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VETERAN AFFAIRS

Vets, NMAI talk national memorial

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) held one of their 35 consultations concerning the National Native American Veterans Memorial on Friday, April 28 at the SunUte Community Center. Southern Ute and other local Native veterans were in attendance to listen to and share ideas on the upcoming national memorial that will be built in honor of all Native American veterans. The memorial is slated to be unveiled on Veterans Day in 2020 on the grounds of NMAI in Washington D.C.

“It’s important Native American veterans are being recognized for the service we’ve provided to the country and our homeland,” Southern Ute Chairman and veteran, Clement J. Frost said.

In 2013 Congress passed legislation for a Native American Veterans Memorial to be built, however federal funds cannot be used to build it, Kevin Gover, Director of NMAI said. Gover’s presentation to the veterans focused on gathering recommendations as well as discussing how to raise money for the memorial to be built.

“If we please you [veterans] with our efforts that’s what really matters,” Gover said. “What’s important is this memorial is meaningful to you.”

NMAI and the National Native American Veterans Memorial Committee are hoping to raise \$15 million to build the memorial. The committee and NMAI have already been traveling to different regions of the country spreading the news about the memorial and gathering insight from Native American veterans on what the memorial should include. The consultations



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Veterans, Roderick Grove and Tim Watts listen to Southern Ute Veterans Association Commander Howard Richards Sr. express his personal thoughts on the proposed National Native American Veterans Memorial to be built in Washington, D.C.

have also been serving as a way to discuss potential donation opportunities that could help get the memorial built.

“Right now the biggest barrier is raising money for the memorial,” Gover said.

Southern Ute veteran, Roderick Grove offered some of his views on what the memorial should include, stating that a soldier from each major conflict should be represented in the attire that was worn during the conflict. He also suggested that the memorial recognize all federally recognized tribes by incorporating all the tribal seals into the memorial.

“The truth needs to be told. In World War I we were not even citizens,” Grove said. “Natives never ran away, they stepped up and did their duty.”

Fellow Southern Ute veteran Howard Richards Sr. agreed with Grove, saying that all tribes need to be represented. Richards also acknowledged the work ahead for NMAI and the committee and said he hopes to be there on the day of the unveiling.

“Your challenge is great and there will be some opposition,” Richards said. “But I see the light at the end of the tunnel.”

Raymond Baker, South-

ern Ute veteran, said it’s crucial they not forget about the Native American women veterans when building the memorial.

“It’s very important that the woman is there,” Baker said.

Gover said he has heard from many other tribes about the importance of honoring women veterans and that the memorial will definitely include something honoring Native American women.

As far as choosing an artist to design the memorial, Gover said it will be open to everybody and will be a blind competition until the finalists are chosen.

Southern Ute sculptor, Oreland Joe was also invited to the meeting by the Southern Ute Veterans Association to learn about the national memorial and to be present when the Veterans Association talked about the sculpture Joe had created.

At the meeting with NMAI, the Southern Ute Veterans Association presented photos of the sculpture titled, “Point Man” that Joe had designed representing all Native American Vietnam veterans. Currently, the Association is working with New Mexico Congressman Steve Pearce on having the statue displayed in Las Cruces, N.M.

SPECIAL ELECTION

Election Board certifies Referendum results

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost addressed tribal members and the election board following the certification of votes on Friday, May 5, in council chambers. “We recognize the tribal membership’s voice in regards to the election,” said Frost.

A total of 646 votes, in person and absentee, were cast in the Referendum Election, 611 voted to approve and 35 to disapprove, in an official statement from the Southern Ute Election Board – The Referendum Election passed.

“Tribal Council will meet to discuss the process to distribute funds,” Frost said. “The next step is to set the date.”

Southern Ute Councilman Tyson Thompson stated the funds will be distributed “within 45 calendar days – per the deadline.”

The specific date for distribution of the funds is still



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder Arlene Millich voices her concerns following the certification of the Referendum Election votes on Friday, May. 5 in Ignacio, Colo.

unannounced at this time.

“We have to get with the staff and the Chief Financial Officer, Southern Ute Vice Chairman Alex S. Cloud said. “We have to check with them, they do the work,” Cloud said in a statement regarding the process and procedure for distribution of the settlement funds.

“It was good that the membership all came together and voted,” Southern Ute elder Judy Lansing said. “Especially those who live off the reservation.”

These sentiments were

echoed by Southern Ute tribal member Marjorie Borst, “This vote said your voice is important. Let’s go forward without the anger and mistrust.”

Councilman Adam Red hopes to have more involvement from the tribal membership going forward. “We want tribal member involvement, I hope this continues,” he said.

Some tribal members expressed disappointment in the fact that specific

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EDUCATION

School Board, Tribal Council meet

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Ignacio School Board met with the Southern Ute Tribal Council on Thursday, April 27 to provide updates on the Ignacio School District.

Kicking off the meeting, the main focus was on low graduation rates and truancy issues amongst tribal member students this school year. La Titia Taylor, Education director and Ignacio School District Superintendent Dr. Rocco Fuschetto informed Tribal Council about the small number of tribal members who will be graduating from Ignacio on time this year. Taylor said she hasn’t seen such a low graduation rate since 2010. Taylor did mention that some students would finish in the summer, but that it is still alarming to see such a low graduation rate amongst tribal students. The Education Department

and the school district have been working on identifying why this class of seniors seems to be struggling. She mentioned a few ideas of why, poor attendance being one of them.

Fuschetto said the school district, along with the Education Department reached out to students and their families early in the school year – October of 2016 – trying to help the students while there was still time for them to make positive changes and to graduate on time. Fuschetto said sometimes schools go through rough cycles with some classes not performing as well as others despite being treated the same as fellow classes.

School Board representatives said they would be looking into the truancy policy again.

“There are some kids that miss 50-60 days of school,” Robert Shurman School

Board President said. “That’s impossible to make up. We want the kids in school so they can get an education.”

Taylor said the tribal government might want to look into implementing a tribal law pertaining to truancy. Taylor used the Pequot Tribe as an example, stating that they saw a change in their attendance issue overnight after they began enacting fines against parents of truant kids.

Fuschetto went on to say that attendance is not just a high school issue. It is common to see attendance issues in high school, middle school and elementary school students within the same family, he said.

Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost asked what the Tribe needs to do to help tribal parents and families.

“We need to help the stu-

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Tribes unite for health



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Tribes of the Navajo Nation, Ute Mountain Ute, White Mesa, Southern Ute and community members from the states of Ariz., Colo., N.M., and Utah, comprising the Four Corners States, met at the entrance to the Four Corners National Monument on Friday, May 5. Participants circled the national monument prior to the closing ceremonies during the annual Walking Together For Healthier Nations.

More walk photos on page 11.

Permanent Fund HR Improvement Plan – Tribal Member Update

Monday, May 15, 2017 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM
Southern Ute Growth Fund – 1st Floor Conference Room

Tribal Membership is encouraged to the update. Blue Stone Strategy Group will review Implementation Plan to improve the Human Resources for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Permanent Fund.

Agenda

- I. Assessment Results
- II. Recommended Changes
- III. Implementation Plan
- IV. Questions & Answers

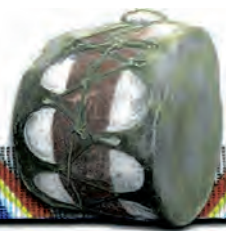
Members who cannot make the meeting can access via Web-Ex on the Tribal Member website. Check the website or the Tribe’s Facebook page for registration information. For access to the website, please contact Lindsay Box.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist – 970.563.0100

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

See page 2 for Web-Ex registration information.



Web-Ex registration information

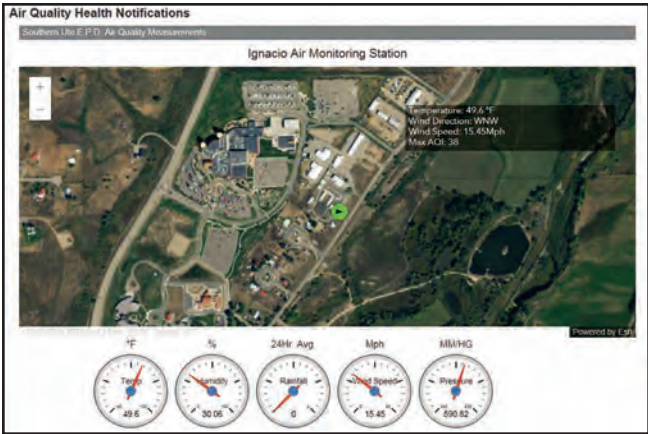
The Tribal Membership is encouraged to attend the implementation plan update provided by Blue Stone Strategy Group. The group will share their plan to help improve the Southern Ute Permanent Fund Human Resources department. Tribal Members who cannot make the meeting can access via Web-Ex on the Tribal Member website. You can register for the Web-Ex Event by following the links on one of these locations: the Tribal Member website, Tribal Facebook, and in the Southern Ute Drum and on the Drum's website. Registration is required; if you want to gain access to the Web-Ex Event, please follow the link below to register. The password to register is "sumembr". You will only be allowed to register once and you will only be granted access from a single source, so please do not share your registration information with anyone.

To register for the online event:

1. <https://sugf.webex.com/sugf/onstage/g.php?MTID=ee-1e2c62d69d371116d6068c577029e66>
2. Click "Register".
3. On the registration form, enter your information and then click "Submit".

Once the host approves your registration, you will receive a confirmation email message with instructions on how to join the event. Members will be able to log-in as early as 10 minutes prior or at anytime during the event. To log-on to the Web-Ex Event, you must return to your email inbox and follow the link from the confirmation email. This automatically brings up a window where you will be required to input the code included in the confirmation email. If you have questions, comments, or technical difficulties, please contact Lindsay Box at 970-563-2313 or lbox@southernute-nsn.gov, you may also contact Landri Wauneka at 970-563-5055 or lwauneka@southernute.com.

Real-time weather, air quality



Southern Ute Air Quality Program launches an interactive air quality, weather-monitoring site online with real-time data. Pollution levels, wind speed, wind direction and temperature are updated every five minutes; rainfall data is also collected for the past 24 hours. Color-coded charts and active gauges make the weather site user friendly. The regional map feature is also integrated with Google Earth. The interactive website is mobile friendly, and can be found via the Southern Ute Tribe's website, under Ambient Monitoring.

Many Moons Ago

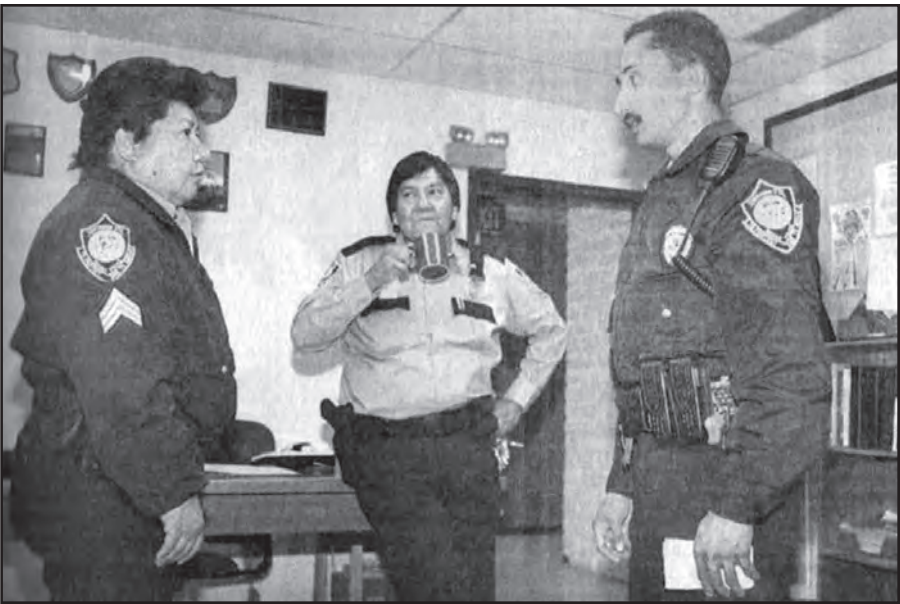


Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Happy May Day! Those words were heard throughout the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building on May 1, 2007. Classroom 4 from the Southern Ute Head Start traveled across the street to wish employees a Happy May Day and gave out hand crafted picture frames to celebrate the first day of May.

This photo first appeared in the May 11, 2007, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Roberta Cook/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Richard Herrera reports to his superiors, Sergeant Jeannie Cook and Lieutenant Robert Burch.

This photo first appeared in the May 9, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Mary Sage and Jimmy Newton waiting in line for treats.

This photo first appeared in the May 15, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

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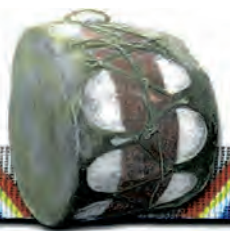
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STORYTELLING

Mr. Turtle: A new spin on an old story

By Ronald YellowBird

PART 1 OF 2

Part two will appear in the May 26 issue.

Of my earliest memories, the sound of the Pine River remains embedded in my soul. Overlooking the valley I would hear a constant sound of water washing over the river doughnuts. The roar of the river became louder in spring and could be heard throughout the day and night. Only, in the evening when the winds are calm, does the volume become loudest and a firefly illuminates a path in the darkness.

I can remember the old storyteller, who would affirm his belief of a time when the animals could speak with humans and by the river lived a community of the living. When you are little you can see a path beneath the bush that grownups cannot see. I was able to scoot through the underbrush and I realized that I was on a well-traveled path.

Soon I emerged into a clearing of wildflowers and the path snaking into the riverbank. Not far from the river was a tidy home built into a hollowed tree trunk. This particular home was the permanent residence of Mr. and Mrs. Turtle.

They lived a simple life, and Mrs. Turtle busied herself with daily chores. Now, Mr. Turtle, was a horse of a different color, he was proud of himself for knowing everyone else's business. A

prolific reader and articulate speaker, who could cite great works of literature, or annoy, or bore you into submission. Conversations were very dry and usually about all his accomplishments. Mr. Turtle could talk for hours on end and didn't have many friends.

One morning after breakfast, Mr. Turtle decided to take a morning stroll. Ever slow but sure of each step, he followed a path beneath the foliage that ran along the Pine River. "What fantastic luck" he said to himself, as he stooped to examine a delicious worm crossing his path.

Suddenly, he heard two small birds excitedly chirping of a general meeting. "What's this you're babbling about some meeting of great minds," interrupted Mr. Turtle. He delighted in opposing your very own comments and played devil's advocate deliberately. One had to endure his long-winded explanations and wish he would get to the point. He loved attention and was determined to find this meeting.

In his thinking, the prospect of sharing the worm was never going to happen. However, he wanted to satisfy his curiosity and his little brain was already scheming of getting both. "Let me offer a proposal for information," said Mr. Turtle.

The little birds looked on quietly and would remember how Mr. Turtle had fooled them before. "Now in exchange for knowledge I will

share a most delicious treat," said Mr. Turtle who was watching for a reaction. The two little birds were not buying any of it. It didn't help when the worm was squirming under foot. The poor worm was trying to get away and was tickling Mr. Turtle, this put a sly smile on his face. "You're trying to pull a fast one, you don't have any treats" said one of the birds.

"Of course, I do, now let me show you both" and Mr. Turtle lifted his foot. There was indeed a juicy worm and both birds began singing like canaries. With much fanfare and anticipation of receiving a tasty morsel, information was given up. "Now, how do I get rid of these pesky birds," thought Mr. Turtle. There was a rustling in the tall grass and Mr. Turtle yelled to the birds to fly away or be eaten by feral cat. The two little birds quickly vanished and leaving Mr. Turtle to retreat into his shell.

Although, being quite startled himself, he managed to swallow the worm before he hid. He was hoping for a good outcome and his wish was granted. There was no feral cat, but Mrs. Turtle who was looking for her glasses. "My dear, your eyeglasses are on your head," said Mr. Turtle. She felt around and readjusted them, "silly me," she said.

Mrs. Turtle gathered her husband and together went home for the night. Mr. Turtle

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Elders create language materials



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Culture Department Director Edward Box III stands alongside Southern Ute tribal elders involved with creating materials to be used for future Ute language classes under the culture department, left to right, Ute elders Dorothy Lee Wing, Pearl Casias, and Lynda Grove-D'Wolf at the Southern Ute Museum on Tuesday, April 25.

Zinke meets with Ute Tribe



courtesy Nedra Darling/Dept. of Interior

Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke met with leaders of the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah & Ouray on Wednesday, May 3. The Tribal leaders and the Secretary discussed several issues including energy development, the nature of sovereignty, public lands, and the Bears Ears National Monument. The Secretary and the Tribal leaders committed to maintaining an ongoing open and positive dialogue.

REFERENDUM RESULTS • FROM PAGE 1

details regarding the distribution of funds were not made available immediately following the election.

"It shouldn't have come down to this point in the process," said Lansing, who was among those who believed the funds should have been released to the tribal

membership much sooner.

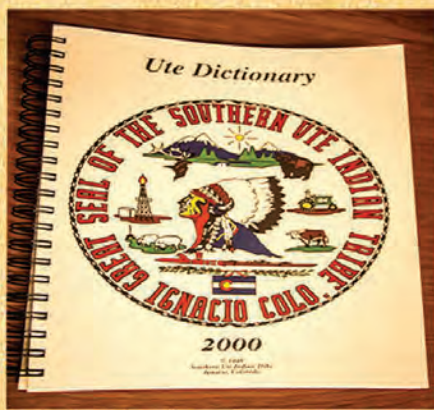
Others supported the efforts of Tribal Council in the matter of handling the distribution process for the remaining funds, which were set aside last year from the Sisseton Settlement.

"You came up with a referendum, to me you did your

job for the membership," Southern Ute elder Byron Frost said. "So I thank you—the tribal membership, and the Tribal Council."

"Let's look at this positively in regards to the outcome today," Chairman Frost said. "Let's leave this room in a good way."

The Ute Dictionary is Available



The Ute Dictionary (2000) is available to the Southern Ute Tribal Member at the Southern Ute Culture Department, located on the second floor in the Southern Ute Museum. If you have further questions please contact the Southern Ute Culture Department (970)-563-2983.

CULTURE UPDATE

DANCERS NEEDED

The Southern Ute Culture department is looking for Southern Ute tribal members or descendants to participate in the following events:

- **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, (1) Catman
- If you are interested to sign up for any of the above listed events contact Special

Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-2985.

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.

97th annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair theme, logo contest

The Southern Ute Culture Department would like to announce the 2017 Logo and Theme Contest for the 97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair. This Contest is open to ALL UTE MEMBERS. All art media will be accepted until May 30, 2017 at 5 p.m. Artwork shall be no larger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with respective artwork. Artwork must be signed by the artists. Selected artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Department and will be featured on all items associated with the 97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair. The winner will receive a \$750 monetary award plus Fair merchandise that will be purchased by the Southern Ute Culture Department with the Fair Logo and Theme. Winner will do a short interview & picture with the Public Relations Department OR may write a short paragraph explaining the Logo and Theme which will be featured in the 2017 Fair Premium Book. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES! Submit to the Southern Ute Culture Department PO Box 737, #88 Ignacio, CO 81137 or call 970-563-2985 if you any questions.

Bear Dance Kick Off Meal

Friday
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LOCATION:

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Contact: Special Events Coordinator
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Superheroes run for Wagner



photos Krista Richards/Special to the Drum

Students and teachers get the go ahead from SunUte Fitness Director Robin Duffy-Wirth who helped organize the run at the SunUte Community Center Park on Saturday, May 6.

Ignacio Elementary School Vice Principal Willie Machallister attended the Super Hero Fun run with his family as they finished "Bobcat Strong".



Ignacio Elementary, Ignacio School District and the Ignacio community embraced me last fall when I became ill and underwent brain surgery. They rallied around me by sending letters, pictures, gifts, and emails. I am not able to attend the Fun Run being held in my honor on Saturday, May 6. I am in Englewood, Colorado at Craig Hospital. Craig is a rehabilitation hospital where the doctors and therapists are helping me get ready to return to teaching this fall.

They call me a superhero. I am humbled by this title; however, the entire Ignacio community has become my hero. Without their support and encouragement, I may not be where I am today.

Laura Wagner

MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Crisis intervention training strengthens community

May is Mental Health Month

Mary Trujillo Young
SU HEALTH CENTER

The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) of Southwest Colorado is a regional program focusing on ways of improving law enforcement and community response to behavioral health crisis. The program seeks to foster collaboration between law enforcement, behavioral health providers and the individuals and families in our communities.

Since 2003, this program has been providing police officers the knowledge to identify, prevent and de-escalate crisis situations. By actively using the skills gained in this training, CIT officers can successfully manage volatile crisis situations that may threaten both officer and citizens.

Twenty-five local law enforcement personnel from Southwest Colorado recently completed the CIT training in Durango. Of those 25, five graduates of this training were from the Ignacio



photos courtesy Mary Trujillo Young/SU Health Center

Pictured (from left to right): Southern Ute Police Officer Dale Gurule, Cpl. Sheldon K. Joe, Brandon Day, Registered Nurse, and JoAnn Reddy, Administrative Assistant all of the Southern Ute Detention Center, Ignacio Police Officer Mark Robinson, Mary Trujillo Young, CIT Training Facilitator with the Southern Ute Health Center.

area and included 3 from the Southern Ute Detention Center, 1 from Southern Ute Police Department, and 1 from Ignacio Police Department.

Officers participate in 40 hours of classroom training involving education on mental health and substance use disorder signs and symptoms, appropriate medications and side effects, use of verbal de-escalation skills, active listening

Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, Bayfield Marshall's Office, Durango Police Department, Mercy Regional Medical Center Security, La Plata County Detention Center, Useful Public Service, and Axis Health System.

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Each year, there is also a nomination process for CIT Officer of the Year awards. This year, this select group of individuals included Sgt. Nikolas Ezzell of the Southern Ute Detention Center (SUDC). Other recipients of this award included Officer Greg Dodd, Durango Police Department, and Sgt. Bren Berryhill & Lt. Ed Aber, La Plata County Sheriff's Office. These individuals were honored for their outstanding contribution to the community as CIT Officers at the annual Crisis Intervention Team Training graduation ceremony on April 28.

For more information, contact Mary Trujillo Young or Jennifer GoodTracks at the Southern Ute Health Center, 970-563-4581.



Southern Ute Detention Sgt. Nikolas Ezzell, Crisis Intervention Team Officer of the Year.

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Mental Health Matters

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Meet at the Leonard C. Burch Building; south side

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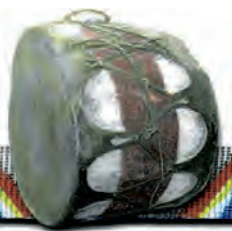
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TRIBAL STUDENTS

Elbert J. Floyd award nominations

Staff report
SU EDUCATION DEPT.

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

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

- Interested in serving the Tribe and the community
- Approved by the Department of Education

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person.

Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Nomination must be submitted in writing to El-

len S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 26 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.

Hight receives Academic Award



courtesy Jonathan Hunstiger/SU Education Dept.

Southern Ute tribal member, Marcus Hight was presented with the annual Student Academic Excellence Award for outstanding academic performance within welding. The award was presented during the Student Academic Excellence Awards Reception held Thursday, April 20, at San Juan College, Farmington, N.M.

Students perform 'Chick! Chick!'



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Ignacio Elementary School students held their spring concert titled 'Chick! Chick!' at the Ignacio High School Performing Arts auditorium on Tuesday, May 2. The concert featured singing and dancing by 2nd and 3rd grade students. The Elementary School's music teacher, Mrs. Bryson, led the performance.



Students encouraged participation from the audience during their performance, which included singing and dancing.

Micah Chee raises the moon high during the Ignacio Elementary School spring concert.

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dents and families become healthier," he said. "I feel a lot of these things we can do ... whatever we can do to help the parents."

Frost also said the parents need to be responsible for their students and teach them the importance of education.

"The students don't see the impact that it will have not having a diploma ... in order to get money in your pocket you need to get a diploma or certificate to get paid."

Southern Ute Council lady Lorelei Cloud said that finding a solution for truancy and low graduation rates should be a joint effort of the tribe and school district.

Shurman agreed with Cloud on working together as a community.

"Whatever we do, I'd like the tribe and the district to be united on it," he said. "I want the same goals for both of us."

Also discussed at the meeting was changing the year Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) students will transfer to public school. Taylor said SUIMA is looking to eliminate sixth grade at the academy; having students transfer after fifth grade.

"We want to align with the school district," she said. "Kids are maturing

quicker and it will help with the transition when they are with kids that are the same age rather than younger kids at the Montessori."

Fuschetto agreed, "it'll be a easier transition with the rest of the sixth graders that transition at the same time."

The academy is also looking to implement the Lexia Reading Program that the Ignacio Elementary School has. The elementary school has seen the reading program improve reading levels in their students. SUIMA and the elementary school are hoping to work together so the academy can use the same licensure the elementary already has.

Students awarded for academics



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Keynote speaker, Tanaya Winder thrills the crowd with her wise words at the 31st Annual Academic Awards Banquet held at the Ignacio High School Auditorium on Monday, May 1.

Junior, Kai Roubideaux shakes hands with Assistant Principal Rocky Cundiff as he receives an academic award for earning a 3.2 or higher GPA for the 2016-2017 school year.

Kindergarten enrollment 2017-18 school year open

Ignacio School District is changing to on-line enrollment for all students, including incoming Kindergarten students for the 2017-2018 school year. On-line enrollment will be available for parents to use in July. Ignacio School District web site is ignacioschools.org. There will be a computer set up at the Administration Building for people who do not have access to internet at home. We will send information home with all Southern Ute Head Start students and Southern Ute Academy students regarding enrollment for Kindergarten. If you would like your child to attend Ignacio Elementary, but did not attend either of the previously listed pre-kinder schools, please feel free to call the school with any questions 970-563-0675. Appointment only placement testing will be May 22, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and May 23, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Ignacio Elementary School for students enrolling in Kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year. Please call the Ignacio Elementary School at 970-563-0675 to make an appointment for your child to be tested.



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Kinders compete on the field



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Kindergarten students tested their strength against fellow classmates during the Tug-of-War challenge on Monday, May 8 at the Ignacio Elementary Kindergarten Field Day held at Ignacio Middle School.



Ava Sage-Morgan hops across the field during the potato sack race at the Ignacio Elementary Kindergarten Field Day.



Kinder Bobcats teamed up for the three-legged race at their Field Day event on Monday, May 8.

Head Start takes it outside



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Head Start student Sayde Hendriks goes in for a slam-dunk, as her father Damon Tung holds the basket high, during Head Start's annual field day.



Jazlynn'J Price cruises a bike with the help of her mom, Marlene Price, during the Head Start Field Day, held Wednesday, May 10.

Escalante hosts Bowker Games



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Jeremy Reynolds celebrates along with Vincent Naranjo and Meredith Cook, SUIMA's Special Needs Aide, as they cross the finish line of the 50-meter dash at the Bowker Games held on Thursday, April 27. The Bowker Games is a series of field events for K-12 students with disabilities. Students from all over the area came together for an afternoon friendly competition at Escalante Middle School in Durango, Colo.



Students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy joined in on the Bowker Games held on Thursday, April 27 at Escalante Middle School.

Vincent Naranjo pulls back for a throw during the Bowker Games held in Durango, Colo. at Escalante Middle School on Thursday, April 27.

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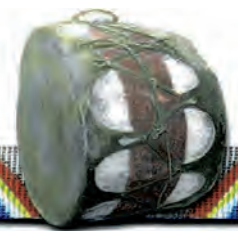
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330 Burns Ave. Ignacio, CO 81137



Michael Kirsch-Academic Advisor
970-563-0237 ext. 2783
E-mail: mkirsch@southernute-nsn.gov



'Get down on it'



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Keyon Alston and Kandin Johnson bust out their best moves for the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Spring Fling on Wednesday, May 3.

Back in the saddle



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

On Thursday, May 4 the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy held their annual Bike Rodeo at the Sky Ute Casino's south parking lot. The sun shined bright for the students who went out with their bikes. SUPD officers also were out to help the students learn road and sign safety. SUPD Community Resource Officer Don Folsom challenges John Oberly to a "slow race" at SUIMA's annual bike rodeo.

Knowledge night at SUIMA



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Students share a broad range of projects showcasing knowledge, history and science. Terena Hight (center) and Jaela Velasco explore the projects on display during the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Knowledge Night held on Thursday, May 4.



Charles Alston leads a pack of small bikers during the bike rodeo.



Hayden Benally shows off her smooth turns as she rides the line during bike rodeo.

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Course Topics	Jun 30	Faculty
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol/Drug Facilitated Assault Building a Case Evidence Collection The Consent Defense Trauma Informed Practices Victims with Disabilities 	<p>What: FREE Training</p> <p>Where: Montezuma County Annex 107 N Chestnut Cortez, CO 81321</p> <p>When: 8:00 am—5:00 pm</p> <p>This training is for prosecutors, law enforcement officers, victim advocates and allied professionals.</p>	<p>Sgt. (Ret.) Anthony Antuna Consultant</p> <p>Yvette Guthrie Senior Deputy DA, 17th JD</p> <p>Chip Meneley, CPCC SART & DV Community Response Coordinator Hilltop DV Services</p> <p>Darla Stuart Executive Director, The ARC of Aurora</p>

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Cinco de Mayo at BGC



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Daya Thompson takes the first crack at the piñata that was brought in for the students during the Cinco de Mayo celebrations, held on May, 5 at SunUte.

Southern Ute Boys & Girls Club members Mia Greene, Gia Mendoza, Marissa Olguin, Aspen Naranjo, and Kielely WhiteThunder come together for a portrait following their dance performance at SunUte.



MR TURTLE: A NEW SPIN • FROM PAGE 3

was up early the next day and told his wife, June, that he was attending a meeting that day. “Oh, that’s nice, what kind of meeting?” she asked. “Those two birds told me that a meeting of great minds are to convene at Cottonwood Circle,” he said, “I’ll be late if I don’t hurry, bye-bye.” As Mr. Turtle rushed out the front door, June, said to herself, “meeting of great minds, yea right, say aren’t they all bird brains.”

As you know turtles are not sprinters however. Mr. Turtle, with the idea that a huge crowd will be in attendance, decided that he needed to shift out of granny gear and kick in first gear, and he sped off to Cottonwood Circle. He was so determined to be there ahead of time, that he ran past Joe Beaver who was constructing an add on to his home.

Mr. Turtle was compelled to always give advice when nobody wanted it. Constructive criticism was good, however Mr. Turtle would take it to new level. Often he would impose his comments and expertise of construc-

tion engineering to Joe Beaver, who told him one day, “Well, you live in a hollowed out log and your knowledge comes from the Time Life Home Repair edition.”

“Here let me feel your hands, say those are mighty soft hands you have.” said Joe Beaver. “I have to use a hydra-defoliant to keep my skin soft and supple,” said Mr. Turtle. “I detest manual labor and especially playing in mud.” Mr. Turtle remembered his past confrontation with Joe Beaver and was compelled to give him a piece of his mind as he flashed by the construction site. This was the most important meeting he had ever attended and he was determined to make a good show.

Mr. Turtle, was thinking and driving, now let me see, I know where the meeting will be and those two birds said something about the Great Council of Birds. “With the Great Council of Birds, it was a privilege to be invited to such a gathering and no doubt a huge audience will be there. I wonder if I will get top billing, after

all I am a much bigger star than those pilgrims. Yes, I can see it now, the reviews, the photo-ops, maybe a movie, surly a short story. I’ll be famous and all the world would bow to the privilege and realize that I am the greatest orator ever heard.” A little sparkle came into his eye as he conceived his new role. My presentation, this presentation, what presentation, I don’t know what the subject matter will be, those bird brains didn’t inform me of the main topic or why the meeting was being held in the first place and why didn’t I receive a proper invite?

You know you have achieved greatness by looking at the pictures in Life Magazine and making up your own stories. Who care’s if it is truthful or not, they all want to be entertained. Hey, I can submit that to my resume, the greatest orator and entertainer of the year. Thinking and traveling at super turtle speed was not his best virtues. “Watch out Mr. Turtle, you’re going to crash,” yelled one of the little birds.

Recognizing mental health



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute Vice Chairman Alex S. Cloud signs the proclamation for Mental Health Month alongside Tribal Health staff, Carole Veloso, Jennifer Goodtracks, and Mary Young during the Directors meeting on Wednesday, May 10 in Ignacio, Colo.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL

HONORARY PROCLAMATION

Mental Health Month

May 2017

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses are real and prevalent in our nation, and half of us will have a mental health diagnosis at some point in our lives; and

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives, and should feel comfortable in seeking help and support to manage these times; and

WHEREAS, engaging in prevention, early identification, and early intervention are as effective ways to reduce the burden of mental illnesses as they are to reduce the burden of other chronic conditions; and

WHEREAS, with early and effective treatment, all individuals with mental health conditions – even serious mental illnesses - can make progress toward recovery and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, jails and prisons have often become the default places of custodial care for even nonviolent people with serious mental illnesses; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen has a responsibility to promote mental health and well-being for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the foregoing, the Council of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe does hereby proclaim the month of May, as

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

for the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and encourages all community members to recognize the resilience of those living with mental illness. Let us strengthen our commitment to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions at all stages.

This Proclamation was approved and adopted this 9th day of May, 2017.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Seal to be affixed this 9th day of May, 2017.



Mr. Alex S. Cloud, Vice Chairman
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council



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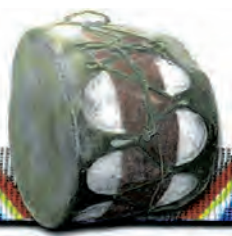
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Miss Southern Ute Lorraine Watts taking part in this year's Gathering of Nations Powwow.



A dancer puts the final touches on his regalia prior to the opening ceremonies.

Dancers of all ages and dance styles fill Tingley Coliseum during the 34th annual Gathering of Nations Powwow held at EXPO New Mexico. This year's venue hosted cultural dance performances, and live music alongside the powwow events held from Thursday, April 27 – Saturday, April 29, Albuquerque, N.M.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Southern Ute tribal member Marge Borst and her husband Greg enjoy the numerous events hosted at EXPO New Mexico during the Gathering of Nations.



Outgoing Miss Indian World, Danielle Ta'Sheena Finn leads royalty into the grand entry at Tingley Coliseum.



Pueblo dancers from across the Southwest represented on Friday, April 28, dancing in honor of First Nation Water Protectors.



Traditional Aztec dancers joined in on Saturday night's grand entry, brandishing colorful headdresses as part of their regalia.

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- No short dresses or baggy pants while dancing.
- Photography, video & audio recording is prohibited, except by members of the Ute Tribes.
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Friday, June 2nd
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Powwow - Grand Entry - 7PM
Gourd Dancing 5 pm
Contact Information: Reggie Lopez 970-739-0737

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Parade
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Start: 10:00AM
Information: Rita Wing 970-739-3036

Powwow - Grand Entry - 1PM and 7PM
Gourd Dancing 11 am & 5 pm

Handgames
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Hand Game Tent Entry Fee: \$150.00
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Bart Powaukee - AD Fort Duchesne, Utah	Terry Knight - Head Gourd Dancer Towaoc, CO
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GRAND ENTRY
- Friday, May 26 • 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 27 • 1 & 7 p.m.

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Fancy, Grass, Combined Traditional
- Teen Girls: 13-17 yrs & Junior Girls: 7-12 yrs
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POWOW CONTACTS
- Corliss Taylor, Chairperson: 970-799-3149
- Joyce Delaware, Vice Chairperson: 775-671-5426
- Cindy Winder, Secretary: 970-563-2301

POWOW INFO
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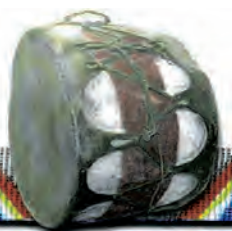
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Tribes converge at Four Corners



Southern Ute elder, Kenny Frost, carrying the eagle staff, walkers from Ariz., Colo., N.M., and Utah circle the Four Corners monument as part of the closing ceremonies, ending the walk for participants. A Bear Dance demonstration was given by Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance Chief Terry Knight Sr. along with Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance growlers and dancers.



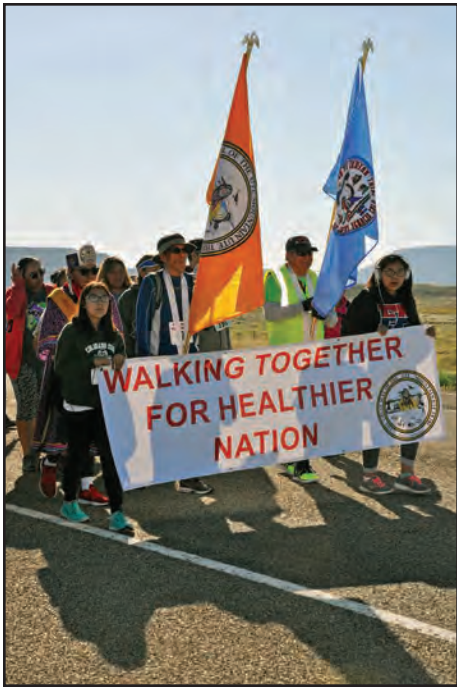
The Ute Mountain Ute Casino Color Guard raise the flags to begin the annual Walking Together For Healthier Nations at the Four Corners Monument Visitors Center at day break.



Mothers pushing strollers with their babies, converse while making their way to the halfway point of the walk from the Colorado side. Ute Mountain Ute Chairman Harold Cuthair (in cowboy hat) walked the entire 18.5 miles.

Walking Together For Healthier Nations made it's annual pilgrimage to the Four Corners National Monument, Friday, May 5. Walkers from the four connecting states, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah walked from various starting points in their respective states. Tribal representation was strong with members and officials participating in this year's walk.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



Flag and banner carriers led the Colorado group from the Four Corners visitors center at the junction of HWY 491 and 160 to the Four Corners monument 18.5 miles away.



Flag carriers led the group from Utah to the lunch stop at the junction of HWY 41 and HWY 160. They began their 18 mile walk from milepost 29 on Hwy 162.



Dignitaries, tribal representatives and officials pose for a photo during closing ceremonies, ending the walk. (Pictured left-right) Southern Ute elder Kenny Frost, Navajo Nation Vice President Jonathan Nez, Southern Ute Councilwoman Amy Barry, Ute Mountain Ute Councilwoman Colleen Cuthair-Root and Ute Mountain Ute Chairman Harold Cuthair.

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Bobcats fall hard, end season

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

After a stretch in which they won three games consecutively and five out of six to set up their May 6 regular-season finale at non-league Montezuma-Cortez, the Ignacio Bobcats’ fuel tank at last went dry as the Panthers prevailed 10-0 in five innings at McAndrew Field.

Led by two runs on 2-for-3 hitting from junior Casey Compton, and two scores on 1-2 stickwork from senior Coby Baer, the Panthers (10-9, 7-3 3A Intermountain) jumped out to a 4-0 lead after one inning and increased it to 7-0 through two in exacting revenge for a 3-2 loss April 27 at IHS Field.

Linchpin Jasen Engel went 2-4 with a double, run and three RBI as well for the victors. Baer also doubled and walked once, while Compton smacked a triple. Senior Briggs Durbin was 2-2 with a walk, run and

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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio’s Joe Herrera (1) rounds third in anticipation of scoring a possible run against Center during what ended up being the Bobcats’ regular-season home finale on Tuesday, May 2. (CHS had been scheduled to face Dolores in Pagosa Springs, but when DHS had to pull out due to unfortunate circumstances, IHS filled the vacancy and won 7-5.)

IHS SOCCER

Lady Cats come up short

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Sitting 13th in CHSAA’s Class 2A Girls’ Soccer RPI index, and hoping for a miracle just before the Association’s “Selection Sunday” – where only the top twelve teams could be seeded into the State Tournament bracket – Crested Butte Community School left nothing to chance against Ignacio.

Bringing their entire arsenal of players to Montrose High School on Saturday, May, 6, the Lady Titans put their first shot off sophomore goalkeeper Lanie Webb’s far post, broke the ice with senior Kiara Cottrell’s tenth – minute goal, built up a four



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Ignacio’s Chamisa Edd (4) wards off Telluride’s Allie Wilcox (12) while trying to angle the ball away with her hip Friday, May 5, at Down Valley Park in Placerville.

– goal lead with sophomore Tess Fenerty’s marker in the 19th, and then doubled it after intermission to win easily 8-0, ending the Lady Bobcats’ season.

Cottrell finished with two scores, and CBCS also got goals from sophomore Murphy Sloan, freshman Maya

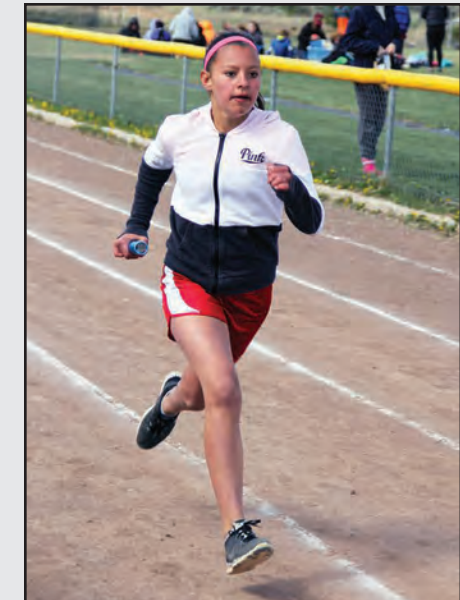
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IMS track & field action



photos Lisa Olguin/Special to the Drum

Zane Olguin, 6th grader, ran the 100-meter, 4x2 relay and the 200-meter. He also jumped 12’6”, his personal best at the Ignacio meet.



Harmony Reynolds, 6th grader, placed first in discus in the biggest middle school track meet at Escalante Middle School, throwing 63 ft. Harmony also ran the 4x2 relay and the 200 meter this season.



The Ignacio Middle School track had a strong season placing at every meet. Eighth grader Kristopher White participated in the long jump and the 800-meter.

IHS BASKETBALL

Gomez garners first-team All-League vote

Herrera, Lujan also honored by SJBL

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Despite its reliance on young talent, if there was one Lady Bobcat who wasn’t surprised by the basketball squad’s progression – all the way to the Class 2A State Championships’ ‘Great Eight’ – on the hardwood this winter, it was senior Alejandra Lujan.

“You could say that,” she grinned after an outing late in the 2016-17 regular season “I think our freshmen really do look up to us [upperclassmen] in a way, but they also have their own thing. Because once we’re gone then it’s their game, and they’ve got to step it up. So it’s good for them to keep trying to get better and better.”

Making probably the biggest splash on the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League scene, forward/center Morgan Herrera earned Second Team All-League status despite missing basically the season’s first month due to injury. Averaging a reported 13.7 points and a powerful 10.9 rebounds per game during IHS’ 16-8 campaign, she teamed with Lujan and fellow freshman Makayla Howell to make for a vi-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio’s Avionne Gomez (25) races past Norwood’s Courtney Lemon during the SJBL District Tournament held at Montezuma-Cortez High School. The two were the top All-League vote getters, earning First Team All-SJBL honors.

cious frontcourt.

Overall, Herrera received the seventh-most points (34) in the circuit coaches’ voting system, following Macie Magallon (42) of Nor-

wood, probably any team’s most relied-on post other than Herrera. Also named Second Team were Nucla

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IHS GIRLS TRACK

Herrera notches three top-10s in Pagosa

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Crossing the finish line behind only 2A Dolores’ Jordan Elder and Josie Bernholtz, Ignacio senior Jaylynn Herrera finished third in the 400-meter dash

– helping the Lady Bobcats to a tenth-place finish at the May, 6 Terry Alley Invitational in Pagosa Springs.

Bernholtz easily won the sprint in one minute, 3.95 seconds, but Herrera (1:06.49) gave Elder (1:06.34) a literal run for

runner-up status. Herrera also placed sixth in the long jump with a 13’11.75” best, and added a tenth in the 200 meters (31.61 seconds) as IHS totaled 23.5 team points.

The hosting 3A Lady Pirates won with 126.5, 2A Del Norte earned second with 112 and 3A La Jara Centauri followed with only 63.

Fifth in the 200 with a 30.56 effort, sophomore Kiana Valdez also took third in the high jump (4’5”) and came in 14th in

the 100 (14.92). Splitting her last spring as a Lady Cat with the track-and-field team as well as the soccer squad, Rachel Cooper took 16th in the 200 (33.50), 11th in the 100m hurdles (20.58) and eighth in the 300m variety as the last entrant to finish in fewer than 60 ticks (59.17).

Fellow senior Lea Monroe scored fifth-place points for Ignacio in the pole vault (6’8”), while sophomore Briana Duran finished ninth in the discus (80’5”) and 14th in the shot put (24’7”).

IHS BOYS TRACK

Garcia, Gram help boys place fifth at TAI

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Regularly atop the 1,600-meter runs’ results in recent weeks, Elco Garcia, Jr., didn’t have to travel far to once again toe the starting line near Pagosa Springs’ Jacob Hughes, with the 3A Pirates hosting their annual Terry Alley Invitational on Saturday, May 6.

And to nobody’s surprise, the two registered the event’s fastest times inside Golden Peaks Stadium.

Hughes, a senior, defended his home track with a winning 4:55.70, but the Bobcat freshman – helping Ignacio tie for fifth in the team standings – didn’t exactly ‘settle’ for second with his 4:55.93. It was the only other effort breaking the five-minute barrier; third-place Josh Lopez of 3A Alamosa clocked 5:00.56.

Earning the most of IHS’ 53 points – equaling 3A La Jara Centauri – in any one event was Bryan Gram.

With a 51.81-second pass

in the 400-meter dash, the senior was not only victorious but 3.23 seconds faster than AHS’ Colton Smith and 3.61 faster than Bayfield’s Reed Merchant. All three ran in the fourth and final heat race of the event, while running in – and winning – the first wave, Esteban Romero finished fifth overall in 56.01.

Not participating in the shot put, thrower Natoni Cundiff still earned second in the discus, with his 129’7” trailing only the 134’10” of 2A Del Norte’s Hafen Campbell but ending up nearly five feet farther than third-place Caden Showalter of 2A Mancos. Mitchell Neil was 20th (88’6”) and Lucas Roderick 21st (88’4”), but in the shot Roderick placed 15th (32’11”) and Neil 18th (31’8.75”).

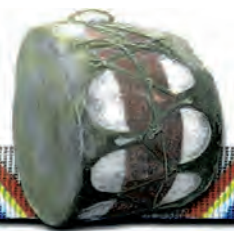
3A Monte Vista teammates Moises Juarez (11.72 seconds) and Noel Heredia (11.84) went 1-2 in the 100 meters, but Gram was a close third in 11.93 and

Romero sixth in 12.32. Heredia (23.66) and Juarez (24.57) reversed their finishing order in the 200, with the nearest ‘Cats being 16th-place Colten Smithson (29.91) and 17th-place Pablo Garcia Garcia (31.20).

Ignacio’s 4x400-meter relay took third in 3:45.01, while the 4x1 ran fourth (49.05) and 4x2 sixth (1:55.27).

Garcia Garcia was 14th in the long jump at 12’6.5”, but Jonas Nanaeto logged a top-ten in the 300m hurdles with a tenth-place 50.32 attempt. Johnathon Paulsrud took 17th in the 800 meters (3:19.26), and did likewise at double the distance (7:17.82).

Up next for IHS will be Saturday, May 13 at the Monte Vista Last Chance which, like the name indicates, will be the final meet in which athletes can qualify for the 2017 CHSAA Class 2A State Championships, May 18-20 inside Jeffco Stadium in Lakewood, Colo.



EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

RESULTS FOR THE 2017 COLOR RUN

The Ignacio Community Child Abuse Prevention Color Run had 543 participants and over 62 volunteers!

Tribal Services Dept. along with the Division of Social Services and Public Relations Dept. held assemblies at each Ignacio School and the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. At the end of each assembly we held a raffle and raffled off toys and gift cards. Winners from each school are listed below.

SUIMA

- Damari Ketchum
- Sassy Reynolds
- Kristin Whiteskunk
- Kaycee Jefferson
- Hayden Benally
- Tallas Cantsee
- Kyle Rima
- Leandra Litz
- Cherish Price
- Tamarius Roland
- Jayden Scott

ELEMENTARY

- Reese Abbingette
- Elliott Hunter
- Kennedy Ruybal
- Sunny Flores
- Amira Montoya
- Colton Hronich

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Euie Chumblee
- Adrian Bourriague
- Kaedon Reid

HIGH SCHOOL

- Stephan Mgonezo
- Lakota Collins
- Sydnee C.
- Trisha Richards
- Kyia Box
- Michala Miller
- Rosie C.

RAFFLE WINNERS

- DJ Bennett – \$25 Walmart Card
- Izabella Carmeneros – Kid's Hiking Backpack with Hydration Bladder
- Aundreas Gomez – 24" Mountain Bike

Big thank you to the following people. It it was for you this event would not be possible.

Boys & Girls Club
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So. Ute Education Dept.
So. Ute Risk Management Dept.
Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council
SunUte Community Center
The Southern Ute Drum
DJ Oscar! It would be a fun event with his awesome music and personality!

And all the volunteers that helped make this event possible. Thank you for your time and commitment to stopping child abuse.

*Thank you,
Southern Ute Tribal Services Dept.*

A LETTER OF ADVOCACY FOR THOSE WHO ARE VARIED FROM THE NORM

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. What does it mean to be disabled, compromised in some way that differs from what is considered to be the “norm”? A wheel chair can be seen, an amputee is apparent, schizophrenia, borderline, bipolarism, depression and the like are considered disabilities that are not visible but yet, still exist. Many undergo in their minds by themselves the shame; humiliation of a label; the perception of outward indifference; the perceived notion of judgement toward them by others; and the perceived compromise of a “whole” self. Everyone has their own filter that al-

lows one to distinguish what is acceptable and what is not, simply because of their own filter and the way they perceive themselves and their role in the world. This acceptance of self and one's perspective is necessary for self-esteem; confidence; a sense of belonging. Identity; self-love; self-respect; self-care; are essential aspects to thrive and overcome. The person who experiences the dilemma of mental health issues on a daily basis can sometimes lack these essentials to health. Sometimes, they don't realize that their thought processes are extremely varied and no one else has a clue of their daily struggle. This silent imagination and dialogue becomes an unstated commonality among those who endure a life different from the “norm”. However, once made known to others by overt difference in communication; social etiquette; a diagnoses or label stamped on your person like a sign or a reason that now makes sense; a life style or a preference. The no longer Imagined judgement of others becomes reality and overtly apparent. One will notice the quiet conversations or whispers; the denial of employment; the end of a group discussion when one enters the room; and the gaze from across the room when one arrives is not one of welcome but rather intolerance; ridicule and misunderstanding.

The judgement of others and the negative connotation that accompanies mental health issues is not ours to own. It belongs to those who formulate judgement with regard to those of us who are considered to be different from them. We are challenged daily to navigate a system that has explicit standards of “appropriate” behavior and processes. Anyone who deviates from that standard of “appropriateness” is considered to be lost; thwarted; broken in some way; compromised; out there; problematic or the like. We are considered the “unsuitable” for employment; we are the ostracized; the black-balled; and the maladjusted. Mainstream society through their ignorance; lack of understanding; education; empathy; compassion and tolerance will pose a new threat by not dealing with us. It is not my or our shortcoming but rather the society in which we live, in which we belong and are said to be a part. They opt not to aid or support those of us who are misunderstood and who are said to lack the necessary social graces that make one acceptable. Some countries revere those who are different from themselves, not so, in ours.

Discrimination in the work force is said to be lawfully prohibited yet, more often than not, we are not given any protection. Frequently, protection put into place is dependent not on the laws that govern advocacy for a disability for those with anomalies, but is based rather on the avoidance of violations and consequences that would bring attention to indifference. It would seem that if we are far removed from the norm we no longer en-

joy the inherent rights to provide for our families or live an improved quality of life through employment and possible promotion. If we work hard enough as individuals with other support systems we eventually learn how to “act right,” thus, earning the right to regain credibility in the workplace. I wear my difference like a badge of honor. I consider the past I have lived and endured as something necessary in order to create the dynamic victor that I celebrate today. I am accomplished; exceptional; intelligent; compassionate; competent; articulate; eloquent; direct; outspoken and unafraid. These are all attributes that most would be proud to possess. However, the journey to self-understanding and acceptance is riddled for many of us and as it was for me with unimaginable chaos; fear; confusion; mental disorganization; shame; self-criticism; self-injury; and self-contempt. Extreme emotional and mental anguish are a part of life that one learns to live with. For some this journey ends in suicide; self-harm; addiction or self-medication. Possibly a psychiatrist who will try an array of psychotropic drugs to pull “it” into some kind of rational perspective or order to pacify the mind and society for a period of time. Until the treatment no longer works or tolerance of the given drug regimen becomes a deterrent to the original benefit. Mental health is a part of who we are as human beings, we are unique, and our psyche; experience and our past is our own. We as individuals are equated to fingerprints unlike anyone else's. We are uniquely our own. In essence, we are all compromised because we are varied and one of a kind. Therefore, there are no two alike.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Those of us who are able to see outside ourselves and find understanding; let's also find the compassion and empathy necessary to be cognizant of our part in the hurtful unnecessary judgement and intolerance of others. Please consider support and a helping hand rather than harsh criticism that would cause further harm. Understand that we all have preferences that are uniquely our own and that define what we value and who we are as individuals. It is society's maladjustment; fear; indifference; intolerance; misinformation; ignorance and limited understanding or perspectives that continue to stigmatize those who would otherwise ask for help and not continue to suffer in silence. A society's character can be judged and evaluated by the degree of compassion that is put forth to those less fortunate than themselves. It is our responsibility to become accountable to those who need our help. Make it easier for differences to be accepted and celebrated. Allow all of us a society in which we can thrive; survive and truly make a difference.

*Respectfully,
Yvonne Davis*

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COMMUNITY GREETINGS

Softball tourney champs

“All Day” the undefeated champions of the Indian Softball 12th Annual Gathering all Indian Softball Tournament stand proudly. The softball tournament was held in Albuquerque, NM April, 28-30. MVP went to Tyler Young and All-Tourney went to Kruz Pardo and Anthony Manzanares.



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Friends With Food FOOD DRIVE!

FCCLA and Pine River Shares Youth Leaders are establishing a Food Pantry at Ignacio High School for students & community members. It will be open Fridays from 3:30-4:30. Enter through the door on the SE side of Ignacio High School. Look for the sign.

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Thursday, May 25

Southern Ute Head Start
Thursday, May 25

Durango High School
Friday, May 26

Ignacio High School
Saturday, May 27

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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 determination therein necessary.
Dated this 10th of April, 2017
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,

Case No.: 2017-NC-0029

Kayla Lynn Ward, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Kayla Lynn Ward filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Kayla Lynn Wing. As of May 8, 2017 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Kayla Lynn Ward name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Kayla Lynn Wing.
Dated this 8th day of May, 2017.

Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Utilities Division

Southern Ute Utilities Water Department will begin conducting their annual water system hydrant flushing on Monday, May 8 and expect to be completed by Friday, May 19. During this important maintenance, customers may experience some discolored water at your tap, due to the dislodging of debris inside the water main. Please open/flush all plumbing fixtures (bath tub/sinks etc.) for a period of not less than 30 minutes or until clean water returns. If the problem persists, please contact the Southern Ute Utilities Main Office at 970-563-5500. We apologize for any inconvenience as we strive to provide customers with the highest quality water.

TERO Dept. Lawn Service Care Maintenance

Southern Ute tribal elders/ handicap members who need lawn service at their primary residence on the Southern Ute Reservation are welcome to call Southern Ute TERO at 563-0117, to schedule a time and date.

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

FREDDIE ATENCIO, Plaintiff, v. JULIYA VALDEZ, Defendant.

Case No.: 17-CV-019

THIS MATTER CAME BEFORE THE COURT for a hearing on April 17, 2017. Plaintiff appeared, but service has not been made on the Defendant. THE COURT FINDS AND ORDERS:

1. Plaintiff appeared and was present in court, but service has not been made on the Defendant, and Defendant did not appear.
2. The Court FINDS that reasonable efforts have been made to serve the Defendant, and personal service has not been possible.
3. Therefore, the Court hereby ORDERS that Defendant Juliya Valdez shall be served by publication pursuant to Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code ("SUITC") §2-1 103(2)(d). Plaintiff shall cause notice of the summons and complaint, and notice of the next court hearing, to appear in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the Defendant's last known address for three (3) publications within a period of 21 days, and shall return proof of such publication on or before the next hearing date.
4. This matter is set for hearing on MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Done And Signed This 17th Day Of April, 2017.

BY THE COURT: Paul W. Whistler, Tribal Court Judge

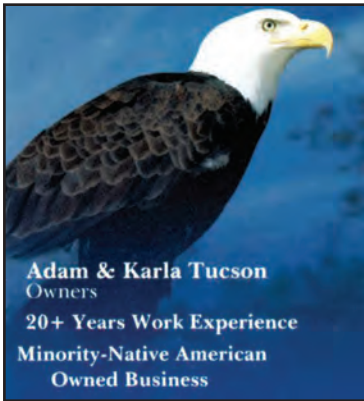
NOTICE OF HEARING

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.

Paula Trujillo, Southern Ute Tribal Court

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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS COMMISSION

The Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) is accepting letters of interest for two (2) commissioners; A person with knowledge and experience in the regulation of Tribal Gaming and; A person with knowledge and experience in Tribal energy resource development to serve on the Tribal Employment Rights Commission which are compensated positions. Southern Ute tribal member/Applicants must have the following requirements: Knowledge and Experience in the regulation of Tribal Gaming; Knowledge and Experience in Tribal Energy Resource Development; Does not own or operate a certified Indian Owned Business; Experience or expertise in administrative hearing procedures; Eighteen (18) years of age or older; Good character; Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and confidentiality. Submit your Letter of Interest to the TERO Division by 3:00 p.m., Thursday, June 8, 2017. Or send letter to TERO Division, P.O. Box 737, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, CO 81137. If you have any questions, please call TERO, at (970) 563-0117 or (970) 563-0100 ext. 2291. TERO is located in the J&R Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way, (north of the Tribal Court building).

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.

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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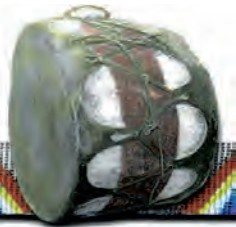
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Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.

Solid Waste Monitor – GF Utilities Division (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 5/22/17
Under general supervision of the Utilities Operations Supervisor, this position performs duties necessary to operate the Tribal Solid Waste Transfer Station operation, the Tribal Customer Polycarts system, and assists with other duties at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Minimum qualifications include: High school diploma or equivalent required. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance policy. Must be willing to learn how to operate a backhoe for the purpose of compacting trash in dumpsters. Must be willing to work shift work, holidays and Saturdays. The ability to operate heavy equipment is desirable. Must pass pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

Lease Operator II – Red Willow Production Company (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 5/22/17
Under general direction of the Red Willow Operations Foremen, this position manages and maintains field operations to ensure that production proceeds safely and efficiently in compliance with all regulations, and in a manner consistent with Tribal priorities and concerns. Assists in collecting and maintaining accurate data related to operations including production data and equipment data. Minimum qualifications include: A High School Diploma or equivalent is required. Must have two years experience as a Lease Operator. Must be willing to take direction from others. Must be able to train less experienced staff. Must be willing to learn to operate different or new types of equipment and to attend job-related training sessions as requested. Must be willing to work in a team environment and to share responsibility and accountability. Must have or be able to obtain within 6 months, certification in First Aid and CPR. Must have a valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable through the Red Willow Vehicle Insurance Policy. Must pass criminal history background check and a pre-employment drug test.

Operations Specialist – Red Willow Production Company (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 5/19/17
Lead operations position that requires making global assessment and recommendations on daily operational tasks based on economics and efficiencies while remaining in compliance with Red Willow Production Company's priorities and procedures. May specialize in one or more

areas of production and may be asked to direct the work of contractors and company operations personnel. Minimum qualifications include: A high school diploma or equivalent is required. Must have 10 years varied and increasingly responsible work experience as a lease operator, including operating gas compressors, low and high pressure gas wells, oil wells, production equipment knowledge and other relevant technical experience. Must have in-depth knowledge of production facilities. Must be able to work independently and demonstrate good judgment. Must be able to gather and analyze data. Must have knowledge of the various types of artificial lift methods. Must have intermediate computer skills, MS office, Cygnet, and Enertia. Must be able to work with and take directions from others. Must mentor and train less experienced operators in an encouraging and patient manner. Must be able to learn and operate different or new types of equipment and in different areas, and attend job-related training sessions as requested. Must be able to work in a team environment and to share responsibility and accountability. Must have a valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable through Red Willow Vehicle Insurance Policy. Must pass criminal history background check and a pre-employment drug test.

Gas Chromatograph Technician – Red Cedar Gathering Company – Durango, CO

Closing date 5/31/17
Maintaining and calibrating all Red Cedar natural gas chromatographs; obtains required well analysis samples as required by producer contracts. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor's degree in Chemistry and experience in natural gas sampling techniques; OR a High school diploma or equivalent and two years experience operating natural gas quality measurement and control equipment is required. Must have basic knowledge of natural gas recording measurement equipment, maintenance and operation. Must have basic knowledge of gas chromatography standards. Must have good mathematical skills, as well as good oral and written communication skills. Must be capable of exercising independent judgment within limits of responsibility. Must be detail oriented with good organizational skills. Must be able to read and interpret maps and pipeline drawings. Experience with Flowcal volume database programming is desired. Computer experience, with experience in MS Word, Excel, and Access is required. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under Red Cedar's vehicle insurance policy. Must pass criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

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.

Buyer – Food & Beverage (Full-time)

Closing date 5/15/17
Compiles information and records to prepare orders for the procurement of material, including all food and beverage products. The buyer will research and evaluate products to be purchased for the Casino, making it cost efficient, and maintains and regulates cost for Casino operations. Must have a High School Diploma/ equivalent. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have at least 1 year experience in the Purchasing field with prior Buyer/Negotiation experience or equivalent experience in administration, inventory or related field. Competent computer knowledge in Word and Excel. Experience using PeopleSoft software or Purchasing/Inventory related software preferred. Working knowledge of purchasing in the Food and Beverage industry preferred. Must be able to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Required to work on Sundays. Must be detail oriented. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Facilities Staff (Full-time)

Closing date 5/16/17
Operation of equipment, environmental condition and appearance of the facility and grounds. Responsible for the cleanliness, maintenance and repair of the facility, equipment and building. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Prior experience in one or more related fields preferred. Must be able to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

*Housekeeping Staff (Full-time, Grave shift)

Closing date 5/12/17
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 – Shining Mountain (Full-time)

Closing date 5/15/17
Preparation of the Al La Carte menu in the Shining Mountain Café 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. High School diploma/ equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 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.

Line Cook – Willows (Full-time)

Closing date 5/12/17
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. 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.

*Multi-Games Dealer (On-call)

Closing date 5/19/17
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 HS 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.

Room Attendant (Full-time)

Closing date 5/15/17
Thoroughly cleaning (20) hotel guest rooms and performing routine duties individually in a fast paced work environment. Duties include 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.

**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

Administrative Assistant

Closing date 5/15/2017
Performs administrative, clerical, and information system support for the Environmental Programs Division. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Reporter/Photographer

Closing date 5/17/2017
Under general supervision of the Media Manager, photographs and documents articles for the Southern Ute Tribal Newspaper. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Clinic Nurse

Closing date 5/18/2017
Registered Nurse, providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

Rangeland Management Specialist

Closing date 5/18/2017
Under the general supervision of the Range Division Head, represents the Range Division in a positive professional manner while implementing and coordinating range management activities. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

Forestry Crew Member

Closing date 5/19/2017
Under the general supervision of the Forester and/or Forestry Division Head and represents the Dept. of Natural Resources in a professional manner while implementing fuels and thinning projects in order to meet multiple natural resource objectives and to supply fuelwood to the Tribal membership. Pay grade 14; \$12.93/hour.

Air Quality Compliance Specialist

Closing date 5/23/2017
Under general supervision of the Air Quality Program Manager, assists with coordinating and conducting technical and regulatory tasks within the Compliance and Enforcement Section of the Tribal Air Quality Program. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Cashier

Closes 5/24/2017
Position provides general clerical support to the Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable and Payroll offices, and serves as cashier. Pay grade 14; \$12.93/hour.

Heavy Equipment Operator

Closes 5/24/2017
Provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out project assignments for the Construction Services Division. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Summer Workers – YEP

Southern Ute tribal members only. Under general supervision of the Youth Employment Program (YEP) 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 2017, with extensions available to make up hours missed due to illness or absence.

Chief Medical Officer (Full-time)

Open until filled
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.

Patrol Officer Trainee

Open until filled
Trainee position for uncertified individuals interested in a career in law enforcement with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Will be required to attend and successfully complete an approved basic police-training course. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Payroll Manager

Complete and accurate preparation of multi-state 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; \$69,597.00 annual.

Scorekeeper (Part-time)

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.

TERO Boys & Girls Club Summer Program Aide (Temporary)

Native American only. Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Temporary positions (76 days) are for members of a Federally recognized Indian Tribe. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hr.

Umpire/Referee (Part-time)

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

SUCAP – Job announcements

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

Bus Driver – Closing date 6/1/17, Part-time (16 hours per week) for SUCAP/Road Runner Stage Lines for Durango to Grand Jct. route. Experience preferred. Requires a Class “B” CDL with passenger endorsement, medical card, or ability to obtain, and a good driving record. Must submit a Motor Vehicle Report with application. Must be insurable by SUCAP. Must be able to pass drug/alcohol test and background check. Must have or be able to obtain CPR/1st Aid.



STATE OF COLORADO
invites applications for the position of:
**Education Coordinator,
Ute Indian Museum**
This announcement is not governed by the selection processes of the classified personnel system. Applications will be considered from residents and non-residents of Colorado.

CLASS TITLE: NON-CLASSIFIED
LOCATION: Montrose, Colorado
PRIMARY PHYSICAL WORK ADDRESS: 17253 Chipeta Rd, Montrose, CO 81404
SALARY: \$3,000.00 /Month
OPENING DATE: 05/02/17
CLOSING DATE: 05/23/17 11:59 PM
JOB TYPE: Full Time
DEPARTMENT INFORMATION: HISTORY *Colorado*

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HOW TO APPLY: Thank you for your interest. Submit an on-line application by clicking the link below or submit a State of Colorado Application for Announced Vacancy and all supplemental questions according to the instructions provided below. Failure to submit a complete and timely application may result in the rejection of your application. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that application materials are received by the appropriate Human Resources office before the closing date and time listed above.

IF NOT APPLYING ON-LINE, SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:
Online is the preferred method of application for this position.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION:
Dany.mccoy@state.co.us

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
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Opening day for youth sluggers



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Saturday, May 6 – Opening Day, officially begins the 2017 Ignacio Youth Baseball season. The Ignacio teams gathered for opening day ceremonies and the first games of the season. Keevin Reynolds makes a throw to Malique Rodriguez, throwing the runner out on first.



The Ignacio youth baseball teams and fans recite the ‘Pledge of the Allegiance’ as D’Backs players, Shay Vigil and Mia Greene hold the stars and stripes.



William Mendoza, No. 2, prepares to bolt to second base as Ignacio Orioles coach, Dwayne Reynolds readies the ball in the pitching machine.

GOMEZ GARNERS FIRST-TEAM • FROM PAGE 12

sophomore guard/forward Taylor Sickels, Telluride senior G/F Whitney Wells and Mancos senior center/forward Brittany Peacock. Lujan (5.5 ppg, 5.8 rpg) earned Honorable Mention All-SJBL for her own blue-collar style of play, which could at times get her into foul trouble, but which couldn’t be discounted when a scrum for possession developed. Also receiving Honorable Mention were Norwood senior forward Stephanie Ragsdale (5.1 ppg, 7.4 rpg), Ridgway senior forward Emma Copp (7.8 ppg), and Nucla senior guard/forward Carlie Wytulka (9.4 ppg, 10.9 rpg). Awarded the second-most points (63) in the voting process, and thus Ignacio’s lone First Team All-League distinction was junior guard Avionne Gomez. Capable of handling the ball as Shane Seibel’s point guard, but even more deadly when shooting

it playing the ‘two,’ Gomez averaged over 15 points per outing while approaching 40% accuracy from behind the three-point arc. She also grabbed a reported five boards per game and came up with nearly three steals per. With 71 points in the voting, Norwood junior guard Cortney Lemon headed up the First Team list. She also received Player-of-the-Year after averaging a reported 13.5 ppg (Magallon logged 16.2), 3.7 rpg and 4.0 spg in helping the Lady Mavs – led by Coach-of-the-Year Greg King – finish 17-5, with their only regular-season league loss coming inside IHS Gymnasium back on January 21. A reported 47 percent long-range shooter, Lemon then led the Lady Mavericks’ recovery as they won their next ten games before the Lady ‘Cats’ downed them again in the SJBL District Tournament. Non-

league Center then pulled off a double-OT stunner in the next week’s regional phase to cut NHS’ season unexpectedly short. Rounding out the First Team All-SJBL picks were Ouray senior forward Kayla Fairchild (15.7 ppg, 8.5 rpg), Ridgway senior guard Ara Norwood (13.9 ppg) and Dolores senior guard Madi Archuleta (8.2 ppg, 4.1 rpg). Gomez also received CHSAANow.com/ColoradoPreps.com/MaxPreps.com Honorable Mention All-2A at season’s end after leading Ignacio to the Budweiser Events Center in Loveland. The only other San Juan Basin Leaguer honored was Fairchild, an Honorable Mention All-1A choice after OHS finished 14-7 overall following a regionals loss to Antonito – which then ended up 23-2 after two unexpected ‘Great Eight’ losses up at University of Northern Colorado in Greeley.

LADY CATS COME UP SHORT • FROM PAGE 12

Chandler, freshman Avery Bernholtz, sophomore Rachael Potoker and junior Kali Pankey, but later ended their season how they’d started it back in March: A shutout loss to the 4A Montrose JV. Concluding their first official CHSAA – sanctioned season, the Lady Titans finished 6-10-1 overall, 6-7 against the full 3A/2A Inter-mountain League, and 5-4 versus only its 2A members. Slowed by the effects of an unusually warm afternoon at Down Valley Park in Placer-ville and lengthy [the first half, for example, included nearly five full minutes of stoppage time] 7-0 loss to Telluride the previous day, Ignacio finished up a defensively – improved campaign with respective 0-14, 0-14, and 0-10 marks. Playing through a broken left middle finger, senior Bailey Wyatt collected an impressive 20 saves defending the net against the state tour-

nament bound Lady Miners, but was utilized as a field player for her final match (joining classmates Ryley Webb and Tori Archuleta) for the Red-and-White against Crested Butte – meaning Lanie Webb, no stranger to injury herself this spring, would have to gut out one more outing between the pipes. And with another key cog, Chamisa Edd, benched due to an ankle wracked within the final 30 seconds of the loss to THS, and seniors Rachel Cooper and Sharmaine Price unavailable, IHS’ chances of replicating the quality of an earlier 2-0 loss against a scaled – down CBCS roster were slim at best. Still, with a young roster and sizable senior-to-be class, as well as the enthusiastic coaching staff of skipper Daniel Sanchez and assistants Savannah Davis and Alisha Gullion, Ignacio will be eager to resume the ongo-

ing quest for victory in 2018. “It was a lot of fun, and I’m glad I got this experience to play ... my last, my senior year,” Cooper had said, following the Lady Bobcats’ Senior Day home loss to Alamosa on April 29. “I think we have really pushed at getting first to the ball, and I think the girls have a lot more confidence in themselves getting first, so we can get it down the field,” she continued, discussing the squad’s strides made in ‘17. “We just don’t know how to finish; we don’t really know what it’s like down on the goal end.” Sanchez had said the team accomplished what they set out to do, referring to Ryley Webb’s strike in a 3-1 road loss at Del Norte on April 27. “So I’m really happy with what we’ve got,” Sanchez said. “We’d like to win – going to try until the last second!”

BOBCATS FALL TO END SEASON • FROM PAGE 12

an RBI, while junior Cutter Matthews finished 0-for-2 but drew two free passes, scored twice and plated one. Coming off an unplanned game – and 7-5 home win – versus 2A Center, IHS reportedly managed just one hit – by sophomore Rendon Mestas – off Engel (0 BB, 6 K) as the junior still managed to face the minimum 15 batters in earning a complete-game win. Responsible for M-CHS’ initial seven scratches, senior Zach Weinreich, who’d received an unlucky no-decision after starting against the non-league Vikings, took the loss after completing just one frame and walking seven before giving way to classmate Timmy Plehinger-Williams. Still 9-9 overall after a sec-

ond-place 4-2 run through the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League in 2017, the Bobcats will next play in this weekend’s combined 2A-District 3/5 Tournament. Unfortunately, play began Thursday, May 11, and results from Ignacio’s home game that afternoon versus Dolores (6-12, 2-4 SJBL) were unavailable at press time. The winner of 4-seed IHS and 5-seed DHS was to then challenge No. 1 Paonia (19-0, 6-0 Western Slope) at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 13, on neutral ground at Grand Valley High School in Parachute. Two seed Hotchkiss (14-4, 4-2 WSL) then follows against either No. 3 Meeker or No. 6 Rangely – who squared off on May

11 at MHS – and the two remaining survivors will then battle for the automatic berth into regionals. The 16-team Class 2A regional round is set for May 19-20, with the ‘Final Four’ set for May 27. Each of the classification’s eight districts is guaranteed to send one team to regionals, with the remaining eight qualifiers determined by RPI, and all 16 then seeded into the bracket by RPI (avoiding regular-season match-ups when possible). As of Monday afternoon, May 8, the Cats stood 23rd in the updated index with a 0.479 mark. By comparison, Calhan (10-6 overall) ranked 16th with a 0.542 figure. That is to say, it’s do-or-die time for Ignacio Baseball.

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LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Your weekend forecast!

Friday, May 12



72°F sunny

Saturday, May 13



74°F cloudy

Sunday, May 14



72°F sunny

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Ambient Monitoring:

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Air quality: As of 4/27

AQI – Ignacio: 41
AQI – Bondad: 39



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