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CULTURAL PRESERVATION

## Ute Council Tree: Witness to history

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

The majestic Council Tree stood tall on the morning of Friday, Aug. 25, as members of the three Ute tribes, and the community of Delta, Colo. gathered near its base to honor the old cottonwood before it was cut down. The tree dates back over two centuries and holds a very special significance to the Ute people and their history. “It’s a great honor to be in the presence of this Grandfather tree,” Ute Mountain Ute Councilwoman Regina Lopez said.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Tree removal experts, in partnership with Doughty Steel and Machine, Inc., begin the process of removing the uppermost limbs from the crown of the 110 foot tall cottonwood tree, which dates back over 215 years.

COUNCIL CORNER

## Tribal leaders meet with Governor

By **Lindsay Box**  
SU COUNCIL AFFAIRS

The Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribal leadership met with the Governor of Colorado, John Hickenlooper, for the 2nd annual Governor’s Ute Summit.

Since 2015, Governor Hickenlooper has scheduled the annual meeting with the two tribes. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has maintained positive relationships with many state and local governments, and those positive intergovernmental relationships benefit the Tribe.

Chairman Clement J. Frost began the morning-long meeting discussing the vacancy on the Colorado Water Conservation Board. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe retained a complex mosaic of water rights after the Southern Ute Reservation was established. Through a series of settlements, the Tribe’s water rights were better established and protected throughout the State.

During the meeting with Governor Hickenlooper, the Tribe’s representatives wanted to discuss a vacancy on the Colorado Water Conservation Board and the possibility of a tribal appointee serving on the Board.

Chairman Frost and tribal representatives also briefed Governor Hickenlooper on the Tribe’s Clean Water Act application for treatment in the same manner as a state for purposes of setting water quality standards.

In 2015 the Tribe submitted its application and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is currently processing the application. During two public comment

Towering above the neighborhood and surrounding pines, the Council Tree could be seen from a great distance. Near it’s massive base, a small wooden sign speaks to the long history of the Ute Council Tree.

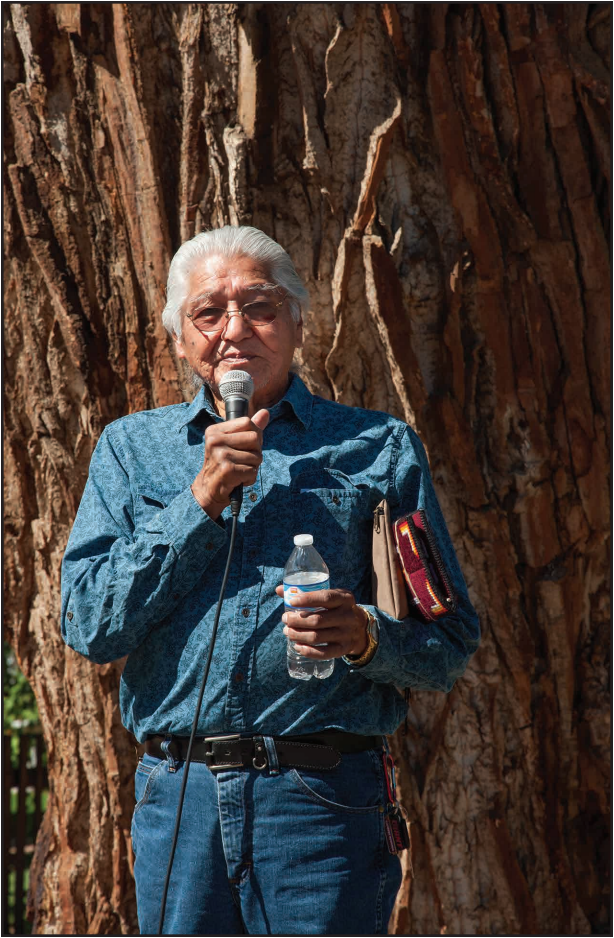
The Delta County Historical Society, owner of the 215+ year old Ute Council Tree in Delta, Colorado, made plans to have the ailing cottonwood cut down to a level of about ten to twelve feet above the ground from it’s original height of 110 feet.

The tree’s last major limb broke away from the trunk

section in early August. Tree experts, following an up-close examination, determined that the tree was at a great risk of a catastrophic

failure since the crown of the tree contained the only remaining branches. A strong

*Council Tree page 3*



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Alden Naranjo explains the significance of the historic Ute Council Tree as it pertains to the Ute people; their history and culture, following a traditional blessing on Friday, Aug. 25, Delta, Colo.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Evalyn Russell was among the tribal members who attended the Blue Stone Strategy Group’s informational meeting at the Sky Ute Casino & Resort, Monday, Aug. 28.

HUMAN RESOURCES

## Blue Stone Strategy hosts roundtable

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

Blue Stone Strategy Group returned to the Sky Ute Casino to meet with members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on Monday, Aug. 28. The purpose of the meeting was to update the membership on the progress of their assessment and answer any questions or concerns. Blue Stone is a third party advisory firm, in charge of assessing and implementing a strategy to improve the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Human Resources (HR) Department.

“We have worked exclusively in Indian Country for the past eleven years,” Blue Stone Strategy Group CEO, Jaime Fullmer said. “The important message for today is the challenges we’ve noted in the HR department, one of those challenges is tribal members getting the opportunity for interviews and jobs.”

Changing the philosophy of how the Human Resources Department does busi-

ness is critical, according to Blue Stone. Customer service, employee relations, compliance and career path options all play a part in this success. “There is a lot of responsibility in the HR Department. Human Resources is the hub of activity for training and development,” Fullmer said.

It was made clear by the strategy group, that there is a need for a better process, and a strong HR Director. Teamwork, empowerment and trust were all emphasized as being important aspects of a working organization.

“We were asked to come in and make an assessment, we’re listening to your concerns, and addressing them,” Blue Stone President John Mooers said. “The Tribal Council has made this a high priority.”

“You should have a candidate, if not an HR Director in place by the next time we meet,” Mooers said. “Our project was set to end in February of 2018. We are on, or ahead, of schedule.”

GROWTH FUND

## Executive Director Baker steps down

Staff Report  
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Southern Ute Indian Reservation – The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council announced today that the Southern Ute Growth Fund’s Executive Director, Raymond A. Baker, has resigned for health reasons.

“My entire time with the Growth Fund, on and off the work site, has been nothing less than outstanding and I will be leaving the Growth Fund with a heavy heart. The Growth Fund is filled with true professionals that are willing to go that extra mile and believe in getting the job done right, the first time,” indicated Baker.

Baker, who is a Southern Ute Tribal Member, submitted his resignation to the Southern Ute Tribal Council after many in-depth medical evaluations conducted by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Mul-



Raymond Baker

iple service-connected issues were identified as directly related to his 30 years of honorable service in the Navy as a saturation diver.

Chairman Frost stated, “The Southern Ute Indian Tribe truly appreciates the dedicated work ethic Mr. Baker demonstrated while serving as the Executive Director of the Southern Ute Growth Fund. We wish him all the best while navigating through this personal time in his life.”

Baker’s last day will be Friday, Sept. 1, 2017

TRIBAL MEMBER CONCERNS

# Tribal members attend community meeting



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Members of the Southern Ute Tribe met at the Multi-Purpose Facility for the tribal town hall meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 16.

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A ‘town hall’ style meeting was held Wednesday, Aug. 16, at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility where Southern Ute Councilmen, Kevin Frost and Adam Red touched base and answered questions regarding the Trump administration, the Tribal Health Department, and Construction Services. Southern Ute membership meetings are open to all enrolled tribal members and give the membership the podium to get their voices heard.

The first topic on the agenda was information on the Tribal Council’s meetings with the Trump administration earlier this year. Tribal Council communicated concerns regarding development of energy and infrastructure on tribal lands. “The Tribe also got called to attend an energy meeting at the White House Office of Energy Affairs, to discuss the need to have reliable energy sources for our people,” Councilman Frost said. The Tribe was asked to present two main issues regarding energy development during the White House Energy Meeting, which took place Friday, July 28, those topics were permit and drainage issues for the Tribe. “By forming relations with the current administration we are working to solidify the Tribe’s future,” Councilman Frost said. “By having

these meetings, it builds a trusting relationship between the Tribe and Federal Government.”

Tribal members spoke about their concerns on tribal health and the changes they wish to see within the Southern Ute Health Center. Including the need for an X-ray machine, and having consistent doctors, and wait time for patients at the Health Center. The reason for the wait time is patients showing up late for their scheduled appointments, which causes back up, according to Tribal Health Administrative Assistant, Marge Barry. “Its not just the Health Center, you can go to offices in Durango and have to wait the same amount of time. We are very lucky to be able to have the Health Center option available to us,” Southern Ute tribal member Tristain Benally said. The X-ray machine has been down for some time now and they are working to replace the equipment so that it is available to patients, so they will not have to go to Durango for services. The Southern Ute Health Center also offers same day services if you call first thing in the morning.

A comment was made about the clinic out growing itself and the need for a new one. “We have entertained the idea of a new health facility like a mini MAYO clinic to move in the direction that’s best of the Tribe, right now we just don’t have

the funding to do so. Our elders sacrificed a lot for us to have these health services, we should be very appreciative that we have that option,” Councilman Frost said.

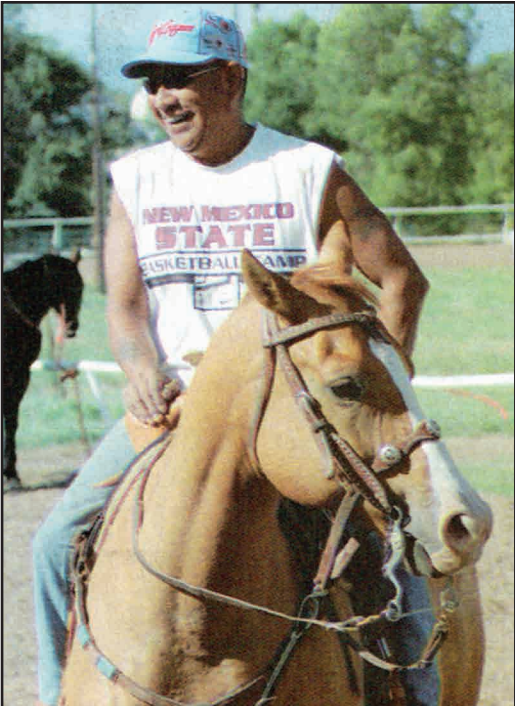
Southern Ute Construction Services Division Head, Danny Abeyta spoke on behalf of his department about the issues of snow removal. “Construction Services has taken on 100 plus new people from Arboles to Ignacio, taking on more areas where Custom Farms use to take care of,” Abeyata said. “They start at 4a.m. in the morning and stay out all night, until everyone is taken care of. Dialysis patients are first, next is elders, and then the general [tribal] community — please bare with them, they are doing the best they can to take care of everyone in a timely manner.” If you need sidewalks, roofs or anything else that needs snow removal please contact the Southern Ute Wood Yard.

Southern Ute tribal members have the opportunity to speak about the changes they wish to see within the tribal community.

“We need to come together to make big changes within our community,” Councilman Frost said. Tribal members need to unite, and attendance at community meetings is vital for change, Frost said in closing. If only a handful of the membership share their concerns, there is not much change that can happen.



## Many Moons Ago

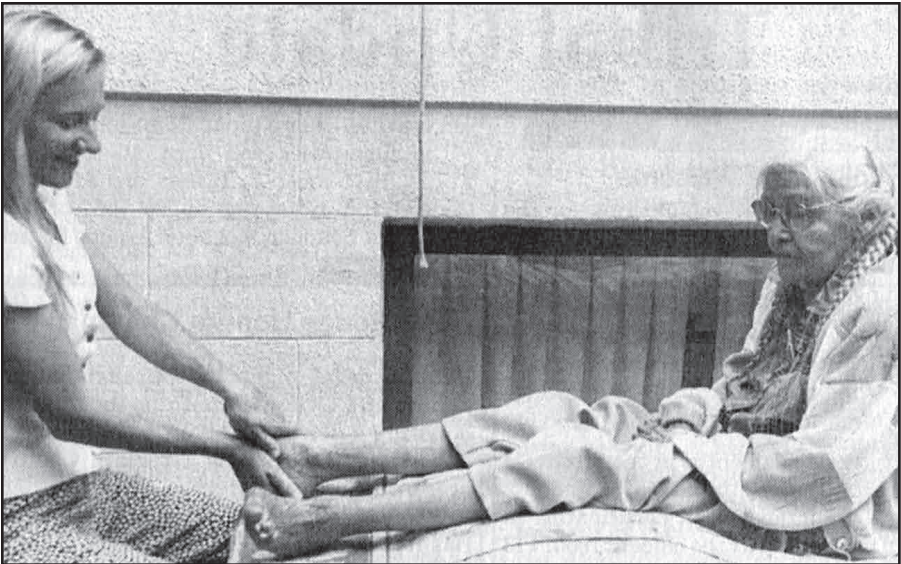


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### 10 years ago

Elroy Vigil is all smiles as he awaits the final event, the chicken pull, at the 2nd Annual Hay day.

This photo first appeared in the Aug. 31, 2007 edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Roberta Cook/SU Drum archive

### 20 years ago

Sunshine Smith relaxes as Conya McPherson, a message therapist, rubs her feet during a free workshop sponsored by the Health Services Department August 27. The purpose of this workshop was to educate the membership, especially the elderly and those with diabetes, on the importance of good foot health and how it relates to the rest of your body.

This photo first appeared in the Aug. 29, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

### 30 years ago

Southern Ute Royalty (l-r): 1987-1988 Little Miss Southern Ute-First Runner Up, Leann Baker, Outgoing Little Miss Southern Ute First Runner-Up, Carolyn Eagle-Hight, Outgoing Little Miss Southern Ute, Theodosha Frost, and the 1987-88 Little Miss Southern Ute, Jeanette Frost.

This photo first appeared in the Sept. 4, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## Anniversary of Moving Wall



courtesy Rodrick Grove

This September marks the 20th anniversary that the historic Vietnam Veterans Moving Wall “C” made a visit to the Southern Ute Veterans Park. It was created for the families and veterans who may not be able to travel to see the Memorial in Washington D.C. On Sept. 13, 1997, Veterans from the Southern Ute, Ute Mountain Ute and Northern Ute tribes gathered for the historical event. Alden Naranjo and Everett Burch performed a blessing of the wall and Southern Ute Chairman, Clement J. Frost gave the welcoming address and placed the wreath.

## General Meeting for Tribal Membership

Monday, September 25, 2017 beginning at 8:30 AM  
Sky Ute Casino Event Center

To efficiently share as much information as possible, a new meeting format will be introduced.

### Agenda

- 8:30 AM General Session
- 12:00 PM Lunch
- 1:00 PM Breakout Sessions

Lunch will be served. More detailed agenda to follow.

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

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist – 970.563.0100

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

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





UTE COUNCIL TREE: WITNESS TO HISTORY • FROM PAGE 1



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Standing at 110 feet, the historic cottonwood, known as the Ute Council Tree was cut down to its base on Friday, Aug. 25. The tree has strong cultural significance for the Ute tribes, a living symbol of their historical ties to this region.

wind could have stressed the trunk, and caused the tree to topple. According to a press release by The Delta County Historical Society, the risk had become unacceptable, and for the safety of nearby property, the majority of the tree had to be removed.

Ute Mountain Ute spiritual leader, Terry Knight was among those who felt that communication between

city officials and the Ute tribes was inadequate and the process rushed. Many felt that there needed to be more time for discussion and preparations between the three Ute tribes concerning the decision. “No one really sat down with the Tribes to discuss this,” Southern Ute elder Kenny Frost said. “This tree is very sacred to us, we sat here

long ago when we were one Ute tribe.”

“You all don’t really know what this old fella means to us Ute people, us Nuche,” Terry Knight said. “To us it’s a Grandfather that has seen our children grow.”

“Late leaders of the Ute tribes used to meet here, those people talked here, realizing the changes to come,” Knight said.

The Council Tree has great importance within Ute culture, as the tree was known to have significance when it was part of a cottonwood grove prior to the eviction of the Utes from the area in 1881.

“Sadness is in our hearts for this living symbol of the Ute people,” Alden Naranjo said. “Our history is within our hearts, it’s the places we stand upon. You see that here with our Grandfather tree.”

The Council Tree serves as a physical monument to the past for the Ute people; the living tree creates a tangible connection to the history of Ute bands that once called this vast expanse of Colorado their home.

“Our way of life still resides here,” said Shaun Chapoose of the Ute Tribe. “The one thing I will remind you, is that his roots run deep.”

Tree removal experts, in partnership with Doughty Steel and Machine, Inc., begin the process of removing the uppermost limbs following the formal

ceremonies, assembling a large crane at the tree site, which was used to lower cut branches in the tree crown to the ground, where they were loaded onto a truck for removal to a city storage facility, where they will remain until further notice from the Ute tribes. The Delta County Historical Society has further plans to create a memorial with the surviving trunk of the tree.

“We came here to honor the Ute people and this tree,” Delta City Mayor Ed Sisson said. “We intend no disrespect.”

“The main issue with this tree is that it is hollow, it was a public safety issue, we had to act quickly,” said Keith Lucy, president of the board of directors of the Delta County Historical Society.

Six small cottonwoods, nurtured into seedlings from the Ute Council Tree, are now growing in Del-



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

“It reminds us that we lived here, that we walked here,” Southern Ute NAGPRA Coordinator Cassandra Atencio said. She holds a bundle of fresh cuttings from the top of the tree, in hopes of creating viable saplings from the historic cottonwood.

ta’s Confluence Park, site of the former Council Tree Powwow. Seven trees were originally planted to represent each of the Ute bands, all but one of those saplings survived.

About thirty years ago, the three Ute tribes were also given seedlings from the Ute Council Tree, an effort spearheaded by the

late Eugene Naranjo of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

“There is a lot of history here; ceremonies, prayers,” Southern Ute Cultural Education Coordinator, Hanley Frost said.

“This tree is still alive on the top – reaching to the sky,” he said. “We’re here one last time to pay our respects.”

Historical: Council Tree



courtesy Edward Box III

The Box family pays a visit to the historic Council Tree in Delta, Colo. The family was en route to Grand Junction, Colo. in 1985 with Edward Box III, during his freshman year of college. Pictured left to right: Matthew Box, Betty Box, Eddie Box Jr., Karen Washington, Melanie Box, Eddie Box Sr., and James Box Jr.

CULTURE UPDATE

Heritage Dancers needed for upcoming events

- **Sept. 27:** Culture Dept. is looking for Powwow Dancers for the Growth Fund Retreat.
- **Oct. 7:** Culture Dept. is looking for participants, dressed in regalia, interested in walking in the Durango Poetry Motorless Parade.

If you are interested in any of these events please contact Special Events Coordinator Tara Vigil at 970-563-2985.

Food, friendships and BINGO!



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Miss Southern Ute, Lorraine Watts greets tribal elder, Dell Soloman and other visitors to the elder’s luncheon, dubbed Sip, Chat & Chew, at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility. Ute Bingo was also played for various prizes. The next luncheon will be the Fair Luncheon, set for Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Multi-Purpose Facility, following the Southern Ute Tribal Fair Parade.

Tribal elder’s and family members make their way along the food line, the buffet style luncheon was prepared by Elise Redd and other volunteers.



Beginning Ute Language Classes 2017



Instructor: Hanley Frost Sr.  
Cultural Education Coordinator

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM)  
Large Classroom

Time: 5:30pm – 7:00pm  
Dates:  
September: 5,12,19,26  
October: 3,10,17,24  
November: 7,14,21,28  
December: 5,12,19,26

Subject:  
Numbers  
Money  
Colors  
Days of the Week & Seasons



For more information please contact: Hanley Frost (970) 563-2306

HEALTH & WELLNESS

## Eat a rainbow every day

*Lisa B. Smith*  
SHINING MOUNTAIN  
HEALTH & WELLNESS

Fresh local produce is still available at our grocery stores and farmers’ markets. You can find plentiful zucchini, yellow squash, and peppers of all kinds, cantaloupe, eggplant and carrots. Just to name a few.

Why eat local produce? By doing so, you not only support our local agriculture, reduce the carbon footprint to our environment, make connections with local growers and ranchers, but you also get the benefit of the freshest and most nutritious foods available locally.

A way to save money is by eating fresh produce, while they are ‘in season.’



courtesy Shining Mountain Health & Wellness

This is the season when crops are grown and sold locally.

Why eat foods from a rainbow of color? To maximize nutrition by providing our bodies with a variety of nutrients: vitamins, miner-

als, fiber and phytochemicals that have been linked to improved health and decreased risk of diseases such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease.

So go ahead and eat a rainbow every day!

TRIBAL HEALTH

## Community members discuss suicide prevention

*By Maria Rivera*  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Suicide rates for American Indians are four times higher than the national average. It is the second leading cause of death for American Indian youth between the ages of 15-24, according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA). Effective ways to help prevent suicide and drug abuse include: supportive environment, clinical and community services, available timely treatment and support services.

Prevention is also possible through data collection, research and evaluation. Representatives from the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board (AAIHB): Rachel Tenario and Judith Espinoza hosted a community meeting at the Southern Ute Museum Wednesday, Aug. 23 to present 12 Positive Directions for Native Health: Community Readiness Model to take the steps to help the tribal community decrease the rates of suicide and substance abuse.

A study done by Albuquerque Area Southwest Tribal Epidemiology Center in the southern Colorado tribal area found that out of 151 high school students 37 percent of them used marijuana in the past 30 days of the survey being taken and 25 percent of 176 of middle school students. 22.4 percent of middle school students and 15.7 percent of high school students considered



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Rachell Tenorio of the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board guides community members through a workshop to help the tribal community prevent and reduce suicidal behavior and substance abuse.

suicide, the rates were much higher in girls than boys. This is a serious concern, the rates of substance abuse are very high within the tribal community, and suicide rates are also on the rise.

The goal of 12 Positive Directions for Native Health, created by SAMHSA, is to decrease suicide and substance misuse among American Indian youth through age 24 whom have been impacted by trauma. The meeting was the first of many and the goal is to make a plan as a community to get the resources in place to make an impact on the suicide and substance abuse rates in the native communities. By the end of the meeting there was a community readiness model, strategic action plan and crisis response plan in the works.

Tenorio believes that more community support is key. We can build confidence in our youth to heal. “We lack

our teaching and time with our children and the [opportunity to instill] the pride of who we are. By teaching our youth who they are and where they come from builds confidence within them,” Southern Ute Community Response Coordinator, Evangeline Gray said.

Native Youth have the highest rate of suicide and AAIHB is helping our community raise awareness with concrete ideas and leadership programs. Be on the lookout for the next community meeting that will be posted in The Southern Ute Drum for those of you who want to attend, help or give your ideas on what we can do as a community to decrease the number in suicide and substance abuse with in the tribal community. The future is in the hands of the community and if there is unity the impact will be much more than there has been in the past — a message driven home by the presenters.



### Sip, Chat & Chew

September 9, 2017  
after the parade  
Multi-Purpose Facility  
256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO


Southern Ute, Ute Mountain Ute, Northern Ute Elders, join us for our **Fair POT LUCK**, a bite to eat, socializing, and give away (door prizes).

We provide the Main dish, our local elders bring the side dishes.

We will accept donations for door prizes, anytime before and at the event.

Sponsored by Local Elders, SU Elder Services, and Multi-Purpose Facility

For more information: 970-563-4784




### Diabetes Information for You and Your Family

#### Keeping Your Feet Healthy

Healthy feet help us to take care of ourselves and our families. We depend on them daily. Many people also use them to walk familiar trails and to take part in traditions, such as dances and ceremonies. For people with diabetes, controlling blood sugars is important to keep feet healthy. Here are three things you can do to take care of your feet:

**1. Check your feet every day.**

- Look at your feet for cuts, sores, red or swollen areas, and blisters.
- Check for infected or ingrown toenails.
- If you need help checking your feet, use a mirror or ask a family member to help you.



**Check your feet every day.**  
*Donna Cardoza, Santo Domingo Pueblo, NM*

**At each clinic visit, take off your shoes and socks.**

Ask a member of your health care team to:

- Check your feet.
- Show you how to care for your feet.
- Trim your toenails or take care of corns and calluses, if needed.
- Suggest special shoes or inserts to help protect your feet.

**2. Get help if you find a foot problem.**

- If you find any problems during your daily foot checks, contact your health care team right away.
- Getting help early can keep small problems from becoming bigger problems.

**What are other ways you can keep your feet healthy?**

**Wear shoes indoors and outdoors. Do not go barefoot.**

- Wear comfortable shoes that fit well and protect your feet.
- Shoes should have round toes and low heels.
- Avoid shoes that are open at either the toe or the heel.

**3. Quit using commercial tobacco or never start.**

- Tobacco use reduces blood flow to your feet.
- Ask your health care team about things you can do to quit using commercial tobacco.
- Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) for free help.
- Avoid being around others who are smoking, including in the car.

**Keeping Your Feet Healthy**

- Before putting your shoes on, check inside each shoe to make sure there are no objects, such as a small rock.
- Wear socks to help prevent getting blisters and sores.

**Protect your feet from hot and cold.**

- Keep your feet away from heaters, open fires, and heating pads. You may burn your feet and not know it.
- Wear socks at night if your feet get cold.

**Wash your feet often.**

- Avoid using water that is too hot.
- Dry your feet well, including between your toes.

**Put lotion on your feet daily.**

- Apply lotion on the tops and bottoms of your feet, but not between your toes.
- Moisture between the toes can make the skin soften and break down, which can lead to infection.


**Trim your toenails or ask for help.**

- Trim your toenails straight across using toenail clippers.
- Do not use knives or sharp tools to cut the skin close to your toenails, or anywhere else on your feet.
- Ask for help trimming your toenails from a family member or health care team if you:

  - Cannot see well.
  - Have poor feeling in your feet.
  - Cannot reach your feet.
  - Have thick toenails.

**Report foot problems early.**

It is important to get foot problems checked and treated right away. Ask your health care provider about treatment options. They may refer you to a foot or wound care specialist, if needed.



**Partner with your health care team.**  
*Mary Schwiderson, RN  
Walter LeBlanc, Bay Mills Tribe, MI*


### Southern Ute Health Center & Pharmacy hours

**Monday – Thursday**  
7:30 am – 5:30 pm

**Friday**  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The Health Center will be closed the first Thursday of each month at (noon) for staff meetings and trainings.

**Emergencies and afterhours call:**  
970-563-4581 or  
877-215-9635.



### Shining Mountain Health & Wellness

#### Breastfeeding Program

Please join us for our monthly breastfeeding class, for prenatal & postnatal moms & SUPPORT SYSTEM

**Shawmarie Tso, LPN, ALC**  
(970) 563-2163  
smtso@southernute-nsn.gov

**Tristian Benally, RN , CLC**  
(970) 563-2340  
tbenally@southernute-nsn.gov


**When:** September 12, 2017  
**Where:** M-C building-lactation RM  
**From:** noon — 1:00 pm

Please RSVP by September 11, 2017 Before 5 PM

Keep in mind our lactation room remains open for use in the M/C bldg.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Mouche-Capote Building 116 Capote Drive Ignacio, CO 81137



### Keeping Your Feet Healthy

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**I will take these steps to take care of my feet:**


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## CHAIR EXERCISES & INDOOR PRIVATE WALKING

CHAIR EXERCISING  
Wednesdays at 1:30 PM

Led By SunUte Fitness Coordinators

**INDOOR PRIVATE WALKING**

**Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

The last days of summer are still hot, and when the cold winter begins, avoid the inclement weather, and come in and walk our Gathering room. Call ahead to be sure of availability.

**CHAIR EXERCISING WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM**

**PRIVATE INDOOR WALKING**  
NO NEED TO MAKE A RESERVATION - JUST CALL BEFORE YOU COME TO MAKE SURE ROOM IS AVAILABLE

**MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY**  
256 Ute Road  
Ignacio CO 81137  
970-563-4784  
Monday – Friday  
8:00 AM – 5:00PM



## BBQ celebrates back to school



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Youth Services Interim Director, Tava Wilson of Southern Ute Community Actions Program (SUCAP) serves up some burgers and hotdogs during the SUCAP/BGC Back to School BBQ at the Ignacio Town Park on Thursday, Aug. 24. The Southern Ute BGC Program assisted SUCAP Youth Services with the BBQ.



courtesy Marie Joy



Community youth congregate with each other during the back to school.

Maleina Carel was the evening's big winner, taking home one of the Battle X dueling drones grand prize during the back-to-school BBQ.

## IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

# ICL to celebrate anniversary

By Renee Morgan  
IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

On September 15, the Ignacio Community Library (ICL), will host a celebration that not only celebrates ten years in its current building but the relationship it has with partnering groups and/or organizations.

There will be entertainment, face painting, a silent auction, food, and more. Local organizations will have information booths so the public can learn more about their stories. The celebration event begins at 5:00 to 7:30 pm at Ignacio Community Library 470 Goddard Avenue.

Today the ICL sits on its original lot in a new building completed in 2007. The need for a small town library began in 1987. By 1991 the library served over five thousand people in the surrounding area.

ICL now serves residents of the community and the surrounding areas offering numerous programs addressing literacy and English as a Second Language (ESL), computer skills, popular programs for children and young adults, including a summer reading program and free Internet access.

In addition to the unique programming, the ICL launched an online archive project titled, The Voices of Ignacio. The project began January 2016 and was received with enthusiasm. This began under the American Library Association Latino Americans: 500 Year of History grant. It was a modest grant that helped catapult an idea into reality.

As Project Director, I enlisted the help of public history experts to assist in technical and procedural support. The project real-

ly took off in spring 2016 when I was invited by Kristine Navarro-McElhane to attend workshops at Arizona State University where I met leading oral historian, Dr. Doug Boyd.

One of the biggest contributors to the project was University of Arizona doctoral candidate Joshua Salyers whom I met through the Center of Southwest Studies, as he was at Fort Lewis College on a fellowship.

It's possible that the project will never be completed, but with fifteen interviews I feel the upcoming Celebrating Stories event is a perfect opportunity to showcase the collected stories.

A preliminary exhibit of the Voices of Ignacio Oral History Project will be on display the evening of Friday, Sept. 15, but you can view the poster exhibit in the library from Oct. 2 — Dec. 29, 2017.

## Rez Girls hand out supplies



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Rez Girls Catering, tribally owned and operated by Estelle Monte, held a school supplies drive on Thursday, August 17 outside the Ignacio Community Library. Monte bought over \$1000.00 worth of school supplies for the supply drive in order to give back to her community.



Shannon Howell (right) waves and advertises 'free school supplies' for the School Supply Drive held by Rez Girls Catering on Thursday, August 17.

## Southern Ute Growth Fund Tribal Membership Meeting

When: Thursday, September 21, 2017  
Where: Sky Ute Casino Event Center  
Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Lunch will be served.

### Notice:

The Growth Fund General Membership Meeting will be streamed via Web-Ex. This will be for Tribal Membership "only". Members must register for the Web-Ex Event by following links on one of these locations: Tribal Member website, Tribal Facebook, and in the Southern Ute Drum and on the Drum's website. Registration is required.

To register for the online event

1. Go to <https://sugf.webex.com/sugf/onstage/g.php?MTID=e0b5066bc1f2428f399daf5123c59c45d>
2. Click "Register".
3. On the registration form, enter your information and then click "Submit".

Once the host approves your registration, you will receive a confirmation email message with instructions on how to join the event.

For assistance

You can contact Landri Wauneka at: [lwauneka@sugf.com](mailto:lwauneka@sugf.com)

## celebrating stories

Friday, September 15, 2017  
5:00 - 7:30 pm

Ignacio has a rich and unique history and we want to celebrate it with you. Share your story with us as we also celebrate ten years in our beautiful library.

Hear what stories ICL and the Ignacio community have to share. There will be live music, information booths, face painting, a silent auction, food, and more!

## Southern Ute Education Department

### Bad News: COMPUTER LAB IS CLOSED

### Good News: Computer Lab is Being Updated! ☺

We are getting new computers and furniture. Lab is scheduled to open the end of September.

If you need computer access, Nicole can help! We still have 2 computers available for your convenience.

Thank you!

Distance Learning Programs Coordinator, Nicole Cabral (970) 563-0237 (ext. 2785)

## ATTENTION STUDENTS

If you are interested in expanding your education by entering college but are not sure if your academic skills are up to college standards, the ACCUPLACER test provides you information about your Math, English, and Reading skills. The results of the assessment, in conjunction with your academic background, goals, and interests, are used by academic advisors to determine your course selection. It is an on-line exam and is an untimed test. So, take your time, but you can plan on about an hour and a half to complete! The ACCUPLACER is a great indicator for 2 and 4 year Institutions for College Readiness. You do not "pass" or "fail" the placement test, but it is very important that you do your best on these tests so that you will have an accurate measure of your academic skill and preparedness for college level courses. Southwest Colorado Community College is conducting the test thought the Southern Ute Education Department in Ignacio.

- **Place:** Education Department Building – Computer Lab
- **Time/Date:** 1 p.m., Sept. 26, 2017
- **Cost:** \$10; High School Students are Free

Call to RSVP or if you have any questions and need help, call Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger (Adult Education Program Manager) at the Education Dept. 970-563-0237, ext. 2784.

**At the Education Dept. Building in the Computer Lab at 1 p.m., on Tues., Sept. 26, 2017. Cost is \$10 and free for High School students.**





2017-2018 Southern Ute Royalty candidates, stand together with current members of Southern Ute Royalty: (Left to right) Christina Herrera, Tauri Raines, Jr. Miss Southern Ute, Alexandria Roubideaux, Southern Ute Brave, Dominick Goodtracks, Miss Southern Ute, Lorraine Watts, Myla Goodtracks and Autumn Sage.

**The 2017-2018 royalty candidates displayed their talents at the Multi-purpose Facility, Tuesday, Aug. 23. The Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Russell Blackbird entertained the guest for the evening. There are four contestants: Running for Little Miss is Myla Goodtracks, and for Jr. Miss is Christina Herrera, Tauri Raines and Autumn Sage. During the pageant they exhibited their talents, dance and knowledge of Southern Ute history in front of the Southern Ute Royalty judging panel: Linda Baker, Ramada Cloud, Vanessa Torres, Alden Naranjo Jr., and Michael Santistevan. Guest speaker Leann Wesley gave the girls encouragement and wished them luck on their journey. The winner will be announced Friday, Sept. 8 at Southern Ute Tribal Fair Powwow.**



The Southern Ute Royalty dances as a group following their presentations.



Southern Ute Royalty, their families and community supporters join in a round dance.

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RANGE DIVISION  
Now accepting  
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The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Range Division is now accepting applications for grazing permits for 2018-2022 on following range units: Coyote Gulch, Soda Springs, Picnic Flats, Pump Canyon, Archuleta Creek, Vega, Cat Creek, Trail Canyon, Beef Canyon, Kearns and Archuleta Mesa. Those applicants who currently possess a valid grazing permit shall be given preference for renewal. All requirements to obtain a grazing permit must be met, including possession of base property. If you would like to apply, please contact the Range Division at 563-4780 to obtain an application. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Sept. 18, 2017.

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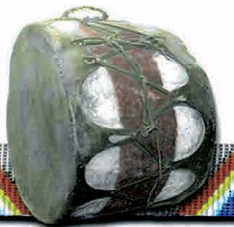
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97th annual  
Southern Ute  
Tribal Fair & Powwow

Schedule of Events  
Contests and Events Info  
starting on page 9

Look for Full Tribal Fair & Powwow coverage  
in the Sept. 15 issue of the Drum.



# Ute Mountain hosts powwow



Saturday's Grand Entry was beautifully picturesque in the evening, backlit by the golden sunset over Ute Mountain.



Miss Southern Ute, Lorraine Watts enters the powwow arena during Grand Entry.

**The Ute Mountain Casino hosted it's annual powwow in Towaoc, Colo., from Aug. 25 to 27. Plenty of dancers, singers and vendors were on hand for the three-day powwow, which featured a Hand Game Tournament.**

**Photos by Robert L. Ortiz**  
The Southern Ute Drum



Sisters Nation Color Guard carry their flags into the arena.



Bruce LeClaire enters the powwow arena.



Marty Pinnecoose cracks a smile as he makes his way into the powwow arena during Grand Entry.



Special to the Drum/Tom Alires

Southern Ute Brave, Dominick Goodtracks stands among other royalty during Saturday afternoon's grand entry.

Join us for the First Annual  
Indian Biz Expo Four Corners

**THURSDAY**  
September 14  
**2017**

**INDIAN  
BIZ EXPO**

Four Corners *in partnership with*  
**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**

All Day Expo Tickets: \$25\* (Free for Southern Ute Tribal Members) | Booths: \$50  
\*Includes Breakfast, Lunch, Workshops, Matchmaking, and Power Hour Social (Cash bar)

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Sky Ute Casino & Resort | CO HWY 172 Ignacio, CO | [www.RMICC.org](http://www.RMICC.org)

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**SEPTEMBER  
1ST & 2ND 2017**

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FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>12pm-1pm</b> Start CornHole Registration	<b>9am</b> Green Chile Cook-Off Registration
<b>1pm-10pm</b> Beer Garden	<b>12pm-10pm</b> Chile Served DJ/music Beer Garden
<b>2pm-10pm</b> DJ/music	<b>1pm</b> Kids Games
<b>2pm</b> CornHole Tournament	<b>2pm</b> Green Chile Contest Judging
	<b>6pm-10pm</b> Block Party

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ADDITIONAL INFO

CornHole  
registration at  
Beer garden.

Register for  
Green Chile  
Cook-Off at  
Farmers Fresh  
market.

## Eclipsing the Southwest



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Southern Ute Permanent Fund employees take a break to view the solar eclipse Monday, Aug. 21 in front of the Leonard C. Burch Building.



Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost takes a look at the cost effective version for viewing of the eclipse, a pinhole projector.



Southern Ute Councilwoman Lorelei Cloud views the solar eclipse with special glasses.

## DNR welcomes community



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Mary Inez Cloud looks over the different articles that the Southern Ute Agricultural Department has at their booth during the Department of Natural Resources' Bi-Annual Open House on Wednesday, August 16 at the Multi-Purpose Facility. The open house hosted informational booths from Tribal Rangers, Agriculture, Wildlife, Forestry, Lands and Water Resources Departments.

## HOME MAINTENANCE

# Maintaining your septic system

**Staff report**  
SU CONTRUCTION SERVICES DEPT.

Proper operation and maintenance of your septic system can have a significant impact on how well it works and how long it lasts. System maintenance is the responsibility of the homeowner.

The regular pumping of your septic tank prevents solids from escaping into the drain field and clogging your system.

### WHY MAINTAIN YOUR SYTEM?

**1. Money:** Failing septic tank systems are very expensive to repair or replace and improper maintenance by the homeowners is a common cause of early system failure. It is more cost effective to maintain/pump your septic tank than to replace the unit.

**2. Health:** When septic systems fail, inadequately treated household wastewater is released into the environment. Untreated wastewater from failing septic systems can contaminate nearby wells, ground-water and drinking water sources.

**3. Economic Health of your Community:** Failing septic systems can cause property values to decline. It can also contribute to the pollution of local rivers, lakes, etc.

### PLEASE HAVE YOUR SEPTIC TANKS INSPECTED AND PUMPED ON A REGULAR MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE.

If you need a list of vendors who provide this service, please contact the Southern Ute Construction Services Dept. at 970-563-0260.

SEPTIC TANK PUMPING TABLE										
Tank size in gallons	Number of Persons in the Household									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Septic Tank Pumping Frequency in Years										
1000	12.4	5.9	3.7	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7
1250	15.5	7.5	4.8	3.4	2.6	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.2	1.0
1500	18.9	9.1	5.9	4.2	3.3	2.6	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.3
1750	22.1	10.7	6.9	5.0	3.9	3.1	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.6
2000	25.4	12.4	8.0	5.9	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.6	2.2	2.0
2250	28.6	14.0	9.1	6.7	5.2	4.2	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.3
2500	30.9	15.6	10.2	7.5	5.9	4.8	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.6

## NEW EMPLOYEES



**Tim Fink**  
**Job title:** Senior Water Quality Specialist  
**Description of job:** Improve water quality on the reservation through the implementation of stream and riparian habitat restoration.  
**Hobbies:** hiking, paddle boarding, and snowshoeing.  
**Family:** 17-year old daughter-Mai, a freshman at CU Denver.



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in preventing  
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**LABOR DAY WEEKEND CELEBRATION**  
WORK HARD. PLAY HARD.  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY  
SEPTEMBER 1-4, 2017  
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**FREE CONCERT SNAKE OIL SUNDAY 9PM**

**The Ultimate Theatrical Tribute To Rock's Biggest Stars!**

**Sky Ute Casino**  
Located on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**  
9AM Outdoor Vendor set-up begins  
2PM-10PM Beat the Heat Hot Seat Drawings  
9PM-1AM Million Dollar Highway Band at 49 Lounge

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
9AM-11PM Outdoor Food and Merchandise Vendors  
4PM-10PM – **FREE OUTDOOR MUSIC!** High Rollers, Rockslide, and Tyller Gummersall  
NOON-MIDNIGHT Merchandise Giveaways  
6PM-10PM \$25,000 Money Booth  
9PM-1AM Million Dollar Highway Band at 49 Lounge

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
9AM-11PM Outdoor Food and Merchandise Vendors  
4PM-11PM – **FREE OUTDOOR MUSIC!** 1000 Rogues, Power Tribe, 9 Electric, and Snake Oil with Stephen Percy of RATT  
9AM-9PM Military Appreciation (Gaming Floor)  
NOON-MIDNIGHT Merchandise Giveaways  
9PM-1AM Million Dollar Highway Band at 49 Lounge

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
6AM-MIDNIGHT Mystery Scratch-Off Mondays

# 97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair

## southern Ute Fair Kick-off Meal



**Friday, Sept. 8th, 2017**

**11:30 a.m. - 2:00p.m.**

**Location: Multi-Purpose Facility Field**  
Open to Southern Ute Tribal Members & Family,  
and Southern Ute Tribal Staff  
(Growth Fund, Casino, and Permanent Fund)

**For more information contact : Tara Vigil**  
**(970)563-2985**

## TRIBAL FAIR & POWWOW

### Schedule of events

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6

8 a.m. – 6 p.m. All exhibits turn-in  
(Except Livestock/ Baking)  
SUCCM, Large classroom

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 7

8 a.m – 7 p.m. Livestock turn-in  
Livestock: Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Baking turn-in  
Baking: SUCCM, Large classroom  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Exhibits displayed  
SUCCM, Large classroom

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 8

8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Exhibit displayed  
SUCCM, Large classroom  
8 a.m – 5 p.m. Livestock displayed  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
8 – 10 a.m. Annual Softball Challenge  
Patrick Silva Softball Field  
11:30 a.m – 2 p.m. Tribal Fair Kick-off Meal  
Multi-Purpose Facility, field  
4 p.m. Youth Games  
Ute Park, Multi-Purpose, field  
5 p.m. Gourd Dance  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
7 p.m. Powwow Grand Entry  
Sky Ute Fairground, indoor arena

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 9

7 a.m. Vigil Memorial Walk/Run: (Registration)  
SunUte Multi-Purpose field  
7:30 a.m. The Vigil Family Memorial Walk/Run  
SunUte Multi-Purpose field  
7:30 a.m. Parade: (Registration/line-up)  
Ignacio High School  
7:30 a.m. Kiddie Parade: (Registration/line-up)  
Ignacio High School  
8 a.m. Men's & Women Softball Tourney  
Patrick Silva Field  
10 a.m. Parade & Kiddie Parade  
South on Goddard Ave. (Main Street)  
10 a.m. Gourd Dance  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
1 p.m. Powwow Grand Entry  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
1 p.m. Sam Burch Memorial Trophy  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield  
1 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield  
1 – 3 p.m. Exhibits displayed  
SUCCM, Large classroom  
1 – 3 p.m. Livestock displayed  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
1 – 2:30 p.m. Handgame Tournament: (Registration)  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall  
1 p.m. Jalapeno Eating Contest: (Registration)  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield  
2 p.m. Jalapeno Eating Contest  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield  
3 p.m. Handgame Tournament  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall  
4 p.m. Youth Concert  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield arena  
5 p.m. Open Co-Ed Tug-O-War  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, outdoor track  
5 p.m. Gourd Dance  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
5 – 7 p.m. Royalty Dinner  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, East lawn  
7 p.m. Powwow Grand Entry  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
8:30 p.m. Fireworks Display  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 10

6 a.m. 3rd Annual Fun 3D Archery Shoot  
SunUte Archery Range (below Sunute)  
8 – 11 a.m. Pancake Breakfast  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Exhibit Pick-up/premium payouts  
SUCCM, Large classroom  
10 a.m. Gourd Dance  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
11 a.m. Red/Green Chili & Salsa Contest  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall  
11 a.m. Grease Pole Climb  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield  
11 a.m. Frybread Contest  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, north parking lot  
12 p.m. Baby Contest  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, east lawn  
12 p.m. Powwow Grand Entry  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
1 p.m. All Native Chicken pull  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, track  
Afternoon session Powwow Drummer Jalapeno Eating  
Contest  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, indoor arena  
3 p.m. Duck Race  
Bear Dance bridge to HWY 151 bridge  
3 p.m. All Native Best Painted Horse  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, infield

**97<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
**SOUTHERN UTE**  
**LAUGHTER IS SACRED**  
**TRIBAL FAIR**  
Dewayne Richards  
September 8-10, 2017  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Ignacio CO  
Southern Ute Reservation  
Tribal Fair Logo and Theme Winner: Dewayne Richards  
Tribal Fair Info: Special Events Coordinator, 970-563-2985  
Additional Info: [www.southernute-nsn.gov](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov)

**97<sup>th</sup> Southern Ute Tribal Fair**  
**CONTEST POWWOW**  
Sept 8 - 10, 2017

**Grand Entry**  
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

**Information**  
Mike Santistevan  
970-563-0255, [mike@ksut.org](mailto:mike@ksut.org)  
Cindy Winder  
970-563-2301  
[cwinder@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:cwinder@southernute-nsn.gov)  
Joyce Delaware: 775-671-5426  
W-9 tax form required  
for adult dance/drum contests  
Free Admission, Parking, & Camping  
Powwow registration  
Fri. 5 p.m. thru Sat. 2 p.m.

**Head Staff**  
Southern MC - RG Harris  
Northern MC - Isaiah Stewart  
Host Southern Drum - Cozad  
Host Northern Drum - War Paint  
Host Gourd Drum - Sovo Drum Group  
Arena Director - Juaquin Hamilton  
Drum Judge - Jay Dusty Bull  
Head Gourd Dancer - Billy Komahcheet  
Color Guard - So. Ute Veteran's Association

**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  
• Fancy  
• 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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Kendra Alexander  
970-563-5541

**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

**Sky Ute Fairgrounds - Ignacio, CO**  
The Powwow Committee is not responsible for accidents, injuries, or theft. Alcohol, drugs, and weapons prohibited.

## 97<sup>th</sup> Southern Ute Fair Youth Games



WHEN: FRIDAY 8, 4 P.M.

LOCATION: UTE PARK, MULTI-PURPOSE FIELD

CATEGORIES (BY AGE) 2-3 YEARS; 4-6 YEARS; 10-12 YEARS; 13-15 YEARS; 16-18 YEARS.

MALE AND FEMALE DIVISIONS.

OPEN TO TRIBAL MEMBERS AND DIRECT DESCENDANTS!

PRIZES: 1<sup>ST</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> PLACE, CASH PRIZES.

CONTESTS: SNACK RUN; CRACKER EATING; WATERMELON EATING; SOFTBALL TOSS; EGG TOSS; FOOTRACE; AND THREE-LEGGED RACE.

For More Information Please Contact: McKean Walton (970)769-7745 or Sarah Russell (970)563-5280

## Vigil Family Memorial Run/Walk

Saturday, 9/9/17

Registration- 7:30am

Run/Walk- 8am

First 50 participants receive a t-shirt!  
Raffle drawing prizes!

SunUte Park

Free

Celebrating all Armed Forces Veterans!

For more information, please call the Trainers Desk at SunUte (970)563-0214.

## 97<sup>th</sup> Southern Ute Fair Horseshoe Tournament



When: Saturday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M.

Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds

Categories: Men; Women; Singles & Doubles.

Entry Fees:

Singles: \$5.00

Doubles: \$10.00

PRIZE: All entry fees go toward jackpot, with \$300 added in each category. Payouts awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

For more information please contact: McKean Walton at (970) 769-7745 or Sarah Russell (970) 563-5280.

## Southern Ute Fair Softball Challenge

Where: Patrick Silva Softball Field  
Time: September 8th 8am-10am  
Teams: BIA, Casino, Growth Fund & Permanent Fund  
Rules: ASA, COED Teams  
Single Elimination

## Southern Ute Fair 3D Archery Tournament

Youth Open: 6-17 Years Old  
Youth Traditional: 6-17 Years Old  
Hunter Class: 18 + Up  
Senior Hunter Class: 50 & Older  
September 10th  
Starting Time 6:00 AM  
Meet up at the Archery Range (South of SunUte)

For more information call 563-0214

## Sam Burch Memorial Trophy

Saturday, Sept. 9th at 1:00 p.m.

Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Infield

Sponsored by the Family Descendants of Sam Burch

OPEN TO ALL NATIVE AMERICANS ENROLLED IN A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE.

Categories: Class I - Adult (18 years & older)

Class II - Youth (17 years & younger)

Memorial Trophy Payouts: Adult and Youth Prizes

Sam Burch Memorial Contest Rules:

• Competition: This contest is a competition in the performance and characteristics of a sensible, well-mannered, free and easy-moving ranch horse which can get a person around on the usual ranch chores, in open country rides, an over obstacles.

• Equipment: Any western equipment of the Exhibitor choices may be used. The kind of equipment apparently necessary for the control of the animals, such as tie down, may be considered by the judge in making awards. Extra credit will not be given for expensive, fancy, or parade equipment of the animal or dress of the rider.

• The Horse: The horse will be judged on riding qualities of gaits (walk, trot and lope), movement, response to the rider, manner, disposition and intelligence.

• The Exhibitor: The Exhibitor will be judged on proper dress (Native or Western) and will remain mounted throughout the exhibition except when asked to dismount and remount and ability to control and maneuver the horse.

For more information please contact: Judy Lansing 970-749-7116

## SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL FAIR Parade

SATURDAY, SEPT. 9 2017

### CATEGORIES FOR ENTRY

#### FLOATS

All floats will be categorized by either commercial, family or service/organizations.

#### FLOAT PRIZES

1st: \$200, 2nd: \$150, 3rd: \$100 (1st-3rd place awarded in each category except for Chairman's and Executive Officer's Award)

#### NATIVE DRESS (MALE/FEMALE)

1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50

#### BEST NATIVE GROUP

\$200

#### BEST ROYALTY FLOAT

1st: Trophy

(Must be current title holder)

#### CAR PRIZES

1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50

#### CAR CATEGORIES

Rez Car

Lowrider

Classic

#### HORSE PRIZES

All ages, 1st place \$100

#### HORSE CATEGORIES

Best Dressed Horse

Best Dressed Indian Rider:

Male/Female

Best Dressed Cowboy/Cowgirl

Rider

#### CHAIRMAN'S AWARD

(TBD)

#### EXECUTIVE AWARD

(TBD)

#### FAIR THEME

"Laughter is Sacred"

Parade entries will be judged on adherence to theme.

#### CONTACT

Precious Collins: 970-563-2264

Bobbie Rosa: 970-563-4730

#### PARADE STARTS

10 am from Ignacio High School

#### PARADE LINEUP & REGISTRATION

7:30 am at the Ignacio SE corner of High School

Parade will proceed south on Goddard Ave.

## KIDDIE PARADE

#### KIDDIE PARADE CATEGORIES

Open to children 12 years and younger

#### KIDDIE PARADE PRIZES

1st, 2nd and 3rd place

#### YOUTH GROUP ENTRY

1st: \$100, 2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$50

Prize money in following categories

1st: \$25, 2nd: \$20, 3rd: \$15

#### CATEGORIES

Bicycle Entry

Wagon Entry

Native: Male/Female

## Handgame Tournament

2017 Southern Ute Tribal Fair

"A true double elimination tourney"

Sept. 9 & 10, 2017

Guaranteed \$7000

Prize Money!

Payouts to be determined after registration.



Open to all Native American Teams  
No Late Entries!

#### SATURDAY (Sept. 9)

Entry Fee: \$125\*

2-5 person teams

Registration: 1 - 2:30 pm

Tournament starts at 3 pm

Consolation bracket for teams who lose first two games on Sat. only!

#### SUNDAY (Sept. 10)

Entry Fee: \$60\*

3 man handgame

Registration: 12 - 1:30 pm

Tournament starts ASAP

\* ENTRY FEES FROM BOTH TOURNAMENTS WILL BE ADDED BACK



Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall, Ignacio, CO

Handgame info: Mike Santistevan, 970-563-0255

The Southern Ute Tribal Fair is not responsible for thefts, accidents or short funded travelers

## JALAPENO Eating Contest

Sat. Sept. 9, 2017 - 2PM

Open to everyone!

Sign-up begins at 1pm

Sky Ute Fairgrounds - Concert Stage

MEN & WOMEN DIVISIONS

CASH PRIZES!  
Grand Prize \$300  
1st - 3rd cash prizes

BE THE FIRST TO EAT 5 JALPENOS!

DRUMMER'S SPECIAL  
Jalapeno Eating Contest

\$500 WINNER TAKE ALL

Info: Robert Ortiz  
970-563-2253

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10  
Afternoon Powwow Session

Under 18 years must have parent/guardian signature!

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Sky Ute Fairgrounds and Southern Ute Culture Department are not liable for injuries, illnesses or death and suffering. Enter at your own risk. Must sign-in before competing!

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe & Southern Ute Culture Dept. REZ-olution Radio Hour on KSUT Tribal Radio 91.3 FM presents

97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair

Jimmy Newton Jr. Youth Concert

REZ-olution

Saturday Sept. 9, 2017 4 PM

Sky Ute Fairgrounds Ignacio, CO

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FREE ADMISSION • ALL AGES SHOW • DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT DUSK

Promoter: Robert Ortiz 970-903-0346 • facebook.com/NativeREZolution

## 97<sup>th</sup> Southern Ute Fair Open Co-Ed Tug-O-War



When: Saturday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 P.M.

Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds

Categories: Six (6) - member team, 18 and older.

OPEN TO EVERYONE!

PRIZE: CASH AWARD, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

#### Tug-O-War Rules:

1. Teams will consist of Six (6) members; 3 men and 3 women.
2. No hard cleats or spikes allowed (softball style turf shoes are acceptable.)
3. First team to pull flag over marker line wins.
4. Rope must be gripped with both hands and not locked in any way by twisting around arm or body (grip aiding compounds such as chalk or resin will be accepted.)
5. The anchor position may wrap the rope around the body but must still maintain grip with hands only.
6. No sitting or leaning as to make contact with the ground with any part of the body except feet.
7. Winner will be decided by winning two pulls per opponent.

For More Information Please contact: Tara Vigil at (970)563-2985



**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

When: Sept. 10th  
8:00-11:00 A.M.  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
Cost: \$5.00  
Sponsored by: Ring of Champions Boxing Club, LLC  
Menu:  
Pancakes  
Eggs  
Sausage  
Coffee  
Orange Juice

For More Information Please Contact: Maria Archuleta (970)563-0519

97th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair

**CHILI & SALSA CONTESTS**

**SUN., SEPT. 10, 2017**

Entry turn-in: 10-11 am • Judging: 11 am  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall

**CHILI Red & Green Divisions**

**SALSA Any Variety Open Division**

Cash Prizes: 1st - 3rd, Chili & Salsa divisions  
\$300 Grand Champion (Chili Division Only)

- Contests open to everyone!
- One entry per person.
- No cooking on premises, bring finished chili/salsa.
- Burners and electrical cords will be provided.
- Bring your own, labeled utensils.
- Ghost judging: No one allowed in Exhibit Hall.
- Judges decisions final!

Info: Robert Ortiz, 970-563-2253

97th Southern Ute Tribal Grease Pole Climb

When: Sunday, Sept. 10th at 11:00 A.M.  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds

Cash Prizes

Categories: Individual

- Adults: 13 years & older
- Kids: 12 years & younger.

Teams: Adults only 18 years & older.

Greased Pole Guidelines

- ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST SIGN A WAIVER!
- 18 years and younger need a Parent/ guardian signature.
- Team category will consist of 5-person teams, must include one female.
- Individual category must reach the top of the pole to retrieve the envelope.

For More Information Please Contact: Sarah Russel at (970)563-5280

97th Annual Southern Ute Fair FryBread Contest

Sunday, Sept. 10th at 11:00 a.m.  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
Single category: 15-17 years; 18 and older.  
2-team category: 14 years & younger.  
Prize for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place (TBD).

**Frybread Contest Rules:**

- Open to all NATIVE AMERICANS
- Flour, salt, baking powder, shortening, and water will be provided.
- Must bring own utensils, bowls, potholders, etc.
- NO PRE-MADE DOUGH WILL BE ALLOWED!
- Each contestant will be provided with (3) matches to start fire.
- Frybread will be judged on color, texture & taste.
- No paper to be used to start fire, no outside help.
- NO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE WITH JUDGES!
- JUDGES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL!!

**20-min. time limit:**

- Build a fire.
- Prepare dough.
- Fry two (2) frybreads to be judged, (swap two (2) of your best within 20 min, if needed).

For more information please contact:  
Lisa Frost, 970-799-2056

97th Southern Ute Tribal Fair

**Baby Contest**

OPEN TO ALL NATIVE AMERICANS

When: Sunday Sept. 10th- 12:00 P.M.  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
Categories: Girls and Boys  
Age Groups: Infants: 0 to 6 months;  
Crawlers: 7 months to 1 years; Toddlers: 2-3 years.  
Prizes: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Winners.  
Prizes for all participants.  
Children will be judged based on category entered.  
For more information please contact Angela Herrera 970-759-0617

**All Native American Chicken Pull**

Sunday, Sept. 10th at 1:00 p.m.  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds Horse Track  
18 & older  
**OPEN TO ALL NATIVE AMERICANS!**  
**CASH PRIZE: \$500.00 WINNER TAKES ALL**

**ALL Native American Chicken Pull Rules**  
**Enter at your own risk!!!**  
**ALL PARTICIPATES MUST SIGN A WAIVER**

1. No teams/Individual only
2. All contestants will line up in a single line to take turns trying to pull the buried bag.
3. Each contestant will get one attempt until the buried bag is successfully pulled out of the ground.
4. After the bag has been successfully pulled out, all contestants may attempt to steal the bag from rider who has retrieved it. The contestants must be on the horse at all times, anything goes.
5. contestant must then make one lap around the race track with the bag.
6. The individual who has the bag at the finish line is the Winner.

**For more information contact: Tara Vigil (970)563-2985**

**Duck Race**

When: Sunday, Sept. 10, 3 p.m.

Location: The ducks will be released from the Bear Dance Bridge and retrieved at the Highway 151 Bridge.

Prize: (TBA) The fastest ducks will receive payouts

Category: Open to general public.

For more information Contact: Tara Vigil at (970)563-2985

**"All Native" Best Painted Horse**

Sunday, Sept. 10th at 3:00 p.m.  
Categories: All Divisions  
Open To All Native Americans  
Location: Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Infield.  
Prizes 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place  
**All Decisions Are Final!!**  
For more information please contact: Tara Vigil (970)563-2985

TRIBAL ATHLETE

Coco aims for the gold

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Southern Ute tribal descendant, Coco Velasquez of Mesa, AZ just finished her fourth year in Track & Field. She competes in jumping, running and throwing events with the Arizona Flames; Track & Field team. At a young age, she traveled the country to compete and has placed in a lot of the tournaments she has attended. This year has been an exceptional year for Velasquez, and for her it's just a start. Her long-term goals include making it to the Olympic Trials in eight years.

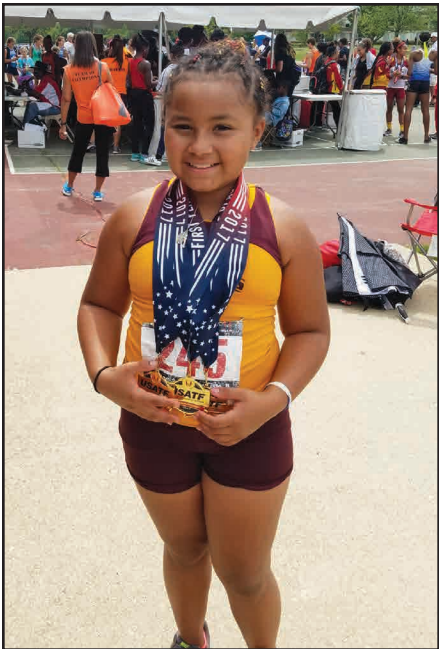
Velasquez runs the 55m, 100m, 200m, 4x100m, high jump, throws shot put and javelin. She has qualified for the USATF Junior Olympics all four years of her competing and has been ranked top five in the nation. During the regular season from Jan.-July she

was only defeated once in the Javelin and went undefeated in shot put. This past year has been an exceptional year in her career and she doesn't plan on slowing down anytime soon.

This year she qualified for the USA Track & Field Youth Indoor National Championship at Ocean Breeze Track Complex, Staten Island, NY, March 10-12 and placed second in shot put, seventh in high jump and ran the 55m with an injured knee. She dominated the state meet and qualified for the USATF Junior Olympics Regionals, July 6-9 which has teams from AZ, CO, NM, UT, and border towns of Texas. At regionals she finished third in the multis and won in shot put, javelin and placed fourth in the 4x100. In June she went to Nationals in IL, where she left with a gold medal for shot put, javelin and 4x100. She also qualified

for USATF Junior Olympics in Lawrence, KS, and finished second in the nation in javelin, 11th in shot put and finished the 4x100m.

Her future plans include making the Olympic Trials in 2024, then go to law school at Louisiana State University (LSU) and become a lawyer. She is active in church and volunteers on a regular basis. When she is interviewed by different organizations she always gives thanks to God for her blessings, her family for all their sacrifices and her sponsors. She is proud of her diverse nationalities (Southern Ute descendant, Navajo descendant, Spanish and African American) and is a mentor to other minority girls that may have a hard time with their identity. Her family is very proud of all her hard work and accomplishments and will continue to support her in her journey.



photos courtesy Mary Velasquez

Coco Velasquez (left) showing her speed and athleticism during her leg of a relay race at a Track & Field meet. Velasquez (right) earned three gold medals in shot put, javelin and 4x100m at USA Track & Field Youth Outdoor Nationals in Illinois, Friday, June 30.

IHS VOLLEYBALL

Volleycats swept at home

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Invading IHS Gymnasium the morning after a season-opening sweep at home of 5A Bloomfield, N.M., #10-ranked [CHSAANow.com Class 3A preseason poll] Pagosa Springs made relatively short work of a reworked Ignacio on Saturday, August 26.

Taking the court, unfortunately lacking varsity regulars: Avionne Gomez, Morgan Herrera, Allisianna Marquez-Baker and Lee-la Rosa, IHS – an ‘Others Receiving Votes’ team in the initial 2A rankings – dropped its first outing of 2017 by scores of 25-10, 25-9 and 25-12.

Sophomore Makayla Howell managed to put down three kills and hit .300 in defeat, but only junior Kiana Valdez managed at least one in support for the Volleycats (0-1 overall), who broke in several new faces during the contest including Marisa Carmenoros, Ebonee Gomez, Charlize Valdez and Caitlyn Mulcahy.

Back in action at setter, senior Shoshone Thompson managed to record just three assists while defensively, Howell totaled two solo blocks and came up with three digs – matched by both Mulcahy, a senior newcomer, and returning junior Misty Egger-Morris.

The Lady Pirates (2-0, 0-0 3A Intermountain), meanwhile, got six kills on .462 hitting from senior Morgan Lewis, while senior Faith



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio JV member Izabella Howe (27) spikes against 3A Pagosa Springs during the team's first match of 2017. Hosting the Lady Pirates on Saturday, August 26, IHS' junior varsity unfortunately dropped the best-of-five by scores of 17-25, 23-25, 14-25.

Ahlhardt smacked down eight at a more impressive .533 clip. In addition to coming up with seven digs – equaled by senior Keena Murphy – she also fired a team-best seven aces while Lewis landed three.

Sophomore setter Teagan Stretton registered 11 assists in the victory, while Lewis logged seven.

Up next for IHS will be a Sept. 7 home match – the squad's first in 2A/1A San Juan Basin League

play – against Dove Creek, with junior-varsity action scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. and varsity to follow. A SJBL triangular then follows on the 9th, with both Norwood and Telluride coming to town.

Off to a 2-0 start as of Monday, Aug. 28, via sweeps of 1A De Beque and 2A Grand Junction Caprock Academy, DCHS will have traveled to De Beque for a 9/1 rematch with the Lady Dragons prior to visiting Ignacio.

IHS FOOTBALL

Halftime pause helps Ellicott avoid IHS' claws

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Still poised enough after a day frequently spent scrambling to disregard Ellicott junior Zack Crowther's four-yard sack on first down and end the game with a 12-yard gain on second, Trace Lovelace showed about as much guts as could be hoped for in his quarterbacking debut.

He even averaged 31.6 net yards on five punts, with a long of 43 from deep in his own team's end.

On the receiving end of most of Lovelace's best throws – including a 49-yard touchdown with 1:55 left in the first quarter, setting up freshman Lawrence Toledo's go-ahead two-point conversion run – fellow senior Marcus Chapman played about as well, both offensively and defensively, as could be expected.

Toledo and sophomore Colten Jackson each intercepted EHS star Chiante Stewart once during the first half – further helping Ignacio take and hold an unexpected 8-7 halftime advantage Saturday, August 26, against a non-conference crew which had pummeled the Bobcats 52-15 last year.

Heading into intermission it seemed IHS stood a strong chance of starting 2017 off in ideal fashion.

The downtime, however, proved the team's downfall.

It took just four plays and 56 seconds for the visiting Thunderhawks to go 93 yards and regain the advantage – via sophomore Thomas Huston's 67-yard scoring burst, followed by junior Dorian Quillen's second point-after kick in as many tries.

And before the third quarter reached its midway mark, Ellicott forced two of Lovelace's punts and needed only three total snaps to put up another 14 points en route to a season-opening 34-16 win at sunny IHS Field.

Stewart, who'd gotten the scoring started with a 26-yard keeper and 9:24 left in the first quarter, ripped off a 61-yard scamper with 8:33 left in the third, and Huston followed with a 45-yard sprint



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Beating Ellicott's Kyle Ager (72) to the corner, Ignacio freshman Lawrence Toledo carries in a go-ahead two-point conversion following IHS' first touchdown in their August 26 season-opener.

only ten ticks after EHS (1-0, 0-0 1A Santa Fe) gained possession in Bobcat territory with 6:56 remaining.

Quillen was true on both PATs, and the 28-8 advantage would be too much to overcome, particularly with Ignacio junior, Mike Archuleta then unluckily losing a fumble on first down, after a decent gain from the IHS 35.

“We just had to get yelled at, our heads weren't in it,” admitted Huston. “And as soon as the coaches talked to us ... that brought us back and we came out screaming. Nothing was going to stop us after that.”

Junior Dustin Sanchez lost a fumble with 9:13 left in the game, ending what had been Ignacio's best all-run series – a seven-play push from the Bobcat 45 which reached the Ellicott 18 – tried in the contest. But after taking over at their own 15 and threatening to work the clock down via a grinder of their own, IHS' defense forced a turnover-on-downs at their own 33 with 6:09 left.

Lovelace seemed most rejuvenated of all, following blockers and dodging several 'Hawks on first down for a 48-yard gain to EHS' 19. Even with two penalties and a ten-yard sack by Ellicott senior Kyle Ager working against him, the senior continued pressing the issue.

The persistence paid off, delighting the home fans. Ager's sack backed IHS up to the 37, but Lovelace zipped a 19-yarder to Chapman. An encroachment penalty against Ellicott moved the ball ahead to the 13, and

Lovelace ended the drive with a TD toss to Jackson with 2:34 left. Fittingly, Lovelace lugged in the two-pointer and the 'Cats trailed 28-16.

Sophomore Ocean Hunter's onside kick attempt, however, was smothered by EHS' up-backs at the Ellicott 43. Three runs reached the Ignacio 44, and after a completion to senior Payton Whitlock lost a yard, Stewart lobbed a throw along the visitors' sideline to wide-open senior Levi Lambrite for a 45-yard TD with only 57.7 seconds left.

IHS managed to block Quillen's PAT try, but the 18-point margin stood as the final on the scoreboard.

Unofficially, Chapman snared four Lovelace throws for 99 yards as the new signal-caller – replacing current Fort Lewis College Skyhawk freshman Zach Weinreich – unofficially finished 8-of-13 for 128 yards with two TD and one INT, while recording 12-23 rushing figures despite taking multiple losses.

Toledo unofficially totaled 20 yards on ten carries and Sanchez 17 on seven.

Stewart unofficially rushed for 164 yards on 19 carries, and also was 7-of-17 passing for 81 yards and a TD against the two picks. Huston's crippling third-quarter effort helped him total 167 yards on only nine carries, and Quillen gained 26 on six. Lambrite finished with 76 yards on three receptions.

Up next for Ignacio (0-1, 0-0 1A Southern Peaks) will be a Sept. 1 visit from 3A Crownpoint, N.M., with kickoff at 7 p.m.

Youth gridders hit the field



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Durango Demons youth football team hits the field in their first game against Dolores, in Southwest Colorado Youth Football League action. The Demons lost their season-opener in Farmington, N.M. Saturday, Aug. 26.

Southern Ute tribal member Keevin Reynolds (3) received the hand-off and barrels forward for positive yards against Dolores.





STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by “The Star Lady”

♊ **VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)**  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY VIRGO PEOPLE! The early days of SEPTEMBER are launched on a MERCURY retrograde. Delays are likely to pop up until after the 5th when this busy little planet changes its direction. Attention demanding MARS will also enter your sign on the 5th as well, and immediately begin pumping up your ambition. Taking action is what its all about. September is a good month to move forward with constructive goals. The NEW MOON in your sign on the 19th is an enabler, and it propels you closer to your future objectives.

♎ **LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)**  
Until the SUN returns to your sign on the 22nd, it may be better for you to maintain your regular routine and not allow nervous energy to to rule. The SUN, MERCURY, and MARS have grouped together in the worry section of your chart. Seek a balance LIBRA. Letting your imagination conjure up negativity is non productive. Instead concentrate on more entertaining activities. JUPITER the optimistic, happy planet is still in your sign encouraging playful ventures, and travel. The best days include the 12th, 15th, and 17th.

♏ **SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)**  
Socializing with friends or like-minded groups might be at the very top of your list of priorities SCORPIO. The NEW MOON on the 19th in an area related to your hopes and wishes may have you reconnecting with an old friend, or forming new friendships. Of course they would have to be interesting, intelligent, and entertaining. The FULL MOON on the 6th launches a productive SCORPIO cycle. It's time to let go of the old non productive habits. Then move forward with more constructive ideas.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)**  
The beat goes on Saggies. A planetary line up in the sign of VIRGO may not be exactly what you expected. After the 5th when MERCURY turns direct, career goals could be a challenge. Make it a point to follow your responsibilities through to completion. There are positive days ahead, mixed with rewards but you will need to concentrate and keep your eyes focused on the end result. Be consistent, and steady. That is what it will take to reach your targets. Try to keep distractions at a minimum.

♑ **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)**  
THE SUN, MERCURY, and MARS set the tone for SEPTEMBER'S events. It's all related to education, and long distance travel. Utilize your best assets CAPRICORN. MERCURY enters your earth sign club on the 9th. and backs up your intentions in a meaningful manner. Now that summer is fading you may become more serious about those goals. Consider taking the advice from people you respect. They might have some great ideas that are worth trying. Maintain a positive attitude this month.

♒ **AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)**  
September's planetary pattern has formed a favorable aspect connecting the MOON, the SUN, and PLUTO. Potent energies activate each of these celestial orbs and unite your home and family area, your finances, and your private intentions. VENUS currently favors relationships, and romance. People are drawn to your magnetic personality AQUARIUS. The excitement may grow on the 2nd when MARS hooks up with your ruling planet URANUS, and encourages financial chances to fatten your wallet.

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

♓ **PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)**  
Teamwork and close personal relationships influence your daily life. After the 5th MERCURY'S forward momentum resumes and you are more than willing to get things moving again. But you may still experience some opposition to your motives. The FULL MOON in your sign on the 6th could attract new people, or situations into your personal agenda. The key element needed will be to incorporate some aspects of cooperation, and compromise into your immediate environment, and relationships.

♈ **ARIES (March 21 – April 20)**  
This month your planetary influences include the SUN, MERCURY, and MARS, as they slowly rotate their way into the sign of VIRGO. VENUS will also join the group on the 19th. Welcome to SEPTEMBER, also known as the “Self-Improvement” month. This is a beneficial month to get in shape before the holidays. Physical well being comes with a positive attitude. The easiest exercise is walking. It helps to clear the mind of daily annoyances, and allows more constructive thoughts to come in.

♉ **TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)**  
VENUS your planetary ruler, settles into the home and family section of your Horoscope. Brighten up, and lighten up TAURUS. There are good times to be had this month. MERCURY slips into earthy VIRGO on the 9th and steps up beneficial chances for you to show off your many creative talents. The 12th, 15th, and 17th are good days to pursue your future hopes. JUPITER'S influence expands your work and health options. It doesn't come around often. You might want to take advantage of this benefit.

♊ **GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)**  
VENUS in the “party hearty” sign of LEO until the 18th helps you to maintain a positive outlook. Fresh ideas might be slow in coming until your ruling planet MERCURY wakes up on the 5th. Try to postpone important decisions regarding home and family issues until then. MERCURY enters the analytical sign of VIRGO on the 9th, and may stimulate your thinking process. Avoid getting into arguments with kinfolk, or elders. Once the words are spoken it's too late to take them back. Think first GEMINI.

♋ **CANCER (June 22 – July 22)**  
Sharpen your communication skills MOON KIDS, This is a talking month for you. And what you say is important to others. The SUN, MERCURY, and MARS group together in chatty VIRGO. They may endow you with ample opportunities to voice your opinions. It's best to keep an open mind. Petty gossip will get you nowhere. Short visits to friends or relatives may offer fresh ideas. The JUPITER/URANUS opposition on the 27th might set off a change in job related objectives, and your domestic life.

♌ **LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)**  
HEY Lions, lucky VENUS sits in your sign through the 29th and works its magical attention-getting charms. You are certain to be noticed LEO. Gifts, phone calls, and invitations make this a very enjoyable month. Resist the temptation to get involved in nit picking situations, or of over analyzing every little thing. Earnings and personal income might be at the very center of September's activities. There are many options to pursue. The most practical one may serve you best.

COMMUNITY GREETINGS



**Happy Birthday Andre Jr.!**  
Birthday shout out to my baby boy Andre Jr. on Sept. 6, I love you son.  
*Dad*

**Lakota, it's your birthday!**  
Happy birthday to Lakota on August 28! Keep on loving, caring and taking care of business.

*I Love You.  
Mom*



**Happy Birthday Bubs!**  
We would like to wish Nakai a very special birthday on the 8th!  
You are growing into a very kind young man and we are proud of all that you have accomplished and look forward to all your future accomplishments!!  
*With love,  
Nish, Jared and family,  
Uncle Lo, Jordan,  
Mo and Dad!*

Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
2017 GENERAL ELECTION

TRIBAL CHAIRMAN and TWO (2) COUNCIL MEMBER SEATS

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

- General Election: Friday, Nov. 3, 2017 – 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.
- General Election Residency Deadline: Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017
- Statement of Intention Deadline: Monday, Sept. 4, 2017, by 5 P.M.
- Election Board Decision Regarding Eligibility Deadline: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017
- Notice of Election: Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2017
- Voter Registration Deadline: Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2017, by 5 P.M.
- Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2017, by 5 P.M.
- Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline: Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017, by 5 P.M.

2017 GENERAL ELECTION VOTING WILL BE HELD AT SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER

Contact the Election Board at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305  
Off-Reservation Tribal members phone 1-800-772-1236 ext. 2303  
Email is election@southernute-nsn.gov

OBITUARY



**BRYAN** – Charles Randall (Randy) Bryan, 60, passed away unexpectedly in Woodland, CA on July 19, 2017. Randy lived in Winters, CA for 23 years where he was an active member of the community and loved fishing with his sons on Putah Creek and Lake Berryessa and hunting in the surrounding areas. He was born in Durango, CO on January 17, 1957. He graduated from Ignacio High School in 1975.  
Randy moved to California when he was a young man. He worked as a restaurant supply salesman for many years and started his own company, Charles Bryan Associates. He was a passionate outdoorsman and was very proud of his Native American Choctaw heritage. He loved deer hunting, often traveling

back to Colorado to hunt with his family, and would smoke his own deer jerky every year. He was also a passionate and skilled fisherman and an avid gardener. He enjoyed finding arrowheads and handcrafting walking sticks, knives, and other natural crafts. He took great care of his pets and enjoyed tending to his goat, chickens, and dogs over the years.  
Randy moved back to the Ignacio area in 2016, where he spent the final months of his life rekindling old friendships, making new ones and roaming the country he's always loved. The Southern Ute and Northern Ute Reservations and it's people held a special place in Randy's heart.  
He is survived by his mother Charlene Randall Bryan, siblings Rebecca Anne Bryan Nordeen of Grand Junction, CO, Timothy Reanan Bryan of Durango, CO, Treva Lee Bryan Heikkinen of Cape Coral, FL, Wesley Todd Bryan of Parachute, CO, children Gina Ann Cosio of Ignacio, CO, George Washington Bryan of San Diego, CA, Tucker Everett Bryan of Brooklyn, NY, and Wesley Todd Bryan of Woodland, CA, grandchildren Solymar, Cyrus, Christian, and Rosie, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his father George Washington Bryan.  
A celebration of life will be held at Ignacio East Cemetery at a later date.

**Drum  
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Deadline:  
**Sept. 11**

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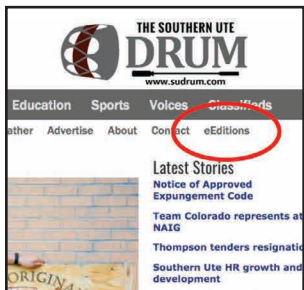
## ONLINE

## The Drum's eEdition

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
The Southern Ute Drum

**Editor's Note:** In addition to the Southern Ute Drum's fully interactive website SUDRUM.com, which features news articles, photo galleries, and flyers with keyword search ability and social media share buttons, we are highlighting the availability of eEditions. The eEditions provide a digital replica of each bi-weekly print edition of The Southern Ute Drum newspaper. The eEditions can be easily navigated to from the menu bar at the top

of The Southern Ute Drum website. The most recent edition of the newspaper will be featured at the top, with past issues organized by publication date. eEditions are formatted as PDF files and can be viewed on personal computers, laptops and smartphones with ease.



## Are you an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member, 18 or over, and registered to VOTE?

The Southern Ute Election Board is searching for ONE REGULAR and ONE ALTERNATE Board Members! These are Tribal appointments and paid positions. You must pass criminal background checks and you will be considered an employee of the Tribe, per IRS guidelines.

If you are interested in applying for either Board Member positions, submit your Letter of Intent to the Election Board's office at the Leonard C. Burch Building (Tribal Office) by **Friday, September 15, 2017** before 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please phone 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305.



IT'S YOUR VOTE *or* IT'S YOUR TRIBAL COMMUNITY  
Southern Ute Election Board • P.O. Box 737, MS #32 • Ignacio, CO 81137-0737



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!**

**Applications are available at [www.bgcsu.org](http://www.bgcsu.org)**

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

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### 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.

### 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](mailto:election@southernute-nsn.gov).

### 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).

### 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](mailto:tami@ksut.org) or mailed to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Open until filled.

### 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 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.

## In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

Of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe • On the Southern Ute Reservation  
PO Box 737, #149, CR 517, Ignacio, CO • 970-563-0240

### NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-NC-0096**  
**Camille Lacy Richards, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Camille Lacy Richards has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Camille Lacy Archuleta. 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 **September 29, 2017 at 5 pm.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2017.  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-NC-0098**  
**Augusta Sammi Burch, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Augusta Sammi Burch has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Augusta Sammi Torres. 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 **5 p.m. October 2, 2017.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 28th day of August, 2017.  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-PR-0082**  
**Jerry Geronimo Romero, 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 **October 2, 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 14th of August, 2017  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-PR-0071**  
**Lizabeth 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 **SEPTEMBER 25, 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 31st of July, 2017  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

**CASH**  
**TORNADO WARNING!**  
**\$25K**  
**FAST CASH**  
**MONEY BOOTH**  
**\$5K**  
**UP FOR GRABS**  
**EACH WEEK**  
**GET CAUGHT UP IN A WHIRLWIN OF CASH!**

Play the slots during the month of September for your chance to win! Each Saturday, five hourly winners will get 45 seconds in the money booth to grab as much cash as they can. Bills totaling **\$5,000 IN CASH** will be blowing around in the booth every week!

**Southern Ute Growth Fund (SUGF) • Job announcements**

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

**Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist – NEPA-SECMG (Durango, CO)**

Closing date 9/8/17  
Develops and administers all environmental surveys, Biological Assessments and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance functions for Growth Fund and its business enterprises. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s degree in life science (e.g., biology, botany, wildlife biology/management, etc.), physical science, environmental science or closely related discipline and eight years work experience in an environmental or closely related capacity, OR a Master’s degree in life science (e.g., biology, botany, wildlife biology/management, etc.), physical science, environmental science or closely related discipline, and five years work experience in an environmental or closely related capacity. Must have five years experience working with the oil and gas industry. Must have five years experience in

preparing and reviewing NEPA documents (i.e., Environmental Impact Statements and Environmental Assessments). Must have expert and detailed knowledge of all aspects of NEPA, as it applies to complicated jurisdictional issues on tribal land. Must have demonstrated expertise navigating tribal, federal, state and county environmental rules and regulations. Must have working knowledge of the NHPA, ESA and in the performance of threatened and endangered species surveys, cultural resources surveys and/or wetland assessments. Must have experience in computer software programs within the MS Windows environment including Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint and Project. Participation in a positive and productive team-oriented environment is required. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**Southern Ute Shared Services (SUSS) • Job announcements**

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

**SAN/LAN Supervisor – Southern Ute Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)**

Closing date 9/15/17  
Lead a technical team in day-to-day activities of the Southern Ute Shared Services (SUSS) Local (LAN) and Storage (SAN) Area Network team to ensure effective and reliable design, implementation, and maintenance of networks and system administration to meet user needs. The LAN/SAN Supervisor performs systems administration and programming development tasks. Performs system administration and programming for Active Directory Domain and Exchange. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science, Business or related field and eight years’ experience in computer network support is required. Must have Storage Area Network (SAN) experience on EMC CX, AX or Dell SC/Compellent or NetApp. Must have system level script and batch programming experience related to email configuration and Microsoft command line level scripting. Must have System Center Operations Manager design and implementation experience. Must have Solarwinds design and implementation experience. Must have Citrix experience. Must have Microsoft Active Directory 2012 experience. Must have knowledge of Microsoft Operating Systems such as Windows 7, or Windows 10. Must have knowledge and experience in client configurations in a Local Area network environment. Must possess strong troubleshooting skills and ability to work independently. Must be customer service oriented. Must have a willingness to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a positive and productive team oriented environment. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and

be insurable under the SUSS vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**Desktop Support Supervisor – Southern Ute Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)**

Closing date 9/15/17  
Supervise the day-to-day activities of the Desktop Support professionals who provide technical support to the organization’s information systems to ensure the systems and hardware resources function effectively and reliably. Activities of the team may include installing, configuring, administering, and maintaining a large number of computer systems. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science, Information Systems or Business and two years desktop supervisor experience, OR, an Associate’s degree in Computer Science, Information Systems or Business and four years of desktop supervisory experience, OR, a high school diploma or equivalent and six years desktop supervisory experience is required. Must have strong knowledge of computer configuration. Must have knowledge of common Operating Systems such as Windows 7 and Windows 10. Must have strong knowledge of Microsoft software package delivery and implementation. ITIL certification. Must have strong computer-based data management and analysis skills. Must possess strong troubleshooting skills. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable by the Southern Ute Shared Services vehicle insurance carrier. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**SUCAP – Job announcements**

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

**Head Cook**

Closing date 9/20/17  
SUCAP Senior Center in Ignacio. Directing all phases of meal preparation. Weekdays, Meals on Wheels & on site meals for elderly nutrition program. Must have a current health certificate and food handlers card, experience developing menus. 2 years experience as a supervisor and commercial cooking. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid CO driver’s license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.

**Program Aide**

Closing date 9/1/17  
Do you like having evenings and weekends off, and having holidays off while getting paid for them? We have great benefits to! Senior Center/ SUCAP is looking for a Program Aide to Coordinate and keep records for services rendered to local elderly and disabled. General office duties, deliver Meals on Wheels, and other related duties as assigned. High School Diploma/GED req. Microsoft word experience. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid driver’s license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.

**Substitute Cook**

Closing date 9/15/17  
SUCAP Head Start. Assist staff in preparing meals for children and adults. Must have a High School diploma or GED. Will maintain kitchen cleanliness, experience cooking for large groups preferred. Must be able to lift at least 30 pounds/ pass background checks/willing to obtain food handlers permit. Regular, dependable attendance is a must.

**Teacher and Early Care Educator**

Closing date 9/15/17  
Southern Ute Montessori Head Start/SUCAP, essential first steps in children’s education is our mission. We provide a warm, loving environment to build children’s self-esteem and prepare them for school. If you believe in our mission this is the place for you! Hiring now for preschool Teachers, infant/toddler Early Care Educators and substitutes. We offer coaching, educational opportunities and excellent benefits. Take the first step in your career with the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start/ Early Head Start program.

**Quichas Apartment for Rent**

3BR/2.5BA. \$815/mo + utilities. No Pets. Southern Ute Tribal Member Preference. Must pass credit and background checks and have excellent references from previous landlords. Applications are available by email at [tzink@sugf.com](mailto:tzink@sugf.com). Use the subject line Quichas Application. You can also pick them up in person at the Three Springs Information Center, 175 Mercado Street, Suite 109, Durango, CO 81301 during working hours – Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All applications must be filled out completely & legibly and returned by 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14. You must complete a new application even if you have filled one out in the past.

**FOR SALE  
Camper trailer**

2015 Prowler Resort camping trailer, Model: 39BH. Includes 4 leveling jacks, insulated water hose and skirting, \$32,000. Please call 970-563-0209 to make an appointment to see it.

**Ignacio Community Library**

**Library Assistant**

Part-time. Required hours: Wed and Thur., until 7 p.m. and alternating Saturdays. Applications are available online or at the library’s service desk. Completed applications may be emailed to [mvining@ignaciolibrary.org](mailto:mvining@ignaciolibrary.org) or dropped off at the library service desk.

**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.  
Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Human Resources • P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137  
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

**Detention Officer**

Closing date 9/6/17  
Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 17, \$17.20/hour.

**Family Court Counselor**

Closing date 9/12/17  
Providing guardian ad litem, special advocacy, parent coordination, and mediation services as assigned through Court appointment and clinical supervisor. Psycho-social educational class for youth in local school system. Case management activities and/or counseling services involving assigned adults and juveniles. Position is both Tribal funded and grant funded. Full-time status is contingent on grant funding. Pay grade 20; \$48,898/year.

**Grant Writer/Specialist**

Closing date 9/12/17  
Planning, writing, editing, and preparing grant applications, conducting prospect/foundation/federal agency research, working closely with Tribal staff members on grant application matters. Assisting in monitoring programs to ensure compliance with grant or contract regulations including financial and budget reporting. Pay grade 20, \$23.51/hour.

**Nurse Practitioner**

Closing date 9/8/17  
Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Supervisory Physician.

**After School Guide (Part-time)**

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

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

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

**Clinic Nurse**

Open until filled  
Registered Nurse providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 21, \$26.45/hour.

**Community Health Representative**

Open until filled  
Providing assistance in the coordination and development of activities for elderly and physically or mentally handicapped Tribal members. Provides transportation, health, and

health related homemaking 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 13, \$12/hour.

**Home Health Care Aide**

Open until filled  
Under general supervision of the Home and Community Health Services Manager, provides activities and care to elders who require care and home base services, resources and living assistance in their homes. Provides and coordinates individualized care and resources to elders, disabled and others so that they may continue to live in their homes and in the community. Home Care may include transportation, house cleaning, personal hygiene, providing meals, and other health and wellness related activities. Pay grade 13, \$12/hour.

**Human Resources Director**

Open until filled  
Under general direction of the Executive Officer, is responsible for management of the Human Resources Department, Employee Benefits Division, and the Health and Safety Management Division within the Tribal Organization. Incumbent is responsible for planning activities, overseeing direction of the HR Department and establishing an internal evaluation process for the Department. 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. Day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors.

**Lake Capote Maintenance Worker**

Open until filled  
Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager, the Maintenance Worker 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 13, \$12/hour.

**Public Health Nurse**

Open until filled  
Registered Nurse, providing public health nursing care and case management to individuals, families, and the community. Pay grade 21, \$26.45/hour.

**Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements**

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

**Busser – Willows & Rolling Thunder (Full-time)**

Closing date 9/6/17  
Perform multiple tasks and duties within the restaurant and kitchen as instructed by supervisor and management. Busser job 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. Busser 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.

**Facilities Staff (Full-time)**

Closing date 9/4/17  
Responsible for the operation of equipment, environmental condition and appearance of the facility and grounds. Responsible for the cleanliness, maintenance and repair of the facility, equipment and building. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Prior experience in one or more related fields preferred. Must be able to work all shifts including nights, weekends and holidays. Must have a valid driver’s license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

**\*Fine Dining Restaurant Supervisor (Full-time)**

Closing date 9/12/17  
Monitor and supervise the day-to-day operations of Seven Rivers Restaurant, ensuring guests are provided with an exceptional fine dining and first class guest service experience. Supervise all floor staff including host/hostess, server and busser. Ensure staff is working together as a team to provide optimum service for guest needs. Complete opening and closing

duties. Monitor dining room for seating availability, service, safety and well-being of guests. Assist management in training, scheduling, evaluating and/or disciplining, motivating. Must have a High school diploma or equivalency, must be at least 21 years old. Must have at least five (5) years in the restaurant industry with a minimum of three (3) years’ experience as Restaurant Supervisor, preferably in a fine dining style restaurant in a luxury hotel environment. Must have extensive food and wine knowledge. Must have experience in training service staff at a fine dining level, French style service, etc. Must have previous experience or demonstrate proficiency in Digital Dining or related restaurant management software systems and be familiar with manual systems or procedures when computer malfunctions.

**\*Security Officer (Full-time)**

Closing date 9/6/17  
The Security department is responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Sky Ute Casino Resort and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. The department is responsible for guest and employee safety on property. They are the first identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. They must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. Must have a high school diploma or GED and be at least 21 years of age. Must have a valid driver’s license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have two years minimum experience in law enforcement, security or related field and acquire First Aid/CPR training within the first year of employment. Computer skills preferred. Must be able to work all shifts, nights, weekends and holidays.

*\*Must be 21 years old.*



FLY FISHING

Wild, stronger, together

By Don Oliver  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

The above title makes one think the Wild Bunch, from last month's column, merged with other Wild Bunches and are conquering the world. You'd be wrong if that's what you thought. No, "Wild, Stronger, Together" is the motto for Durango's new women's fly fishing club, called Braided. While this club is new, it was in the works for two years.

Two years ago, Kami Swingle and her husband Nick, new Durango residents working in the fly fishing industry, were invited to the Orvis Guide Rendezvous. Kami's role was to meet with a group of ladies, in the industry, to try and come up with new ways to get more women into fly fishing. Kami and Nick were invited to attend the following rendezvous, and Kami meet with the same group of women. Only this time, after a year of thinking and communicating, the group came up with a plan for Orvis. It is known as the 50/50 campaign. The campaign embodies three main goals: Making it easy for women to participate in the sport, celebrating the unique connection between women and conservation and showcasing authentic experiences of real women fly fishing.

You can, and should, go to the Orvis website. Click on fly fishing, then women on the water, and find more about this effort.

After doing this work, Kami realized that, in fact, finding other women to fly



fish with was difficult at best. Her husband, Nick, didn't have any problem finding other guys to fly fish with, me being one of them. So, when fly fishing and visiting with her friend Katherine Sumrall Griego, they decided to do something about the imbalance, and formed Braided. Braided is a fly fishing club whose membership is comprised of women wanting to learn how to fly fish, and women who already know how to fly fish but are looking to find other women to share the sport. Their website is [www.braidedflyfish.com](http://www.braidedflyfish.com). This club is truly organized. Having been in existence for less than one year they have approximately 60 members, plus 170 followers on Facebook. They meet the first Tuesday of each month, at various locations. There are no requirements for membership and no dues. To raise funds for operations there is an occasional charge for an event, and they sell hats. I'll buy one.

In less than a year Braided has hosted two happy hours to introduce themselves to the community, a film night, fly fishing 101 sponsored by

Durangler's, and fly fishing 201 sponsored by The San Juan Angler. The 201 event had some of the members catching their first fish using a fly rod. Another casting clinic hosted by Simms, Durangler's and a large group of volunteers helped the members of Braided with basic casting. The two happy hours and film night raised some funds, part of which, were donated to Casting For Recovery (CFR). CFR is an international non-profit that teaches fly fishing to women dealing with various stages of breast cancer. The next event will be in October when Orvis representatives will be here. If that's not enough, future events include a river cleanup, and classes on etymology and conservation. Men, we need to tip our hats to Kami and Katherine. I think Braided is going to give our sport a much needed boost.

I have written, in previous columns, about there not being enough women fly fishing (column 85). I also wrote about the differences in mythical men's and ladies' fly fishing clubs (column 52). In my fantasy, I dreamed that Kami and Katherine read my old columns and used them as their motivation to form Braided.

So, where does this leave us old guys that love to fly fish. First, we can do a better job of sharing our sport with others. Then maybe we'll have to form some type of men's fly fishing club. Or, we can get wigs, shave, question our sexuality, and join Braided. The choice is yours.

Tribal members score!



Southern Ute tribal members, and brothers, Lorenzo "Woody" and laasic "Ike" Pena pose with their bull elk racks and sheds, before the Membership Outreach meeting and Scoring Night. The event was sponsored by the Southern Ute Wildlife Resource Management Division and held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort's Event Center on Thursday, Aug. 24. Wildlife Division Head, Steve Whiteman headed the evening's event, with a presentation of the Wildlife Division's activities and services provided to the tribal membership.

Jicarilla Apache tribal member and biology technician, Larson Panzy (right) scores a bull elk rack. Official Boone & Crockett scorers from the Jicarilla Tribe assisted in measuring the racks. Joining Panzy were Kyle Tattor, Jicarilla Wildlife Biology Technician and Tom Watts, who is retired and an official scorer.



Racks and mounts line the floor, waiting to be measured by Jicarilla Apache Tribe's Division of Wildlife Technicians. The Southern Ute tribal member Wildlife Advisory Board were on hand to answer questions and speak to Southern Ute hunters about a proposal set before the advisory board about tribal members hunting black bears and if the tribe should offer permits to hunt the bears. Sun Dance Chief, and Southern Ute Cultural Education Director, Hanley Frost gave the invocation, but also spoke of the spirituality of the bear as a brother, the creator of the streams, a sacred animal to the Utes. "That's why we don't hunt the bear," Frost said.

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The Southern Ute Drum

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# September

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Saturday, Sept. 2

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Sunday, Sept. 3

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slight chance showers

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