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Soccer girls step up their game

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SISSETON SETTLEMENT

Tribal members to vote on remaining funds

After months of advocating and circulating petitions I honor you all," she said. for a vote to be held on paying out the remaining funds from the Sisseton Settlement Funds, the petitioners got their wish. However, the election didn't come as a reit came as a resolution by Tribal Council.

At a special meeting held on Tuesday, April 4, Tribal Council passed a resolution directing an election to there's much stronger things be held on a Tribal Council sponsored referendum. On the election date, set Frost closed out the meetfor Thursday, May 4, tribal members will be asked whether to approve or disapprove the proposed resolution distributing the entire tribution. remaining balance of the Sisseton Settlement Funds time when some tribal memto the tribal membership.

All this came after Tribal Council found the second petition to be unconstitutional because it did not ask the registered voters to vote upon any enacted or proposed ordinance or resolution, but instead sought to direct an appropriation of tribal funds in derogation of the Tribal Council's exclusive authority to make such in a prepared statement to appropriations.

our people to vote," Coun- ing transparency. cilman Kevin R. Frost said. vote on the remaining funds."

lich thanked council for ward maintaining the Tribe's must vote to "approve" the passing the resolution call- self-sufficiency and sover-

ing for a vote.

did and I appreciate that and

Vice chairman Alex Cloud spoke to those in attendance saying that at the end of the day, "we are all tribal members." So he asked that if tribal members vote against sult of a valid constitutional it or don't show up to vote petition being submitted, that there be no "ill feelings."

> "If it doesn't happen lets move on, there are other things in this life more important than this money ... there's love, there's respect, than this money," he said.

Chairman Clement J. ing stating that it is now up to the membership, not Tribal Council, to make the decision regarding the dis-

The meeting came at a bers were saying they felt oppressed and intimidated by tribal leaders. Moments before Tuesday's meeting a small protest was held outside of Council Chambers with tribal members hoisting signs that said, "Oppression is not democracy. Let the voice of the people be heard," and "Let Us Vote."

Tribal Council responded being called out as not lis-"Tribal Council does not tening to the membership, have an issue with allowing oppressing them, and lack-

"We've listened to those all governments, must bal- today and for the future, that who've signed the petitions ance the needs of all of its will be determined when the and have honored your re- constituents. Most impor- membership go to the polls." quest for a vote ... Congrat- tantly, the Tribal Council ulations Southern Ute tribal has to weigh how their deci- as of Thursday, April 13 the membership you will get to sions affect membership and tribal resources today and Tribal elder, Arlene Mil- tomorrow, with an eye toeignty. Tribal Council takes the remaining funds distrib-"Thank you, I'm glad pride in listening to the tribal

By Sacha Smith you've done that because I membership, both the criti-THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM think you need to listen to cism and the support. When the people and I think you it comes down to difficult issues on the table, Tribal Council listens to the membership's concerns but must make decisions based on the Tribe's laws, including the Tribe's Election Code and Constitution."

> "Each tribal member that campaigns and is elected by the tribal membership to a seat on Tribal Council must take an oath to uphold the Constitution and make decisions in the best interest of the membership and tribal resources today and in the future. That is not always the most popular decision, but that is Tribal Council's commitment."

"The ways in which this Sisseton distribution issue was coming to a referendum was unconstitutional. The power to allocate funds resides solely with Tribal Council. Upon addressing the second petition for referendum with the Southern Ute Election Board and the petitioners, as well as the tribal membership, Tribal Council motioned and passed a resolution directing the Election Board to set a date for a Tribal Council-sponsored referendum. This demonstrates that Tribal Council was listening to the tribal membership. Now it is up to the tribal membership. While there are many projects and initiatives that could benefit the tribal "The Tribal Council, like membership and resources

> Per the Election Board, tribe had 950 registered tribal voters. At least 51 percent of registered tribal voters resolution in order to have uted to the membership.

SUPD

Tribal member, Harrison newest SUPD Officer



With the support of his fellow officers and some of his leadership Officer Chris Harrison proudly stands with I-r: SUPD Chief of Police, Ray Coriz, SUPD Officer Richard Herrera, Hanley Frost, Councilwoman Lorelei Cloud, and Councilman Tyson Thompson.

The United States Indian Police Academy graduated 162 on Saturday, April 8 in Artesia, NM. Among the 36 police officer trainee students was Southern Ute tribal member Chris Harrison.

Harrison endured a grueling 16 weeks of the Indian Country Police Officer Training Program which consists of four key components: Academics, Physical Fitness, Firearms and Drivers which help trainee officers go out into their native communities

Harrison opened up stops," he said. the ceremony by say-

By Trennie Collins all the trainee officers and THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM sent them on their police career paths with encouraging words of wisdom.

> "Graduates as you go out and serve our communities we are 100 percent confident in you. We know you are going to do great things for your people who are going to look to you for guidance, moral compass, mature role models, you are now a leader," Janeau said.

> Janeau also talked to the graduates about how becoming an officer means being a part of something very special and personal.

"Accountability to the tribal community never

Special awards were ing the invocation in Ute given out to the graduates followed by the keynote who stood out in specifspeaker and Police Acad- ic areas of their training. munities and be tribal waremy Director, Steven K. Harrison was 1 of 7 train-riors who will protect and Juneau. Janeau praised ees who received a special serve their people.

award in driving. In order to receive that award he had to excel in operating a motor vehicle properly and at a high level of efficiency.

"I hope to bring more community policing between SUPD and our community and I aspire to future leadership roles within my department," Harrison said.

"It was great to have leaders there who help you. You start improving not only physically but mentally," Harrison said about his 16 weeks of training. "It feels good be back and I'm ready to get out there."

After 644 hours of vigorous training the trainees become officers and go home to their tribal com-

NAGPRA

Naranjo retires as NAGPRA Coordinator

By Sacha Smith THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has bid farewell to longtime Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Coordinator, Alden Naranjo. Naranjo – a tribal elder - was recognized by state, federal and tribal reps at a retirement reception held at the Southern Ute Cultural Center on Friday, March 31.

During a farewell speech, Naranjo acknowledged the long road it took to get the tribes and government officials to all work together. But now, he said, he's proud that the tribes and agencies work together and listen to one another for everyone's

"I just want to say 'thank you'," Naranjo said. "I enjoyed working with the tribes, federal and other government agencies."

He said that though his time as NAGPRA Coordinator has come to an end he



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Alden Naranjo was the subject of many stories, and expressions of gratitude as he bid farewell to the tribe *Naranjo* page 3 during his retirement party on Friday, March 31.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

2017 SPECIAL ELECTION

The Tribal Council and Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2017 Special Election according to the Constitution and Election Code.

Special Election: Thurs., May 4, 2017 - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Voter Registration Deadline: Tues., April 25, 2017 by 5 p.m.

Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Tues., April 25, 2017 by 5 p.m.

Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline: Wed., May 3, 2017 by 5 p.m.

THE 2017 SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER

Contact Election Board at 970-563-0100, ext. 2303 or 2305 Direct phone at 970-563-4789

Off-Reservation tribal members call 1-800-772-1236, ext. 2303 Email is election@southernute-nsn.gov

SAMPLE

No. 0000

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE REFERENDUM ELECTION

Thursday, May 4, 2017

Do you approve or disapprove of this proposed resolution?

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-

OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

April ____, 2017

WHEREAS, authority is vested in the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council ("Tribal Council") by the Constitution adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe ("Tribe") and approved November 4, 1936, and amended October 1, 1975 and August 21, 1991, to act for the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, under Article VII, Section 1(h) of said Constitution, the Tribal Council has the authority to manage all funds within the control of the Tribe, and may appropriate available tribal money for public, business, governmental or investment purposes; and

WHEREAS, the United States as trustee has had and continues to have obligations to administer and manage the Tribe's accounts, funds, and non-monetary assets or resources that are held in trust by the United States; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2013-219, adopted on November 19, 2013, the Tribe retained the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) to represent it in the assertion of its claims against the United States for historical accountings and other equitable relief regarding the Tribe's accounts, funds, and non-monetary assets or resources that are held in trust by the United States, in the case entitled Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, et al. v. Jewell, et al., No. 13-601, in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (hereinafter referred to as "Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate case"); and

WHEREAS, the parties engaged in settlement negotiations on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in June 2016, and

WHEREAS, in discussing settlement with the United States, the Tribe emphasized the United States' failure to honor its trust responsibility to maintain the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project, failure to protect the Tribe's historic trust records housed at the Southern Ute Agency, and failure to require oil and gas operators to remediate abandoned well pads; and

WHEREAS, at the close of the settlement negotiations the United States offered the Tribe a settlement award of \$126,000,000.00 in recognition of the damages suffered by the Tribe for the United States' failure to uphold its trust responsibility; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 2016-157, Tribal Council accepted the United States' offer of settlement for \$126,000,000.00 ("Settlement Funds") in the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate case to settle the Tribe's claims related to trust accounts, trust funds, and non-monetary trust assets and resources; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its contract with NARF, the Tribe was obligated to contribute to NARF ten percent of the overall amount of any settlement reached in the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate case; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its contract with NARF, the Tribe was responsible for payment of any experts or consultants retained by NARF and utilized by the Tribe to assist in calculating and supporting the Tribe's claims; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council solicited and received comments from the tribal membership concerning how to distribute the remaining Settlement Funds; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the comments it received from the tribal membership, and in consideration of the well-being of the tribal membership, both present and future, the Tribal Council determined to make a one-time distribution of \$45,000.00 to each enrolled tribal member; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council decided to deposit the remaining balance of the Settlement Funds, which is approximately \$45,473,430.00, into a restricted fund for future use as determined in the sole discretion of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Tribal Council Resolution No. 2016-203, Tribal Council 1) approved the payment of \$12,600,000.00 to the Native American Rights Fund; 2) approved the payment of \$21,570.00 to Rocky Hill Advisors, the consultants who helped develop the Tribe's claims; 3) authorized the one-time distribution of \$45,000.00 to each tribal member enrolled as of 11:59 p.m. on December 6, 2016; and 4) authorized the remaining balance to be deposited into a restricted fund for future use as determined in the sole discretion of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe circulated two separate petitions for referendum to direct the disbursement of the entire remaining Settlement Funds to the tribal membership; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council determined both petitions to be unconstitutional because the petitions did not ask the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to vote upon any enacted or proposed ordinance or resolution, but instead sought to direct an appropriation of tribal funds in derogation of the Tribal Council's exclusive authority to make such appropriations; and

WHEREAS, no elections were held because Tribal Council determined the petitions to be invalid; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has authority to itself submit an issue for referendum pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution, upon the adoption of a resolution of the Tribal Council supported by no less than four members thereof; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2017-49, the Tribal Council directed the Election Board to hold an election whereupon the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe could vote upon a proposed resolution to approve or disapprove distributing the entire remaining balance of the Settlement Funds to duly enrolled members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council shall distribute the remaining deposited Settlement Funds within 45 days of the date of certification by the Election Board and formal acceptance by the Tribal Council of the certified referendum election results affirming the adoption of the proposed resolution, in equal amounts to the duly enrolled members of the Tribe as of 11:59 p.m. on the date of said certification and acceptance, to be distributed as more fully set forth below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Finance Department will make the afore-mentioned distribution to adults in a lump sum.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, for tribal members under the age of eighteen as of 11:59 p.m. on the date of said certification and acceptance, the Finance Department will deposit sixty percent of the distribution into the tribal member's minors' trust account and will distribute the remaining forty percent to the minor through a parent or legal guardian.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such distributions to tribal members under the age of eighteen will be otherwise consistent with the direction contained in Res. No. 2016-212.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, or in the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice Chairman, a duly appointed Acting Chairman, is authorized to execute the necessary documents and take all necessary actions to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

This resolution was duly adopted on the __ day of April, 2017.

Mr. Clement J. Frost, Chairman Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council

CERTIFICATION

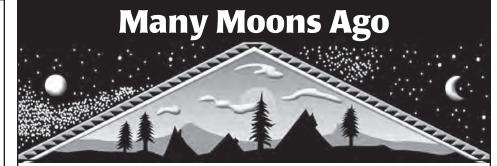
This is to certify that there were () of the regularly elected Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council members present at the above meeting at which () voted for, and () against, it being a quorum and the above resolution was passed, the Chairman not being permitted to vote in this instance due to a Constitutional provision.

, Recording Secretary

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council

Approve ______
Disapprove _____

NOTE: The decision of the tribal electoral shall be final, PROVIDED, that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian tribe Vote in such referendum. Article VI – Referendum Section 1.





Amy Barry/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Tiara Hight, Adelle Hight and Justin Hight congratulate each other on their successful hunts.

This photo first appeared in the April 13, 2007, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Andrea Taylor, Dana Santistevan, James Box Jr., Franklin Thompson, Walter Howe, Blossom Monte learn their blackjack dealing skills as a part of the Tribal Management Plan. Gerard Burch, SanJean Burch and Robert Thompson are not pictured.

This photo first appeared in the April 11, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archiv

30 years ago

A going away party for Glenda Price (left) enjoying the "surprise" party are Vice-Chairman Clement Frost (middle) and Executive Officer Eugene Naranjo (right). Seated in front is Emily Taylor.

This photo first appeared in the April 17, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Educational Meeting for Membership



Referendum

DATE CHANGED TO

Monday, May 1st, 2017 from 1:30 – 4:30 PM Sky Ute Casino Events Center

Off Reservation Members can stream the meeting via Web-Ex on the Tribal Member Website. Additional information will be available soon. For access to the website, please contact Lindsay Box.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist – 970.563.0100

Tribal Member Website page - https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/members/

This is a closed informational meeting for Membership ONLY, all visitors will be asked to leave immediately.



CULTURE

Culture meeting focuses on tradition, language

By Staff Report THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A group of tribal elders and tribal members came together on Thursday, April 6 at the Cultural Center to discuss the department's goals to preserve the Ute language.

A main goal that came out of the meeting was creating a Tribal Elder Advisory Group, Culture Director, Edward Box III said.

"We want to outreach to elders to assist the Culture Department with the tessori Academy to assure lects of the Ute language. teaching of the language," he said. "We need the help of the tribal elders so we language is a team effort. can gain their knowledge the Ute language."

Box said by combining the elders' knowledge of the language and the use of Box said. technology the department hopes to better reach their target audience when it comes to teaching the language; the youth.

"The young ones are the ones we shooting for; they are more technology savvy ... they're all mobile and that's how to move forward with teaching the lana lot of resources out there consistently. to assist us."



courtesy Kree Lopez/SU Culture Dept.

Tribal elder Pearl Casias, addresses fellow tribal members at last week's Culture Meeting. The meeting focused on the Culture Department and goals of preserving and teaching the Ute language.

that the preservation of cul-

"The Culture Departof our traditional ways and ment wants to see Ute the language with respect being the first language learned and English being a second, like it used to be,"

Box acknowledged the amount of work so many people have already put in to preserving the language. He said all the different dictionaries, classes and course material developed are great, but he hopes to consolidate Department's main focus everyone's hard work into one uniform tool to help guage," he said. "There are teach the language more

He also said that after The department also plans speaking with different elto reach out and assist the ders at the meeting he knows Southern Ute Indian Mon- that there are different dia-

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"I don't want to elimiture and immersion of the nate the different dialects," he said. "We want to bring one common way to teach of the different dialects."

> Box said in his time as director he has learned that the Ute Mountain and Northern Ute tribes have the same concerns about the language.

> "Hopefully we can come together down the line and work towards bringing all the tribes together," he said.

> But for now, the Culture will be teaching the language here at home.

> Now the Department is working on setting up a meeting to start forming the Tribal Elders Advisory Group. A date and time for the meeting is still in the works.

NARANJO RETIRES • FROM PAGE 1

will still be here as an elder to help pass on his knowledge, language and traditions. "I'm still going to be here to pass it on," he said. "I'm going to help ... I'm going to pass it on like my elders did."

Southern Ute Tribal Chairman Clement J. Frost thanked Naranjo on behalf of the tribe for his many contributions over the years.

"He's only retiring from the office, but not from the things that he knows," Frost said. "Alden took time out of his life to protect the things that mean the most to us."

Frost continued, "he's been a great asset to the tribe ... he's met with many government officials to educate them. I stand here and honor the tremendous asset he's been and to say 'thank you' for all the things he has done for us."

Over his 40 years working for the tribe, Alden spent 20 years as NAGPRA Coordinator, 16 years as a police officer, two years working for the Division of Wildlife and two years as a probation officer. Most recently, Naranjo has been mentoring his successor, Cassandra Naranjo, who will now take over the main duties as NAGPRA Coordinator for the tribe.

"We've done this for three years and I have a lot gratitude," Cassandra said about apprenticing under her father. "I'm glad you're still going to be around and that you taught me how to do this job."

Betsy Chapoose, Northern Ute Cultural Rights and Protection Director also thanked Alden for mentoring her over the years.

"I owe a lot of gratitude



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Cassandra Naranjo, gives a formal farewell and words of deep appreciation to her father Alden during his retirement party. Cassandra will be taking over the cultural preservation position with NAGPRA left open by Naranjo.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elders Tim Watts, and Chairman Clement J. Frost congratulate Alden Naranjo for his many years of service with the tribe's Culture Department during his farewell at the museum.

to Alden he's really helped Naranjo said he would catch great job mentoring."

me," she said. "He did a up on things at home that he has neglected over the years

As for retirement plans, while he was busy working.

CULTURE DEPARTMENT



For

Spring Seasons

Baby - nuuruachi Flower - siçirü Bird - wichichi Puppy - sarirachi Kitten - mussarachi

Thunder - tunuçnirù

Clouds - uwatipů

Rain - uwarū

Southern Ute Bear Dance



105 Ute Language Classes

Ute Language Classes or held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Muse um (SUCCM) in the Large/Small Classroom every Monday. They start at 5:30

- p.m. till 7 p.m "April - 6,13,20,27
- "May 1,8,15,22 * "June - 5.12.19.26
- (All Classes Dates ** may be *Chan or Canceled)

Tribal Membership Classes

Are held in the Southern Life Cultural Center Classes start at 5:30 p.m. till 8 p.m. Monday &

- April 3,4,10,11,17,18,24,25
- May 1,2,8,9,15,16,22,23
- June 5,6,12,13,19,20
- Bags & Drumstick Class is Limited to the first (20) participates

who Sign up, Early sign -up is reco (All Classes or Subject To Change)



Tribal Elder Department Events Contact Tribal Elder Service For more Information



Hanley Frost Sr

Cultural Education Coordinator Southern Ute Cultural Departmen (970) 563-0100 ext. 2306

BEAR DANCE WORKSHOP

MAY 19th

SKY UTE CASINO EVENT CENTER 11AM-IPM

OPEN TO TRIBAL STAFF & THE PUBLIC



For information please contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-2985 or Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box at 970-759-7038

CULTURE UPDATE

DANCERS NEEDED

The Southern Ute Culture department is looking for Southern Ute tribal members or descendants to participate in the fol-May 17: Bear Smart event in Durango,

- CO. Bear Dance demonstration. Need (4) male, and (4) female. June 9: Ute Museum-Grand Opening in
- Montrose, CO. Bear Dancers needed.
- June 14: Indian Motorcycle Event at Sky Ute Casino Resort, Powwow dancers. June 15: Indian Motorcycle Event, Train
- Ride to Cascade. Bear Dance demonstration. Need (5) male, (5) female. June 15: Employee Appreciation Day

at Three Springs. Need (10) Powwow

dancers. July 12 - 17: Living Earth Festival in Washington, DC. Bear Dance demonstration. Need (4) male, (4) female, and

(1) Catman

2985.

If you are interested to sign up for any of the above listed events contact Special Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-

BEAR DANCE FEAST HEAD COOK

Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box is seeking a head cook for the Bear Dance Feast. Date needed, Monday, May 29, 2017. The head cook will be responsible for preparing the stew and corn at the bear dance grounds and making frybread at the Multi-Purpose Facility (kitchen is reserved) and finding volunteers to serve and clean up. All the ingredients will be provided. The Head Cook is open to Tribal Members first. Must have a current food handler's certificate for yourself and helpers who will be preparing food. A monetary stipend will be given to the head cook. If interested please contact Special Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-2985.

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.



"Tribal Elders hold the history and culture of the Southern Utes in their lives and heart."



Culture Department will host a luncheon meeting to start forming the Tribal Elders Advisory Group. We will notify once the date and time is confirm.

TRIBAL HEALTH

Breast Cancer/Cervical Cancer Awareness Luncheon

By Susan Turner

There will be a luncheon HPV vaccine. on Tuesday, April 25 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Sun-cines along Ute Community Center sponsored by a targeted outreach grant received from the Colorado Department of

We will have a healthy meal and conversation regarding ways to reduce your risk of breast and cervical cancer. Please come join us and bring your friends. Please RSVP to Susan Turner at 970-563-2363 or Velma at 970-563-0154 so that we can have enough food for all!

Call also if you would like to sign up for a mammogram party (mammogram and lunch) or if you need assistance with scheduling your preventive screenings such as PAP smears or mammograms.

Gift certificates and mammogram parties are being offered to eligible women under the grant who receive their screenings!

Please schedule your PAP smears are keys to cervical SOUTHERN UTE and mammogram today if cancer prevention. HEALTH CENTER you are due. Get your children vaccinated with the exams are keys to breast

Remember, HPV

Mammograms and breast cancer prevention. Please talk to your provider about these important screenings.



Dental Notices

Dental would love to remind the Drum readers of the dental clinics hours: Monday - Thursday 7:15 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Fridays 7:15 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Our pediatric dentist, Dr. Brian Talley, will be back at the dental clinic May 8, 10, 15 and 16. If we can encourage the readers to call and make appointments for their children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The dental clinic will be going to the Academy to do oral screenings and Fluoride varnish on the students there on 5/11/17. If we can please encourage the parents/guardians to fill out and return the consent forms so their child/children can receive that service.

Finally a fun reminder for all readers to remember it is recommended to brush our teeth twice a day in the morning and at night time for 2 minutes with a fluoride toothpaste and also to floss our teeth once a day. Never put a baby to bed with a bottle which and lead to baby bottle mouth (cavities all over the mouth).





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Skining Mounta Spring Diabetes Class **Subjects April 4**—Chair Exercises (Todd)

Southern Ute Health Center (970)563-4781

Talk with your pharmacist or provider if you or a loved one are concerned about opioid overdose.

Adapted from Red Lake Pharmacy, Red Lake, MN

halth & Wellne

April 11 - Proper Exercises & warmups (Todd) April 18- Healthy Living (Speaker Mikah

anxiety, etc.

state of overdo

Medical attention needed

· Person could slip back into

Christiansen) May 2- Foot Care (Shawmarie)

There will also be Diabetes BINGO and prizes!!!

Contact Information

Shawmarie Tso, LPN, CLC (970)563.0100 ext. 2163 smtso@southernute-nsn.gov

Todd Raining Bird, Fitness Program Specialist

(970)563.0100 ext. 4741 trbird@southernute-nsn.gov







EDUCATION

Bobcats take academic excellence to State

By Jeremy Wade Shockley THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Ignacio Middle School sent five students, plus two alternates, to this year's State Science Fair. Nine students from Ignacio Middle School will present projects for National History Day in Colorado, in addition to the school sending a spelling bee representative to the Colorado State Finals.

Academically, one could say this was a banner year for Ignacio.

"Every year it just feels like it gets better," said Ignacio Middle School Principal Chris deKay. "Students are geared towards the academic side of things."

"I just feel over the course of the last decade, the skills are improving each year," he said. "There are more opportunities for students to expand their knowledge, the classes provide more enrichment."

Principal deKay attributes much of this success as a shared effort by his staff at Ignacio Middle School Henderson who is hoping to along with support from the continue to be involved in community.

another academic opportunity for these young students as they prepare for high school. Open to 7th and the 6th grade by teacher recommendation.

students participate," said

deKay.

taking the class itself, com- ner this year. pleting a formal interview

nior year of high school. coursework.

"It took a long time, lots



Seventh grader Amanda Henderson and 6th grader Keona Whitey share their experiences as students highly involved with their school's extracurricular programs in academics. Each of them presenting projects, or competing at the State level alongside their peers.

you for more of the challenges ahead."

These thoughts were also echoed by 7th grader Amanda Henderson. Henderson participated in this year's National History Day in Colorado competition and Science Fair in addition to being the school's representative in the State Spelling Bee competition.

"You can go further," said all the academic programs The PSAT Course is yet offered though Ignacio Middle School next year.

Both students felt the extracurricular courses and projects pushed them fur-8th graders, and students in ther academically then the standard course work alone.

Whitey also participated "It is in its fifth year, and in the Regional Science Fair every year more and more and National History Day in Colorado.

"We wanted to stand "It is basically to get out from the crowd and do them ready for SAT tests something unique," said as juniors, this gives them Whitey in regards to her Naa frame of reference," said tional History project titled 'Rosie the Riveter' which The PSAT course includes she worked on with a part-

Taking a Stand in Histoprocess and making a com- ry was the theme for this mitment to the test each year's National History Day year, leading up to their ju- in Colorado projects. Each year the State provides a One of Ignacio's Middle topic, students create proj-School students involved in ects around that topic. They the PSAT course is 6th grad- can perform a solo skit or er Keona Whitey who found group performance, create the program to be more a webpage, display board challenging then her regular or submit a formal paper for consideration.

National History Day in of studying," said Whitey. Colorado will be held at

"The programs help prepare the University of Colorado Denver campus on Saturday, May 6. This year's spelling bee graced the University of Denver, and the State Science Fair was held on the Colorado State University campus, Fort Collins, Colo.

> "There's a lot of opportunity to push themselves academically," said deKay. "From afterschool programs to personal enrichment projects."

Academic Recognitions

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EDUCATION

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Education Dept. brings Career Fair to Ignacio High

By Jeremy Wade Shockley THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Education Department held it's annual Career Fair at the Ignacio High School on Wednesday, April 5.

An estimated 700 students from eight regional schools made their way to this year's fair, plus a number of community members. The Career Fair touted 63 vendors and 8 colleges, each presenting educational materials and general information to attendees.

"Red Willow was super interactive with the students, which was impressive," said Nicole Cabral, Distant Learning Programs Coordinator for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Education Department. "They went the extra mile to do a student raffle."

"The Environmental Programs Division was another stand out booth for this year's career fair," Cabral said. "Diversity, the interactive aspect - they really engaged the students."

The San Juan College EMS department's booth was also listed as being both interactive and educational, according to Cabral.

"We liked the educational venue of the high school, students were more engaged," said Cabral regarding the general consensus she received from participating vendors.

"I would like it to be



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Lakota TwoCrow gets an opportunity to try on a tactical vest and helmet used by law enforcement teams in the field during a hands on demo organized by Southern Ute Police Department.



Ignacio High School students, Zachary James, Sharmaine Price and Jade Richards try thewir luck at throwing magnietic darts to win various prizes at the Southern Ute Detention booth at the 2017 Career Fair.

more open to adults, community members, who might see this as an opportunity for networking," she

The Double Tree Hotel and Alert Traffic Control presented the youth with existing employment opportunities – each looking to hire teens for an early employment experience.

Breakfast was provid-

ed by Ignacio's own Rez Girls Catering. Lunch service was catered by locally owned restaurant, Grassburger out of Durango,

The plan is to hold next year's career fair at Ignacio High School again, given this year's feedback and a record turnout recorded by the Southern Ute Education Department.

Tribal Students of the Month

The Southern Ute Education Department and staff have developed a special recognition program, the program for the young and the talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools. The staff will recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview.



GRACELYNN THOMPSON

My name is Gracelynn Thompson. I attend Ignacio Elementary School, where I am a fifth grader. My favorite subjects in school are math, science and reading.

My parents/guardians are Shawn Thompson and Valerie Eustace. I like participating in basketball and riding motorcycles with my dad. In addition, I want to be a hard worker when I grow up.

I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of April because I try my best at doing my homework and practicing positive behavior.



BRIANA OLGUIN

My name is Briana Marie Olguin. I attend Ignacio High School, where I am in

12th grade. My favorite subject is band. My parents/guardians are Renelda Herrera and Spencer Olguin. My guard-

ian is my great uncle Franklin Thompson. I like participating in band, bowling and skiing. In addition, I want to travel and live with my great uncle Franklin Thompson. I want to travel after high school.

I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of April because I have worked hard in school and made much progress.

Comment: Thanks to my great uncle Franklin Thompson for being there for me and giving me love, happiness and all his devotion and caring for me and my counsins Jawadin Corona, Brother Staffon Olguin and also Jawadin's girlfriend.

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Golden students visit Southern Ute Rez



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Ute Language Guide, Jake Ryder gives an oral history and explanation of the Ute Bear Dance and its significance to the Southern Ute people.

Students from Golden High School made their annual stop in Ignacio to tour the Southern Ute tribal departments and learn about Ute culture and the various services the departments provide to the tribal membership. As part of their Senior Seminar they will visit the Four Corners region, including stops in Canyon De Chelly National Monument and Taos Pueblos as part of their southwest studies course.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

High School seniors visiting the tribe from Golden High School listen intently to a presentation given by Wildlife Division Head Steve Whitman with the Department of Natural Resources.

Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Students from Golden High School go on-air with Station Director, Sheila Nanaeto on KSUT Tribal Radio, Wednesday morning, April 12.

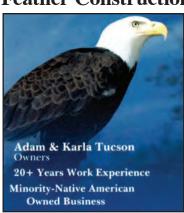


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Dan Rhode, Museum contractor explains how the museum stores, handles and displays items used in exhibits at the museum. He also explained the varying aspects of the cradleboard and headdress to the Golden High School students Thursday, April 13.



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News

TRIBAL COUNCIL CORNER

Council encourages safe OHV/ATV use

Throughout the years, use come increased challenges. Challenges can be priorities. summarized as: protecting resources, minimizing user conflicts, safety of users, and providing reasonable and appropriate access. Recently, a number of concerns have been brought to the attention

Tribal Council consid-

strives to preserve and protect natural resources port the unsafe or inapprofor use and enjoyment of future generations, while the tribal members.

In response to a grow-

By Lindsay Box of the Southern Ute Trib- ing list of concerns, TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS al Council regarding safe Council has decided a and appropriate OHV use. formal plan needs to be developed to address con-OHV/ATV use has be- ers the safety of all its cerns and establish regucome a major recreational members and visitors to lations for use. Proposed activity. With increased the Southern Ute Reser- plans of actions are being vation one of its highest developed and will be shared with the member-In addition, the Tribe ship in the near future.

> If you would like to repriate use of Off Highway Vehicles, which include also meeting the needs of ATV's, please call Southern Ute Dispatch at 970-563-4401.

Nominations for annual Elbert J. Floyd Award

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

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

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person. Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Nomination must be submitted in writing to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department by 5 pm on Friday, May 26, 2017 and shall state the basis for the nomination. For information call Ellen at 970-563-0235, ext. 2793.

The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of two members consisting of the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd's children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student.



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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.

"Anybody can succeed if they put their mind to it!"

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.

Ute Indian Museum Grand Opening Celebrations

June 9th, 2017 - Tribal Dedication & Grand Opening June 10th, 2017 – Public Dedication & Grand Opening In Montrose, CO

Agenda of Events soon to be released



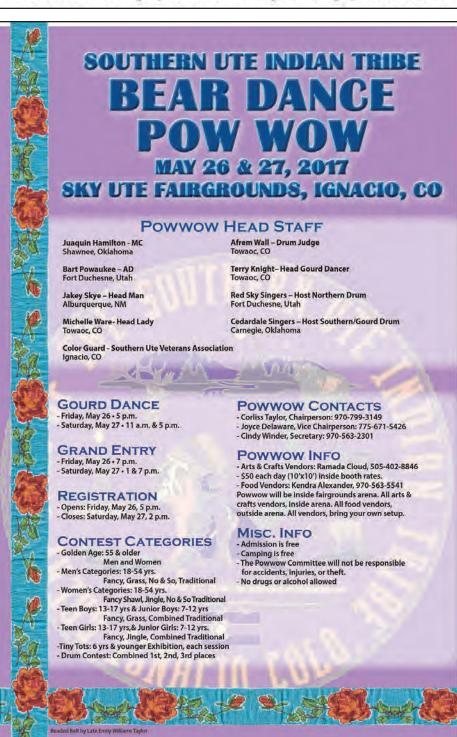
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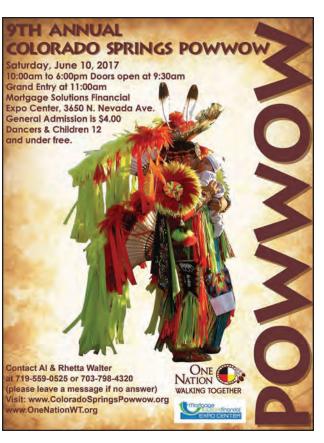
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Event gets seal of approval



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

On April 5 at the Ignacio Chamber of Commerce's monthly meeting, Celebrating Healthy Communities and San Juan Basin Health presented Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Dancing Spirit Gallery, ELHI Community Center and Ignacio Community Library with a Healthy Seal of Approval plaque for the last year's Taste of Christmas event because it was a safe and healthy community event.

Tribe, Casino to host the Non-Profit Money Booth

SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

Fifteen non-profit organizations from La Plata, Counties will compete for their share of over \$20,000 the 18th Annual Non-Profit Money Booth. Since 1999, when Sky Ute Casino Resort held the first Non-Profit Money Booth Event, nearly \$350,000.00 has been given to local charities to support a variety of worthy causes. Last year, selected organizations included: Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Blue Star Mom's

ness, Durango Food Bank, as they can! on Thursday, May 18, 2017 Hope Community Christian at Sky Ute Casino Resort in Academy, Chimney Rock Interpretive Association, La Plata County Independent Youth Performing than Friday, May 5, 2017 by Arts, Ignacio Community Church, Ignacio Chamber of Commerce, Community For further information, or Connections and The Prayer to have an application faxed Tree Committee.

in the Event's Center from 6 Leppert, at 970-563-1752 p.m. - 7 p.m. to honor the or tracy.leppert@skyutecaselected organizations and sino.com.

Staff report New Mexico Chapter #1, present each with a \$500 Sky Ute Casino Resort Adult Learning Center, Ed-check. Then, the action ucation, Literacy, Health & will get underway at 7 p.m. Inspiration (ELHI), Silver when a representative from SPRUCE Academy, TARA each organization will enter Archuleta and San Juan Historical Society, Great the money booth for 45 sec-Old Broads for Wilder- onds to grab as much cash

> Applications are now available at www.skyutecasino.com. All applications must be turned in no later 5 p.m. to be considered for admittance into the event. or emailed, contact Mar-A reception will be held keting Coordinator, Tracy



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News



FLY-FISHING

A diamond in the rough, Lake Capote

By Don Oliver SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

I've been fly fishing professionally, and for fun, in Durango since 1994. One would wager that someone with that much time spent on the water would have found, and fly-fished, everything that was fishable in this area. It's a good thing you didn't take that bet. Recently, when launching my float tube in an area lake I was talking with a for the day. We were talking about the small lakes in the area and how, because of the winter we have had, they for fishing for some time. He asked if I had ever fished Lake Capote. I told him I had only seen it through my windshield as I was heading for the Piedra River. He suggested I try it; I did, Wow!

on 151 all you'd see is a small portion of the lake. It almost looks like a stock tank. However, once inside a beautiful park.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe start to fish you will be fish-(SUIT). And the way it has become such a beautiful place is their adherence to the mission statement for the The fish are stocked, but lake. It reads, "The mission don't let that lull you into a of Lake Capote is to develop and manage professional facilities and services providing quality camping, fishing,



friend who was packing it up day-use, and other outdoor recreational opportunities for the benefit of Southern Ute Tribal members, their families, and other lake visitors." may be our only avenues Everywhere you go in the park is a commitment to that statement. Of course, such commitment, by the SUIT makes the last four words of the statement my favorite, "and other lake visitors."

Since this a fly fishing Lake Capote is located at column, I guess you'd like the southeast corner of High- to hear about the fishing. ways 160 and 151. The stone It's awful don't go, yeah gated entrance is on 151 just right. It's great. The lake is south of the intersection. If 45 acres surrounded by 400 you just kept heading south acres of park. The lake is fishable from the shore or by anything that floats and is not being powered by a gas engine. You may launch the gates you find yourself in a bass boat and fish from it, however, you can only use The park is owned by the the trolling motor. Once you ing for trout, bass, catfish and carp. In fact you can actually bow hunt for the carp. mindset that the fishing will be easy. I have fished the lake twice, since my friend suggested it, and loved it

both times. The first time it was windy and cold and the catching wasn't great. The second time I fished the lake it was warmer, not windy, and with the good weather the fish became real aggressive. I fished from my float tube and caught trout and bass. None of the trout were under twelve inches and they wanted to eat only dry flies. For the afternoon I changed flies to a bass popper to fly fish for bass. I caught one bass and several trout. It's fun fly-fishing for fish that will eat anything.

If you don't have a float tube, or boat, but want to fish away from the bank you can rent boats at the bait shop. This is also where you buy your day use pass. You do not need a Colorado or SUIT fishing license, only the day pass. If you are over the age of twelve the pass will cost you \$10. If you are twelve or under the pass is \$4.

Should you have someone with you that doesn't fish (I can't imagine that) there is plenty for them to do. There is a three -and-a-half mile trail around the lake. While walking that trail one will see, turkey, osprey, geese, ducks and deer. You'll also find covered picnic tables all around the lake, and several restroom facilities.

Lake Capote is a great place to enjoy a day of fly fishing by yourself, introduce fishing to a newcomer, have a family picnic, or take a leisurely walk around the lake and absorb all that southern Colorado, and Lake Capote have to offer.

WILDLIFE

Local beekeepers are expecting a big swarm season

months you might find a cluster of bees, called a swarm, attached to a tree, shrub or even your house. The discovery can certainly unnerve some people, however, it is a wonderful part of the life cycle of honey bees.

Honey bee swarms are

SU WILDLIFE RESOURCE der most circumstances. Management Division Swarming honey bees feed prior to swarming, reduc-Over the next couple of ing their ability to sting. Furthermore, bees away from the vicinity of their nest or hive are less defensive and are unlikely to sting unless provoked.

What should you do? You very natural, fascinating and have two choices. First, do nothing and know swarms are temporary and the bees will move on if you patient-

By Ben Zimmerman not highly dangerous unly ignore them. Stay back and keep others away from the swarm, but feel free to admire and appreciate the bees from a safe distance.

> They may stay around for a few days, depending on how quickly the scout bees find a suitable new home. Secondly you can contact the Four Corners Beekeepers Association at 970-884-8190 who could remove the swarm and provide them a happy new home.



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Environmental Programs Division Head, Tom Johnson speaks with attorney Sam Maynes prior to the tribe's meeting with the State of Colorado's Environmental Commission held on Wednesday, April 12, in Ignacio, Colo. Updates were given by tribal departments, including air quality programs who covered their 2015 emissions inventory results and outlined the implantation of a mobile monitoring station for site specific data collection going into 2017.









Bonita Peak Mining District

Spring Update Community Meetings

Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

San Juan County Courthouse, 1557 Greene Street, Silverton, Colo.

Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Sonoran Conference Rooms, San Juan Public Lands Center 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colo.

Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 7:15 p.m.

San Juan College School of Energy, 5301 College Blvd., Farmington, N.M. Please join us to discuss the status of the Bonita Peak Mining District and work

planned for the site in 2017. There will be short presentations followed by ample time for questions and answers. Agency representatives will be available at the end of the meetings for one-on-one conversations.

We will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this meeting. If you require an accommodation or for general questions, please contact:

Cynthia Peterson, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator

peterson.cynthia@epa.gov or 303-312-6879

http://www.epa.gov/superfund/bonita-peak

For more information, visit:





Barry, Burch join Gaming





photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

on Wednesday, April 12 in Tribal Court. Burch along with fellow newly sworn in commissioner Marge Barry will serve three-year terms.

Associate Judge, Scott Moore swears in Marge Barry signs her oath officially new Gaming Commissioner Hilda Burch making her a member of the Southern Ute Gaming Commission.

COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Tribe clarifies position on coal development

Staff Report Frost. Among other accom-

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe would like to clarify its position on coal production on and off the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. A New York Times article published April 1st, 2017 - Tribes That Live Off Coal Hold Tight to Trump's Promises incorrectly characterizes the Tribe's energy production.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is not engaged in commercial coal development. "The Tribe is a leader in conscientious development, production, and transportation of natural gas and oil," stated Chairman Clement

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SU TRIBAL COUNCIL plishments, the Tribe has worked to capture naturally occurring methane leaks associated with coal outcrops on the Reservation for which carbon credits have been assigned and marketed. In 2009, the Tribal Council approved creation of the "Carbon Credits Program". This program was never intended to be an income generator but rather Tribe also administers and an environmentally beneficial activity.

Environmental stewardship is not something the Tribe takes lightly. The Tribe in some instances has regulations for oil and gas companies operating with-

Reservation that are more stringent than required by the Environmental Protection Agency. The Tribe received the Clean Air Excellence Award for successful implementation of its Clean Air Act Title V Operating Permit Program - the first and only approved Title V air program in Indian

The Southern Ute Indian enforces a water quality program. In 2013, the Southern Ute Growth Fund received an Outstanding Operator award from the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission for the Vent Well system for Greenhouse in the boundaries of the Gas reductions.

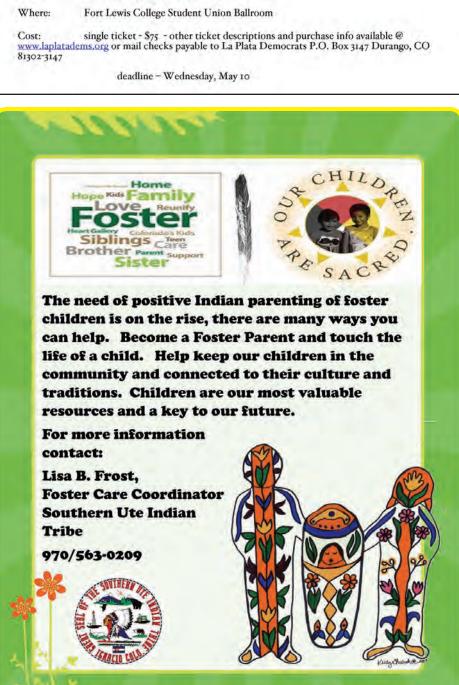




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Ignacio's Kruz Pardo (6) pitches on the road at Hotchkiss during the Bobcats' 9-3 loss on Saturday, April 1. IHS would begin the day at the Bulldogs' Burns O. Drake Athletic Field, and end at the Volunteer Park Sports Complex in neighboring Paonia while facing both Delta County teams in one day.

IHS BASEBALL

IHS Baseball breaks into league schedule

Cats clobber 'Dogs, but lose to Mustangs

Learning quickly that hinger-Williams Creek Baseball are - for this season again, at least two vastly different things, Ignacio fell 14-4 to the former in six innings on Saturday, April 8, after destroying the latter 20-2 in five on Tuesday, April 4.

the top of the third, but found themselves still trailing 9-3 as the fourth frame began. The inning's bottom half would be the last for senior Zach Weinreich, as he took

By Joel Priest the loss having allowed the Special to the Drum Mustangs' first nine scores.

Timmy Senior Nucla Baseball and Dove 1-for-3 with a double and an RBI in defeat, while Joe Herrera went 1-1 with a run and a ribbie. Trace Lovelace went 0-1 but did score twice, and Cole McCaw was 0-1 with a run.

Credited with six runs batted in, Nucla senior Falling behind 4-0 after Sladen Hendrickson went one inning and 8-0 through 3-for-4 with a home run two at NHS, the Bobcats and scored twice in support came alive with three runs in of winning pitcher Graden Steffan (CG, 4 BB, 5 K). Steffan also swung a hot bat in his own defense, going 3-3 with two doubles, two runs and a pair plated. Junior Cord Colson was

2-4 with a homer and three runs knocked in, and senior Devyn Rummel was 1-4 with a walk and three runs scored as the Mustangs improved to 5-5 overall, 2-0 in the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League. The Cats dipped to 2-6, 1-1 prior to hosting Dolores for a single game on the 11th. Results were unavailable at press time.

Looking ahead, IHS is slated to face non-league 2A's Rangely and Meeker on Friday, April 14, in Cortez, then host 3A Bayfield on the 18th at 4:00 p.m. SJBL play then resumes for Ignacio with a April 20 doubleheader (1 p.m. start) versus DCHS and a two-fer against Nucla the next day.

Gym to display So. Ute flag



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Tribal Councilwoman Amy J. Barry presented a Southern Ute tribal flag to the Ring of Champions Boxing Gym in Ignacio on Friday, April 7. The boxing club is up and running and will soon be open to the public, the owners; Anthony and Maria Archuleta are also hoping to open a sporting goods store inside the training facility.

IHS GIRLS TRACK

Monroe leads Lady 'Cats at home meet

Senior takes second in pole vault

On a fitting date of Saturday, April 8th, the 8th Annual Abel Velasquez Invitational attracted nine teams to the IHS track and the hosting Lady Bobcats made sure to represent well at their home meet.

Tops individually was senior Lea Monroe, whose six-foot, nine-inch pole vault was bettered by only 2A Del Norte senior Maxine Salazar's 8'1", and equaled (but in more tries) by 3A Bayfield senior Emily Bauer's 6'9".

Sophomore Kiana Valdez took fourth in the high jump (4'7"), trailing DNHS sophomore Lacie Jones (5'0") and senior Devin Dallas (4'11"), as well as 4A Du-Jaylynn Herrera also earned – which was 40 feet, nine

Special to the Drum the long jump with a fourthplace maximum of 13 feet, dez's second-place throw. 11 inches, while Valdez finished ninth (12'3.5").

> the 100-meter dash, clocking 14.55 seconds (Valdez was 13th in 15.01), but rose to third in the 200 in an elapsed 29.93 (Valdez finished eighth in 30.75). In a time of 23.53 sec-

onds, senior Rachel Cooper was 13th of 14 finishing the 100-meter hurdles but shot up to seventh in the 300-meter variety with her 1:00.63 effort.

Sophomore Briana Duran was 14th in the shot put (22'2.5") and 15th in the discus (58'1"), while 3A Pagosa Springs junior Keena Murphy won both specialrango sophomore Alyssa ties with respective bests McConnell (4'11"). Senior of 34'1" and 130 feet even

By Joel Priest Ignacio four team points in inches farther than freshman teammate Alondra Hernan-

> Up next for the IHS girls - who placed seventh over-Herrera placed sixth in all with a hand-counted 22 points - will be the Pine River Invitational in Bayfield on Saturday, April 15, and Durango's Ron Keller Invitational on the 18th.

2017 Abel Velasquez Invitational Girls Team Standings

- 1. Pagosa Springs 144
- 2. Montezuma-Cortez 120
- 3. Del Norte 106 4. Durango 64
- 5. Dove Creek 44

- 8. Mancos 18 9. Dolores 16

IHS SOCCER

Soccer starting to step up their game

Girls battle hard on neutral ground

By Joel Priest Special to the Drum

At times needing to make just one extra pass or outrun one last defender to approach the opposing net, the Lady Bobcats' April 7-8 flashes of offense came and went as quickly as grocery-store promotional food samples.

And unfortunately, Ignacio was twice more denied the taste of long-awaited

Playing upon Alamosa High School's artificial surface due to still-standing snow covering other San Luis Valley sites, IHS faced both Crested Butte Community School and Center, and trailed both by only one goal at halftime, but ultimately fell to both: 2-0 to CBCS, and 3-nil to the Lady Vikings.

"We really lacked some energy today," head coach Daniel Sanchez said after the second-day shutout. "I think we left it all on the line yesterday. I was definitely more pleased yesterday."

Which came as something of a surprise, as Sanchez had hoped before the match that the Lady 'Cats would play hard but conserve enough energy to defeat longtime 3A/2A Southwestern/Intermountain League nemesis CHS.

Instead, a crowd of barely ten people witnessed an exciting sunset clash with interim skipper Alexis Charles' Lady Titans, who unofficially outshot Ignacio 20-1 (14-1 on frame)



Ignacio's Chamisa Edd (24) maneuvers away from a Crested Butte player during neutral-site action at Alamosa High School on Friday, April 7.

but only managed goals in the 14th and 48th minutes by freshman Sydney chez said, "I think we'll be Stoneberg.

Crested Butte also generated five of their six corner-kick chances after intermission, but had little to show for them as IHS sophomore goalie Lanie Webb made 14 total stops. Counterpart Shelby LaDuke, a freshman, was pressed to make plays on three balls to preserve a clean sheet against pressure led by IHS senior Ryley Webb and junior Chamisa Edd.

"If we play tomorrow as well as we just did," Sanin good shape."

Keeping Center keeper Giselle Almeida on her toes throughout a tense first half, the Lady 'Cats (0-6, 0-6 IML) certainly looked the part while only one enemy shot found the back of the net. But in getting Ash Hodge Win No. 1 as the Lady Vikings' new boss, CHS (1-6, 1-5) separated and finished with unan-

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IHS BOYS TRACK

Garcia shifts into high gear at the AVI

Freshman's long-distance runs pace IHS

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Arriving out of what seemed like nowhere, Elco Garcia, Jr., seemed more than amenable to doing some roadwork as he greatly impacted IHS' 8th Annual Abel Velasquez Invita-

tional on Saturday, April 8. In the 1,600-meter run, the freshman won in five minutes, 6.41 seconds, with 3A Pagosa Springs sophomore Nate Lewis (5:12.41) and 2A Dolores sophomore Phillip Hufman (5:16.45) his closest competitors.

3A Montezuma-Cortez freshman Tyler Cutrone (5:22.69) and 4A Durango soph Ethan Holst (5:24.13) rounded out the top five of the event's 22 finishers, with IHS freshmen Jason Foutz (6:25.59) and Johnathon Paulsrud (6:57.14)

By Joel Priest standing 21st and 22nd.

Garcia was almost able to pull off the rare long-distance double, but finished second – giving him 18 team points in the specialties – to Pagosa Springs senior Jacob Hughes in the 3,200 in a time of 11 minutes, 22.55 seconds (Hughes finished in 10:36.22). Durango freshman Luke Tichi was right on Garcia's hip, only another 0.19 seconds behind in third, but PSHS soph Kaleb Buffington (12:16.52) and Mancos junior Zane Wilson (12:16.93) were almost a minute slower rounding out the top five.

Totaling three team points in the short sprints, Bobcat senior Bryan Gram placed sixth in the 100 meters, crossing the finish line in 12.23 seconds. He improved one spot to fifth in the 200 with a 25.51-second clocking, as 3A Bayfield freshman

Dylan Hilliker won both disciplines in 11.81 and 24.26 seconds, respectively.

Gram, however, earned eight points in the 400, placing second with his 53.86 and trailing only M-CHS senior Josh Ramos' tenpoint 52.63. He also logged

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2017 Abel Velasquez **Invitational Boys** Team Standings

1. Montezuma-Cortez 176

3. Mancos 64

4. Pagosa Springs 63

5. Durango 54

7. Del Norte 32

8. Dolores 10 9. Dove Creek 7

BOBCAT SPORTS



Look for full Bobcat sports coverage, including box scores and additional photos, at the Southern Ute Drum's website at www.sudrum.com

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GARCIA SHIFTS INTO HIGH GEAR • FROM PAGE 11

inches and placing tenth.

and Esteban Romero both 8'1". placed in the 300-meter hur-

another top-ten in the long ing 5'5" and ranking seventh, in the shot put, heaving jump, flying 17 feet, two but senior Colten Smithson the sphere 35'2.5", while Freshmen Jonas Nanaeto seventh-place pole vault of

Junior Natoni Cundiff 32'7" respectively. dles' top-ten, finishing eighth launched the discus an even (48.51 seconds) and ninth 118 feet, placing third – and boys – who collectively (51.13), but Ignacio was not earning IHS six team points placed sixth with 36 points represented in the shorter – behind 2A Del Norte 110-meter version. Nanaeto senior Hafen Campbell Invitational in Bayfield on was also one place from earn- (124'0") and 2A Mancos ing the 'Cats another team freshman Caden Showalter point in the high jump, clear- (121'7"). He also took ninth

did manage to do so with his sophomore Lucas Roderick placed 13th in both events by throwing 81'0" and

> Up next for Ignacio's - will be the Pine River Saturday, April 15, and Durango's Ron Keller Invitational on the 18th.

SOCCER STEPS UP THEIR GAME • FROM PAGE 11

Miriah Varela. from Del Norte (1-4, 0-2) – follow on the 20th, with acoptimistically,

liyah Porres, junior Gladys next host Center on Satur- Ridgway on the 22nd for an Hernandez and sophomore day, April 15, at 11:00 a.m. 11 a.m. kickoff. A rescheduled (from 4/4) Following a 4/13 visit trip to DNHS is slated to along," quipped Sanchez

"We'll keep plodding results were unavailable at tion commencing at 4 p.m., what we come up with!"

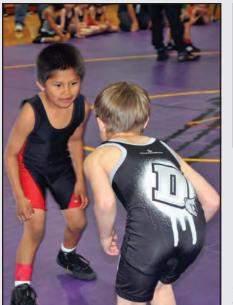
swered goals by senior Aa- press time - Ignacio was to and IHS will then head to

Wrestlers hit mats in Bayfield



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Ignacio Youth Wrestling Club hit the mats in Bayfield, Saturday, April 8 at the Bayfield High School. Divisions 3-5 posed for a quick picture before competition resumed for the afternoon matches.





Kandin Johnson (5) grabs hold off his opponent during the Division 1 matches in the 50-pound weight class.

Wrestling in the 50-pound weight class, Tyler Naranjo (7) squares off against his Durango opponent in Division 2 action.

Outlaws compete in Kirtland



Durango Outlaws of the Four Corners Youth Soccer League competed in Kirtland, NM on Saturday, April 8 at the Kirtland Elementary School. Nathan Mosher attacks the ball as fellow teammate (12) Keevin Reynolds offers support against the FC United Hotshots. Upcoming games for The Outlaws will be against the Durango Renegades at the Escalante School fields, Saturday, April 15 and against the Farmington Stingrays in Durango at the Escalante School fields on Saturday, April 22 and closing out the season against the Aztec Regulators in Aztec on Saturday, April 29.









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ANOTHER LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This is my perception, my ability to think for myself and my understanding or interpretation of issues or daily events that I can speak of on my own time. This Tribal newspaper is uncensored by the tribe whereby; we are encouraged to speak out, to voice our own opinions without the possibility of termination of employment because one has nothing to

do with the other. As a Southern Ute member, I would encourage all of us to begin a dialogue regarding what takes place within our government, our Council's chambers and our community. Many of us experience the same things and we speak to friends, family and others within this community that we feel close to and safe with. Members, we need to take this dialogue to the leaders of this tribe to achieve or assist in creating much needed change. I see our members being denied employment, placed in menial positions even though we possess the same credentials as our white counterparts. We experience termination at a whim versus the intense compiling of numerous complaints and processing that it takes to terminate a non-Indian. Case and point, how does one rid the tribal government of several proficient Natives. One who worked for our Montessori school for 17 years, three to four proficient Natives from DSS, three to four Natives from TERO, another who was terminated from the Multipurpose faduring the last four to five years that I have been here to witness personally. The harassment of Native personnel is continual until termination was and is accom-

start after the 90-day probationary period? I have seen a turnover of several Natives through purchasing and currently, the target is our comptroller who has been of service to this Tribe and our membership for ten years without any major discrepancies or catastrophic events during their time of employment. How does one stay in a position for ten years with no complaints and then changes are made among the players and the comptroller is suddenly said to be inept.

I'll tell you why, because those that want her terminated are so fearful of losing that pay check that they can be manipulated by others to do their bidding for them. There are those among us who have control issues and would like to see our controller ousted from our government only to have that position for themselves or to manipulate the system according to their own agenda. They spend hours devising plans in secret however, I must tell you God says every hidden thing shall come to light. If one wanted this position then one should have gone to school and put in the time to accomplish the same academics, the time within this position to obtain experience necessary as our comptroller put in to achieve such goals. This was not a given, our comptroller is qualified and able to run our finance department as well as, achieving the necessary steps to serve as CFO. It is our Council that denied our comptroller the opportunity to move into the next phase of her development. This is how little we are believed in cility and this has just been by our leaders that we placed or elected to advocate for us. They are elected officials who we as a people put into office to protect our interest and yet, there is no protection.

The bottom line is the re- **OPEN LETTER TO** plished by those we hire and ality of this circumstance MEMBERSHIP bring into our government is that we as a people have to service our community. If given our voice away to a to the Southern Ute Indian including the Chairman. I these so-called professionals seven-member panel who is Tribal People, my friends, who are said to be capable allowing HR and a cadre of of running entire companies attorneys to take over comand divisions within super- plete functioning of our tribe visory positions for other and its government. Our corporations and business- Tribal Council continually es; why is it, when they ar- states how little power they rive here they are incapable possess to create productive of working with Natives, change for the membership. specifically Southern Utes? As I stated in a previous arti-What happens to all that cle, upon questioning counexpertise? Where does it go cil and HR about interviews once passed the interview? for employment, the mem-

the investments in higher education, the utilization of the educations earned, the advancement or promotion of those who have stood the test of time within their perspective fields, such as our comptroller. The response is always the same, they are unable to get involved in HR issues. They are unable to get involved in this or that, yet, they pride themselves in calling themselves council. They accept the pay for council while nothing changes, while we never get closer to employment in our perspective fields, while we are no closer to self-governing and while our sovereignty is used against us rather than for us. We are a sovereign nation who can create the rules according to our needs, our desire to develop our nation toward self-determination as the end result.

We are a unique people who share a common background with others who experienced the same damaging historical consequences genocide, oppression, systematic annihilation of a race, culture, creed, and the racism that continues today. If no one will fight for us than it is up to us to get up and learn to fight for ourselves. It is time that we take a more active stance in what we believe is right and just. Let us reason together and lift the oppressed from the current injustices that take place daily. Someone said to me within the last month, "Once we were warriors", I replied, "Once we were". We can be again. Let's stand united for one another, lifting each other in prayer and take back our government through self-determination.

> Respectfully, Yvonne Davis

my family, my ancestors and all those who will follow. I write to all of you with a heavy heart and with deep felt sadness. Most of you do not know me or only know the outside person who has lived among you all my life. I am the great-grandson of Pink and Black Cloud, the grandson of John Taylor and Kitty Cloud and the son Why does the harassment bership and it's employable, of Euterpe Taylor and Jose

Valdez. My name is Sylvia T. Valdez, an enrolled member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. I am 91 years old and a former Chairman of the Committee of Elders. I have lived 89 years on this reservation.

It is with great disappointment that I inform you that the Tribal Council that we have elected has rejected my request to correct my blood quantum. I have provided additional BIA and tribal documentation to the Council (which I obtained from the Federal and National Archives in Denver and Washington, DC). This information was not available to the People of the Tribe or to the previous Councils; who decided my original blood quantum in 1935 and then again in the early 1970's. I was born before 1935 and before any blood quanta were imposed by the government upon the Southern Ute people.

The Council recently provided me a letter indicating that they understand the situation but are not concerned that this happened to me or to so many others (several hundred of you and your descendants). I have included all of you in my documentation. I exposed the fact that there are many members who enjoy extra generations of blood quantum due to incorrect or incomplete information and/ or blatant corruption. I also exposed that many members of the Tribe were not originally Southern Ute at all and received special privilege from former superintendents of the BIA and previous Councils of the Tribe (some of these actions without the consent or knowledge of the Membership).

After informing them and providing these facts, I asked to meet with the Council again to give them the opportunity to explain their de-Mik', this is an open letter cision. I met with 5 members asked them to reconsider and make a decision independent of the tribal attorneys. They informed me that the attorneys had no bearing on their decision. Each member present explained in detail that they made the decision themselves and did not depend upon the recommendations provided by the attorneys. The Council cannot hide behind the idea that the attorneys persuaded them or that Council is being influenced by the attorneys own agenda.

> We, all of us who have tried to correct our blood quantum; have been led to believe that either the attorneys or the rules that are in place were to blame for all past Council's inaction

(many have died waiting for Examples: See below. an answer). That is not the case. The Council knows the truth and is refusing to act upon the facts.

Those facts are easy to see and the discrimination

(all the following information is available for any person to see in the Federal Archives in Denver or at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.)

1. I and many others were born before 1935 (the date of our original constitution) and should have been 4/4 Southern Ute just like the majority of the Tribe. I was born in March of 1926. change me.

Examples: See below. original 1935 census – it is important to note that these actions were not corrected in the re-creation of the census in the 1970's – if you would like clearer examples or specifics regarding your family, please contact me)

> No less than 38 times on the 1935 census are their examples of individuals being given 4/4 blood quantum documentation. The person (usually a child) is listed without a parent, with parents who are married but where one parent is not So. Ute, other native or is otherwise non-tribal or listed where both parents are not mem-

another tribe). 2. There are hundreds of people affected by maternal and paternal bloodlines. These traditions were only followed for certain this practice. There are nated against. mother listed as 4/4 and child listed as 4/4 and yet another mother 4/4 and the father non-Indian and the child listed as ½. Minor children listed alone with no parents provided 4/4. These examples show that fairness to each family was not considered. We know the truth now and we should fix it for everyone.

3. Previous Councils either did not know all the facts or did not know the extent to which they were discriminating against one family in favor of another. These family animosities have been created and encouraged by the BIA, the attorneys, and others within the Tribe and still exist to this day.

My suggestion to the council was to; go to the 1935 census and make everyone 4/4 at that time and carry out their descendant's enrollment through the present day. This would eliminate all the dis-I was born Ute and no crimination created at that one had the right to time and those that were continued in the 1970's.

It was important to note (all examples taken from the that I also suggested that the Tribe consider resolving these discriminations before moving to reducing the blood quantum. I am not against lowering the blood quantum, but the reason that you must correct the roll is that reducing the quantum would just extend the discriminations forward to another time. The excuse that I was given was that correcting it would be too difficult. That is ridiculous. We are in the modern age and we have the resources to make these

things right for the People. It is time to ask the People to stand up and require the Council to act upon these things that are driving us apart and weakening our Tribe. We know the truth now and should fix it for everyone. bers (or members of I did not ask this for myself when I went to the Council and I am not asking for me now. I ask this of the People for all the People. Please encourage the Council to reconsider and act in the best interest of the Tribe, including our families while others descendants and those who were excluded from have been clearly discrimi-

multiple (more than 40) At the end of my meeting examples of anomalies with the Council I insisted and outright discrimi- that I would not give up and nations in the roll. One I would tell everyone the mother with a son who truth. They want us all to go are both 4/4 without ex- away quietly as they slowplanation and another ly take our birthright from us one family at a time. with a son listed as ½. They cannot shut us up, as One mother 4/4 the father that the truth speaks louder than ther non-Indian and the one person yelling at the top of their lungs; I will not do that anymore. I have been angry and upset about it all. That does not get any of us anywhere. We need to work together to make these corrections happen. My wish is that all my family and especially my children continue this fight for their rights and their heritage.

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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

February 1, 2017

Sylvia T. Valdez P.O. Box 47 Ignacio, Colorado 81137

Re: Request to increase blood quantum.

Dear Mr. Valdez:

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council has considered your suggestion for Tribal Council to adopt a process to increase Southern Ute blood quantum and your renewed request to increase your Southern Ute blood quantum from one-quarter to full. Your request relied upon issues essentially identical to those raised in prior requests submitted by you to the Tribal Council. What appears to be new from your prior requests are broader policy questions pertaining to membership in the Tribe. The Tribal Council acknowledges the questions you have raised; however, they have no bearing on the outcome of your current request to increase your blood quantum

From 1956 to 1971, the Membership Committee, appointed by the Tribal Council, undertook an extensive process of reviewing the tribal membership rolls and making necessary blood quantum corrections. This process entailed several rounds of notification to tribal member heads of household and, with each notification, an opportunity to object to the blood quantum listed for each household member. In 1971, the Tribal Council adopted the Membership Committee's completed Census Roll. The 1971 Census Roll superseded all previous tribal rolls and, by a subsequent vote of the tribal membership, was incorporated into the Tribal Constitution.

With respect to your current request, the Executive Officers and the Tribal Information Services Department, in consultation with the Tribe's Legal Department, reviewed all of the documents you submitted and did not find any significant differences from the information you have previously submitted. The conclusions of this review were presented to the Tribal Council. After fully considering the issues raised in your letters, the Tribal Council has denied your current request for the following reasons:

- You have not provided any new information that would warrant reconsideration of previous Tribal Council decisions denying your requests to increase your Southern Ute
- 2) When considering any request pertaining to tribal membership, the Tribal Council is constrained by the membership provisions in Article II, Section 1 of the Tribal Constitution. Granting your request based on the information you have provided would require Tribal Council action that is in conflict with these provisions. The Tribal Council cannot take action that is inconsistent with the Tribal Constitution.

Clement J. Frost, Chairman Southern Ute Indian Tribe



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NOTICE OF PROBATE In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2017-PR-0039 Neil Buck Cloud, 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 May 15, 2017 at 10:00 AM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the

Dated this 10th of April, 2017 Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SunUte Main Entrance Door Replacement Project

Southern Ute Indian Tribe SunUte Dept. P.O. Box 737, 290 Mouache Circle Ignacio, CO 81137 ATTN: Ian Thompson

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Construction Services for the SunUte main entrance door replacement project. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's SunUte Department located at 290 Mouache Circle in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until May

8, 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 970-563-0214 or ithompson@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.

NOTICE OF HEARING

In The Matter Of; Case No: 2017-GV-0017: Rena Richards

The undersigned are hereby notified that the above-entitled matter has been scheduled for HEARING before the above named Court on June 5, 2017 at 4:00 PM.

> Dated April 3, 2017 Paula Trujillo, Southern Ute Tribal Court

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NOTICE OF HEARING In The Interest Of; Case No: 2017-PY-0004. Shoshoni Rain Blackwood, Child; Concerning: Ceriss Blackwood, Petitioner v. Gideon Two Crow, Respondent. The undersigned are hereby notified that the above-entitled matter has been scheduled for PATERNI-TY before the above named Court on May 16, 2017 at 2 PM.

Kara Cuthair, Southern Ute Tribal Court Dated: March 27, 2017

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE **Boards And Committees Vacancies**

ROYALTY COMMITTEE

Attention Past Royalty, Fair Rodeo Queens & Tribal Elders. The tribe is seeking former Miss Southern Ute/Fair Rodeo Queens and tribal Elders to serve on the Royalty Committee. Three positions are open for 1 elder member and 2 former royalty members. Initial terms are staggered, thereafter three-year terms will be served. To support the Royalty, by providing education in Ute culture and history, to promote and recruit applicants, to plan and host the annual pageant and royalty dinner, other duties associated with the committee. Will review/revise and as appropriate develop Royalty handbooks, code of ethics, review complaints and address disciplinary issues associated with the committee. Meets monthly, and works closely with the Culture Director, this is a non-paid committee. Interested Tribal members should submit a letter to the Human Resource Department at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Open until filled.

KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Seeking Southern Ute tribal member for 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.



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Ensuring that all general ledger, accounts receivable, fixed assets, job costing and accounts payable entries, adjustments, and reconciliations are made on an accurate and timely basis. Responsible for providing accounting support to the Controller, Assistant Controllers, and accounting staff, including general ledger, accounts receivable, fixed assets, job costing and accounts payable responsibilities. Will support the preparation of the monthly financial reporting packages and the annual audit function. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Business, Finance or closely related field; OR, an Associates' Degree in Accounting, Business or Finance and three years of full-time experience in an accounting position; OR, a high school diploma or equivalent and five years full time experience in an accounting position is required. Computer knowledge with an intermediate working knowledge and experience with Microsoft Windows, Word, and Excel is required. Must have experience establishing and maintaining complex filing systems. Must be skilled using modern office equipment to include calculator, copy machine, and fax machine. Must have valid driver's license and be insurable under Growth Fund vehicle insurance policy. Must pass criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

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.

Senior Security & Network Engineer – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 4/24/17

Developing and integrating all network communication requirements for the LAN/WAN. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Business Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering or other relevant degree and five years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools and large enterprise or service provider is required; OR, an Associate's degree in Computer Science, Business Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering and seven years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools, and large enterprise or service provider is required; OR a high school diploma or equivalent with nine years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools, and large enterprise or service provider is required. Must have strong, current firewall experience at the enterprise level. Experience with multiple site firewall installations, including highly available clusters is required. Ex- criminal history background check.

perience in route/switch, security or unified communication and collaboration is required. Must have strong troubleshooting, problem-solving and analytical abilities including packet capture analysis. Strong in-depth technical knowledge in security engineering, computer and network security, strong authentication and security protocols is required. Knowledge of network routing and security protocols and implementations: TCP/IP, SSL, IPSEC VPN, SSL VPN, VLANs and BGP is required. Must be able to create documents, spreadsheets, and detailed drawings in MS Office Suite and Visio. Must be able to work well under pressure, grasp new ideas quickly and be able to thrive in a dynamic and diverse environment. Excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills is required. Must be customer service oriented. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have a valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance carrier. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and

Maintenance Mechanic

Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority

Maintenance of buildings, facilities, grounds and light equipment. Performs carpentry, electrical, plumbing and general repairs on mechanical equipment or machinery. Performs general maintenance and repair tasks at the level of a skilled or licensed worker. Tasks are performed in one or more trades or crafts with minimal supervision. Specific duties include the following. Qualifications: High School graduate (or GED) or possess a vocational technician certification beyond high school or an equivalent combination of technical training and experience, and A/C Qualified. Five years experience or training in building construction or maintenance, or in the repair or maintenance of mechanical equipment. Preferably licensed in one or more of the trades. Knowledge of Uniform Building codes. Pick up applications at 760 Shoshone Ave., Ignacio CO 81137, or email marchuleta@suiha.org for an email copy of the application. Applications are due April 21, 3:30 p.m.

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.

Busser-Rolling Thunder (Full-time)

Closing date 4/17/17

Performs multiple tasks and duties within the restaurant and kitchen as instructed by supervisor and management. Clearing off and sanitizing tables for next group guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as plates, glasses, silverware and napkins. Busser will help cooks, servers and dishwashers perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 16 years old. Must have reliable transportation.

*Housekeeping Staff (Full-time, Grave shift) Closing date 4/14/17

Duties consist of cleaning all public areas including Casino floor, public restrooms, restaurant, lobby, offices and employee break rooms. High School Diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 21 years old. Previous experience in hospitality or retail field required. Previous cleaning or motel/hotel housekeeping experience preferred.

Line Cook-Willows (Full-time)

Closing date 4/14/17

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.

Room Attendant (Full-time)

Closing date 4/17/17

Thoroughly cleaning (20) hotel guest rooms and performing routine duties individually in a fast paced work environment. Cleaning hotel room by wiping, washing, scrubbing, vacuuming, sweeping and mopping all areas of the guest rooms. Requires the ability to bend, lift, stand and walk throughout the shift. The duties are physically demanding and may be stressful at times, particularly during peak season periods. Cleaning will include an average of 12 guest rooms and during peak season, up to 20 guest rooms per shift. Must be at least 18 years old. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. 1 year previous experience preferred in hotel or hospitality business. Must be able to perform repetitive physically demanding routine tasks.

*Multi-Games Dealer (Full-time, On-call)

Closing date 4/21/17

Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty 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. Must have 6 months experience as a table games dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in blackjack, three card poker, roulette and specialty games.

*Must be at least 21 years old.

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

FLC - Summer Work Program

Closing date 4/14/17

Summer work position for an enrolled local Native American. The length of the summer work program is two months. Program involves working within the Air and Water disciplines within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Environmental Division. Technical aspects include working with and performing various tasks within ambient air monitoring, air permitting and compliance, stream monitoring and riparian restoration resulting is a well-rounded, technical understanding of a Tribal environmental program. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Custodian

Closing date 4/17/17

Daily cleaning of Southern Ute Indian Tribe buildings and offices. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Maintenance Laborer

Closing date 4/17/17

Performs lawn service, gardening plots, moving of heavy furniture/appliances, minor tree pruning and shrub pruning at Tribal Elders or physically challenged Tribal members who reside at their primary residence and within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Assist with spring/fall clean up and snow plowing/shoveling. Reports directly to the TERO Division Head or delegated TERO Staff. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Facilities Operation Manager

Closing date 4/20/17

Southern Ute tribal member only. Directs operations and internal coordination of Multi-Purpose Facility, Memorial Chapel, and Ute Park activities. Provides a central contact in coordinating activities occurring in the facilities from various departments, developing marketing, special events, special projects and public relations. Formulates and oversees operational procedures, scheduling of activities and inventory management. Pay grade 19; \$44,347/ annually.

Tribal Court Administrator

Closing date 4/20/17

Provides assistance to the Chief Judge on budget analysis and preparation, as well as provides administrative and clerical support. Coordinating and managing the Bailiff/Court Security, Clerks Office, Family Court Support Office, and Probation functions through directives issues by the Chief Judge. Implements and maintains office systems to assure the efficient operation of the Tribal Court. Scheduling, preparing, recording and summarizing meetings. Performs procurement and travel duties, and works with financials related to grants. Pay grade 20; \$48,898/annually.

Museum Collections Manager

Closing date 4/21/17

Responsible for all aspects of care for the Scorekeeper (Part-time) Southern Ute Museum loaned and accessioned collections, including storage and display of all artifacts to professional museum standards, and maintenance of a current collections database. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Museum Curator

Closing date 4/21/17

Designing in-house exhibits, managing travel exhibits, and working closely with departments and individuals to fabricate, install, and maintain long-term and short-term gallery exhibitions. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Museum Director

Closing date 4/21/17

Leadership, overall operations, and day-to-day management of the museum, and will develop, plan, coordinate, implement and evaluate all aspects of the museum's activities and operations, including public relations, marketing and promotional aspects. Guiding the museum in the direction of its mission, strategic planning, implementing policies, and developing programs; manage the budget and any additional funding; direct and manage all staff, volunteers, and contractors. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/annual.

Museum Technician

Closing date 4/21/17

Will work closely with the Director, Curator and Collection Manager to provide support toward the completion of museum exhibits, assist with the care of all collections, and help monitor the condition of the museum facility. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Farm Heavy Equipment Operator

Closing date 4/25/17

Under general supervision of the Field Supervisor provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out the project assignments for the Custom Farm Division. May require an employee to be placed on a winter furlough period of at least two months per year but not more than four months. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Chief Medical Officer

Open until filled

Full-time position, organizing and supervising the work of Southern Ute Health Center clinical programs to ensure that effective clinical services are provided and quality standards are met. Will 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. Will 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 allotted to each clinical and administrative duties.

Detention Transport Officer Open until filled

Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all inmate activities within and outside of the detention center. Transportation of inmates to and from other facilities, medical appointments, and court appearances. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Electrician

Open until filled

Repair, maintenance and installation of mechanical and electrical equipment in Tribal buildings, troubleshooting and correcting safety hazards.

Payroll Manager

Open until filled

Complete and accurate preparation of multistate payroll, including paychecks, payroll tax filings, year-end reports, and other related payroll information in a timely manner, assuring consistency and adherence to federal regulations, and applicable state and local regulations, as well as policies and procedures. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/annual.

Open until filled

Operates the scoreboard keeping up with balls, strikes, outs, runs scored, innings and alike. Keeps accurate written records of games. Turns in paperwork and game results to designated supervisor. Pay grade 12; \$11/hour.

Summer Youth Employment Program

Southern Ute tribal members only. Under general supervision of the Youth Employment Program Coordinator, Youth Employment Program Aide, or Tribal Department Directors, Division Heads, or Managers, the Youth Employment Program Worker performs job duties as directed and participates in activities provided within the SUIT Education Youth Employment Program. This summer program is designed to provide employment from June to August 2016, with extensions available to make up hours missed due to illness or absence.

Umpire/Referee (Part-time)

Officiating in scheduled games and programs sponsored or coordinated by the SunUte Recreation Dept. Under the direct supervision of the Recreation Manager. Programs run by the Recreation Specialists. Pay grade 20; \$21.32/hour.

Ignacio School District – Job announcements

Application/Information: 970-563-0500 ext. 221

Information, job descriptions and application can be found at: www.ignacioschools.org

Cook, Temporary Receptionist (April-Sept.). For 2017-18 school year: Secondary PE/Health Teacher; Southwest/Native Studies Teacher; Family Consumer Science Teacher; Secondary Gifted Teacher; Special Ed Paraprofessional, Girl's Basketball Coach.

SUCAP – Job announcements

Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices • www.sucap.org Southern Ute Community Action Program 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-4517 • Fax: 970-563-4504

SU Montessori Head Start – Head Start Teacher (Full-time)

Closing date 4/28/17 - Exceptional health care benefits. High School diploma; AA or BA required preferred in Early Childhood. Must have at least one-year of experience in early child care in a provider setting. Must pass background checks.

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OPEN LETTER TO MEMBERSHIP • FROM PAGE 13

The question is simple that I proposed to the Council and now to the people: "What would you do if this were happening to your family? Would you fight for your rights?". The Council and the People have the truth in front of them now. The solution is not as difficult as you and the Council has been led to believe. Remember, if my family is first, yours is next and the self-destruction of our Tribe will be the result.

The enrollment of our been established with hon-

Examples: Maternal

esty, inclusiveness and with with deceit, exclusion and discrimination. I truly hope that all of you will tell your story to the Council and the People; so we don't all die off. Don't let the government win by stealing our land, lying about our history and destroying our heritage by excluding our children and their children. That is what they have wanted all along.

now. Soon I will go and live read this and consider what with the old ones. My time I have said. To'owiak. Membership should have has been great and I have seen so many wonderful

Defining Charts: Maternal and Paternal Lines, Discriminations and Anomalies Census Form 1935:

changes in the world in my fairness in mind and not lifetime. I have been blessed to enjoy the benefit of being a Tribal member and hunting and fishing when the feeling came to me. I have learned my life lessons in the mountains and the streams of Colorado, and on this reservation in particular. I want the same for all my family and your families too. I hope they will do those things together (Nu-num). Thank It won't be long for me you for taking the time to

> Respectfully, Sylvia T. Valdez

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

Happy Birthday Leela! We love you forever and ever!!!

All of us <3



To our little darling

We want to share our happiness for being blessed with an intelligent, caring, sassy little lady. Sibrya, you show your heart to your family everyday with your caring ways. You make sure your family feels loved, especially your big "brudder." We love your hugs and your laughter, your humor, your smile, and the innocent sparkle in your big brown eyes. You have been waiting to turn 5 years old for a long time, and April 16th is the day! Happy Birthday Sibrya "Yaya" Bre Larry! Thank you for being you.

With love, Momma O, Daddy B, Keyana & Makwa, Little Tiny, and Brudder

Happy 10th birthday Sweet Pea! Love,



GMA Mel



CLOUD – Neil Buck Cloud left mother Earth to go be with his family on March 29, 2017 at his family home. Neil Buck Cloud's father was Julius Nash Cloud and his mother was Mollie Buck Tobias Cloud. He was born in the Taylor Hospital in Ignacio, Colorado, and attended the Ute Vocational School. Neil was the second oldest of nine children. During his lifetime he went to college in Oregon, graduated, and worked as a therapist in Pueblo, Colorado before coming back home.

He lived in the family home caring for his mother as her health declined over time. During the good times throughout the years he enjoyed watching his nephews play football and basketball. He also participated in traditional ways in the spring time Bear Dance, performing as the "cat man," which he enjoyed. He also participated in the Sundance for a number of years, after being selected by Edward Box Sr.

Neil's employment included: Tribal Council, Ute Language Coordinator, NAGPA Coordinator, assistance in writing three editions of the Ute Language

Dictionary, and service in the U.S. Navy during the Korea conflict.

Julius Nash Cloud; mother Mollie Buck Tobias Cloud; brothers Darwin Cloud, Elliott Cloud, and Gerald Buck Cloud; sister Lorraine Baker; nephew-child Uriah Cloud and niece Janell Denny Weaver. He leaves behind sister Renee Cloud; many nephews and nieces: Antonio and

Shyla Cloud, Barry and Zariah Cloud, Neice Tonece Baca, Marquetta Valdez Howe (Walter), Isaiah Valdez, Sergio, Izabella Yllana, Ollyvia, NieceToniette Baca Lopez, Kree, Kirsten and Philman and Mia Lopez; Niece Danita Baker, Issac and Anthony Suinia, Nathneal, Elliott, and Dewayne Hendren, Eleanor Frost, Jacob Frost, Quinton Cloud. Alex, Somer, and Jada Cloud, Lucinda Cloud, Lambert Cloud, Lawrence Cloud, and Jayden Tobias.

He also leaves behind, from his aunt's side of the family, Gayla Cloud and all the people who entered into his circle of life and his Sundance family.

A wake was held Sunday, April 2, 2017, at the family home in Ignacio, including midnight and sunrise ceremonies. A traditional service was held Monday, April 3, 2017 at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Room followed by burial at Ignacio East Cemetery.

Degree Census Marital Relationship **Tribe** Sex **Birth** Name Number of Blood **Status** F 2/20/05 Mother S. Ute Full Head (Of family) Father Μ 2/10/04 Mexican M Husband Son 4/13/27 S. Ute Full Son Daughter F 5/19/30 S. Ute Full Daughter Mother F 2/22/09 S. Ute Full S Head S. Ute Μ 3/18/26 Son Full Son **Examples: Paternal** Father M 6/18/03 S. Ute M Head Full F Mother 9/12/08 Ute Mtn. Full Μ Wife Μ Son 11/10/28 S. Ute Full Son Father M 8/18/07 S. Ute Full S Head (No mother listed)

							mother listed
11	Son	М	9/10/27	S. Ute	Full	-	Son
12	Son	М	3/3/29	S. Ute	Full	_	Son
Examples: Discriminations							
13	Mother	F	12/10/05	S. Ute	Full	S	Head (No father listed)
14	Son	М	11/10/29	S. Ute	1/2	-	Son

14	Son	M	11/10/29	S. Ute	1/2	_	Son	
15	Father	М	7/18/89	Negro	1	М	Head	
16	Mother	F	9/10/99	S. Ute	Full	М	Wife	
17	Son	М	3/3/25	S. Ute	1/2	ı	Son	
Examples: Anomalies								
18	Father	М	6/6/04	S. Ute	Full	М	Head	

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18	Father	М	6/6/04	S. Ute	Full	М	Head
19	Mother	F	9/3/08	S. Ute	Full	М	Wife
20	Nephew	М	11/5/20	S. Ute	3/4	_	Nephew
Unknown Status - No Information							

Unknown Status - No Information:							
21	Father	М	10/3/08	S. Ute	Full	М	Head
22	Mother	F	12/10/05	S. Ute	Full	М	Wife
23	Step Son	М	10/19/27	S. Ute	3/4	_	Step Son
24	Step Daughter	F	9/3/28	S. Ute	1/2	_	Step Daughter
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25 Daughter F 4/22/30 S. Ute Full Daughter

Other Concerns:							
Name	Situation						
Family	Did not follow father's/mother's quantum						
Family Two sets of kids, some follow father, some follow mother's blood line							
Family One child is reduced others all the same (full brothers/sisters)							
Family	Step children follow the enrolled members bloodline (without being tribal)						
Family	Both parents are mixed native and s. Ute - children 4/4 Ute						
37	Families followed the maternal or paternal line (and added at least one generation to their bloodline)						
1 Family followed the maternal and paternal lines of the grandparents							
21	21 Families were discriminated directly						

The exact details of dates and other information have been changed from the original census to protect individual families, but the context is accurate and provides detail to the fact that some people gained advantage while others did not.

Families had anomolies that could not be easily explained and were not

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Your weekend forecast!









Ambient Monitoring:

Current up to date, daily readings for Temp, Wind, Precipitation can be found on the Southern Ute's Environmental Programs Division, Air Quality Program website at

documented on the census

AQI - Ignacio: 35 AQI - Bondad: 38 www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmentalprograms/air-quality/ambient-monitoring.

Air quality: As of 4/13

He was preceded in passing by his father