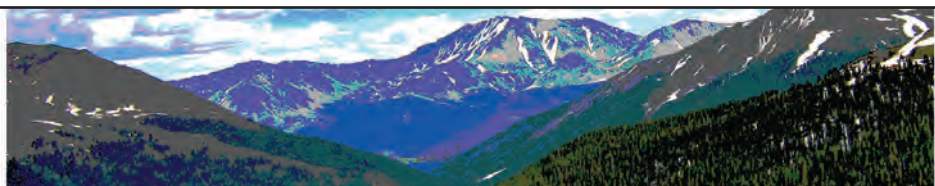
Jeremy Wade Shockley

Job title: Reporter/photographer for The Southern Ute Drum

Jeremy (b. 1977) is an award winning photojournalist and self-taught photographer who has been exploring foreign lands and cultures from an early age. In addition to continuing his work in Latin America and Africa, Jeremy has been documenting the American West for more than a decade. He worked on staff as a photojournalist for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe from 2008-2013.

Jeremy has garnered numerous awards from The Society of Professional Journalists, The Native American Journalism Association and the Colorado Press Association for his photography and reporting. In addition to his work for The Southern Ute Drum newspaper, his photography has been included in museums throughout Colorado.

Jeremy resides in the Vallecito Valley with his wife Rachel. When not making photographs, Jeremy enjoys travel and adventure in the American Southwest and abroad. His hobbies include flyfishing and mountain biking.



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Board Member Wanted

KSUT seeks an individual to fill the open **Southern Ute Tribal Member seat** on the Board of Directors.

Did you know...

The Southern Ute Tribe was one of the earliest pioneers of Native American radio? When KSUT signed on for the first time on June 14, 1976, it was one of only eight tribal stations in the country.

Interested?

Please submit a letter of interest to KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham at tami@ksut.org or mail to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. This seat will be open until filled.

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Defensive Driving Course

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**3/19/17
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Time: 12:30 to 5:00

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Phone: 970-563-0246
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The life you save may
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Sign up now for this defensive driving educational course and become a better driver. You may use this course for getting your learner's permit under the graduated licensing law. You can satisfy a court ordered advanced driving course requirement. You may ask your insurance company for a discount after completing this course. You learn how to take control when driving.

Drum Deadline

Next issue:
Mar. 17
Deadline:
Mar. 13

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A biweekly newspaper owned and operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Ignacio, Colo.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$29 per year • \$49 two years
PHONE: 970-563-0100 • DIRECT: 970-563-0118
TOLL FREE: 1-800-772-1236 • FAX: 970-563-0391

MAILING ADDRESS

The Southern Ute Drum: PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137

PHYSICAL ADDRESS

356 Ouray Drive, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, CO 81137

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Professional Design & Construction Services for Cedar Point – Residential Home Construction

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737, 116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-0138**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for professional design and construction services for residential homes (built on-site) at the Cedar Point Subdivision in Ignacio, Colo. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colo., 81137 until 2 p.m. MDT, on March 13,

2017. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo, Project Manager, for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

REQUEST FOR BIDS

SunUte Swimming Pool Improvement Project

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
SunUte Dept.
P.O. Box 737, 390 Mouache Circle
Ignacio, CO 81137
ATTN: Ian Thompson
970-563-2657**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Construction Services for the SunUte swimming pool improvement project. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's SunUte Dept. located at 290 Mouache Circle in Ignacio, CO 81137 until April 3, 2017. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be

returned unopened. Contact Ian Thompson for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-2657 or ithompson@southernute-nsn.gov. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on March 6, 2017 at 9 am at 290 Mouache Circle, Ignacio CO, 81137. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

PUBLIC NOTICE, TO GENERAL PUBLIC Unauthorized grazing on Tribal lands

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violaters of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief.

If you have livestock trespassing on Southern ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until **MARCH 24, 2017** to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133.

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

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Plan Review and Inspection Services for Multi-Family Rental Units

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737
116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0138**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP from a nationally certified building inspector to provide Plan Review and Inspection Services for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for the Cedar Point Housing Initiative's Multi-Family Rental Units. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ig-

nacio, Colo., 81137 until 2 p.m. MDT, March 14, 2017. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.us. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Tatting Class

**Thursday
March 9 at 5 p.m.**

Join like-minded folks learning the age-old art of tatting. Randy Houtz will return to ICL on March 9th at 5 pm to help us continue to learn and create. Join us for some fun and conversation as we work to improve our tatting skills. If you couldn't make it to the first classes, no problem, everyone is welcome.

Advertise in the Drum!

970-563-0118

sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov

Visit the Drum offices on the second floor of the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Building.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

ELECTION BOARD

Southern Ute Election Board is seeking one full-time board member. Closing date: March 3, 2017. Qualifications 11-2-102; (1) & (3): Must be a Southern Ute Tribal Registered Voter; Must reside within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation; Shall not have been convicted of a felony. Shall not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five years immediately preceding appointment to the Election Board. The Election Board Members are compensated; IRS Guidelines. A Criminal Background Check is required. Southern Ute Employee Benefits is offered. You will be considered an Official of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Submit Letter of Intent to: Election Board. P.O. Box 737 #32. Ignacio, CO 81137. Physical Location: 356 Ouray Drive/LCB 2nd Floor East Wing, 970-563-0100 ext. 2303/2305, email: election@southernute-nsn.gov.

GAMING COMMISSION

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: Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age; Must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation; Must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures; Must have the ability to observe restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality; Must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and must 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, March 17, 2017. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Open Southern Ute Tribal Member Seat on KSUT Board of Directors. KSUT is seeking an individual to fill the "Southern Ute tribal member at large" seat on the KSUT Board of Directors. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest to KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham. Letters can be emailed to tami@ksut.org or mailed to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Seat is open until filled.

TRIBAL CREDIT COMMITTEE

The Southern Ute Credit Committee is looking for eligible Tribal Member applicants to serve on the Committee. The appointment is for three (3) years. This is a compensated Committee, and, you will be considered an employee of the Tribe, per IRS guidelines. Credit Committee will submit approved applicant recommendation to Tribal Council for final appointment. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass criminal background and reference checks, per the Credit Committee By-laws. The duties of the Tribal Credit Committee are: Approve loans as required by the Credit Committee Declaration; Monitor compliance with the Declaration; Monitor all approved loans for performance; Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations; Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business; Hold weekly regular meetings and other special meetings, as needed; and Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff. Interested Tribal Members are asked to submit a letter of interest to the Tribal Credit Committee, PO Box 737 #60, Ignacio, CO 81137. If you have any questions, please speak with Daniel Larsen, Tribal Credit Division Head, at 970-563-2458.

WATER QUALITY STANDARDS REVIEW TEAM

Team Member Vacancy. The Southern Ute Water Quality Program has one (1) opening for Tribal Member Team Members to serve on the Water Quality Standards (WQS) Review Team. Tribal Members will serve alongside SUIT Staff from other agencies to help protect water quality on the Reservation by developing water quality science and policy. Members must be 18 years old, and be an enrolled member of the Southern Ute Tribe, Tribal Youth are encouraged to apply. Individuals seeking to serve on the Team must demonstrate knowledge and/or personal interest in water quality, fisheries/natural resource management or related field. Team members will serve a one year term and are compensated for meeting attendance at a rate of \$20 per hour and requires about 4 hours a month. Please submit all letters of interest to the Water Quality Program, PO Box 737 #81 Ignacio or in person at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way by June 15. All letters of interest will be presented to Tribal Council for their consideration and Team Member selection. Contact Curtis Hartenstine 970-563-0135 charten@southernute-nsn.gov with any questions.

**MONEY MADNESS
IN MARCH.**

**\$40,000
CASH GIVEAWAY**

**20 drawing winners
will instantly win
\$500 in cash every
Saturday in March.
Earn entry tickets by
playing the slots with
your Bear Club Card!**

**5X
ENTRIES**

**TIP FOR YOUR
PLAYBOOK**

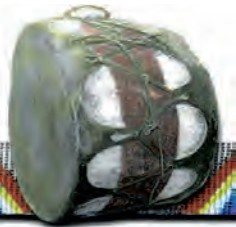
On Tuesdays, hop off the bench and get out on the gaming floor. When you play the slots with your Bear Club Card inserted, you'll earn 5X entries for the Saturday drawings!

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RESORT
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Money Madness In March Giveaway: Promotional period February 26-March 25, 2017. Drawings every half hour on Saturdays March 4-25, 2017 from NOON-9:30PM. Rules apply. See Players' Club for details.

5X Tuesdays: Promotional period February 28-March 21, 2017. Tuesdays only from 6AM-MIDNIGHT. Rules apply. See Players' Club for details.



Southern Ute Growth Fund • Job announcements

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

Environmental Compliance Specialist – GF Department of Energy (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/10/17
Under direct supervision of the Exploration & Production (E&P) Manager, this position oversees the oil and gas compliance program for the Department of Energy. Conducts environmental and reclamation inspections in a variety of aspects of oil and gas development. Drafts permits, conditions of approval, remediation actions and other documents; ensures compliance with applicable Tribal and Federal stipulations and regulations associated with energy-related projects. Responds to spills and provides oversight of remediation actions. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor’s degree in Petroleum Engineering, Geology, Physical Science, or other science-related degree is required. Must have three years’ experience in a compliance/regulatory/technical position and three years’ experience in the oil and gas industry. Must have experience with oil and gas drilling, workover, production, and abandonment operations. Must have a strong knowledge of BMPs associated with oil and gas projects. Must be able to read and interpret energy-related documents. Must have strong computer-based data management, GIS, GPS, and word processing skills. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a

pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

JIB Accountant II – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/19/17
Under direct supervision of the Assistant Controller, this position performs assignments pertaining to the review and recording of transactions into the general ledger that pertain to outside operated properties and the joint interest billings for partners in Red Willow’s oil and gas exploration operations. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s Degree in Accounting, Finance, or Business and two years relevant accounting experience in oil and/or natural gas is required. Must have basic understanding of oil and gas industry business concepts and processes. Must have strong organizational skills and the ability to handle large volumes of work and multiple projects simultaneously. Must have demonstrated attention to detail and accuracy in the workplace. Must demonstrate initiative, resourcefulness, and adaptability; must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team-oriented environment. Must have ability to identify and resolve accounting issues. Must have ability to prepare statistical and other reports and documents for dissemination. Must be proficient in Microsoft Windows, MS Word and MS Excel. Must have valid driver’s license and be insurable under RWPC’s vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

Southern Ute Shared Services • Job announcements

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

Business Intelligence Developer I – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/10/17
Under the general direction of the Application Development Manager, the Business Intelligence (BI) Developer I analyzes, develops reports and maintains SAP’s Business Objects (BOBJ) and Budgeting, Planning and Consolidation (BPC) systems. The BI Developer I supports customers’ business goals; assists reporting end users and Shared Services staff as needed in BOBJ and BPC operation and maintenance, including development, backups and disaster recovery as required to meet the information needs of the business.

PeopleSoft FSCM Developer I – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/10/17
Entry level development and production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain Management applications, providing enterprise-wide technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain applications with emphasis on the impact, implications, and the functional/technical benefit of enhancements, as well as the design and implementation of customiza-

tions and fixes to the production system.

Project Manager – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/13/17
Overall responsibility for the successful initiation, planning, design, execution, monitoring, controlling and closure of a project.

Vice President Applications Development – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 3/7/217
Development and implementation of IT applications, and applications systems analysis and programming activities that enable the organization’s business processes, to include the internal application development of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM), Finance and Supply Chain Management (FSCM), Kronos, Business Objects, Budgeting Planning and Consolidation, Web Development, Geographical Systems, SharePoint and all other enterprise applications where necessary. Manages IT professionals who design/adapt application software. Application development may include both systems analysis and custom programming and configuration of packaged products created by third parties.

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

NOTICE OF PROBATE
In the Estate Of,
Case No.: 2016-PR-0147

Dionna Alayne Rock, Deceased
Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **March 13, 2017 at 3 PM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 8th of February, 2017
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2016-NC-0158

Krista Waukene Red, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Krista Waukene Red filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as KRISTA WAUKENE RED-GARCIA. As of February 7, 2017 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Krista Waukene Red name shall be and is hereby legally changed to KRISTA WAUKENE RED-GARCIA.

Dated this 9th day of February, 2017.
Paul Whistler, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2017-NC-0021

Arecio Adarius Eagle Boy Baker Hayes, Subject
Notice is hereby given that Shawnda Baker-Diaz on behalf of Arecio Adarius Eagle Boy Baker Hayes has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Arecio Adarius Eagle Talon Baker Hayes. 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 **March 17, 2017 at 5 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2017.
Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

NOTICE OF PROBATE
In the Estate Of,
Case No.: 2017-PR-0002

Blossom Lucas, Deceased
Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **March 6, 2017 at 9 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 24th of January, 2017
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

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 the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, be sure the HR Dept. has your current contact information on file. Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.
Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Human Resources • P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

Detention Transport Officer

Closes 3/8/17
Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, incumbent maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all inmate activities within and outside of the detention center. The Detention Transport Officer will be responsible for transportation of inmates to and from other facilities, medical appointments, and court appearances. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Administrative Assistant

Closing date 3/9/17
Under general supervision of the Construction Services Division Head, provides accounting and secretarial support to Southern Ute Tribe Construction Services Division, performing basic accounting & clerical duties. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Maintenance Worker

Closing date 3/10/17
Performs daily grounds, repair, and maintenance of the Tribal grounds and buildings. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Clinic Registered Nurse

Closing date 3/13/17
Providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

Construction Services Repairman

Closing date 3/13/17
Assists in home repair to Tribal Home Rehab Program, Elders Maintenance Program, Tribal Member and Elderly/Handicapped Emergency Repair, and Tribal Rental Units. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

Nurse Practitioner

Closing date 3/13/17
Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventative, and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision

will be provided by the Supervisory Physician.

Loan Specialist

Closing date 3/15/17
Provides any clerical, secretarial, and client support to the Tribal Credit Division as needed. Presents a positive and professional image to Tribal employees and the public. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

After School Guide (Part-time)

Open until filled
Provides education and physical activities for the after school program to meet the needs of children ages 3 through 11 that are enrolled in the after school program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Boys & Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

Open until filled
Assists in the implementation, planning, and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Chief Medical Officer

Open until filled
Organizing and supervising the work of the Southern Ute Health Center clinical programs to ensure that effective clinical services are provided and quality standards are met. Provide the day-to-day oversight and coordination of all clinical providers and overall leadership of the clinical department to ensure compliance with all appropriate policies, regulations, and accreditation standards. Require providing both direct patient care services as well as all required administrative services within the department with a split of approximately half of the time being allocated to each clinical and administrative duties.

Registered Dietitian

Open until filled
Providing nutrition care and education to individuals, families, and the community.

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements

Visit our website at www.skyutecasino.com to view job openings and apply online.
Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137
TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome
Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

Line Cook-Willows (Full-time)

Closing date 3/3/17
Preparation of the A La Carte menu in the Willows and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness. Ensure all guidelines are followed according to the established specifications and standards in food safety and sanitation. Requires one to be an excellent team player and trust worthy. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast paced full service restaurant OR 4 months In House training or presently attending school.

*Player Development Staff (Full-time)

Closing date 3/7/17
Performs all administrative functions of the Player’s Club, enrolls new members and services existing members, promotes card usage from existing members through club benefits and promotions, assist guests with accounts, point redemption, promotion entries and any other

questions. Maintains a thorough understanding of all player tracking software, promotions and rules in order to convey pertinent information to Casino guests, while having a pleasant and outgoing customer service demeanor. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a minimum of 2 years’ experience in customer service. Previous Casino host or club (player tracking program) experience preferred.

*Craps Dealer (Full-time)

Closing date 3/10/17
Deals all craps games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. 1 year experience as a craps dealer with Dealer School Certification OR 3 years experience dealing craps OR Sky Ute Casino Dealer Certificate. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in craps.

**Must be at least 21 years old.*

Ignacio School District – Job announcements

Application/Information: 970-563-0500 ext. 221
Information, job descriptions and application can be found at: www.ignacioschools.org

Family and Consumer Science Teacher

3/17/17 Ignacio School District is accepting applications for a Family and Consumer Science Teacher for the 2017-18 school year.

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Southwest Region, Southern Ute Agency, Office of Deputy Trust Services, Division of Forestry, Branch of Fire Management, Ignacio, CO. GS-3: \$26,150 - \$33,999/per year; Full-time - temporary, not to exceed 6 months. Close: 3/8/17; Indian Preference eligibles/current status employees or former employees with reinstatement eligibility/VRA eligibles. Job Summary: The Bureau of Indian Affairs is the lead agency for the United States in carrying on a government-to-government relationship with the tribal nations. A challenging and dynamic place to work, it enhances the quality of life, promotes economic opportunity, and carries out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian tribes and Alaska Natives. Duties: Perform Wildland fire related duties involve fire prevention, patrol, detection or prescribed burning. Performs assignments as a wildland firefighter in developing a working knowledge of fire suppression and fuels management techniques, practices and terminology. This consists of fireline construction, use of pumps and engines, hose layouts using appropriate nozzles and nozzle adjustments in the effective use of water and additives, working in and around aircraft such as helicopters, safety rules and basic fire behavior. Searches out and extinguishes burning materials by moving dirt, applying water by hose or backpack pump, etc. Chops brushes, fells small trees moves dirt to construct fireline using various hand tools such as axes, shovels, Pulaskis, McLeods and may use power tools including chainsaws and portable pumps to control spreading of wildland fire and/or to prepare control lines prior to burning. Patrols fireline to locate and extinguish embers, flareups and hotspot fires that may threaten developed firelines. Cleans, reconditions and stores fire tools and equipment. Participates in fire and safety training in the techniques, practices and methods of fire suppression and in the safe, efficient operation and use of tools, equipment and vehicles used in fireline activities.

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FLY-FISHING

Fly Fishing trip specialist can make your journey easier

By Don Oliver
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

I don't know about other people, but I find travel for fly-fishing can be a real hassle. Not just getting from point-A to point-B, but trying to find lodges, quality guides, and edible food. And, if you throw in international travel all the fun for a trip can go by the wayside, right quick. However, for those of us who hate spending hours searching the internet for the perfect trip, there is an alternative. That alternative is the Fly Fishing Trips Specialist (FFTS). Some people refer to them as travel agents. I like the term FFTS; it sounds more rugged.

So, just what does a FFTS company do? A good FFTS company has the experience to discover the type of trip you want and not just push the trip of the week. They will go to great lengths to meet your wants and desires. As in all businesses, FFTS companies come in all degrees of competence. I suggest you work with a FFTS company that has been in business for a long time and will happily provide you with references. To find these FFTS companies you can spend some time on the internet, or go to an outdoor show.

Once you have decided on a FFTS company, being truthful with them is extremely important. If you tell an FFTS you can fly fish anytime, anywhere, in any condition, when in fact you've only just started fly fishing, you're going to end up with the wrong trip. Then



you're going to be unhappy with me for suggesting you use a FFTS company. Start your conversation with a FFTS by letting her know your skill level, what type of fish you want to catch, are non-fly fishers going with you, any time constraints, and your budget. This conversation will lay the groundwork in finding the right destination for you.

Many FFTS companies have specialists in certain destinations, such as Alaska, the Bahamas, or the Western United States. Once a destination has been identified, you want to work with the person, in that office, that has been to that area, been in those lodges, and can speak with authority and knowledge about them.

The question of saving money now comes up. You ask, "Why spend extra money on a FFTS company when I can just book the trip directly with the lodge?" That's a good question. The truth is that reputable lodges will quote the same rate to you that a FFTS company quotes. The lodge pays the FFTS Company, and knows the FFTS Company won't book business with them if

there are two rate schedules. I have investigated this and find that reputable lodges charge the same rate, with or without a FFTS company being involved. It's just good business.

Once the date, destination, and travel arrangements have been made the question of trip and medical evacuation insurance will come up. The travel insurance question is a balancing act. I have booked trips with and without travel insurance. And, I have had to use the travel insurance twice. Based on having used that insurance on two separate occasions, I always buy it. However, there are different types of policies that cost different amounts. Again, use a FFTS company that has someone whose job is to work with the insurance companies

The other coverage that can be purchased is medical evacuation insurance. If I am going to a country where English is not the language of choice, I have crossed several time zones, and am in a remote location, I buy it. What this policy does is get you out of the backcountry and into a hospital, in a country of your choice. Buy this one. I have never had to use it, but I know a fly fisherman who would have lost an eye if he had not had a medical evacuation policy that got him out of a jungle and into a hospital.

Using a FFTS company is good for my mental health and the safety of the computers I hate. Plus, I can fly fish here while the FFTS company works on my next trip.

TRIBAL FOODIES BRING FLAVOR • FROM PAGE 1

food, so she has accepted the strenuous work it takes to provide a high quality product.

"It's a process," Estelle said. From Saturday's spent shopping for ingredients to waking up at 3 a.m. to begin making fresh tortillas, the Monte sisters say they are committed to making the business thrive. "You have to love to cook," Laurie said. "This is certainly not for the weak at heart."

Estelle added that though it is hard she enjoys the interaction with the community and enjoys feeding people. At the end of the breakfast run you will often find Laurie or Estelle giving out their leftover burritos for free, "Nothing goes to waste," Estelle said. Though not on a daily

basis like Rez Girls Catering, Redd recalled the work and long hours that goes into her weekly sales as well as other events she caters, like funerals, birthdays, and graduations.

"It's not easy," she said. Which is why she has employed some help of her own. Redd partners with fellow tribal elder Terry Box on her weekly sales. Box helps with all tasks including prep, cooking, serving and managing the sales window.

Redd, however doesn't see herself expanding into the day-to-day business like Rez Girls Catering.

"I like it how it is now," she said. "I like to visit with my friends and cook for them, it's fun to me ... I wouldn't want to do it everyday."

The future of the two is uncertain, but they both see themselves still cooking and providing that service.

You can try a taste of Redd's food on Monday's at the Multi-Purpose Facility from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m – cash and debit cards accepted. She can also be reached for catering at 970-799-8149.

If you would like to try Rez Girls Catering, you can catch one of their employees delivering breakfast to tribal campus and around town Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. Rez Girls also accepts both cash and debit cards. If you have any event coming up that you are interested in having catered you can reach out to Rez Girls Catering at 970-553-9025, or on their Facebook page at Rez Girls Catering.

GOMEZ TIES STATE RECORD • FROM PAGE 8

REVIEWING THE RECORD

Gomez's ten makes from beyond the three-point arc were the most since 5A Aurora Regis Jesuit then-senior Anna Ptasiński sank ten on Feb. 18, 2014, as she logged 30 points in a 91-31 road win at Castle Rock-based 5A Douglas County.

Later to play at Otero JC in La Junta and University of Great Falls (MT), Alsbaugh's mark had also

been equaled previously by 3A Trinidad's Ashleigh Ackerman (Feb. 23, 2003, against then-2A Rye) and Holly Reinke of 4A Denver D'Evelyn (Jan. 24, 2012, against 4A Arvada).

Ackerman went on to hoop at CSU-Pueblo and is currently a Colorado School of Mines assistant coach. Reinke became a star fast-pitch softball hurler for Colorado State University in Fort Collins, completing her career last May, and Ptasiński is cur-

rently a junior guard for Lafayette College (NCAA Division I) in Easton, Penn.

Going into the '16-17 campaign, she was the Leopards' top returning three-point shooter in Patriot League play, having hit 38.5% of her tries (and 35.8% against all opponents) as a sophomore. As of Feb. 25, 2017, she was leading LC in three-point makes, as well as overall percentage (33.1) for any player with more than ten.

JUST FOR THE RECORD 2A/1A San Juan Basin League Girls' Basketball Box

Mancos 31, at IGNACIO 78 (Feb. 16, 2017):

Mancos (6-14-5-6) 31 – K.Wallace 1 0-2 2, E.Asnicar 0 0-0 0, E.Cole 4 9-15 18, E.Most 0 1-2 1, B.Peacock 0 0-0 0, A.Cole 1 0-0 2, E.Peacock 1 0-3 2, I.Jaime 1 4-6 6. TOTALS: 8 14-28 31. 3-POINTERS: E.Cole. TOTAL FOULS: 11. FOULED OUT: None.

IGNACIO (21-22-25-10) 78 – M.Howell 3 2-2 8, K.Valdez 1 0-0 2, L.Gallegos 2 0-0 4, A.Gomez 12 0-0 34, M.Herrera 6 5-10 17, P.Lyon 0 0-0 0, R.Cooper 0 1-2 1, I.Pena 0 0-0 0, S.Price 0 0-0 0, H.Pearson 1 0-0 2, J.Richards 0 0-0 0, F.Taverres 1 0-0 2. TOTALS: 30 8-14 78. 3-POINTERS: Gomez 10. TOTAL FOULS: 22. FOULED OUT: Howell (5:17 left, Q4).

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Air quality: As of 2/1

AQI – Ignacio: 37

AQI – Bondad: 40



Craft sale & swap

Spring Craft Sale and Supply Swap on Saturday, April 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the ELHI Community Center in Ignacio. We are featuring hand made items, baked goods and gently used second hand items. Craft supply sale/swap will be held following the sale. Vendor applications can be obtained by emailing oct2447@yahoo.com. The sale is sponsored by Skills for Living and Learning, a 501(c)(3) not for profit.



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