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2017 NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES COVERAGE • PAGES 12-13

## Utes compete at NAIG 2017 in Toronto



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

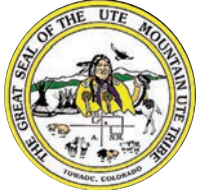
Team Colorado gets energized at the Aviva Center stadium during the opening ceremonies for the 2017 North American Indigenous Games on Sunday, July 16, held in Toronto, Canada. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe were representing the Utes as Team Colorado, games are scheduled from July 16-23.



NORTH AMERICAN  
INDIGENOUS  
GAMES 2017  
TORONTO, ONTARIO



2017 JEUX  
AUTOCHTONES  
DE L'AMÉRIQUE DU NORD  
TORONTO, ONTARIO



NAIG

### Toronto welcomes Indigenous Games

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

On Sunday, July 16 the Aviva Center sports stadium in Toronto, Canada was filled with the sound of boisterous cheering as teams began announcing their presence in the vast outdoor stadium, a palatable sense of team spirit and an-

icipation among the North American athletes was hanging in the air. The long awaited, 2017 North American Indigenous Games was about to kick off. Tribes from across North America bring teams together every four years for this highly regarded athletic competition

Toronto page 12



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Monika Lucero and Lexi Young play a strong game of basketball on the court for Team Colorado, their first game was played at Toronto's iconic HoopDome, July 17.

SUPD

### Tribal member, Baker joins SUPD

By Cloe Seibel  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Officer Ciara Baker makes her introduction to the Southern Ute Tribal Council Tuesday, July 18, alongside Chief of Police, Raymond N. Coriz Jr.

Coriz started by introducing SUPD's newest asset to their team, Ciara Baker, who will be one of the three tribal member officers on the force. "Baker is smart and driven by her goals and education. She is well-spoken, comfortable

Baker page 2



courtesy Tyson Thompson/SU Tribal Council

Ciara Baker smiles in celebration of her achievements and is surrounded by supporters after completing the rigorous police training in Artesia, N.M. (Pictured left to right) Representing the Southern Ute Council, Councilman Tyson Thompson, Chief Raymond Coriz Jr., Ida Baker (mother), Ciara Baker, John Baker Jr. (father) and field training officer Ferlando Fonseca.

THREE SPRINGS

### Seventy new apartments coming to Three Springs

Staff report  
SU GROWTH FUND

Three Springs announced that 70 new apartments are being added to the growing Mercado District as part of the Confluence at Three Springs apartment complex. Construction of the units began in June and is expected to be completed in the summer of 2018.

"These new units are a natural extension of our highly-successful 100 apartments in Confluence at Three Springs Phase 1," said Tim Zink, Real Estate

Portfolio Manager in the Three Springs community. "The Three Springs vision included apartments from the very beginning. The residents of the apartments also drive the bigger community vision by supporting businesses in the Mercado District like Digs Restaurant, Anytime Fitness, Alpine Bank and the newest restaurant Taco Boy. An additional 70 apartments will continue to support the businesses at Three Springs as well as provide housing close to one of Durango's largest employers — Mercy

Regional Medical Center." The new buildings will be located just south of the four existing apartment buildings, which flank the popular Three Springs Plaza, where events take place throughout the summer and fall seasons. One and two bedroom units, with an emphasis on a greater number of one bedroom apartments, are all designed for modern and convenient living. Progress on the Confluence at Three Springs apartments can be followed on the Three Springs website at threespringsdurango.com.



Cloe Seibel/SU Drum

Catching some rays... The new Southern Ute Solar Plant is up and running. The Southern Ute Growth Fund will host an onsite dedication for the Oxford Solar Project, Monday, July 24 at 1:30 p.m.

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY

### Finding new alternatives to greener energy

By Cloe Seibel  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

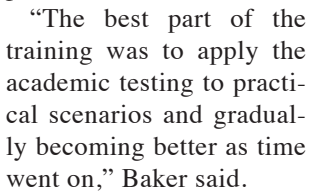
As a tribe we find ways to evolve with the times, thanks to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Growth Fund, the Tribe has achieved a major milestone toward developing solar energy throughout 10 tribally owned buildings on the Southern Ute Reservation. In 2015 the Southern Ute Tribal Council created an agreement with La Plata Electric Association (LPEA), the local electric cooperative in Durango, Colorado. The deal will enable the Tribe to interconnect its 1-megawatt solar Photovoltaic (PV) system, known as the Oxford Solar Project, to the LPEA grid and benefit from the

energy generated. What does it mean for the tribe to go Solar? The tribe's economy relies heavily on its oil and gas business and the Growth Fund is aware that the resources will not continue indefinitely. Thinking about the benefit for future generations the Tribe, along with the Growth Fund has sought out to diversify its business by moving into alternative energy. In 2008, the Tribe created Southern Ute Alternative Energy, LLC (SUAE) as a for-profit business to start its business in alternative energy. Solar project developments have been evaluated on tribal lands since 2008 but project costs are too high to make pursuing them economical. This year it has become a reality, the \$3 million project is being cost-shared between a \$1.5 millions U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Tribal Energy Program grant and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. With 600 PV solar panels, the 800-kW facility is located on the Oxford Site off of Highway 172, it was determined the best location on the reservation. The project covers nearly 10 acres of previously disturbed and mostly unusable land. There will be an onsite dedication for the Oxford Solar Project to be held on Monday, July 24 at 1:30 p.m. See official flyer announcement and map to the solar farm on page 2.





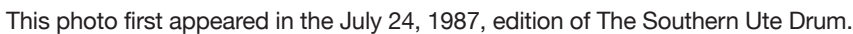
## The Police Officer Train-



"Pick something that you enjoy working in and doing, if you know what you want, then you can push yourself to be great and dedicate your effort and time into the hard work that it takes to become successful," Baker said, hoping to reach tribal youth who might follow in their footsteps or seek out careers of their own.

This photo first appeared in the July 20, 2007 edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

This photo first appeared in the July 18, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.







KSUT

# Cultural exchange highlighted at KSUT



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Monks from the Gaden Shartse Monastery of Tibet stand together with Tribal Radio Program Director, Mike Santistevan and KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham on Friday, July 12.

**By Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Monks from the Gaden Shartse Monastery of Tibet paid a visit to the KSUT studio Friday, July 12 for a live interview during their recent trip to Southwest Colorado as part of a cultural exchange and fundraising tour.

The exchange is a celebration of unity and culture, hosted by local volunteers working with Peaceful Heart Durango. The visiting Buddhist monks hail from one of the oldest Tibetan orders, and last visited Durango in 2015. This year the

six representatives hosted a series of events and presentations from July 10 — July 17. Among the events were the creation of a public sand mandala, multiple speaking engagements, and ritual chanting. The monks also offered private blessings within the community.

According to a recent press release, the monks depend on donations for their survival, and the generosity of our community has kept them coming back—this is their fourth visit here.

KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham had the pleasure of interview-

ing Geshe Lobsang Wangyal and Venerable Lobzang Yeshey (who goes by Shanu) as part of KSUT programming.

The Tibetans gave a short history of their monastery, and their beliefs. Then they shared songs, prayers and chanting during the live radio interview.

The monks began the show by highlighting their mandala. “This time we are making a sand mandala, for the Buddha of Knowledge,” Geshe Lobsang Wangyal said.

They explained the significance of the mandala, which they constructed over the course of the next five days inside of the Sorrel Sky Gallery in downtown Durango.

Once the long and artful process of creating an intricate mandala is finished,

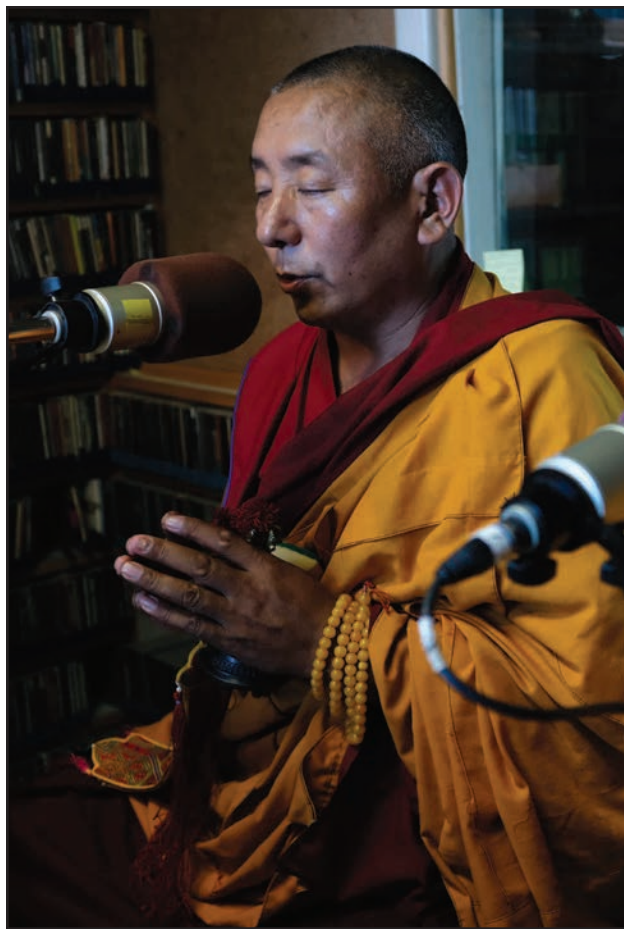
the monks wipe it clean, destroying it to further the belief of impermanence. The sand used for the mandala holds the blessings, good thoughts, and energy of this process. This sand is then used to bless a home, garden, or in this case, the Animas River, where it was scattered at week’s end.

“When the sand goes into the river, Tibetan people believe this sand has been blessed [by deities]. They believe the sand will beautify the river,” Wangyal said. “Nothing in life is permanent, it is impermanent.”

The visiting monks implied that greed and anger fuel many of the world’s problems, both socially and physically. Referencing the Six Root Delusions in Buddhism, they said that many of the world’s problems could be avoided if one is able, or society as a whole is able, to give up those negativities.

“Their home monastery, Gaden Shartse Monastic College, is situated amid lush green hills and jungle in the remote countryside of southern India. It was founded in 1969 as an effort to re-establish one of the great monastic traditions of Tibet. A small group of elder monks and fifteen young boys, all of whom had managed to escape the destruction in Tibet, settled on land given to them by the Indian government in Mundgod, Karnataka,” a statement by the Gaden Shartse Cultural Foundation said.

Today the college is at the forefront of the revival



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Geshe Lobsang Wangyal chants prayers in a live radio broadcast at KSUT.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Geshe Lobsang Wangyal wears a set of Buddhist prayer beads or malas, which are traditionally used to count the number of times a mantra is recited, the small hand drum is also used in chants and prayers.

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**97th SU Tribal Fair theme & logo**

The 97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair theme is:  
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**97th Southern Ute Tribal Fair**

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Sept 8 - 10, 2017

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 Northern MC - Isalah Stewart  
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 Host Northern Drum - War Paint  
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 Arena Director - Juaquin Hamilton  
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 Friday: 7 p.m.  
 Saturday: 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.  
 Sunday: 12 p.m.

**Women's Dance Contests**  
**Women's Golden Age (50+)**  
 1st: \$1,000; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$600  
**Women (18-49)**  
 1st: \$1,000; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$600  
 • Fancy Shawl  
 • Jingle  
 • Southern Cloth & Buckskin  
 • Northern Cloth & Buckskin  
**Teen Girls (12-17)**  
 1st: \$500; 2nd: \$400; 3rd: \$300  
 • Fancy  
 • Jingle  
 • Southern Traditional  
 • Northern Traditional  
**Junior Girls (7-11)**  
 1st: \$300; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100  
 • Fancy  
 • Jingle  
 • Combined Traditional

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 970-563-2301  
 cwinder@southernute-nsn.gov  
 Joyce Delaware: 775-671-5426  
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**Drum Contest**  

Southern	Northern
1st: \$10,000	1st: \$10,000
2nd: \$8,000	2nd: \$8,000
3rd: \$5,000	3rd: \$5,000
4th: \$3,000	4th: \$3,000

**Special Contest**  
 Drum Special - sponsored by Powwow Committee

**Gourd Dance**  
 Friday: 5 p.m.  
 Saturday: 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.  
 Sunday: 10 a.m.

**Men's Dance Contests**  
**Men's Golden Age (50+)**  
 1st: \$1,000; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$600  
**Men (18-49)**  
 1st: \$1,000; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$600  
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 • Grass  
 • Chicken  
 • Southern Straight  
 • Northern Traditional  
**Teen Boys (12-17)**  
 1st: \$500; 2nd: \$400; 3rd: \$300  
 • Fancy  
 • Grass  
 • Southern Straight  
 • Northern Traditional  
**Junior Boys (7-11)**  
 1st: \$300; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100  
 • Fancy  
 • Grass  
 • Combined Traditional

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**July 24 – 26, 2017**

Two and half day training  
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- Historical Trauma, Impact and Healing on violence in our community
- Dynamics, Continuum and Understanding of Sexual and Domestic Violence

### Repeat session in the Afternoon

### *Second Day – TRIBAL STAFF*

- Difficulty in Disclosure Sexual and Domestic Violence.
- Understanding confidentiality and closed space for interviewing Safety Body-worn cameras and violence against women
- Tools of Advocacy (Active Listening) and Body Language

### Repeat session in the Afternoon

### *Third Day – LAW ENFORCEMENT*

- Police-Response-to-Violence-Against-Women
- Law Enforcement Primary Aggressor and Response

### **FREE TRAINING**

Southern Ute Museum & Cultural Center

To register: Contact: 970-563-2894  
Evangeline Gray, Community Response Coordinator  
SOUTHERN UTE FAMILY COURT SUPPORT OFFICE

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The Health Center will be closed the first Thursday of each month at 12 p.m. (noon) for staff meetings and trainings. Emergencies afterhours call 970-563-4581 or 877-215-9635.

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**For more information contact:**

**Lisa B. Frost, Foster Care Coordinator**  
**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**  
**Department of Social Services**  
**970/563-0209**



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Who: Parents

Date: Est. August-September

Time: Suggestions?

Location: On Campus

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### **COOKING MATTERS FOR PARENTS**

**FREE** 6-week course teaching parents how to prepare and shop for healthy, low-cost meals.

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Course topics include:

- Tips on raising healthy eaters
- Hands-on food preparation
- Identifying healthy food options
- Reading food labels
- Preparing quick healthy snacks
- Menu planning and smart shopping

Each Participant will receive:

- A weekly bag of groceries
- Enjoy food prepared in class
- A guidebook with recipes
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NO KID HUNGRY



### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

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Time: Suggestions?

Location: On Campus

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- Hands-on food preparation
- Helping kids develop good eating habits
- Reading food labels
- Preparing quick and easy healthy snacks
- Menu planning and smart shopping

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## 'STEAM'ing forward



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Tribe teamed up with Fort Lewis College to bring STEAM Camp to the Ignacio Elementary where kids K-2 came together to work on art and science projects, July 17-20. Next week will be 3rd-6th grade and the theme will be patterns and nature, this week's theme was bugs. Summer youth employee Sie Chackee monitors Kandin Johnson and Kanoa Thompson as they guess which bug goes into the nets.



Elias Pena is intrigued by the legs of the grasshopper he caught for his bug project during STEAM Camp held at the Ignacio Elementary, July 17-20.

Julie Stone assists Uriya Casey as he focuses on drawing his best version of an insect at the Ignacio Elementary for the art and science STEAM Camp sponsored by the Southern Ute Education Dept. and Fort Lewis College.

## Time of Unity



Jared Ruybal, Lakota Collins, Elijah Weaver, Issac Suina and Natelle Thompson stand for a photo during National Unity Conference in Denver, Colo. that was held July 5-10.



Linda Baker speaks to the youth about how important education is and how the quality of people you surround yourself with has an impact on which you become.

**Young leaders unite at The National Unity Conference, held at the Denver Convention Center, July 6-10. Natelle Thompson and Jared Ruybal traveled with Lakota Collins, Issac Suina and Elijah Weaver to Denver to unite with other youth interested in taking their leadership to the next level. During the conference they attended several trainings to help them develop skills in public speaking, team building and leadership.**

Photos by Natelle Thompson  
Southern Ute Education



Issac Suina is paying close attention during a presentation.



Lakota Collins, Elijah Weaver and Jared Ruybal partake in an energizer break.

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**AUGUST 14 & 15 (BAYFIELD STUDENTS ONLY)**  
**AUGUST 16 & 17 (IGNACIO STUDENTS ONLY)**  
**TIME: 5:30-7:30PM**  
**LOCATION: SOUTHERN UTE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Students must be registered with the JOM program. You will need to show proof that you are ¼ Indian blood with either your Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) or your birth certificate AND your parent's CIB (to show blood lineage). Must be age 3 to 18, attend the Ignacio or Bayfield School District(s) or the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start.  
**\*\*\*PLEASE call ahead with the following information: child(s) name, grade level, and teachers name (K-7<sup>th</sup>), name of school.**

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## YOUTH FIELD TRIP TO EXPLORE UTE HISTORY & SCIENCE, JULY 26, 28, 2017

- explore cultural landscapes with archaeologists and Ute elders
- learn about the tools and methods that scientists and elders use to understand traditional life
- visit historic Ute villages and rock art sites, and the Ute Indian Museum
- help create videos & activities that will be shared at the Ute Indian Museum



- Location: Montrose, CO and nearby sites
- Transportation: Tribal vehicles and drivers
- Lodging: 2 nights at the Hampton Inn, Montrose
- Ute students, ages 12-16 are eligible
- Student & chaperone participation is funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation in conjunction with History Colorado
- We will be taking short hikes to rock art and village sites. Water, sunscreen and insect repellent will be provided.

### To sign up contact:

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SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

Women rise together, empower one another

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Hundreds of women and exhibitors gathered for the 8th Annual Women's Small Business Conference at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, July 14, to help each other prosper their small businesses. This year marks the second year the conference has been held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, attributed to the rising number of women striving to excel their businesses to the next level.

The sole purpose of the conference is to give out resources and provide a platform to help women rise together and empower one another. "There is nothing like the women's vibration, they are like sponges and withhold all this information, so we do this for them," Small Business Development Center Network Regional Director, Kelly Manning said.

Chairman Clement J. Frost started the morning with the opening speech, giving an overview on how the Tribe made smart investments to get where we are today. "Oil and gas are our bread and butter and we have used the profits to develop tribal business," Chairman Frost said. When the gambling law passed in 1991, the Tribe invested in the Sky Ute Lodge and Casino, which opened two years later and has grown to become the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Throughout the years the Tribe has been using the money from invest-



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost opens with a motivational speech during the 8th Annual Women's Small Business Conference held at the Sky Ute Casino Friday, July 14, Southwest Colorado Small Business Development Center Director, Liz Ross smiles as Chairman Frost starts the morning off by sharing a joke.



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Communications professional Jenifer Doane educates the women on making their media unique to their business. Women filled the Vida Peabody Room at the Sky Ute Casino and Resort, Friday July 14, to learn more about earned media strategies for maximizing business.

ments to develop buildings owned by the tribe.

The conference agenda was broken down into four sessions and each session had four lectures, each individual chose one out of the four lectures to attend. During the varied sessions they covered topics such as; knowing your numbers, solid management plans, how

to create a benefits package, barriers to wealth, women entrepreneurs, opportunities to expand your business by selling to the Federal Government. Each of the lectures intended to help further the success of a small business.

A professional photogra-

Business page 8

Labeau visits KSUT



photos /SU Drum

The Garrett Lebeau Band sound check before going live in the KSUT booth. Garrett Lebeau, lead singer and guitarist (left) with drummer, John Deran (right).



Ben Geise rocking out on bass at KSUT Friday, June 7.

POTENTIAL GED STUDENTS!

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

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

ATTENTION SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS  
Notice from  
Construction Services

This is a friendly reminder that Construction Services always accepts applications for Housing Rehabilitation. Rehabilitation is the restoration of the homes interior and exterior.

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## Development making headway



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The Cedar Point East townhomes construction is now underway. FCI Contractors, the general contractor, is now working on the development for the new townhomes being built at Cedar Point East in Ignacio, Colo.

FCI worker Troy Sergesketter (left) and Construction and Project Management Director, Ray Torres discuss the progress of the new development.



graphic courtesy/SU Construction & Project Management

The construction on the east end started the beginning of July and is anticipated to be finished in the summer of 2018. There will be 25 townhomes on the east end and 23 houses on the west end of Cedar Point. All the 23 house lots and infrastructure are finished and ready to build after the residential design process is complete. The townhomes construction right now consists of utility, water and electric lines that are anticipated to be complete by the end of the week if weather doesn't halt progress.

## COUNCIL AFFAIRS

# Accessing information on Tribal Member website

Staff report

SU TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS

There are many approaches for communication to which Tribal Council can employ to reach out to the Tribal Membership. Often, the information they wish to share is sensitive and only made available to the enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members.

We are currently living in the age of technology, and more traditional means of communication have timeframes that are not comparably efficient.

An example: it takes multiple days to mail a letter to the Tribal Membership living on the reservation and longer for those who choose to live in other parts of the country. Tribal Council encourages the Tribal Membership to regularly log-on to the Tribal Member Website to see what new minutes, announcements, and events are posted. This does not go without saying that Tribal Council will continue to make efforts to communicate in various ways in order to share the messages with as many Tribal Members as possible.

If you currently do not have access to the Tribal Member Website, please take a few moments to follow the included instructions to create an account:

1. Go to [www.southernute-nsn.gov](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov) (or

click on the link provided)

2. In the header, click on "Members"
3. Under "Need an account?" click on the blue highlighted link "Request Access"
4. Fill out the necessary information. (This will send a request to the Southern Ute Shared Services (SUSS) team who will verify your information and confirm your enrollment. A SUSS team member will create an account for you and send this information to the email you provided. It is important that you check your email for your log-in information.) This is only available during business hours and takes 1-2 days.
5. Use the SUSS created log-in (that was sent to your email) to access the Tribal Member website.
6. Once you have gained access, you can change your password by following these next steps:
  - a. In the right column, click on "Edit your profile"
  - b. The first paragraph ends with "edit your password and account details", click on the link to edit your log-in credentials.

If you have any difficulties with this process, please contact Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist at 970-56302313 or [lbox@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:lbox@southernute-nsn.gov)

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL

On behalf of Tribal Council,

"The Southern Ute Tribal Council received a donation request for a Women's Sundance. We believe requests relating to the Sundance should be deferred to the Sundance Chief and Sundancers prior to any such donation request being approved by Tribal Council. Collectively, the Southern Ute Tribal Council does not support deviating from the currently supported Sundance. Dedicating Tribal resources towards sponsoring a Women's Sundance conflicts with our Ute traditions and beliefs."



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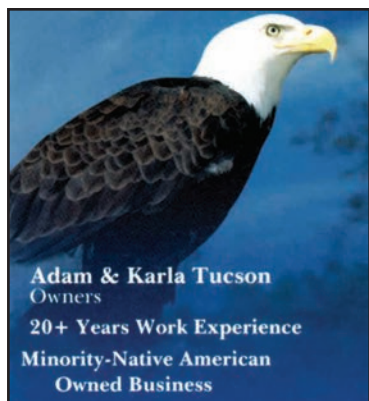
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## BGC fundraiser at Three Springs Movie Nights

The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is hosting a concession stand as a fundraiser during the Three Springs Outdoor Movie Nights held on **August 4**. BGC are seeking donations of the following items: Fritos, mustard, ketchup, salsa, relish, soda, water, bowls, plates, plastic wear and napkins. All donations should be dropped off at the SunUte Community Center, 290 Mouache Circle, Ignacio, Colo. For more information please contact Cassandra Sanchez at 970-563-2666.

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## SUPD

## Legal Advocacy graduates

Staff Report  
SU POLICE DEPT.

On Friday July 14, 2017, Victim Service Program Coordinator Lisa Manzanares and Victim Service Advocate Joann Gomez graduated from a six month online program titled Tribal Court Legal Advocacy Program. The program finished with a weeklong classroom phase.

This course required numerous hours of study, tests, and personal time. On Friday, July 14, the ladies received their well-deserved diplomas. The program was sponsored by the National Tribal Trial College at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Participants had to apply before being accepted into the program. This is a prestigious training program that had attendees from Indian Tribes hailing from Alaska to Oklahoma.

The training required Gomez and Manzanares to prepare cases and present them before judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys in a courtroom setting. This training will allow these ladies to better advocate for their clients in court.

The staff here at the Southern Ute Police Department would like to congratulate Lisa Manzanares and Joann



courtesy Chris Naranjo/SU Police Dept.

Southern Ute Victim Service advocate Joann Gomez proudly holds her diploma. The Southwest Center for Law and Policy, Tucson, Ariz., and the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI, partner to offer the National Tribal Trial College Certificates in Tribal Court Legal Advocacy.



courtesy Chris Naranjo/SU Police Dept.

Victim Service Program Coordinator, Lisa Manzanares and Victim Service Advocate, Joann Gomez at the University of Wisconsin's Law School, where they attended the Tribal Court Legal Advocacy courses.

Gomez for a job well done! Joann said this was the hardest training program she's ever had to take in her over 30 years here at the Tribe.

The new graduates were serenaded by members of the school's marching band following the graduation ceremony.

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS

## Southern Ute's rescinds Stage I fire restrictions

Staff report  
SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY, BIA

Due to the recent moisture and improved fire conditions, Stage I fire restrictions have been rescinded for all trust lands throughout the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Although the threat of fast moving wildland fire has diminished, people are still asked to be cautious and use common sense when encountering or using fire.

Lightning is forecast to continue throughout the area and residents are encouraged to follow appropriate lightning safety protocol.

Southern Ute Agency Fire Management personnel have responded to several fires within and bordering the reservation. The largest being the 412 acre Lightner Creek fire.

If you have any further questions, please contact Southern Ute Agency Fire Management at 970-563-4571.

## WOMEN'S SMALL BUSINESS • FROM PAGE 1

pher was on hand, offering profile photos at a discount price. These headshots were aimed at businesswomen who were in need of an affordable print for marketing themselves. Consultations were offered throughout the day for those interested in taking it a step further.

This year there was approximately 250 women who attended and over 20 exhibitors. The exhibitors all came together with one goal in mind and that is to help women's small businesses succeed, they ranged from local businesses and

banks to state representatives. "We had intentions to move the conference to a different venue but we loved the Sky Ute Casino so much," said Manning who is in charge of the operational management, strategic planning and financial planning of the Colorado Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Through her leadership since 2000, the Colorado SBDC successfully increased the assistance of jobs created and retained by 800% and increased capital formation that clients obtained by 275%.

Each year the conference has been rising in numbers, starting out at 100 participants, the program attracted 250 this year. The SBDC's hope is for the conference to keep flourishing, they are striving to give women a platform to come together and network for a prosperous. Southwest Colorado SBDC Director, Liz Ross is teaming up with Rocky Mountain Indian Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to hold the 1st annual Indian Biz Expo at the Sky Ute Casino Sept. 14, 2017.

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Saturday—Immediately following Parade at Town Park  
**Cash Prizes/Sweatshirts**  
Sign up at Park by 11 a.m.  
\$5.00 per person per entry  
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**FIESTA DANCE**  
**Saturday, July 29, 2017**  
**8:00 p.m.—12:00 a.m.**  
Live MUSIC BY  
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**FIESTA MASS**  
St. Ignatius Catholic Church, 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday July 30, 2017  
**FIESTA DINNER**  
12:00 p.m.  
**ANNUAL FIESTA RAFFLE**  
**1:30 p.m.**

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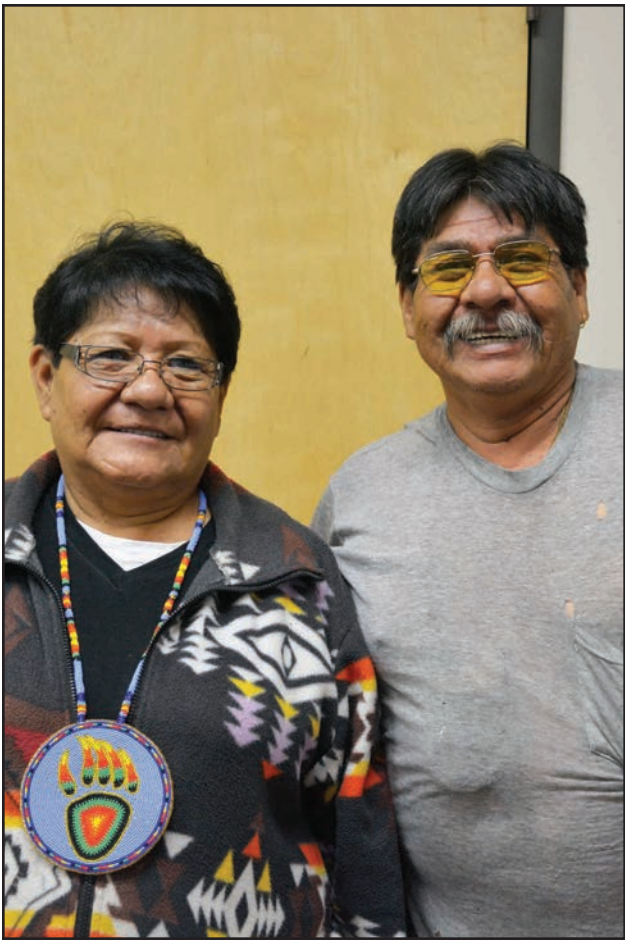
Friends and family spend the evening enjoying food, fun and laughter.

# Donating for Dutchie



Willette Whiteskunk enjoys the night out with her granddaughter Cyana Whiteskunk as they watch Beauty and the Beast on the big screen at Sunute Community Center Friday, July 14.

***Friends and family gathered together to help raise funds in support of Joycelyn Dutchie at the SunUte Community Center, Friday, July 14. Events included; BBQ, knocker ball, a bouncy house, basketball, silent auction and The Beauty and the Beast movie, played in the gymnasium. Auction items included beadwork, a Pendleton blanket and purse, a GoPro camera and several other items, auction bidders got competitive as the time ran out. Over a thousand dollars was raised between donations and the silent auction.***



Wayne and Carrie Marsh enjoy the festivities in support of Joycelyn Dutchie at the SunUte Community Center.

**Photos by Maria Rivera**  
**The Southern Ute Drum**



The film, Beauty and the Beast, plays on the big screen at SunUte Community Center, Friday, July 14, as kids relax with their sleeping bags and popcorn to enjoy the show.



Doctor Stacey Oberly says a prayer as friends and family come together in prayer before a meal, in support of Joycelyn Dutchie at the Sunute Community Center.



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Ross and Benny G would like to tell everyone that Terry Gomez has joined the team.

We have a lifted Frontier and Titans.

We also have up to \$22,500 rebates on Leafs.



IHS BASEBALL

## Cats collect All-League diamond honors



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio’s Kai Roubideaux (18) pitches during action at IHS Field in 2017. His junior season ended with him receiving a First Team All-SJBL nod.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio’s Joe Herrera-Atencio (1) rounds third versus Center at home in 2017. His sophomore season ended with him receiving a First Team All-SJBL nod.

*By Joel Priest*  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Seemingly lost in the wake of the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League’s second State Championship – Nucla doubling up Holly, 8-4, for the Class 1A title May 20th at MSU-Denver’s Regency Athletic Complex – in three years (Dove Creek captured the 1A crown in 2015) was a listing of the circuit’s own superlative stars.

But what was hidden has been revealed, and contains much positivity for the Ignacio Bobcats.

As one would expect, NHS – led by Coach-of-the-Year Randy Gabriel and senior third baseman Sladen Hendrickson, the Player-of-the-Year – dominated the First Team All-SJBL selections, with senior pitcher/infielder Trenton Armintrout, junior catcher Cord Colson, senior infielder Devyn Rummel, senior outfielder Tyler Weimer and sophomore first baseman/utility player Will Gabriel all honored.

Despite trailing the Mustangs (13-9 overall, 5-0 SJBL) in the league standings, and finishing 9-10

overall in 2017, five IHS regulars were also named First Team All-League: junior 3B/P Kai Roubideaux, junior 1B/P Marcus Chapman, senior LF/P Dalton Labarthe, sophomore OF Joe Herrera-Atencio and versatile senior Timmy Plehinger-Williams. Plehinger-Williams played infield, outfield, catcher and pitcher during the season, and was chosen as a designated hitter.

Rounding out the First Team picks were Dolores sophomore infielder Dakota ‘D.K.’ Smith and junior RF/LF Beck Anderson, as the Bears finished 7-12 overall, 2-3 [a postponed late-season game versus Nucla was not rescheduled, given that IHS’ 4-2 loop mark had clinched second place] in the SJBL.

Ignacio senior P/OF Zach Weinreich was the squad’s lone Second Team All-League honoree. Joining him were DHS senior P/OF Brandon Ward and junior OF/C David Schmitel, NHS senior shortstop/pitcher Graden Steffan, with junior C/OF/P Derek Kibel and freshman infielder Ty

Smith of DCHS (0-19, 0-6) rounding out the recipients.

### DID YOU KNOW

The 2017 State Championship was Nucla High School’s first, and the West End area’s first since Norwood – which presently co-ops with the Mustangs in multiple sports including baseball – brought home the 1980 Class A title via an 8-7 win over Wiley.

“It shows the San Juan Basin League is strong,” Rummel had said, remembering Dove Creek’s run for the ultimate prize. “We take pride in our baseball ... We’re not a joke; we can come and compete with anybody.”

But until this spring, the closest either school had come was the 1983 Mavericks’ runner-up result against Ovid Revere. Nucla, however, hadn’t played for the entire enchilada since losing the Class AA title to Ault Highland in 1976. Norwood, meanwhile, reached the Class A-West semifinals that year – the last year both programs were active so late in a season.

RODEO

## Robbins rides bulls to third in Nevada

*By Joel Priest*  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

One of two Pine River Valley locals able to travel to, and compete in the 32nd Annual Silver State International Rodeo, held July 3-8, was Ignacio High School graduate Stocker Robbins. Robbins didn’t just finish top-five, he ended up placing third.

Bull-riding inside the Winnemucca, Nev., Events Complex’s Main Arena, Robbins followed an unsuccessful first go-round in the specialty with a strong 75 in the second. And even though he was again unsuccessful in the decisive short go last Saturday, his average of 75 on one ride still put him in a podium position.

With respective scores of 75 and 65, Utah’s Colton Humphries, Mount Pleasant North Sanpete H.S., ranked second prior to the short go, when he logged a buckle-clinching 73 – making the former UHSRA State Champion the sole rider covering three head.

With a 72-76 start, state-mate Taylor Bethers,

hailing from Heber City Wasatch, led the field by eight points prior to the final performance inside the sport complex’s events center, but he failed on his final try and finished second overall. Following Robbins in the standings were Utah entrants Dakota Madsen (70/1), William Wright (60/1), Austin Glover (60/1) and Chance Ekins (50/1), with 2017 IHS grad Dalton Mickey unable to record a scoring attempt.

Bethers would ultimately earn Reserve All-Around Cowboy, trailing Oregonian Riley Fry 50-46 in the points race. Robbins earned 17 points, tying Utah’s Keagan Richards farther down in the A-A order, while Mickey tied Ekins and three others with ten.

The Beehive State easily won the combined team championship, 926 points to Nevada’s 462, with California (411.5), Oregon (342.5) and Idaho (300.5) rounding out the top five. Colorado totaled a ninth-place 27 – two points fewer than eighth-place New Mexico.

### WORKING IN WYOMING

Mickey and Mark Kempinski, also a 2017 IHS grad, along with Ignacio Bobcat Dustin Sanchez, are slated to compete in Gillette, Wyo., at the 69th Annual National High School Finals Rodeo, running from July 16-22.

An injury-alternate inclusion in saddle bronc, Kempinski was scheduled to ride Tuesday morning, July 18, in the first go-round and then again Thursday evening in the second. Through the NHSFR’s second performance (Monday morning, 7/17), Tegan Smith of Winterset, Iowa – birthplace of actor John Wayne – held the early lead with a 79. Axtell, Texas’ Parker Fleet was second with a 70, and Lapoint, Utah’s J.R. Peterson was third with a 69.

Tied for fourth with 65s were Sage Miller, Springview, Neb. and Austin Christensen, Laverne, Okla. — Koy Myers from Thermopolis, Wyo. was sixth with a 62.

Sanchez and Mickey were set to compete in rifle shooting on Tuesday, July 18.

## Caught in the crossfire qualifier



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Lucchese Cogdell stays focused as cutting horse, Bentley Boone demonstrates his athleticism during the 6th annual Caught in the Crossfire horse-cutting event, Friday, July 14, at the Sky Ute Downs in Ignacio, Colo. Top placers qualify to compete for a standing for world champ in Fort Worth, TX, December 17.



Lucid Felicity, a cutting horse, patiently waits as Mary Lattimore stares down the cow during her run at the 6th annual Caught in the Crossfire held at the Sky Ute Downs, Friday, July 14.

Dr. Gerald Dorros, and cutting horse, Cat in White Nikes make their way through the cattle in search of their next opponent at the Sky Ute Downs, Friday, July 14, for the 6th annual Caught in the Crossfire rodeo event.



### POOL CLOSURE

SunUte Community Center will close the **pool area** for approximately 3 months beginning Saturday, August 5th for maintenance on the pool deck and pool liner.

**ALL OTHER PARTS OF THE FACILITY WILL REMAIN OPEN.**

#### Members have the following options:

##### 1. Use other areas of the facility

(Try our group ex classes, use equipment on the fitness floor or other programs)

##### 2. Freeze membership until pool area is open.

(Freeze your membership until the pool area opens– ONE time freeze ONLY-NO FEE)

#### UPDATES WILL BE POSTED.

**We appreciate your patience and hope you will enjoy the upgraded pool area.**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Boys & Girls Club of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe MEN'S Softball Tournament



**\$200 ENTRY FEE**  
Home Run Derby (\$10 Entry Fee)  
**1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Place-MVP-All Tourney**

**San Ignacio Fiesta (Last weekend in July)**

TEAMS WILL HIT THEIR OWN USSSA BALLS AND UTRIPP BATS MUST HAVE THUMBPRINT  
To sign up or for more information contact Zach at the Boys and Girls Club of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe at (970)563-2692







## OBITUARIES

**HOWE** – Tiffany Ramona Box Howe passed away Sunday, July 9, 2017, at San Juan Regional Medical Center, NM. She was 29 years old.

Tiffany was born March 30, 1988 at Mercy Regional Medical Center in Durango, CO. She is the daughter of Don and Paula Howe and the youngest of 7 children. She was raised and attended school in Ignacio. She was a proud member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and loved her family with all her heart. Tiffany was kind, giving, caring, and always had a smile on her face. There was never a dull moment when Tiffany was around and she will be truly missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by: grandmother, Virginia Velasquez of Bloomfield, NM; brothers: Daniel, Ritchie and David Lovato, Walter Howe, sisters: Chonda and Tahseeanna Howe; sons: Dominique and Donovan Howe; as well as many nieces, nephews, friends and family.

She is preceded in death by her parents and grandfather, Paul Simon.

A Rosary was held Thursday, July 13,



2017 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church with a wake following at the Southern Ute Memorial Chapel.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, July 14, 2017 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church, with burial following at Ouray Cemetery.

**COTTON** – Leroy R. Cotton passed away peacefully Sunday, July 9, 2017 at Four Corners Health Care Center.

He was born in Pagosa Springs, CO on Oct. 10, 1955. Leroy's life was spent outdoors where he loved to camp, hunt, fish, cut wood and spend time with family and friends. Leroy enjoyed life and lived on his own terms.

He had many jobs, including working for the U.S. Forestry, Pagosa Mounted Rangers, ASA Umpire, wood cutter and mechanic, among others. He was preceded in death by his mother Amanda Stollsteimer, Father Glenn W. Cotton, 2 brothers & 2 sisters.

He is survived by wife Molly Cotton, son Fred Cotton, daughter Amy Cotton, granddaughters Pamela & Sky Cotton, grandson Mark Cotton-Archuleta, brothers, sister, nieces, nephews, and great nieces & nephews.

A remembrance service was held in

Church, 2750 Cornerstone Dr., Saturday, July 15, 2017.



## Pancake Breakfast

**La Plata County Fairgrounds Patio Area**

**Sunday, July 30**

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Pancakes Sausage Links Juice Coffee

Adults: \$7

Kids: \$5

**Benefiting Ignacio FFA Chapter**

## Public Notice: Request For Comments

### Proposed Air Quality Permit Catamount Energy Partners Ignacio Gas Treating Plant

**Notice issued:** June 26, 2017

**Written comments due:**  
5 p.m., July 27, 2017

**Where is the proposed facility location?**  
Southern Ute Indian Reservation  
La Plata County, Colorado  
Ignacio Gas Treating Plant  
Sec 13 T33N R9W  
Latitude 37.10N  
Longitude -107.77W

#### What is being proposed?

This proposed permit, drafted in accordance with the Tribal Minor New Source Review (MNSR) Permit Program at 40 CFR part 49, will apply to an existing facility operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in southwest Colorado.

The Ignacio Gas Treating Plant dehydrates and then compresses natural gas for pipeline transmission and can process up to 25 million standard cubic feet per day (MMscfd) of natural gas. The plant operates two 1.042 MMscf per hour triethylene glycol (TEG) dehydration units used to remove water from natural gas.

Catamount Energy Partners operates the facility under a Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Final Compliance Order (Settlement Agreement), Enforcement Case (ID: 2016-02), executed between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT) and former owner and operator of the facility, Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC.

The operator has historically claimed an exemption from certain requirements in the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Oil and Gas Production Facilities at 40 CFR part 63, subpart HH, because the actual annual average benzene emissions were less than 1 ton per year (see 40 CFR 63.764(d)). As a stipulation of the Settlement Agreement, Catamount has requested a permit to establish legally and practically enforceable requirements to limit benzene

emissions from the TEG dehydration units for the purpose of ensuring the continued exemption from subpart HH. The permit the EPA is proposing to issue reflects the incorporation of the requested requirements, which include for each TEG dehydration unit, establishing an optimum glycol recirculation rate, a maximum operating temperature for the regenerator still vents, and benzene emission limits. The proposed requirements are consistent with the Settlement Agreement.

#### What are the effects on air quality?

This action will have no adverse air quality impacts. The emissions at this existing facility will not be increasing due to this permit action. In addition, this action does not authorize the construction of any new emission sources, or emission increases from existing sources, nor does it otherwise authorize any other physical modifications to the facility or its operations.

#### Where can I send comments?

EPA accepts comments by mail, fax and e-mail.

US EPA Region 8 Air Program, 8P-AR  
Attn: Federal Minor NSR Coordinator  
1595 Wynkoop Street,  
Denver, CO 80202  
R8AirPermitting@epa.gov  
Fax: 303-312-6064

#### How can I review documents?

You can review an electronic copy of the proposed permits and related documents at the following locations:

Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
Environmental Programs Division  
Air Quality Program Office:  
71 Mike Frost Way  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
Attn: Danny Powers, Air Quality  
Technical Manager, 970-563-4705

and

US EPA Region 8 Office:  
1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202  
Attn: Claudia Smith, Permit Engineer,  
303-312-6520

US EPA Region 8 Website:  
<https://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/caa-permit-public-comment-opportunities-region-8>

**Permit number:**  
SMNSR-SU-000052-2016.001

#### What happens next?

EPA will review and consider all comments received during the comment period. Following this review, the EPA may issue the permit as proposed, issue a modified permit based on comments, or deny the permit.

### Tribal Minor New Source Review in Indian Country



**United States  
Environmental Protection  
Agency**

**Region 8  
Air Program  
1595 Wynkoop Street  
Denver, CO 80202  
Phone 800-227-8917**

<https://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/tribal-nsr-permits-region-8>

## EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

### FROST FAMILY OFFERS THANKS

We would like to thank the following for the beautiful gathering for the Jeannette Frost Memorial Walk You did a great job organizing and planning, Daisy Blue Star, Victor Archuleta, Kristi Sage, Thomas Sage, Andi Cook, and Donovan Silva.

Thank you Tim and Bird Ryder for the beautiful Memorial Song and the Rose Café for their good food.

We would like to also thank family and friends that were able to attended.

We will never forget Jen, she was a beautiful person both inside and out. She loved her family and friends unconditionally, especially the children.

If you really knew her you would know that was true. She will always be missed, loved and forever in our hearts. She is in eternal peace with our Lord.

We love you and thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

*Raymond and Edna Frost*



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## NEW EMPLOYEES



### Genevieve Baker

**Job title:** Behavioral Health Intern

**Description of duties:** Observe clinical sessions and integrated visits, complete research assignments, outreach to community, and professional documentation.

**Hobbies:** Running and snowboarding

**Family:** 4-year-old daughter, Kilia.

**Tribe:** Southern Ute

### Maria Rivera

**Job title:** Photographer/Reporter

**Description of duties:** Take photos and write articles at local events our community.

**Hobbies:** Loving my family, coaching volleyball and basketball, outdoors, just staying active, healthy and fit.

**Family:** 3 kids: Jaelyn, Keyon, Charles and my other half Justin.

**Tribe:** Southern Ute



### Ryan Price

**Job title:** Repairman Construction Services

**Description of duties:** Plumber

**Hobbies:** Fishing, lifting weights, hiking, and landscaping.

**Family:** Living life to the fullest.

**Tribe:** Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute

### Delana Joy Farley

**Job title:** Museum Curator

**Description of duties:** Coordinate incoming, outgoing and current exhibits. Responsible for designing in-house exhibits, manage travel exhibits, and working closely with departments and individuals to fabricate, install and maintain long-term and short-term gallery exhibitions.

**Hobbies:** Sewing, weaving, photography ... anything art related. Also to travel and watching movies.

**Tribe:** Navajo



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# Ute tribes compete at NAIG 2017



Team Colorado comes together outside the Aviva Center, alongside coaches and chaperones, moments before the opening ceremonies on Sunday, July 16.

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and cultural gathering.

Members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe were representing the Ute tribes together as Team Colorado for the 2017 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) held in Toronto, Canada. The games are scheduled from July 16-23 and will culminate with the official Closing Ceremonies to be held Saturday, July 22. “NAIG is extremely exciting, we traveled over two thousand plus miles to be here — to be part of almost four thousand indigenous athletes from all over North America,” said Kevin Winkler, chef de mission for Team Colorado. “It is the biggest of its kind, and it’s a chance to recognize athleticism within native communities.”

The tribal youth from Team Colorado will be competing in a variety of sporting events, which include: basketball, volleyball, archery, wrestling, golf, swimming and athletics. Numerous other, and less traditional sporting events are also on the schedule: canoe/kayak, rifle and badminton competitions. Lacrosse made its debut in Toronto for this year’s athletic lineup, rounding out a total of 14 individual sport categories.

Kicking off the weeklong schedule were the opening ceremonies. “It is as big of a draw as any other sporting event, the stadium sold out — ten thousand people,” Winkler said. The ceremonies included musical performances, cultural dance routines, a parade of colors and welcome remarks from Canadian and tribal dignitaries on behalf of the young athletes and teams in attendance.

Past, Present, Future. ALL ONE — is the theme for the 2017 North American Indigenous Games.

Highlighting her experience in Canada, Southern Ute athlete D’Vondra Garcia spoke fondly of the competition, “It’s great that we get to meet people from other tribes,” she said. The teams are housed together on university campuses in the Toronto region throughout the weeklong tournament, pro-

viding an opportunity for building relationships and cultural exchange among the athletes. “NAIG is special in that it is not too athletic, it strives to make each participant better as a person. The program requires them to give to the community and improve, or maintain, their academic standards in order to participate,” said Kevin Winkler. “This is a program that we have been working on for over nine months, with teams practicing for over four months.”

The competition is fierce. The team representing regions across Canada are sizable; Team BC alone has an estimated 500 athletes representing them at NAIG in Toronto this year. These young athletes have all trained extensively in preparation of this Olympic style sporting event — determined to bring the best medals home to their respective tribes.

“The athletes are very flexible, they know why they came. The kids have been awesome,” IHS Principle, Melanie Taylor said. Taylor is travelling with Team Colorado as a coach and chaperone.

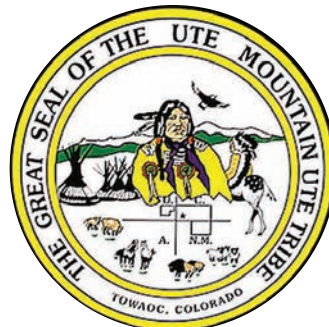
Sentiments echoed by Team Colorado basketball coach Sheila Nanaeto.

“I’m very optimistic, they put in the hard work,” Nanaeto said. “Our team is jelled, they are going to do well here.” She sees this as a terrific opportunity for the tribal athletes, “They get to travel, see new things — they had to earn it.”

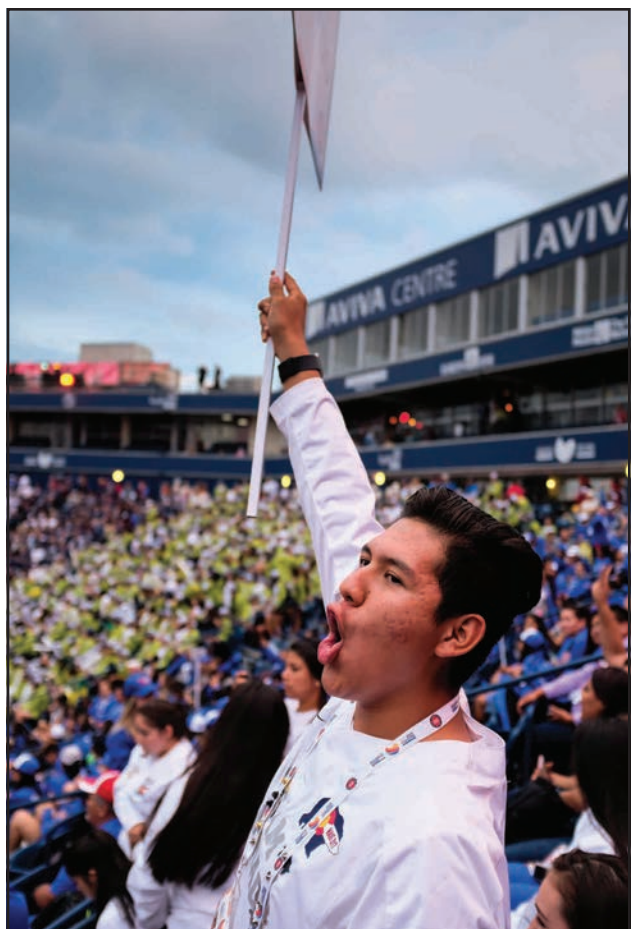
The Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games stands as the largest sporting and cultural gathering of Indigenous Peoples in North America according to NAIG.

Sunday’s opening ceremonies at the Aviva Center were a testament to the number of athletes, coaches and supporters of the Indigenous Games who rallied together for this year’s events in Ontario.

“This is how our people should always be,” said Stacey LaForme, Chief of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. “Happy, proud, and ready for the future.”



Ocean Hunter keeps a sharp eye on his shot, as the other players anticipate the rebound.

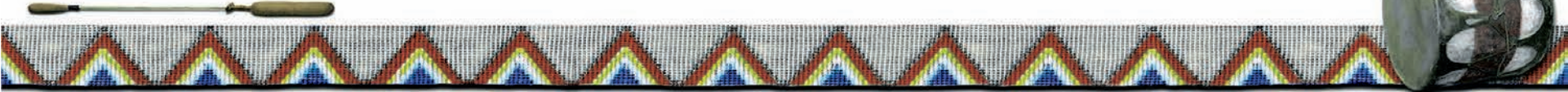


Andrew Morgan shows his pride for Team Colorado, cheering and hoisting the team’s name.

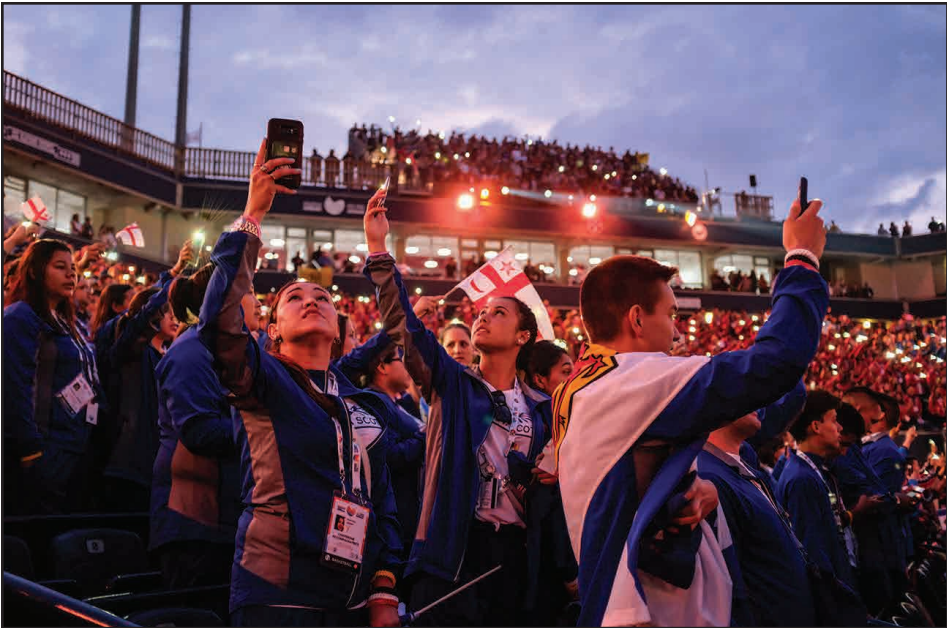


Teams from across North America fill the Aviva Center stadium for opening ceremonies, brandishing their flags and team colors.





# Canada hosts games in Toronto



Pride was running high during opening ceremonies for 2017 NAIG, the flicker of lights filled the stadium during the national anthem.

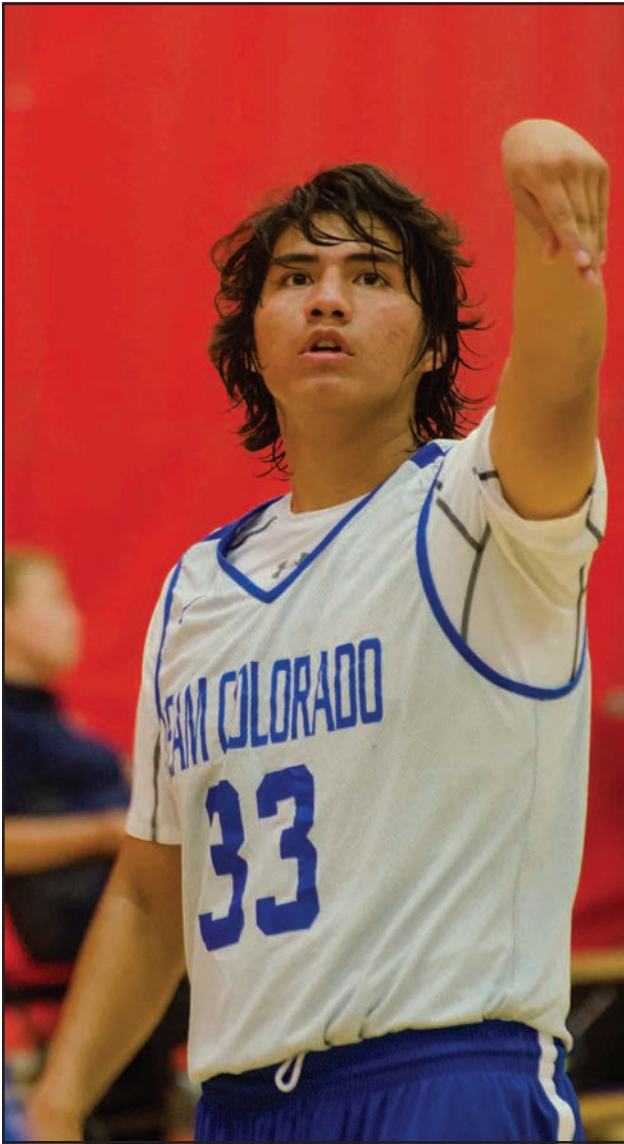


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Southern Ute Councilman Tyson Thompson gives a play-by-play on his iPhone of the first day of games in Toronto, Monday, July 17. Thompson traveled to Ontario to show support for Team Colorado.

**Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
The Southern Ute Drum



The action was fast and furious for the 19U basketball play.



Taboo from the Black Eyed Peas brings down the house for NAIG 2017 opening ceremonies.



Kevin Winkler, chef de mission for Team Colorado (on right) and Virgil Morgan enter the stadium with Team Colorado on opening night.



The parade of teams brought players together outside of the Aviva Center stadium at York University for a pep rally.

**The 2017 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) graced Toronto this week under the motto – Past, Present, Future. ALL ONE. The games are scheduled from July 16-23 with the Closing Ceremonies to be held Saturday, July 22, the Indigenous Games and cultural exchange kicked off with opening ceremonies for all North American teams on Sunday, July 16 at the Aviva Center, Toronto, CA. In addition to the competitive sports lineup, NAIG hosted a week-long cultural village featuring programs each night, traditional indigenous teachings and cultural performances on the York University campus. Athletes from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe joined forces as Team Colorado for NAIG 2017.**



Ignacio's own Charlize Valdez plays ball for the 16U girls' team at Toronto's HoopDome.



Clay Seibel and Dermarr Harlan play a hard game against rival teams at York University.



Monika Lucero takes careful aim at the basket during her first competition game for NAIG 2017 on Monday, July 17.



Joe Garcia sits with teammates during halftime, boys played their games on the York University campus.



Eboney Gomez and her teammates share a moment of laughter on the sidelines between gameplay.



## REQUEST FOR BIDS Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority Northridge Drive Renovation 2016-02

The Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority is advertising request for proposals for the House Renovation Project to renovate 1 – 3 bedroom, 1 bath home located on Northridge Drive on the Southern Ute Reservation. The bid proposal should include cost of labor and materials in completing this project. Prospective bidders are asked to contact Eric Spady or Tracie Baker at 970-563-4575, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A project specification packet can be obtained at the Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority office at 760 Shoshone Ave., Ignacio, CO. A mandatory site visit for this project is scheduled for August 1, 2017 at 10 a.m. Bid deadline is August 7, 2017 at 4 p.m. Bids must be sealed. Bid opening is August 8, 2017 at 9 a.m. at said office. All bids must adhere to the Southern Ute Indian TERO Ordinance and the Federal Indian Preference Statutes, 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Davis-Bacon Wage Rates for LaPlata County are in effect; Uniform Builders Code (UBC) and Tribal Crossing Permits must be obtained. Bids not responsive and responsible will be rejected.

## TERO Dept. Lawn Service Care and Maintenance

Southern Ute tribal elders and handicap members who need lawn service at their primary residence on the Southern Ute Reservation are welcome to call Southern Ute TERO at 970-563-0117, to schedule a time and date.

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### ELECTION BOARD

Southern Ute Election Board is seeking One (1) full-time Board Member. The closing date is Friday, August 18, 2017. Qualifications 11-2-102; (1) & (3): Must be a Southern Ute Tribal Registered Voter; Must reside within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation; Shall not have been convicted of a felony; and Shall not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five years immediately preceding appointment to the Election Board. The Election Board is a paid committee; IRS Guidelines. A Criminal Background Check is necessary. Southern Ute Employee Benefits is offered. And, you will be considered an Official of the Southern Ute Tribe. Submit Letter of Intent to: Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Election Board, P.O. Box 737, #32, Ignacio, CO, 81137. Physical location: 356 Ouray Drive / LCB 2nd Floor East Wing. Contact the Election Board at 970-563-0100, ext. 2303/2305 or via email at election@southernute-nsn.gov.

### KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

KSUT is accepting letters of interest to fill a “Native American at Large” seat. Applicants must be an enrolled member of a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe. 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. Open until filled.

### WILDLIFE ADVISORY YOUTH BOARD

Youth Needed For Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The Tribe is seeking an enrolled Southern Ute youth wishing to fill a special youth-only seat on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The 1-year position may only be filled by a Tribal Member between the ages of 14 and 18, and the position may be renewed annually, by request, until age 19 is reached. The Wildlife Advisory Board works closely with the Wildlife Division in planning and recommending actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs, both on-reservation and within the Brunot treaty area. This special youth seat provides an outstanding opportunity for a young tribal member to learn about wildlife management, including traditional Ute and contemporary scientific perspectives. Meetings are held several times throughout the year, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. The participant is eligible to receive \$20/hour compensation for meeting attendance provided he or she is not already employed by the Tribe. Interested tribal member youth must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, please contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130. This vacancy will remain open until filled.

### CREDIT COMMITTEE

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

### ELHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The ELHI Community Center is looking for a community minded individual to serve on the ELHI Board of Directors. Applications are available in the office on Tuesdays or Thursdays 1 – 5 p.m. or on our webpage at [www.elhicomunitycenter.org/meet-the-elhi-board](http://www.elhicomunitycenter.org/meet-the-elhi-board).

### ROYALTY COMMITTEE

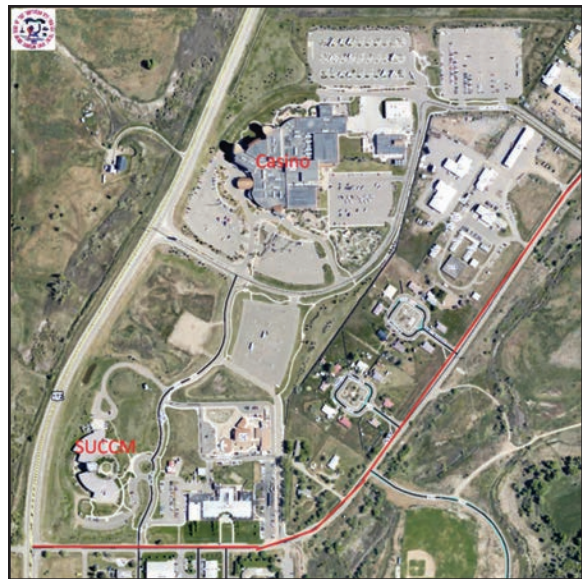
Attention Past Royalty, Fair Rodeo Queens & Tribal Elders. The tribe is seeking former Miss Southern Ute/Fair Rodeo Queens and tribal Elders to serve on the Royalty Committee. Three positions are open for 1 elder member and 2 former royalty members. Initial terms are staggered, thereafter three-year 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.

### WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD

The Tribe is seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill TWO seats on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The 8-member Board works closely with the Wildlife Division on planning and recommending actions related to tribal hunting and fishing programs. Board members not already employed by the Tribe receive \$20 per hour of meeting attendance. Meetings are held roughly on a quarterly basis throughout the year, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. Interested Tribal Members must submit a brief letter of interest that includes a description of the applicant's knowledge and experience with wildlife, hunting, or fishing, on and off of the Southern Ute Reservation. Please submit letters to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, please contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130. Letters of interest will be accepted through Friday, July 28, 2017.

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT County Road 517/State Highway 172 Road Re-construction

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is working closely with La Plata County, the Colorado Department of Transportation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Southwest Region and Crossfire LLC, the selected General Contractor, to complete major aspects of road reconstruction along Country Road 517 from State Highway 172 east by north east to Howe Drive. These changes will include a new left turn lane near Tribal Campus, new sidewalks along the project area, bike lanes, crosswalks, a traffic signal at the intersection of CR 517 / SH 172 and new asphalt along the road. Major construction is expected to be completed in the 2017 calendar year. Work is scheduled to begin July 10, with working hours of 7 am to 6 pm Monday through Saturday. There may be delays of up to 10 minutes during these periods as traffic is reduced to one lane. Please contact the Tribe's Department of Construction and Project Management at 970-563-0138 with questions.



## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT Traffic, Safety and On-going Construction Operations

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is a critical project owner or partner entity on several construction projects occurring within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Many of these projects deal directly with roads, most notably within Ignacio and the immediately surrounding area. In an effort to make sure motorists and workers are safe alike, the Tribe's Department of Construction and Project Management would like to remind everyone to slow down in work zones and pay close attention to temporary construction signs that indicate changing speed, heavy equipment usage, road closures and more. Please contact Construction and Project Management at 970-563-0138 with any questions or comments.



Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Board of Directors is seeking a **Tribal Member** interested in serving as a member of the Board.

The Board Meets twice a month (one Board Meeting and one Sub Committee meeting).  
The Board Members are appointed by Tribal Council for a 3 year term.

**Tribal Member Youth are encouraged to apply!**

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For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CPO, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694

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### Busser: Rolling Thunder, Willows (Full-time)

Closing date 7/25/17

Perform multiple tasks and duties within the restaurant and kitchen as instructed by supervisor and management. Duties include clearing off and sanitizing tables for the next group of guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as: plates, glasses, silverware and napkins. Will help cooks, servers and dishwashers perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 14 years old. Preferably 16 years of age (Rolling Thunder). Must have reliable transportation. Must have a minimum of an 8th grade education, able read and write at an 8th grade level.

### Event Staff (Full-time, On-call)

Closing date 7/25/17

Assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. Acts as a guest service representative at banquets and related events. Requires you achieve and maintain the highest level of guest service, as well as maintaining professional interactions, safe working conditions and teamwork. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 years old. 21 years of age or older preferred in order to serve alcohol. Must have a valid driver's license and must be driver insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have food handling experience. Prefer work experience in all areas of Banquet events and catering; setting up events, food lines, beverage set-up, service procedures.

### Facilities Staff (Full-time) \*Sign on Bonus

Closing date 7/24/17

Operation of equipment, environmental condition and appearance of the facility and grounds.

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.

### Line Cook: Rolling Thunder (Full-time)

Closing date 7/21/17

Preparation of the Al La Carte menu in the Café/Restaurants 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. (17 years old+ in Willows) Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast paced full service restaurant OR 4 months In House training.

### Wait Staff: Rolling Thunder (Full-time)

Closing date 7/26/17

Provide exceptional guest service by delivering exceptional service of food and/or beverage to include: taking the order and delivering food and/or beverage items. This task is to be handled in a friendly, courteous, helpful, timely and professional manner resulting in a high level of guest satisfaction. High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Minimum 1 year waitress/waiter experience. 1 year of cashing and food service experience. Must have a point-of-sale cash register experience.

*\*Must be 21 years old.*

## In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2017-NC-0078 Mara Jade Nimat Marshall, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Betsy Kent on behalf of Mara Jade Nimat Marshall has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Mara Jade Nimat Kent. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **AUGUST 4, 2017 at 5 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 17th day of July, 2017.

BY THE COURT,  
Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2017-PR-0074 Virginia Sage, 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 **AUGUST 21, 2017 at 3 PM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 5th of July, 2017

Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2017-PR-0083 Tyrone Peabody, 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 **AUGUST 29, 2017 at 10 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 17th of July, 2017

Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2017-NC-0084 Clifton Joseph Andres Greany, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Samantha Maez on behalf of Clifton Joseph Andres Greany has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Celestino Joseph Andres Maez. Any person desiring to ob-

ject to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **SEPTEMBER 8, 2017 at 5 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 17th day of July, 2017.

BY THE COURT,  
Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2017-NC-0049 Jerrika Alli Rarick Valenzuela, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Estelle Monte on behalf of: Jerrika Alli Rarick Valenzuela has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jerrika Alli Rarick. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **JULY 28, 2017 at 5 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 27th day of June, 2017.

By The Court, Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2017-PR-0054 Beulah Jane Kent, 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 **JULY 24, 2017 at 3 PM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 19th of June, 2017

Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of, Case No.: 2017-PR-0069 Gabriel Dean Peabody Sr., 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 **JULY 31, 2017 at 3 PM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 19th of June, 2017

Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

## Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs](http://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 TO BE 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.

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

### After School Guide (Part-time)

Closing date 7/25/17

Regular part-time position that provides education and physical activities for the after school program to meet the needs of children ages 3 through 11 years that are enrolled in the after school program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Community Health Representative

Closing date 7/28/17

Providing assistance in the coordination and development of activities for elderly and physically or mentally handicapped Tribal members. Provides transportation, health, and health related home-making services. Performs community health representative duties to include patient transport and monitoring, home visits, conducting classes, and providing community education on Tribal health issues. Pay grade grade 13; \$12/hour.

### Infant/Toddler Teacher – SUIMA

Closing date 7/27/17

Professional teaching position with the Private Education Dept. Uses the Montessori philosophy to provide So. Ute Indian Montessori Academy students with a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of the child. Communicate effectively with parents/guardians about their child's progress in each domain area.

### Lake Capote Maintenance Worker

Closing date 7/25/17

Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager, will greet guests, collect fees for fishing/camping/small concessions; clean, maintain, and repair grounds, facilities, and buildings; and assist with site development and improvements. Seasonal/full-time, 8-month schedule. Pay grade grade 13; \$12/hour.

### Physical Therapist (Part-time) – SUIMA

Closing date 7/25/17

Professional position within the Dept. of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of physical therapy services.

### Social Services Division Head

Closing date 7/25/2017

Day-to-day operation and management of the Southern Ute Tribal Social Services Division, in accordance with the guidelines (fiscal, philosophical, and programmatic) established and approved by the Tribal Council. Manages programs and services including child/adult welfare protective services, family and individual therapy, BIA General Assistance/Tribal Work Experience Program, and Low Income Energy Assistance Program. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/annually.

### Summer YEP Workers

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

### Water Resource Division Head

Closes 7/26/2017

Works under the direction of the Director, Dept. of Natural Resources, management/oversight of all Water Resource Division operations including water resource planning, irrigation activities, soil conservation activities, and the Tribe's Weed Management Program. Program promotes the appropriate use, development, and conservation of the Tribe's water and soil resources in accordance with all Tribal policies and any applicable State, Federal, or other regulations. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/annually.

### Boys Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

Open until filled

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

### Chief Medical Officer

Open until filled

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

### Court Information Analyst

Open until filled

Works in cooperation with Tribal Court administrators to strategically plan the development of the Court's programs, by statistically measuring the effectiveness of current court programs, researching methods to improve effectiveness, and developing grant proposals to support improvements and funding. Position is partially grant funded. Continued employment is contingent upon renewed funding from the grant. Pay grade 21; \$55,006/annually.

### Human Resources Director

Open until filled

Under general direction of the Executive Officer, is responsible for management of the Human Resources Dept., Employee Benefits Division, and the Health and Safety Management Division within the Tribal Organization. Planning activities, overseeing direction of the HR Dept. and establishing an internal evaluation process for the Dept. Oversees the operational, administrative and strategic management of Permanent Fund's Human Resource programs, policies, and procedures. Ensures recruitment and employment; compensation and benefits; automated and manual record-keeping systems; employee training; employee relations; policy formulation and implementation; and performance development and evaluation programs are maintained in accordance with established tribal and federal laws, regulations, policies, and procedures. Will have responsibility for the day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors.

### Lifeguard (Part-time)

Open until filled

Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Public Health Nurse

Open until filled

Registered nurse position, providing public health nursing care and case management to individuals, families, and the community. Pay grade 21; \$26.45/hour.

### Scorekeeper (Part-time)

Open until filled

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

### Umpire/Referee (Part-time)

Open until filled

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

### Ute Language Teacher

Open until filled

Assisting the Coordinator of the Ute curriculum and Design in teaching the Ute language to the students, staff and parents of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA). Employees will be trained to write the Ute language using the Charney system by coordinator of Ute Curriculum and Design.

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Dated this 27th day of June 2016. Peg Rogers, Attorney for the SUIT Division of Social Services  
P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137, 970-563-0100



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- Must be able to work outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Must be in good physical condition and able to pass a pre-employment physical.
- Must have passed / or be willing to take an ATV safety course.

If you meet the above qualifications please see the Tribal Employment Rights Office for an application.

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WILDLIFE

Osprey young take flight, get tagged

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Earlier this year, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Division of Wildlife Resource Management team installed a high definition 1080p camera to observe the osprey nest at Lake Capote — streaming live coverage of the resident raptors and their activities. Since that time, the mating pair have successfully hatched their eggs and are raising three young birds. Wildlife staff recently tagged the younger osprey with leg bands.

Speaking with Wildlife Resource Management Division Head Steve Whitman and Wildlife Technician Jon Broholm, The Southern Ute Drum fielded a Q & A with the wildlife experts regarding the successes and challenges of the recently introduced web cam.

“In addition to all the positive feedback from Tribal staff, we’ve also been getting a lot of visitors at Lake Capote who are asking about the osprey and wanting to see them in-person,” Whitman said.

**What direction do you see the Osprey project taking?**

We want to expand awareness of the project and hopefully generate a lot more interest, support, and involvement, especially among tribal youth. After the ospreys migrate this fall, we’d like to make a few enhancements to the camera, like adding audio and re-positioning the camera for better background scenery in its “home position.” Another direction we could take the project entails following one of the adult birds on their seasonal migration. We have discussed the idea of putting a backpack transmitter on one of the adult birds. This technology would allow us to track the bird in real-time as it migrates south to Central or South America to winter. This could be an added educational opportunity for local kids interested in the ospreys at Lake Capote. At this time we have no immediate plan for such a project, but it could be something for the future.

**What kind of response have you seen from the tribal membership and community regarding the osprey cam?**

The response has been very positive so far, especially among staff at the Tribe. Many viewers are very fascinated by and like to closely follow the different behaviors of the parent birds and chicks. With the technical issues resolved,



courtesy/SU Wildlife

Wildlife Division staff briefly removed the osprey chicks from the Lake Capote nest, and brought them down to the ground for banding on Monday, June 19.



courtesy/SU Wildlife

Each osprey chick was fitted with two bands: a high-visibility blue band that can be read at a distance using binoculars, and a silver US Fish and Wildlife Service band with more detailed information.

and some improvements we’ll be making for next year, we hope to get an even better response in the future.

There were nearly 6,000 unique page views between June 17 and July 16.

**Please explain the banding process.**

Wildlife Division staff used a boom lift, on loan from Sky Ute Fairgrounds, to safely reach the nest. Each osprey chick was placed in a cloth bag, and all 3 were brought to the ground. Each chick was fitted with a band on each of their legs: a silver US Fish and Wildlife Service band, and a blue band with a code that can be read at a distance using binoculars. The chicks were returned to the nest as quickly as possible, and shortly afterward the parents flew back to the nest and joined them.

**What data is collected as a result of the banding on these younger birds?**

The bands themselves may not actually give us much data. After the young ones leave the nest they’ll migrate south into Central or South America and spend an entire year down there. Chances are we will never see those young birds again. BUT a sharp eyed biologist or bird watcher may spot one of the blue bands in coming years and through a few phone calls they should be able to track us down to tell us where they’ve seen the bird. Most of our data about these birds will come simply from following the video feed. Things like adult return

dates in the spring, dates that eggs are laid, dates that eggs hatch, hatchling survival and fledging dates will all be recorded into the future and give us insight into these birds’ lives.

**Could we possibly see live camera feeds for other types of wildlife on the SU Reservation, such as eagles, bears, beaver, or lions in the future?**

That’s something the Wildlife Division would like to explore. A major limiting factor is that cameras have to be hooked up to a dedicated power source, and there needs to be internet capability to broadcast the feed. This situation doesn’t usually come about out in the wild; the osprey nest at Lake Capote offered the perfect opportunity. Additionally the ospreys are easier to view with a webcam than some other types of wildlife, because they spend a lot of time in one place – on the nest. However, with our webcam’s pan/tilt/zoom capabilities, we’ve been able to spot many other animals on and around Lake Capote, including waterfowl, herons, eagles, deer, elk, and turkeys. It’s worth checking the live feed even after the ospreys migrate in the fall. We’ll try to stream other wildlife as much as possible, in addition to the spectacular views from up on the nest!

For additional info about the project, and a timeline of the birds’ activities, take a look at the webcam page at lakecapote.com/osprey-cam.

WILDLIFE

SU Wildlife receiving high number of bear calls

Staff report  
SU WILDLIFE DEPT.

Calls to Tribal Wildlife about black bears have begun early this year. It’s too early for acorns and choke cherries to ripen so some bears have begun to venture into Ignacio and surrounding areas. Unfortunately, human food sources can often become an easy meal for black bears during this time.

Black bears that habitually receive food from human sources often become used to close contact with people and begin to lose their natural fear of people. While they may look cute and cuddly, a black bear can turn aggressive unexpectedly and can be very dangerous to people.

The most effective method to avoid black bear encounters and to reduce the incidence of bears visiting residential areas is to remove any potential food or attractant available to them.

Store trash until the morning of scheduled pick-up in a secure container, preferably inside a garage or shed.

Additionally, we ask people to store pet food indoors and pick up any

uneaten pet food remaining in dishes in the evening. Remove bird feeders each evening. Also, store barbecue grills out of reach and clean up any spilled grease.

It is important to remove all potential sources of black bear food from residential areas. In the absence of human food sources, black bears will almost always look elsewhere for food, hopefully utilizing natural sources.

The Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management believes in removing attractants prior to taking steps to remove a bear.

If attractants aren’t removed then another bear, or other wildlife, will likely continue to take advantage of the source. The Wildlife Division does have the ability to trap and relocate nuisance bears, but this is treated as a last-resort option and only if all prevention measures have been tried.

If you have questions or for more information, please contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management at 970-563-0130.

To report black bear encounters contact one of the following:

**So. Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management**  
970-563-0130

**So. Ute Tribal Rangers**  
970-563-0133

**Southern Ute Dispatch**  
970-563-4401

If you see a black bear

If you see a black bear from a distance, it is important that you not approach it. If a close encounter occurs, some general guidelines to follow are:

- Stay Calm.
- Stop and back away slowly while facing the bear.
- Avoid direct eye contact. Direct eye contact may be perceived as threatening by a black bear.
- Speak softly to identify yourself as a human and to show that you are not a threat to the bear.
- Fight back if the bear attacks.

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