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Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Shannon Howell jumps for joy in her Ghostbusters costume while enjoying some casual competition during the sack race held as part of the Three Springs Fall Festival.

## THREE SPRINGS

# Fall Festival at Three Springs, 11 years and growing

By Trennie Collins  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The 11th Annual Fall Festival was held at Three Springs Plaza on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 11am-2pm. Families and kids alike showed their Halloween spirit and love for the fall season in the Three Springs Community.

Three Springs is a part of The Growth Fund, owed by The Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Three Springs, a Southern Ute development, started going up in 2004. Which is projected to grow even more in years to come with its modern architecture, open space, parks and shopping. Three Springs currently has 1,100 residents, and on any given day has around 1400 employees who work there daily.

The Three Springs Fall Festival all started in 2007 as a simple way to show-

case the new and upcoming neighborhood and homes that were for sale. Serving hot dogs, giving away pumpkins, a bounce house and games ran by Three Springs staff. With only 40 people in attendance, it gave them a way to display their model homes and a chance for families and kids to trick-or-treat.

Eleven years and approximately 3,000 attendees later; the Three Springs' Fall Festival has grown into a premier spot for fall festivities. With the event becoming to large to work alone, Three Springs partnered this year with La Plata Family Centers Coalition for help organizing and staffing the festival.

This year's festival consisted of many free events such as: a petting zoo, pumpkin patch, sack races, pumpkin bowling, arts and crafts booths, and

food vendors. The kids even got to climb aboard a fire truck and sound off a police siren.

This event brought affordable family fun to many with in our community along with a safe place to trick-or-treat within the rapidly growing Three Springs community.

A Plaza Play Place was also offered with a special selection of activities such as: Cotton Candy Booth, face painting and a jumbo slide, which you could enjoy for a small donation. Proceeds from the Plaza Play Place benefit the La Plata County Family Centers Coalition, a non-profit organization which provides direct support to families within La Plata County by helping them get health insurance, assist with utility bills, groceries

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## TRIBAL COUNCIL

# General Election leads to runoff



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will hold a runoff election Friday, Dec. 15.

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe held its General Election on Friday, Nov. 3 in Ignacio, Colo., offices up for reelection include: the Tribal Chairman, and two seats on Tribal Council.

Following the confirmation of votes in council chambers on Monday, Nov. 6, both will go into a runoff election to be held Friday, Dec. 15.

Vying for Chairman in Friday's General Election were candidates: Shelly L. Thompson, Shane Seibel, Tyson Thompson, Ula R. Gregory, Howard D. Richards Sr. and Christine Baker Sage. Thompson vacated his seat on the Southern Ute Tribal Council earlier this year in order to run for Chairman.

Shane Seibel and Christine Baker Sage came out of Friday's election on top for the Chairman's seat; they will both be on De-

## Official results of the 2017 Southern Ute General Election

Office of Tribal Chairman		Office of Tribal Council	
Shelly L. Thompson	41	*Amy J. Barry	152
*Shane Seibel	136	Yvonne-Tree-Davis	82
Tyson Thompson	79	Matthew J. Box	112
Ula R. Gregory	20	*Cheryl A. Frost	166
Howard D. Richards Sr.	72	*Dedra White	178
*Christine Baker-Sage	115	*Cedric J. Chavez	187

992 registered voters. 1,340 total votes caste.  
\*denotes run-off election candidates.

cember's runoff election ballot. Seibel received 136 votes to Sage's 115 in the General Election.

Candidates who ran for seats on Tribal Council in the recent election include: Amy J. Barry, Yvonne Tree-Davis, Matthew J. Box, Cheryl A. Frost, Dedra White, and Cedric J. Chavez. Next months runoff election will also determine who will assume positions on the Southern Ute Tribal Council; candidates who received the most votes in Friday's election will

be on the December runoff ballot including: Barry (152 votes), Frost (166 votes), White (178 votes) and Chavez (187 votes).

There were 992 registered voters, and 1,340 total votes caste in Friday's General Election.

Following the certification of votes on Monday, the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Clement J. Frost addressed the election board and those candidates present, "Congratulations to those candidates — good luck to all of you."

## TRIBAL AFFAIRS

# A giving tribe



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Southern Ute Public Relations Coordinator, Trennie Collins receives a Thanksgiving meal from Executive Officer Andrew Frost for the Thanksgiving food drive; food items will be donated to a family in need.

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Holidays are just around the corner and for some Tribal Departments it's the time of giving. This time of year families come together to spend quality time, have a nice meal and give each other gifts. While there are families who don't have a problem with the seasonal expenses, other families struggle to make the holi-

days possible. Within the community and the Tribe, there are departments and businesses that do their part in helping families make the holidays better for those in need.

At the beginning of the school year, the Southern Ute Education Department distributed school supplies for Southern Ute and Johnson O'Malley families. Students received a backpack as well as all the sup-

plies they needed for their grade level. Rez Girls Catering also gave away free school supplies to families in need, together they gave over one thousand dollars worth of supplies to students who weren't able to afford them. They recently started a program where they donate two to three meals a week to families in need of assistance,

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## BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

# Girls on the run!

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Hundreds of girls gathered at Three Springs in Durango, Saturday, Nov. 4 to support and encourage each other through a 5k run that they have been preparing ten weeks for. Boys and Girls Club (BGC) introduced the program to four of their students last year, grades third through fifth, this year the number of participants grew to ten. Girls on the Run (GOTR) inspires girls to build lives of purpose and to make a meaningful contribution to community and society.

GOTR was created to culminate with girls positively impacting their communities through a service project and being physically and emotionally prepared to complete a celebratory 5K event. It is a ten week program for girls who are in third through eighth grade and helps them develop essential skills to better navigate their worlds and establish a lifetime appreciation for health and fitness. GOTR is a national program and BGC is part of the Western Colorado Chapter. "The girls really



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Alyssa Atencio and Carmela Huerta finish the 5k strong at Girls on the Run 5K run at Three Springs in Durango, Saturday, Nov. 4.

like it and looked forward to the practice 5K and got super pumped for the 5K at Three Springs because they knew they could do it," BGC Mentor Coordinator Cassandra Sanchez said.

Studies show that by adolescence, girls confidence drops about twice as much as boys and the likelihood of anxiety and depression

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## Casino campaigns for cancer



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Thanks to the generosity of Sky Ute Casino team members and guests, the Sky Ute “Share Your Spare Change” campaign raised an astounding \$11,892.40, to fight cancer. These funds were raised from Oct. 1- 25, for the benefit of two local charities to aid them in their research and fight against cancer. Representatives from the local Cancer Coalition of Southwest Colorado, and the Cancer Resource Center, were on hand to receive the donations; Carol McGuire & BJ Boucher representing the Cancer Coalition of Southwest Colorado, Krista Red-Garcia, Interim General Manager Sky Ute Casino Resort, and Michael Broderick, Marketing Director Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Check presentation to The Cancer Resource Center; pictured right to left, Krista Red-Garcia, Interim General Manager Sky Ute Casino Resort, and Ginna Harbison representing The Cancer Resource Center and American Cancer Society, Wednesday, Oct. 25.



## Many Moons Ago



RC Lucero/SU Drum archive

## 10 years ago

Tricia Leroy and Adison Jones demonstrate how healthy lungs work by using pig lungs and a hand pump.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 9, 2007, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

## 20 years ago

Sam Burch, Patrick Hight, and Joe Vigil pay a visit to Red Ute to install a new wood shed, compliments of the Tribe and Construction Services.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 7, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

## 30 years ago

Waiting to see the results, candidates and the Southern Ute membership look on.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 13, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

# ELK HUNT RAFFLE

## SIX PRIZES

### TWO CHANCES TO WIN A TAG!

Raffle tickets will be sold through December 29th, 2017

Tag winners must attend a **MANDATORY** hunter meeting on Fri. Jan. 5th at 6PM in the Sky Ute Casino Events Center

Tickets are \$10.00/each and are sold by BGC Board & staff or at the BGC Office inside the Sun Ute Community Center

More information call 970.563.2666

Grand Prize: Cow Elk Tag

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1st: 2 Night Stay @ Sky Ute Casino

2nd: 28 Piece Premium Camping Set

3rd: Dinner for 2 @ Seven Rivers

4th: Custom Benchmade Knife

Hunt will take place on the Southern Ute Reservation in the Sandoval unit from Jan. 6th –14th, 2018. One free guest allowed. Additional guest requires an additional fee. Both require crossing permit which can be obtained from the Southern Ute Wildlife. Ages 12-21 will need to have their Hunters Safety license. Winners will be drawn December 29th, 2017, at 3pm, at the SunUte Community Center. Winners will be notified via phone immediately.

All funds raised will benefit the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

## BE THE SUNSHINE IN A CHILD’S LIFE, FOSTER A CHILD...

The need of positive Indian parenting of foster children is on the rise, there are many ways you can help. Become a Foster Parent and touch the life of a child. Help keep our children in the community and connected to their culture and traditions.

Children are our most valuable resources and a key to our future!

For more information contact:

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



Southern Ute Social Services Foster Care Program  
Located in the Mouache Capote Building

## SOUTHERN UTE FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

CURIOUS ABOUT ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROGRAM?

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- COMPLETED APPLICATION
- I.D.
- SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER VERIFICATION (HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD ONLY)
- EARNED INCOME (TRIBAL DISTRIBUTION EXEMPT)
- DEDUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO MEET INCOME REQUIREMENTS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: MCKEAN WALTON  
@ (970) 563-0285 OR MWALTON@SOUTHERNUTE-NSN.GOV



## 6th Annual Leonard C. Burch Art and Literacy Contest *Geography of the Utes*

### Categories:

- K-1 Grade - Art Project
- 2-3 Grade - Art Project
- 4-5 Grade - Poem
- Middle School - 500-700 Word Essay
- High School - #hashtag Contest

### Grand Prizes:

- K-1 grade - Fire 7 Kids Edition
- 2-3 grade - Fire 7 Kids Edition
- 4-5 grade - Razor Electric Scooter
- Middle School - Hoverboard
- High School - \$100 Visa Gift Card

All entries must pertain to the theme.



The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is inviting all elementary, middle school and high school students to participate in this contest! It's a celebration of the life of a honest and highly respected leader, youth supporter and overall visionary for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Deadline to submit all work is Dec. 1, 2017, by 5 p.m. The Southern Ute Drum office in the Leonard C. Burch Building or PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137.

For more information or questions please contact  
Trennie Collins, Public Relations Coordinator at  
970-563-0118 or [tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov).

### Contest Guidelines:

- K-3 Grade**
  - Art contest: All forms of art accepted. MUST RELATE TO THE THEME "Geography of the Utes".
- 4-5 Grade**
  - Poetry contest: Poems must be about:
    1. Colorado
    2. Hot Springs (related to the Utes)
- Middle School**
  - Essay Contest: "Geography of the Utes"
    - Essay must have a minimum of 500 words.
    - Pick one of these Ute sites to write about: Pagosa Springs, Ute Council Tree, Garden of the Gods, Ute Trail, Meeker, Co.
  - All questions must be answered in essay:
    1. Where is this site located?
    2. What kind of plants did the Utes pick and harvest in that area?
    3. How did the site acquire it's name?
    4. What year(s) were the Ute's at this site?
    5. Where do the Southern Utes reside today? Explain.
- High School**
  - Take a picture of Ute land past or present with a brief description of why you chose it and how it incorporates Leonard C. Burch. Use #6LCBartandLit

Make sure your profile is public!

## Elders social hour



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Multi-Purpose Facilities Operations Manager, Elise Redd talks to Willette Whiteskunk and Hilda Burch about upcoming events during Sip, Chat and Chew, Friday, Nov. 3 at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility.

## Multi-Purpose Facility November Events

Turkey Class—Thursday November 9, - 9:00 AM—3:00 PM Bake a Turkey and prepare dressing, make gravy from pan drippings, and learn to make cranberry sauce. This is a pot luck class, share a turkey dinner, please bring a side dish. Christmas gift exchange (participation is optional gift exchange on December 8, 2017).



Holiday Quilt Class November  
Wednesday & Thursday 15 & 16,  
- 9:30 AM—4:00 PM  
Repeat Class on November 19,  
9:30 AM—4:00 PM

Yard Sale—Saturday November 11,  
9:00 AM—3:00 PM

The Yard Sale is open to the Ignacio, Bayfield, Oxford, Allison, Arboles area communities. No fees and No admission, we will provide you with flyers to share.

### Senior Breakfast

Friday November 17, 9:30 AM—  
11:30 PM—guest Chefs Alan  
Herrera Jr./ Owner "The Rest  
Stop Grill", and Bill Barbone,  
Head Chef / Food & Beverage  
Director Sky Ute Casino Resort



Everyone is welcome to participate in the Community Events

Call to sign-up for classes, and just show up to the rest. 970-563-4784

## 6th Annual Leonard C. Burch Art and Literacy Contest

October 13, 2017



Dear students,

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe would like to invite you to participate in the Leonard C. Burch Celebration of Life Art and Literacy Contest. Leonard C. Burch was the chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for more than 32 years. Under his leadership, the Southern Ute Tribe became a major economic force in La Plata County and in Indian Country. The Southern Ute Tribal Council passed a resolution in 1996 to declare Dec. 10 of every year Leonard C. Burch Day. This year, we will honor Leonard C. Burch and his life by holding the 6th Annual Art and Literacy Contest. The contest is open to all elementary, middle school students and high school students. This year's theme is: "Geography of the Utes" and all entries must pertain to this theme. The contest is now in effect and will end on Dec. 01, 2017. All entries must be into Trennie Collins at The Southern Ute Drum office by Dec. 01 at 5 PM or at PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137. The office of the tribal chairman would like to encourage you to enter the contest to honor a chairman that has "led his Ute people into the future." The flyer and all packet information will be on the Southern Ute tribal website at [www.southernute-nsn.gov](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov) and The Southern Ute Drum website at [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com). If you have any questions, please contact me at 970-563-0118.

Sincerely,

Trennie R. Collins  
Public Relations Coordinator  
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe

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# PHILANTHROPY

JUST A CLICK AWAY



December 5, 2017  
[swcogives.org](http://swcogives.org)

SW CO Gives is a charitable, online collaboration of local nonprofits spearheaded by the Community Foundation serving SW Colorado

Give where you live.

## 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:  
November: 7, 14, 21, 28  
December: 5, 12, 19, 26

Subject:  
Colors  
Days of the Week & Seasons

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

## The Durango Public Art Commission, Call for Artist

The Commission is searching for a lead artist to design, manage and execute a community based public art project. We invite all interested artists, or groups of artists, to submit proposals for this project. The community based, public art project is for the medians at the intersection of US 160 and US 550. The purpose of this public art project is to encourage community engagement through public art. This project will garner participation from all ages of community members to create a gateway sculpture to Durango. Under the direction of a lead artist, students from local schools and members of the public will be given the opportunity to help create elements of a multicomponent sculpture through structured art classes and workshops. This allows the community to collaborate and create a sculpture reflective of Durango's unique character which will be displayed at the entrance to the city. The projects goal is to strengthen community bonds while creating one-of-a-kind public art. To view the full Call For Artist go to [www.durangogov.org/DocumentCenter/View/9069](http://www.durangogov.org/DocumentCenter/View/9069).



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Take Charge, diabetes classes are free of charge and lunch is provided for attendees.

HEALTH

Take charge to combat diabetes

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Shining Mountain Health and Wellness team is sponsoring a series of four classes to educate the membership and community on diabetes prevention. The sessions are being held at the Sun-Ute Community Center throughout the month of November. The program is being held in conjunction with National Diabetes Month. Each session will cover a different aspect of health and prevention; lunch is also served.

Kicking off the four week seminar was Ignacio's own Dr. Mark Saddler who gave an educational presentation on kidney health, dubbed 'Healthy kidney are happy kidneys.'

"The kidneys have a remarkable ability to reabsorb good things that your body needs, and filter out the waste," Dr. Saddler said. He covered topics such as water intake, filtration of everyday toxins,



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Lisa B. Smith, RDN and Dr. Mark Saddler lead an educational presentation on kidney health, at SunUte Community Center on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

hormone production and the dangers that pain killer pose to kidney health.

Dr. Saddler also emphasized the correlation between diabetes and Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD), offering that a healthy lifestyle and good nutrition is both beneficial, and often times critical in maintaining healthy kidney function.

In addition to healthy appetizers, and a home-made stew, prizes were also raffled off to those in attendance.

Nutrition is the headliner for next week's class, presented by Lisa B. Smith, RDN on Nov. 14. Followed by 'Exercise to Combat Diabetes' — an interactive session with MMA fighter Kevin Wirth, open to all levels of athleticism, Nov 21. The finale is a presentation on the use of medications and insulin by Paige Kapp, CDE, PharmD, Nov. 28.

The Take Charge, diabetes classes are free of charge. RSVP with Shining Mountain Health and Wellness at 970-563-2349.

Southern Ute Health Center/Pharmacy  
& Dental Holiday Closures

Offices will be closed on Friday, Nov. 10 for Veterans Day and will reopen Monday, Nov. 13. Thursday & Friday, Nov. 23 & 24 in observance of Thanksgiving, and will reopen Monday, Nov. 27.

For after-hours please call 970-563-4581 or 877-215-9635.

TAKE  
CHARGE!  
DIABETES  
CLASSES

WHEN  
Tuesdays in November 12-1pm

WHERE  
Sun Ute Community Center  
Capote Room

November is National Diabetes month!

FEATURING • Interactive learning, story sharing,  
Lunch, incentives and prizes! Special drawing  
For those who attend all classes.

RSVP TO SHINING MOUNTAIN HEALTH  
AND WELLNESS 970-563-2349

THOSE WITH  
DIABETES,  
PREDIABETES AND  
THEIR LOVED  
ONES WELCOME!

NOVEMBER 7  
Healthy kidneys are  
Happy kidneys with  
Dr. Mark Saddler

NOVEMBER 14  
Let's eat to combat  
Diabetes!  
With Lisa B. Smith, RDN

NOVEMBER 21  
Exercise to combat  
Diabetes! Join us and  
Professional MMA fighter  
Kevin Wirth For an  
Interactive session!  
All levels!

NOVEMBER 28  
Everything you wanted to  
Know about medications  
And insulin but were afraid  
To ask!  
Paige Kapp, CDE, PharmD



GIRLS ON THE RUN • FROM PAGE 1



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Erika Atencio, Alyssa Atencio, Ada Renee Cruz, Aletza Flores, Aspen Naranjo and Joe Naranjo start the Girls on the Run 5K run at Three Springs in Durango, Saturday, Nov. 4.

increases and participation in physical activity plummets. GOTR believes that every girl is inherently full of power and potential. By knowing they are leaders of their lives, these are the girls who will change the world. "At the beginning the girls had their cliques and by the end of the ten weeks the group dynamic was completely different, they came together as a team and were very encouraging to each other," BGC Program Coordinator, Tristany Sanchez said.

The purpose of Girls on the Run is to teach the young girls six core values: Confidence, character, care, connections, competence and contribution. When the girls develop and strengthen these life skills, they can thrive. GOTR inspires girls to build lives of purpose and to make a meaningful contribution to community and society. "The program built their confidence and taught them to be their unique self and to put good things into their bodies for themselves and into their minds for their community," Tristany Sanchez said.

There were a lot of fami-



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Erika Atencio and Mia Greene give each other five while they cross the finish line.

ly members there to support and cheer on the girls and several that ran with them. BGC plans on continuing the program next year and hope

to see participation rise. It's a great way to encourage girls to gain a better understanding of who they are and what's important to them.

Honing healthy habits



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Diabetes Program Coordinator, Morgan Box talks to the SUIMA Lower Elementary Class about sugar and diabetes during the annual Health Fair held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Kanoa Thompson and Aiden Scott play a health game Thursday, Nov. 2 at the Health Fair.



Southern Ute Health Center and Pharmacy

\*New Hours\*

Monday – Thursday: 7:30am – 5:30pm

Friday: 8:00am-5:00pm

Saturday-Sunday: Closed

\*Closing at noon the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month\*

EDUCATION

Youth Council represents at NCAI in Wisconsin

By Nicole Cabral  
SU EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

This October, five Sunshine Smith Youth Advisory Council members traveled to Milwaukee, Wisconsin to attend the 2017 National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Convention and Marketplace. Courageous youth leaders Allisianna Baker, Christina Herrera, Lexy Young, Elijah Weaver and Larenz Wilbourn took part in the convention as representatives for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The NCAI Convention is a formal gathering for tribal leaders to discuss and dispute policy, vote and elect leadership into office, and connect with influential leaders from 567 sovereign tribal nations.

Youth Council members had the opportunity to observe Native American politicians, executive directors, chairmen, chairwomen, council members and elders speak on critical issues tribal nations are facing today. Each of the members in attendance took part in subcommittee meetings on topics like housing and education, as well as veterans, land, and water rights.

One of the most impactful experiences of the conference was an Elders Roundtable. Elders from many different tribes came together to impart powerful lessons onto our youth. “Something I really liked about the conference was getting to meet elders from different tribes,”

Southern Ute, High School sophomore Elijah Weaver said. “After talking to these elders it makes me want to go and talk to the elders in our community and listen to what they want to say.”

The Youth Council members left the roundtable discussion with a renewed sense of their power and pride as indigenous peoples.

Jerri Brueno, an Indian Youth Empowerment Coordinator & Speaker, facilitated several empowering ice-breakers and activities for youth to connect, establish trust, use their voice and discover ways to resolve pressing issues within their communities. Workshops on managing stress, unconscious bias, and community development inspired new ideas for our Youth Council to bring home.

Youth leaders bravely shared personal stories on suicide, alcohol and drug addiction; struggling with identity and their disgust at the absence of American Indian genocide in history books. As they united to chant, “We are strong Nations,” a powerful energy filled the room as students realized they faced similar levels of hardship.

“I learned that many reservations have way more problems than we do and that we should not always complain about how bad our reservation is,” Weaver said. “I have heard kids in our community talk about how they just want to get out of this community; but once



Visiting a spy-themed restaurant in downtown Milwaukee.

you really take the time to think about it, it really isn’t that bad here in Ignacio.”

Our group was invited to Cultural Night at the Indian Community School to share in an evening of bison stew and celebration. The private school in Franklin, WI has a mission of teaching through a pathway of indigenous tradition and knowledge. The night included workshops on making dream catchers, cornhusk dolls,

traditional games and dress. The evening was celebrated by an intertribal powwow and a performance by local Smoke Dancers.

In between twelve-hour conference days, The Youth Council members took a tour of Milwaukee’s vibrant history, art, culture, and of course food! If you see Sunshine Smith Youth Advisory Council Members be sure to ask them about their trip.



Youth Council members Elijah Weaver, Larenz Wilbourn, Lexy Young, Christina Herrera, and Allisianna Baker sporting their NCAI gear in front of the Wisconsin Center.



NCAI Youth Leaders representing over fifteen tribal nations throughout the country.



Christina Herrera, Larenz Wilbourn, Elijah Weaver, Nicole Cabral, Allisianna Baker, and Lexy Young in front of the Milwaukee skyline.



“Mixed Tribe Dance” during Cultural Night at the Indian Community School in Franklin, WI. Founded by the Potawatomi Nation, the private school cultivates cultural identity and critical thinking by weaving indigenous teachings with a distinguished learning environment.

Ignacio Middle School Honor Roll			
6th Grade		7th Grade	
Mamie-Ruth Burch	3.5	Makayla Herrera	3.5
Star Martinez	3.5	Keaton McCoy	3.5
Tamarius Roland	3.5	Juan Muniz	3.5
Gabriel Cox	3.5	Ashley Flores Mendez	3.5
Riley Goodwin	3.5	Tayshaun McEwen	3.7
Darlyn Lechuga	3.5	Keona Whitey	3.7
Marcus Maez	3.5	Laci Brunson	4.0
Karissa Rocha-Atamas	3.5	Nathaneal Hendren	4.0
Solymar Cosio	3.7	Teagan Roukema	4.0
Allison Egger	3.7	Trinity Strohl	4.0
Ana'ysa Esparza	3.7	Chayton Wells	4.0
Phillip Quintana	3.7		
Christen Heart Whiteskunk	3.7	8th Grade	
Kimberlyn Palmer	3.8	Shawn Campbell	3.5
Maya Espinosa	3.8	Joslynn Hatcher	3.5
Kaycee Jefferson	3.8	Bodie Hine	3.5
Devante' Montoya	3.8	Lee-Roy Monroe	3.5
Sierra Salazar	3.8	Sylvia Recinos	3.5
Willow Schulz	3.8	Kourtney Schurman	3.5
Zoey Ashley	4.0	Chloee Sindelar	3.5
Maci Barnes	4.0	Alannah Gomez	3.7
Kacey Brown	4.0	Cyrus Naranjo	3.7
Diana Cundiff	4.0	Gabriel Tucson	3.7
Lauren deKay	4.0	Jackie Carrillo	3.8
Wade Dunbar-Burger	4.0	Monika Lucero	3.8
Corey Gomez	4.0	Alexis Pontine	3.8
Elissa Mars	4.0	Eli Pratchett	3.8
Teryn McWhirter	4.0	Laura Witt	3.8
Elle Ranney	4.0	Lexy Young	3.8
Wyatt Sindelar	4.0	Tyler Barnes	4.0
Elizabeth Williams	4.0	Ezekiel Howell	4.0
		James Mars	4.0
		Avaleena Nanaeto	4.0

Combined Surface/Underground New Miner courses

Course offered by McCraren Compliance. Course covers basic mining instruction required for New Miners prior to working at metal, nonmetal, and coal mines. Students completing the 4 days of training will receive one certificate for Surface New Miner training and one certification for Underground New Miner classroom training. It covers how to recognize and avoid hazards inherent to mines, emergency response procedures, and miners’ rights and responsibilities. Course will be held at the Ignacio S.U. Education Dept. at 330 Burns Ave., Nov. 13 – 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Class fees: Combined Surface/Underground New Miner classroom training \$600. Surface only New Miner Training \$450. To Register, call Karla Pilar at 520-398-4697, ext. 2 or Glenna Smith at 520-405-9776. Southern Ute Tribal Member are also eligible for a scholarship, call Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger at 970-563-2784 to apply.

Southern Ute Education Department Scholarship Program

New Student Scholarship

Orientation November 30th


Certificate, Associate, Bachelors, Masters or Doctorate

• Thursday November 30th 5:30pm @ the Education Center

• Snacks provided

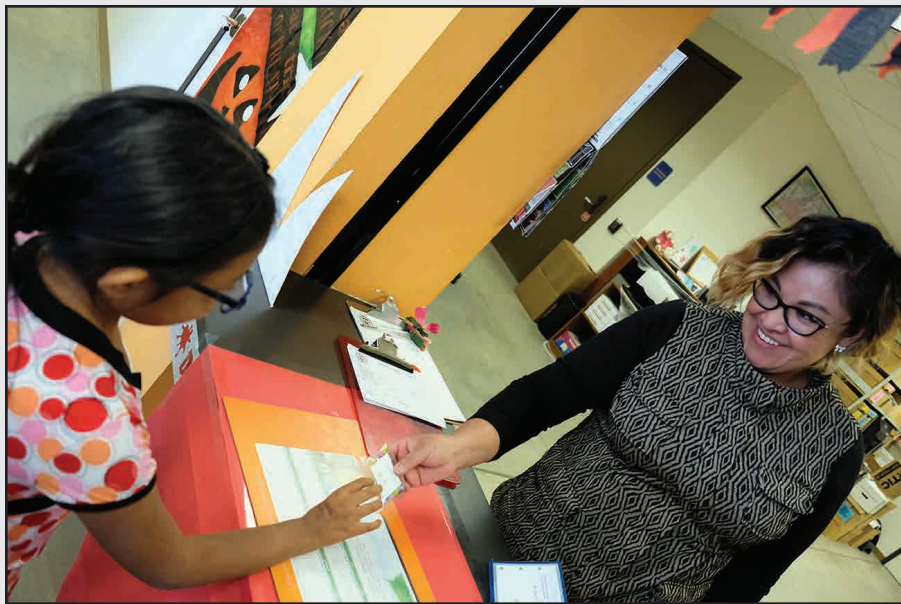
• Scholarship and application questions answered

Southern Ute Education Department  
330 Burns Ave. Ignacio, CO 81137



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

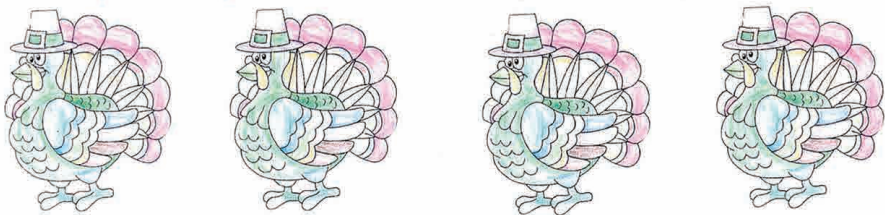
## BGC's random acts of kindness



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Kayda Buch hands Oolcu Buckskin a "They all matter" pack of M&M's on Friday, Oct. 27. BGC kids and Public Relations Coordinator, Trennie Collins went out to raise cancer awareness, during the month of October by handing out Random Acts of Kindness M&M's.

## Royalty Thanksgiving Walk



Give thanks and let's take a walk.....

The Southern Ute Royalty would like to invite everybody for a mile walk and afterwards, you can enjoy a cup of hot chocolate with some snacks and talk with the royalty before the Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner.



Photo Credit: Maria Rivera / The Southern Ute Drum

When: November 18, 2017 @ 9:00 a.m.

The walk will start at Veteran's Park and end at Sun Ute

Contact Leonora Burch 970-799-3498 or Stephanie GoodTracks 970-779-8223 for any questions.

## GROWTH FUND

# Red Willow looks to train So. Ute for Landman track

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Red Willow Production Company has created a Landman I Trainee Program for a Southern Ute tribal member. This unique opportunity is designed to provide training and experience for up to two years; when the trainee has successfully completed the trainee program the tribal member will move into the Landman I position at the starting salary. "They will have someone mentoring them every step of the way," Red Willow Production Company Senior Landman, Art Vermillion said, "I really hope that tribal members will see what a great opportunity is being offered here."

Once successfully working in a Landman I position, further training, experience and certification can lead to a career that is both fulfilling and profitable. "Historically, we have had to hire people from the outside that already have experience," Vermillion explained. "This is a unique opportunity for a Southern Ute tribal member to stay in the community and give back to the Tribe," he said.

The program is broken into three levels. Level I has a starting salary of \$23 per hour and can last up to 6 months. The trainee will should become proficient and gain an understanding of different Land Department processes including: how to review titles and other land documents, and land concepts. Level II starts at \$26 per hour and can also last up to 6 months. The trainee will



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Working from his desk at the Red Willow Production Company, Senior Landman, Art Vermillion uses land maps to review leaseholds in the Northern Powder River Basin of Wyoming. Vermillion has made his career in the Oil and Gas Industry and is currently certified in a Landman V position; a job path, which he highly recommends for others.

progress to more advanced job requirements such as: how to draft documents relating to purchase and sale of interests, the process to prepare reports, and will perform duties related to what they learned in level I. Level III starts at \$31 per hour and can last up to 12 months. At this level the trainee should be proficient in both levels I and II and participate in further development of their skill set to include: how to communicate with other interest owners regarding land issues, how to review and prepare oil and gas related contracts.

A landman's job covers many different areas; they are responsible for leases, surface agreements, titles and deal making with other companies. "That's what makes a landman's career so interesting," Vermillion said, adding that working with land maps is a huge component of the job, reviewing leaseholds from across the region and as far north as Wyoming. A

landman's office is filled with maps. "I'm a second generation landman, my father started with Amoco. Working with Red Willow, and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe has been one of the best opportunities in my career," Vermillion said, adding that, "everyday is a little different than the other."

Any Southern Ute tribal members that are interested in this amazing opportunity need to contact Snowbird Frost at 970-563-5067 or email her at sfrost@sugf.com. This position is on the tribal member website, therefore you need to contact her for the link to apply. Some of the minimum requirements include: be an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member, have a Bachelor's degree in Business or related field, basic computer skills in a Windows environment, strong organizational skills, valid driver's license and be insurable, and pass a criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

## Community & Home Health Services will be CLOSED on

Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 for Observance of Veterans Day. Dialysis transport will run as scheduled.

## THANK YOU VETERANS

If any questions please call (970) 563-0154

## Southern Ute Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner



Saturday November 18, 2017  
Sky Ute Casino Event Center  
11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**The Southern Ute Tribal Thanksgiving Dinner is open to Southern Ute Tribal Members and Immediate family, Ute Mountain Ute and Ute Indian Tribal Members**

Southern Ute Elderly and Disabled Tribal Members unable to attend may sign up for home delivery.  
**Please Contact: Southern Ute Elder Services, Gloria Frost, (970)-563-2323.**

## Thanksgiving Food Drive October 31st- November 16th



The Boys and Girls Club and the PR Department of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe are collaborating again for our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Our goal is to help provide families in our community, with a Thanksgiving meal. Your non-perishable food donations can be dropped off at one of the following locations:

## Community Drop Off Locations

- Family Dollar
- Post Office
- Farmers Fresh
- Library
- 7 to 11
- Tribal Buildings
- ELHI
- Thriftway

If you need a Thanksgiving meal or know someone that does please contact Tristany Sanchez at 970.563.2692 or trisanchez@southernute-nsn.gov



Your donations are GREATLY appreciated!



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TRIBAL CREDIT

Protecting your credit and identity

Staff report  
SU TRIBAL CREDIT

Protecting your credit and identity is a major concern when it comes to keeping your credit on track. The hysteria in the news has been stoked by much publicized data breaches such as the recent Equifax data compromise. New breaches seem to be all too common and are becoming a regular part of today's news backdrops. However, there are ways to be proactive in protecting your credit and identity.

Guard your online information. Many of us do most of our shopping and banking on the web. With all the account numbers and passwords, it's easy for someone to swipe your information and go on a spree. Here are several examples to help combat the fraud:

Clear your logins and

passwords. This is especially important if you are using a public computer. Change passwords monthly. Do not use your email as your login id.

Pay for online purchases with a credit card. Credit cards have better fraud protections than debit cards.

Be alert for phishing. Hackers use this trick to mimic legitimate banks or businesses to obtain personal information. Always verify the website with the appropriate security controls before entering personal information.

Monitor your bank and credit card statements. Check the statements regularly for inaccuracies. Purchases you did not make are usually obvious, for example, a gas fill up halfway across the country.

Monitor your credit report. By law, you are enti-

tled to a free credit report every year from each of the three separate credit bureaus: Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. Stagger the request, every four months, changing bureaus each time. You can order the reports directly from the bureaus or from annualcreditreport.com. After receiving the credit report, scan for abnormal activity such as accounts or credit cards you did not open or credit inquiries you have not authorized. Also, use the annualcreditreport.com website, there are many other websites that will try to charge you for your report and try to sell you other needless services.

There are numerous products and procedures you can inquire about to help protect your credit and identity. Be mindful while researching each of these products and/or procedures as they do have pros and cons. Anthem, the Tribe's health care provider, provides a new credit protection offer. Tribal employees and other Anthem members have access to identity theft and fraud protection through AllClear ID. To learn more about these services or to enroll, visit anthemfacts.com and click on the AllClear ID link.

Example on how to delete the stored logins and passwords in Internet Explorer

- Click the Tools menu
- Click Internet Options
- Click the Content tab
- Click the AutoComplete button
- Click Clear Passwords
- Click OK on each of the dialog boxes to close them

SUPD has two new additions



photos courtesy Lt. Chris Naranjo/SUPD

Kristen Maulsby is receiving her certificate of graduation from her instructors during the graduation in Artesia, NM. Maulsby graduated from the Indian Police Academy, Saturday, Oct. 28. Maulsby also comes from Pagosa Springs. Maulsby is a recognized member of the Cherokee Maulsby. Maulsby begins her Field Training Program, with her coach officer next week. Maulsby and Shannon Baker both transferred from the Southern Ute Detention Center.

Shannon Baker is being sworn in as a Southern Ute Police Officer by Chief Judge Cloud. Baker, a resident of Pagosa Springs started with SUPD in September, currently in the FTO Program. Baker is riding with a coach officer learning tribal laws, jurisdiction and fine-tuning her skills as a patrol officer. Baker is a graduate of the Colorado State Police Academy.



ATTENTION: Artists, Artisans, Crafters & Bakers

Arts & Crafts  
Holiday Bazaar

Cost: \$20/space (10' X 10') one table and 2 chairs provided. You are welcome to bring your own table or additional table.

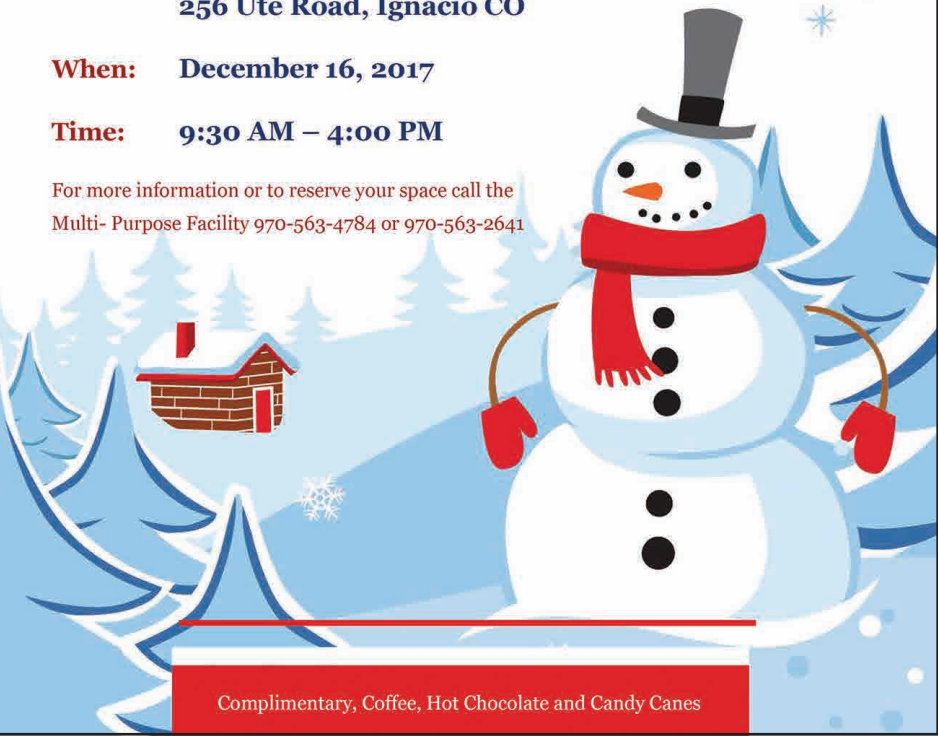
Where: Multi-Purpose Facility

256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO

When: December 16, 2017

Time: 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM

For more information or to reserve your space call the Multi- Purpose Facility 970-563-4784 or 970-563-2641



Complimentary, Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Candy Canes

**Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair**  
**Saturday, November 18, 2017**  
**SU Multi-Purpose Building**  
**Doors Open: 10:00am - 3:00pm**

Find the perfect handmade gift for the special people in your life. There will be a variety of vendors and hand-made crafts so take a good look around, even take a break at the snack bar.

If there are any questions, please contact:  
Dustin L. Weaver at 970-759-0690 or  
dustinweaver2319@yahoo.com

**Christmas Candy Bagging**  
**December 12, 2017**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
**SUCCM BIG CLASSROOM**

The Culture Preservation Department is seeking volunteers to help bag candy for the Christmas Program.

If you need community service hours we can give you hours for your service. Any questions please contact Tara Vigil at (970)-563-2985

**Tribal Christmas Program**

The Southern Ute Culture Preservation Department is requesting for Departments within the Southern Ute Tribal Organization & interested Tribal Members to participate in this years Tribal Christmas Program.

**December 16, 2017**  
**Sky Ute Event Center**  
**4:00 P.M.**

If you or your department is interested in participating, please contact Tara Vigil at (970)-563-2985, by December 12, 2017.



### Sarina farewell



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Sarina Vigil shares stories with Tribal Elder and Cultural Preservation Administrative Assistant, Darlene Frost during her farewell party at the Central Receiving Building, Tuesday, Oct. 24. Vigil transferred to Construction Services as the administrative assistant.

### A GIVING TRIBE • FROM PAGE 1

nominated by community members.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Public Relations Department (PR) does a lot to help the community throughout the year. In February PR holds a coat drive and distributes donation boxes throughout the tribal campus as well as Farmers Fresh, ELHI, Ignacio Community Library, Ignacio Post Office and Thriftway. In February of 2016, Permanent Fund, Growth Fund and community members donated about one thousand coats and reached out to SUPD, Social Services, BGC, Ignacio Schools and the Senior Center to find people in need of warm coats. They also hold food drives for Thanksgiving and Christmas with the help of BGC. Together they find families within the community and tribal employees who are in need of Thanksgiving dinner as well as a few more meals to get them through the holiday weekend.

The Boys and Girls Club of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe (BGC) has several programs to help families in the community as well. BGC Mentor Coordinator Cassandra Sanchez runs the Backpack Program where they take a weekend worth of food, pack it into a backpack and distribute it at the Ignacio Schools every week. They now have 32 participants. “It helps families out a lot and we have developed a great relationship with the students,” Sanchez said. The school counselors identify the students to BGC and Manna Soup Kitchen of Durango provides the food.

Along with the food drive BGC holds a toy drive during the Christmas Holiday, where they put out boxes to collect toys from the community and tribal departments for kids ages infant to 15. They don’t tell the community what day they will distribute the toys. They team up with Los Pinos Fire and drive around with their sirens and intercoms to announce that they are handing out toys. They go to the Ignacio trailer park, Shoshone Park, Ignacio Peak, Cedar Point, Browning Avenue, Candalaria Heights, Northridge and Sunset Cir.

BGC Program Coordinator, Tristany Sanchez also created a program a few years ago called Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) for the kids in BGC. The program encourages kids to get into the community and give a helping hand or act of kindness. “I started the program to get the kids to understand that giving back is a good thing,” Sanchez said. They have gone around the community and visited tribal building throughout the years, handing out random gifts and lending a helping hand.

These programs have been successful and have helped many children and families. “I think it’s always good to give back and the Tribal Council and Executive Office supports PR and BGC,” PR Coordinator Trennie Collins said. Without these programs a lot of families would not be able to celebrate some of the holidays, have adequate food or even the basic school necessities.

### SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL HONORARY PROCLAMATION

#### NOVEMBER “PINUNUUCHI FAMILY GROUP DECISION MAKING” MONTH

**WHEREAS,** the family is the core unit of the Southern Ute culture; and

**WHEREAS,** Family Group Decision Making is a voluntary process which recognizes that the family itself is the best judge of how to meet family members’ needs and families have certain responsibilities and roles that cannot be delegated; and

**WHEREAS,** the family knows what is needed to find the best solution, and the family leads the decision making practice; and

**WHEREAS,** Family Group Decision Making is a way to assist the family in realizing their strengths, and their ability to create positive solutions by returning to a strong, traditional way of problem solving; and

**WHEREAS,** in recognition of the importance of Family Group Decision Making to our community, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council passed Resolution No. 2017-202, wherein Tribal Council expressed its commitment to this traditional decision making practice and its implementation within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in recognition of the foregoing, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council designates the month of November, henceforth as

#### PINUNUUCHI FAMILY GROUP DECISION MAKING MONTH

for the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and encourages this traditional vision of empowering Southern Ute families to own and address their own family matters through the Family Group Decision Making practice.

This Proclamation was approved and adopted this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2017.

**WITNESS** my signature and cause the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Seal to be affixed this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2017.



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



### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-202

#### RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE October 31, 2017

**WHEREAS,** authority is vested in the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council by the Constitution adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and approved November 4, 1936, and amended October 1, 1975, and August 27, 1991, to act for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** under Article VII, Section 1(a) of the Constitution, the Tribal Council may, among other things, appoint subordinate boards, commissions, and committees and prescribe their duties; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribe formed an interdepartmental group called the Family Group Decision Making Work Group, including Tribal Court, Family Court Support Office, Probation, Division of Social Services, Family Preservation Unit, Tribal Services Department, Tribal Health, Education Department, Cultural Preservation Department, Southern Ute Police Department/Community Resource Officers, Southern Ute Victim Services, Tribal Credit, Tribal Housing; who work together to support the Family Group Decision Making process and its implementation; and

**WHEREAS,** Family Group Decision Making is a voluntary process in which the family leads the decision making practice based on the recognition that families have certain responsibilities and roles that cannot be delegated, that the family knows what is needed to find the best solution, and that the family itself is the best judge of how to meet family members’ needs; and

**WHEREAS,** the overall purpose of Family Group Decision Making is to assist the family in returning to their own strong, traditional way of problem solving and to give the family an opportunity to create a path leading to positive solutions for a safe, healthy family; and

**WHEREAS,** the collective intent of Family Group Decision Making is to provide system change regarding service provision for client families prior to system involvement where family-directed support and healing can change outcomes; and

**WHEREAS,** under Resolution No. 2016-33, and Resolution No. 2017-27, Tribal Council authorized the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Court to submit grant applications to the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice, Office of Adult and Juvenile Justice Assistance to support implementation costs for Family Group Decision Making; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribe has used the grant funding to offer Family Group Decision Making services to community members who are referred to the process by a Tribal department or other cooperating agency or entity and who accept the referral as the best approach for their family; and


**WHEREAS,** Southern Ute Tribal leadership has encouraged and endorsed the practice of Family Group Decision Making as a traditional way to empower Southern Ute families to own and address their family matters; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council recognizes the importance of Family Group Decision Making to our community and encourages and endorses this traditional decision making practice.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council is committed to the Family Group Decision Making practice and its implementation within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

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


This resolution was duly adopted on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2017.



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

#### CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that there were ( 5 ) of the regularly elected Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council members present at the above meeting, at which ( 4 ) voted for and ( 0 ) against, being a quorum and the above resolution was passed, the Chairman not being permitted to vote in this instance due to a Constitutional provision.



Ms. Felisa Calderon, Recording Secretary  
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council



## AFTER SCHOOL ARTS

“Come join us for fun and friendship with After School Arts!”

Every Wednesday (October 25<sup>th</sup> – May 23<sup>rd</sup> ) from 2:15pm – 5:00pm at Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center in the ELHI.

Classes are \$3 each or \$75 for the whole year and include snack art instruction and materials.

Classes are limited to the first 15 students, so make sure to sign up right away!

The After School Arts Program is supported by funds from Musser and Colorado Creates.



115 Ute Street | PO Box 414 | Ignacio, CO 81137 | (970) 563-4600 | [DancingSpiritCommunityArtsCenter.org](http://DancingSpiritCommunityArtsCenter.org)  
Gallery Hours: Thursdays and Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

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## VETERANS AFFAIRS

## VA encourages veterans to attend Veterans Town Hall

**Staff report**  
VETERANS AFFAIRS  
REGIONAL OFFICE

Veterans, their families and survivors in La Plata County in Colorado are invited to participate in a Veterans Town Hall to hear the latest on VA benefit and medical programs. The Veterans Town Hall will be held Nov. 16, 2017, from 5-7 p.m.

The U.S. Department of

Veterans Affairs (VA) and the La Plata County Veteran Service Officer are hosting the Veterans Town Hall at the American Legion Post 28 located at 878 E. 2nd Ave, Durango, CO, 81301.

The meeting is open to all members of the public, including Congressional stakeholders, Veterans Service Organizations, state and local governmental and non-governmental organizations, and community partners.

A VA benefit claims representative will be on hand during the evening with questions or issues related to compensation claims, home loan guaranty, vocational rehabilitation and employment issues and burial benefits.

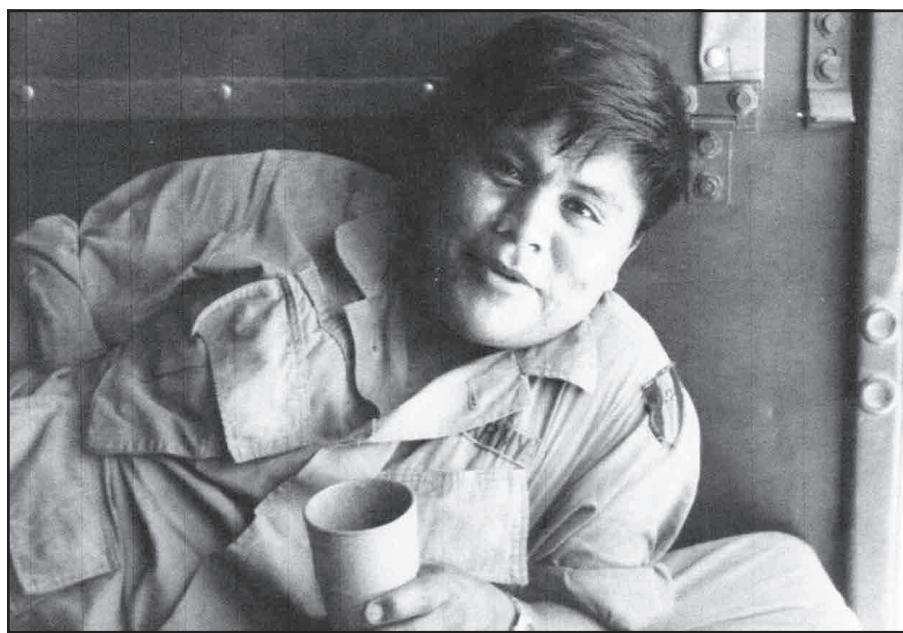
For veterans who have questions about medical issues, representatives from the New Mexico Health Care System will be available at the event for questions.

## Veterans Day Nov., 11, 2017



## MEMBERSHIP MEMORIES

## A soldier remembered



By Darrell Smith  
51ST MEDICAL CO. VETERAN

Elwood Howe served with the 51st Medical Co. Ambulance in 1967 and 1968 during the Vietnam War. Those of us that knew Howie appreciated his sense of humor and his caring ways. Somewhere in his early years he learned something about duty and being prepared because whenever we were on commitment at the hospital or the airfield, he always made sure he had his gear and the supplies that he might need. "You gotta be ready," he would tell us new guys.

I remember seeing Howie and the other guys stop at the children's orphanage that was on the way back to our compound, and at Christmas they would bring the children to our compound for a party. Because we liked to eat, and Howie would agree, we always went to



photos courtesy Darrell Smith

the leprosarium near Qui-Nhon when we were assigned to go. The French nuns always fixed a special meal for the doctors, nurses and the 51st Med. Co. guys. — I know he would remember those trips. After being away for a day or two, going back to the compound meant going to the motor pool and doing maintenance on your ambulance. Like most, Howie didn't always like the thought of the motor pool, BUT he always showed up and made sure his ambulance

was refreshed.

Knowing and serving with Elwood 'Howie' Howe gave me and others in the unit a chance to be around someone of a different culture and we respected and truly liked serving with and getting to know him. One thing we could be sure of was that if things got tough, Howie would always 'have our back.'

The family of Elwood Howe and the Southern Ute nation can and should be proud of this warrior. May he rest in peace!

## A Thanksgiving in Vietnam



photos courtesy Rod Grove

Southern Ute Veteran Rod Grove, pictured alongside other men from his company in South Vietnam, 1970. The troops were treated to a Thanksgiving meal and refreshments provided to help the troops celebrate the American Holiday and boost moral. It was a good day, remembers Mr. Gove, who said everyone was in high spirits, it was a quiet day around the compound and everyone had a chance to relax and enjoy the occasion. That is something to be thankful for.



# VETERANS DAY

**PLEASE ACCEPT OUR THANKS!**  
Come in 6AM-11AM Saturday, November 11 and receive a FREE breakfast at Willows Café Bistro.

Then from 9AM-11PM Veterans can present proof of service at the Players' Club and receive a special Bear Club Card that represents their branch of service.

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

888.842.4180  
IGNACIO, COLORADO

Promotional period Saturday, November 11, 2017 only. 9AM-11PM. Military I.D. required. See Players' Club for details.

# Native American Heritage Day

**Friday  
November 24, 2017  
9AM-9PM**

**Present your valid Tribal Census card to the Players' Club and receive \$25 in Sky Ute Loot and 25% off at Rolling Thunder Grill or Willows Café Bistro.**

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Promotional period Friday, November 24, 2017 only from 9AM-9PM. Prizes are Non-transferable. Must present valid Tribal Census card. Must be a member of the Bear Club to receive offers. Rules apply. See Players' Club for details. Sky Ute Casino Resort reserves the right to modify or cancel promotions at any time without notice. Must be 21 or better to enter casino.



Thank A Southern Ute Veteran For Their Service

AIR FORCE

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John Chavo Taylor †

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Antonio Monte

VIETNAM ERA

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Gilbert Washington Jr. (Ret.)

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Melvin Eaton Red †  
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John S. Taylor †  
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Roger Earl Price †

Howard Dean Richards Sr.  
Harold Silva †  
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Maurice Levey Sage Jr. †  
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David Rainblood Rael  
Toni Anita Rael  
Ronald W. Rock  
Charles Santistevan †  
Robert B. Thompson  
Wendell Bruce Valdez  
Alden Weaver (Marines)

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KOREAN ERA

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Orville George Hood  
Fernando Head Rael †  
Bryan Rock Jr. †  
Donald William Rock

VIETNAM ERA

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Andrew Jack TwoCrow  
Eldred Alvin Vigil Jr. †  
Elroy Arvin Vigil †  
Alden Weaver (Army)  
Wilford Weaver Jr.

NAVY

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Dorothy Burch Box †  
Edward Bent Box Sr. †  
Frank Baker Pena Sr. †

KOREAN ERA

Clem Edgren Baker †  
Neil Buck Cloud †  
Marvin Edward Cook  
Roger Newton  
Frank Baker Pena Sr. †

VIETNAM ERA

Drake Jackson Monte

PRESENT ERA

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Jeffery Price †  
Mark Edward Torres  
Rudley Weaver

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# 2017 Southern Ute Indian Tribe RUNOFF ELECTION

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Christine Baker-Sage  
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Amy J. Barry  
Council Candidate



Cheryl A. Frost  
Council Candidate



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FRIDAY DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2017



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# 2017 RUNOFF ELECTION

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2017  
7 A.M. – 7 P.M.  
SunUte Community Center  
290 Mouache Dr.  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137

**Voter Registration Deadline** Wed., Dec. 6, 2017 by 5 p.m.  
*Election Code 11-1-104 (1)*

**Absentee Deadline Request** Wed., Dec. 6, 2017 by 5 p.m.  
*Election Code 11-5-102 (2)*

**Emergency Ballot Request Deadline** Thurs., Dec. 14, 2017 by 5 p.m.  
*Election Code 11-5-107 (1)(2)(3)*

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## December 15th, MAKE IT COUNT!

20+ years of Tribal Government Experience and Leadership in Healthcare, Tribal Council Affairs, Museum Experience, BIA Administration, Public Relations, Executive Office Administration, Youth Initiative and Mentorship

The leadership must continue on the path our ancestors and former leaders have set. Our Tribe must evolve and strengthen our government and entities to perform at the peak of their ability by updating policies and procedures at various levels.

We must not and cannot leave our young people behind, they are our future! They have a destiny as our Elders had when they set the vision in motion for the Southern Ute people into perpetuity!

I challenge our young people to get out and exercise your right to vote and exercise your right to have a voice within our government programs and resources. The planning for your future is here, become a part! Let OUR GENERATION continue to have a voice at the decision making table for our future and the future of our children.

### Vote to Re-Elect Amy J. Barry Southern Ute Tribal Council



Artwork Credit: Southern Ute Tribal Member, Carlos Whiteman

## Meet your candidates



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

The Sky Ute Casino Event Center was filled with interested tribal members who wanted to hear what the latest candidates running for Tribal Council had to say during Meet the Candidates Night, Thursday, Oct. 26.

VOTE

Cheryl A. Frost

for COUNCIL

Independent  
Family Strength Resourceful  
Determined Reserved Imperfect  
Well-Traveled Ute Woman

I would like to thank all the Tribal voters that voted for me in the General Election and would like to receive you're vote in the Run-Off Election on December 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

Respectfully,

Christine Baker Sage

## Dedra White For Tribal Council



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- Work for reducing Tribal budget.
- Work for taking budget savings and creating more benefits for Tribal Members.
- Work for revitalization and preservation of the Ute Language.
- Work towards listening to all Tribal concerns.
- Work for Tribal Members living on and off of the reservation.



Vote for me on November 3rd, 2017

Call 970-759-1192 for more info.



PUBLIC HEALTH

# Rabid skunks found in La Plata County

**Staff report**  
**SAN JUAN BASIN**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Three rabid animals (skunks) have tested positive for rabies in Durango. San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) urges residents to stay away from stray and wild animals, check pets' vaccination status, and take other precautions to avoid rabies.

Rabies is regularly found in Colorado wildlife, especially skunks and bats. Interaction between humans and wild animals, particularly bats, skunks, foxes, and raccoons, increases the risk of rabies exposure to pets and people. If you see wildlife that is acting unusual, call SJBPH at 970-247-5702 or La Plata County Animal Protection at 970-385-2900 immediately.

It is also crucial to make sure all dogs and cats are vaccinated. The vaccine can prevent companion animals from getting rabies from wildlife and possibly exposing your whole family to the disease.

According to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, 150 animals have been found carrying rabies in the state so far, this year, of which 79 were skunks. The numbers represent only animals that were tested after they were witnessed exhibiting abnormal behaviors or

had encounters with people, pets or livestock. There are many more rabid animals in the Colorado outdoors that never get tested.

Rabies is spread primarily through the bite of rabid animals. It is almost always fatal in humans once symptoms appear. People who have been bitten or scratched by an unfamiliar animal should contact their health care provider immediately to reduce the risk of rabies.

San Juan Basin Public Health is a local public health agency, governed by a seven member local Board of Health, serving all residents of Archuleta and La Plata counties. For close to 70 years, San Juan Basin Public Health has improved the health and environment of the Southwest Colorado.

### To avoid rabies

- Never touch or feed wild or stray animals. Don't leave pet food outdoors. If you see a sick or orphaned animal, do not touch it; instead contact La Plata County Animal Protection.
- Vaccinate your pets. Use a licensed veterinarian, and make sure you keep up with pets' booster shots.
- Leash your dog. Protect dogs and wildlife by keeping your pet on a leash while walking or hiking.
- Keep cats and other pets inside at night. Keep dogs within your sight (in a fenced yard or on leash) during the day while outside.
- Call your veterinarian promptly if you believe your pet has been exposed to a wild animal.
- Vaccinate pastured animals annually. Have a licensed veterinarian administer an approved large-animal rabies vaccine.
- Bat-proof your home. Information is available at [www.cdc.gov/rabies/bats/management](http://www.cdc.gov/rabies/bats/management)

### To recognize sick wildlife

- Many healthy wild animals are normally afraid of humans; sick animals often do not run away when spotted by people.
- Wildlife with rabies may act aggressively or will violently approach people or pets.
- Some rabid animals are overly quiet and passive and want to hide. Don't bother them.
- Rabid wildlife might have trouble walking, flying, eating or drinking.

TRANSPORTATION

# CR 517/Highway 172, paving project scheduled

**Staff report**  
**SU CONSTRUCTION & PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

County Road 517 is ready for paving, and operations are set to begin this Thursday, Nov. 9 in the morning, barring any weather related events. The project will be paved in two phases, beginning with mainline paving along the country road, which will be followed by driveway, entrance and other road connections. This process could take up to two weeks, largely depending on weather.

During this time all traffic is advised to avoid CR 517, though one-way traffic will be permitted. Pedestrians should also not attempt to travel across the asphalt while work is underway, and should avoid



the entire site if possible. Contact Construction & Project Management with any questions about the road re-construction at 970-563-0138.

## Economic summit returns



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Enterprise Excellence Coach, Kyle Hanson hosts a breakout session called Leadership is about the birds: Communities Moving as one, during the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Summit held at the Sky Ute Casino and Resort.

Leadership and Talent Consultant, Lori Voss, PH.D talks about how to use stress, tragedy and failure to strengthen your life, team and organization in the Vida Peabody room, Wednesday, Oct. 25 at the Sky Ute Casino and Resort.



## Moviegoers delight



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Getting cozy on the large crash pads: (L to R) Meredith Cook, Zoe Velasquez, Marissa Olguin, Deja Herrera, Robert Lucero, Stoney White Thunder bring blankets, pillows and popcorn into the SunUte gym to watch the big screen presentation of "The Nightmare Before Christmas," Friday, Oct 27.

Curtis White Thunder gets comfortable in anticipation of the SunUte Community Center's Halloween film special, "The Nightmare Before Christmas."





## Christmas TOY DRIVE

November 27– December 18, 2017

New toys under \$ 10.00  
Please **DO NOT** wrap gifts

Look our for us on December 22nd!

**Drop Off Locations**

- SU Growth Fund
- SunUte Community Center
- The Patio
- ELHI
- Ignacio Community Library
- Thriftway
- 7-2-11
- SU Permanent Fund (all buildings)
- Farmers Fresh
- Family Dollar



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OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE



### Attention Tribal Members:

**The New 2018 Health Benefit has started and Massage Therapy is available to you!**

**Come in for your free consultation and start with a relaxation Swedish Massage or Deep tissue Massage with added Chinese Cupping or Hot Sauna treatment.**

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# Three Springs Festival



Zerrick Romero, Sophia Romero and Nevaeh Sandavol all dressed up for the Three Springs Fall Festival, Saturday, Oct. 28 at Three Springs Plaza.

## FALL FESTIVAL • FROM PAGE 1

and much more. enjoy a safe place to take their kids trick-or-treating during the day and enjoy the festival activities, and our local businesses also see increased traffic during that time.” Sherry O’Toole said, Project Manager for The Southern Ute Growth Fund.



Kandin Johnson takes a minute and stops his dinosaur to take a picture at the Three Springs Fall Festival.



Meskvlvv Westly takes part in the free petting zoo and tries to pet a Shetland pony.

**Photos by Trennie Collins**  
The Southern Ute Drum



The Southern Ute Executive office worked hard keeping up with trick or treaters in the LCB on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

# An LCB Halloween



Southern Ute Public relations hosted a pumpkin contest in the Hall of Warriors, grand champ went to the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Transition 1 class, for their colorful pumpkin adorned in melted Crayola's.



Judges take careful examination of contestants before judging the hat and makeup contest in the Hall of Warriors on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

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

# Elementary Carnival



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Jada Cloud loses her spot to Ambrose Valdez while competing in musical chairs at the Ignacio Elementary Carnival Saturday Nov. 4.



Faustino Ramos and his grandmother, Anne Weaver try to guess what's in the containers.

# Dressed to bowl



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

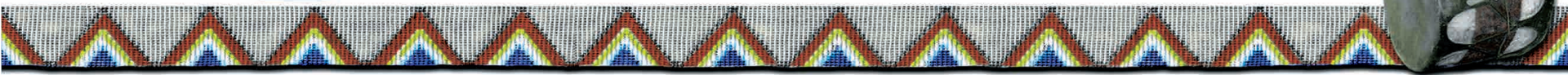
Agatha Bison and her boys, “Krazed Klown” Kris, “Bee-Bear Keeper” Julian and “Lego Batman” Marcos take a time out of their game during the Rolling Thunder Bowling Lanes Halloween Costume Contest, Saturday, Oct. 28.



Penguin (Zander Berriman) and Bear (Alaysia Kremer) compete against each other, not only on the lanes but against each other in the costume contest.



Minion and lil’ “Alvin” (AJ Hight) pose for a quick pic, during their bowling game. Minion however did win in the adult category of the costume contest,



# A purposeful haunting



Photos by Robert L. Ortiz  
The Southern Ute Drum



Zombies tried to get to the unwilling victims through the doors; luckily they were locked. The Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility hosted a haunted house, Oct., 28 and 31.



A scarecrow, scared more than the birds away, as he chased those escaping out the back door.



Creatures of all sorts, stalked victims within the various rooms of the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility.

Who's scaring who? "Twisty" the clown traversed the haunted hallways as a patron of the haunted house.

# Council, trick or treats



Trick or Treater's were excited to see a full size panda bear while making their rounds throughout the Tribal Council offices.

Photos by Lindsay Box  
Southern Ute Council Affairs



A SUIMA student is not sure of Councilwoman Lorelei Cloud's hat.



After receiving his book while trick or treating, Landon Miles shakes hands with Southern Ute Chairman, Clement J. Frost

# Casino hosts annual Community Carnival



Contestants Lilly Valdez, Tauri Raines and Leandra Litz win the costume contest in the six to twelve age group, during the Community Carnival at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, Tuesday, Oct. 31.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Elaborate costumes were seen throughout Ignacio during Halloween; Zoe Velasquez's outfit was among the most intriguing and unusual.



Werewolf, Layne Frost shows off his costume during the Community Carnival.

Photos by Maria Rivera  
The Southern Ute Drum

First place winner of the adult costume contest, La Llorona wonders around the event center looking for her mijo.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Beauty and the Beast roam the Sky Ute Casino on Tuesday, Oct. 31 for the annual Halloween festivities.



## Renovation sports new seal



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The SunUte Community Center swimming pool is now open and improved as of Wednesday Nov. 1. — the new renovation now showcases the Southern Ute Tribal Seal underwater. The swimming pool is back on the regular schedule for the season.

## IMS opens hoop season



photos /SU Drum

The Ignacio Middle School basketball season officially begins with the Bobcats taking on the Dolores Bears at the Ignacio Middle School Gym, Thursday, Oct. 26. Bobcats' C-Team defends the hoop in opening season action.



Ignacio Middle School's B-team, Harmony Reynolds goes up for the layup against the Dolores Bears.



Avaleena Nanaeto gets the easy point under the hoop, in the Ignacio Bobcats A-Team season opener.

## Wolverines lose in superbowl



photos courtesy D.J. Valencia

The Bayfield Wolverines played in the fourth grade division against the Aztec Apes for the championship, Saturday, Nov. 4. Bayfield Wolverines' Tavian Box (99) carries the ball in action against the Apes. Bayfield defeated the Farmington Panthers to advance to the Superbowl, however ended up losing to the Aztec Apes, 20-27.

The Bayfield Wolverines fourth grade youth football team huddle in what would be their final game of the season. The Wolverines ended with a 6-1 season, while the Aztec Apes went undefeated, 7-0. Congratulations to all the YAFL Football teams!



## Demons face defeat in semi's



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The final game for the Durango Demons third grade youth football team ends with the customary congratulations from against the Farmington Herd, Saturday, Oct. 28 in Aztec, NM. The Demons ended their season with a 5-2 record. Congratulations on a great season Demons! Check the YAFL website at [www.fourcornersyafl.com](http://www.fourcornersyafl.com) for complete standings.

## Rolling Thunder Lanes National Native American Heritage Bowling

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**\$10 registration fee**

Where: SunUte Gym Time: 6pm-7:30pm

**Ages: 4-11**

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For more information call SunUte Recreation 970-563-2660 or 970-563-2652



## 2018 COED Youth Basketball League



Registration deadline Dec. 12th  
Coaches meeting Dec. 13th  
Practices start the week of Dec. 18th  
Games start Jan. 22nd

\$30 per participant  
\$15 per Southern Ute Tribal Members

**Ages: 4-11**

## Volunteer Coaches NEEDED!

First 100 participants to register get a free gift

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## EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

### FROST THANKS VOTERS

Hello,

I would like to say thank you to every-one who voted for me in our Tribal General Election. Your vote allowed me to move onto the Run-off Election that will be held within 45 days from today. So, thank you for your support and for your words of kindness the past two months.

I would also like to say thank you to my family - my sister Vivian and my sisters-in-law, Joyce and Alice, for cooking for my dinner. I am also grateful to Estelle Monte and crew for providing the delicious food, water bottles, flatware, and awesome delivery service. Thank you to my nephews and niece-in-law: Byron; Devin; James; and, Charlotte. Lastly, thanks to the crew at the Multi-Purpose Building.

Aside from the write-ups in the Drum and my signs placed alongside the road, I have to admit that I have not campaigned. My reason is I have two elderly parents and my sister who need my help – I, me, chose them over any campaigning. Now that we, the six candidates going into the Run-Off Election have a second chance to convince the membership that we are each, individually, the best candidate, I will use this time wisely. I will be knocking on your doors and, hopefully, we can share our ideas. This way, we can all plan the future of our tribe, together.

Cheryl A. Frost

### DEAR TRIBAL MEMBERS

The tribal General Election is passed and we are now prepping for a Run-Off Election. Thank you for the support.

The issues I would focus attention to:

- 1. Employment and retention of en-rolled Southern Ute tribal member employees.** I want to know the reasons why people have chosen to resign or have been terminated. I want to go beyond what is on paper – sometimes, the truth is between the lines and truth-seeking is best achieved with face-to-face interaction – and hear directly from the people. It cannot always be the tribal members fault, right? It also cannot always be the ‘Tribe’ or the supervisor at fault, as well. I find it important to ensure tribal members are given fairness and opportunity to work for our tribal government.
- 2. There is a lot to be said for having tribal policies and procedures:** 1) Policies direct the mission of departments and outline the duties for staff 2) Policies help staff understand what is acceptable worktime behavior and helps to provide uniformity among staff 3) Policies protect employees and tribal members from conflict 4) Propose timelines for achieving department and employee goals 5) Policies are intended to outline the fairness and equality of distributing tribal resources to each enrolled member 6) Procedures may include flow charts, step-by-step instructions on how to do a job, or any other manner to explain how each task should be performed.
- 3. Public Law 93-638 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.** The Southern Ute Tribe has used P.L. 93-638 in the past. The most notable examples are the Southern Ute Police Department and the Southern Ute Health Center. It is a not a new concept for us. It is somewhat troublesome in terms of our healthcare. Many misconceptions, misperceptions, and

misunderstandings have evolved. Education of our tribal members, tribal council members, clinic staff, and our vendors might help to resolve these issues. We can find a solution. We need to work toward solutions, together, as a people.

- 4. Southern Ute Montessori School.** I admit I do not know much about the school. I do hear the stories, some good, some not very positive. We are now needing a director. Has one been selected? I have been told this is more like a public school where non-Indian children can attend, is this true? Has the purpose of the school shifted to an unidentifiable one than when it was first opened? How can we make the school more ‘tribal’? This is school is important. It should be used as a school that teaches our young tribal members what being Ute is and why they should be proud to call themselves Ute. We need to have traditional ways taught so our culture does not die. Starting with the children is the best starting point.
- 5. Environment.** Picnic Flats is devastated. Let us admit this, we allowed open pits in that area and now we are having to figure out how to reclaim this area. It is concerning to me and it should be concerning to each tribal member. If we allow the oil & gas operations to become like this in this rural part of the reservation, are we culpable of allowing this in other areas of the reservation, too?
- 6. Allotments.** Some people do not want any assistance with theirs. Others, want the help. The Bureau of Indian Affairs has, for the most part, pulled away from this debate. You want a solution, we need to figure this out together.
- 7. Growth Fund.** If we are not making as much money as we once were why is the upper management still making the same money including bonuses?
- 8. Culture.** I grew up with my culture. I know my culture. I do not speak my language but I can understand it since my grandparents and my parents are native Ute speakers – it is their first language. My culture is irreplaceable. I think we need to bring cultural teachings back and provide the children the opportunity to be proud of who and where they come from, just like so many of us had those opportunities growing up with our grandparents.

These are some issues I think that are important. I know there are many more issues that are of concern to many tribal members. We can find solutions. We can do this together.

I also must stress, that each tribal member elected to the Tribal Council is an individual, bringing their own education background, life and employment experiences, and skill level to the Council. Working together as a team is absolutely important. Negotiation, debate, and compromise are important and they are skills. I know I possess these skills. I do.

One person cannot change the world or plan for the future of our tribe, we must do so collectively. Promises and words mean nothing without the Tribal Council working as a team, supporting one another and one another’s ideas.

These are just my thoughts and ideas I think are important. These require long-term commitment. I am willing to commit to helping find solutions for us all.

Thank you,  
Cheryl A. Frost

### DEAR TRIBAL MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

My name is Lillian Weaver Seibel the mother of Shane Seibel, a candidate for Southern Ute Tribal Chairman.

I would like to thank all you voters who supported Shane in the General Election and I ask that you continue to support him in the December 15th Run-Off election.

Mr. Shane Seibel is a very credible, knowledgeable, educated and experienced candidate. He also has personal integrity and great empathy towards the elders of the Tribe and has a plan to secure their financial security.

As a past Councilwoman of 15 years, it is important that we elect an experienced and educated Chairman because he will be confronted with complex issues [financial and business].

Also, he has concern for the membership as a whole [youth, adults, elders] and possesses great concern for the culture and traditions of the Tribe, as he is an active Sundancer and assists with the Beardance and other cultural events.

I thank all of you for supporting my son, Shane Seibel.

Respectfully,  
Lillian Weaver Seibel

### GOOD DAY TRIBAL MEMBERS AND FAMILIES,

My name is Shane Seibel and thank you Tribal Members for voting for me. I humbly ask for your continued support in the upcoming run-off election for Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on December 15th, 2017. I am taking this time to reiterate why I believe I am qualified for Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

We are a Nation within a Nation and we have many unique challenges; Government: [self-determination] Growth Fund: [multi-million dollar businesses] Ute Culture: [language, participation], Casino and Tribal Employment.

I am qualified with experience and education to ask the tough questions and provide transparency to the membership.

- 1. I am college-educated with an Associates of Arts degree from the University of Phoenix and a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Management from Fort Lewis College.**
- 2. I have over 20+ years in Leadership and Executive Management positions for the Southern Ute Growth Fund, particularly in the Real Estate Group known as GF Properties. I also have over 23+ years as a mentor and coach for the youth of our community at Ignacio High School, with the past five years being the Head Coach of our Varsity Girl’s Basketball Program.**
- 3. I believe in professional leadership and accountability.**

I continue to stand for the youth of our

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Mon., Dec. 11

Monday, Dec. 25

Monday, Jan. 1

Thanksgiving

Leonard C. Burch Day

Christmas

New Years Day

## COMMUNITY GREETINGS

**Happy birthday Ziyah!**  
I would like to wish my granddaughter Ziyah Loleet Carel, a very happy birthday, on November 7!

**Happy belated birthday**  
I would like to wish a happy belated birthday to my son, Jared Carel!



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**Sky Ute Casino Resort**  
**P.O. Box 340**  
**14324 Hwy 172 North**  
**Ignacio, CO 81137**  
**ATTN: Michael Broderick**  
**970-563-1750**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for advertising and marketing for the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Sky Ute Casino Resort, located at 14324 Hwy. 172 North in Ignacio, CO 81137 until November 20, 2017. Proposals received after that

time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Michael Broderick for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-1750 or Michael.broderick@skyutecasino.com. Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and sub-contracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

### Gaming Commission Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking one (1) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Gaming Commission for a three (3) year term. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations: Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age; Applicants must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation; Applicants must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures; Applicants must have the ability to observe restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality; Applicants must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and Applicants must undergo a background investigation. Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office – Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 PM, Friday, Jan. 5, 2018. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.



## BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE



### Board of Directors Vacancies



Our Board of Directors is seeking to fill four vacancies. Two seats must be filled by Tribal Members. The Board Members meet 2 times a month (Regular Board Meeting and subcommittee meeting)

Applications available at:  
<http://www.bgcsu.org>

Applications due December 8, 2017

For more information, contact Bruce LeClaire, CEO  
 970.563.2694 or bleclaire@southernute-nsn.gov



### FREE DEALER CLASS

Three Card Poker  
 Roulette  
 Blackjack

Where: Sky Ute Casino & Resort  
 When: October 16th - November 17th , 2017  
 Monday — Friday  
 Two Classes Offered : 1-5pm or 6-10pm

To register please contact Miali Plenthyholes at (970) 563-1872 or  
[Miali.Plenthyholes@skyutecasino.com](mailto:Miali.Plenthyholes@skyutecasino.com)

**All Participants must be twenty- one (21) years of age and have a valid photo ID.**

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE/STATE OF COLO.

### Environmental Commission Vacancy

P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137 • Phone: 970-563-4705 • Fax: 970-563-0384

**Commission Member Description:** Tribe-Appointed Member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colo. Environmental Commission. **Closing date:** Position Closing date at 5 p.m. (MST) on Nov. 27, 2017. **Commission Purpose:** Establish rules and regulations applicable to the Reservation Air Program; and Review appealable administrative actions taken by the Tribe. **Summary of Commission Duties:** Determine air programs that should apply to the Reservation; Promulgate rules and regulations necessary for proper implementation and administration of air programs that apply to the Reservation, including determining which administrative actions are appealable to the Commission; Establish procedures for the Commission to follow in promulgating rules and regulations and review appealable administrative actions taken by the Tribe; Review and approve the long-term plan; Monitor relationships among State and tribal environmental protection agencies; Review administrative actions by the Tribe; Approve and adopt fees for permits and other regulatory services conducted by the Tribe or the State; Ensure consistency and adherence to applicable standards and resolve disputes involving third parties; Review emission inventories developed by the Tribe and State; Conduct public hearings pertaining to adoption of rules and regulations or review of appealable administrative actions, and issue subsequent orders; Request administrative or clerical assistance from tribal staff when necessary to issue orders and conduct Commission business; and Any other duties necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. **Preferred Commission Member Qualifications:** Knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order; Knowledge of the Clean Air Act; Ethical, strong integrity; Ability to identify conflicts of interest; Knowledge of environmental issues affecting the Reservation; Able to attend regular Commission and stakeholder meetings; and Cooperative and able to work as a team player. **Commission Member Appointment Terms and Conditions:** Commission members are appointed by the Tribal Council. Commission members serve three year terms and are not subject to term limits. Commission meetings are generally held twice per year but more frequent meetings are possible. Stakeholder meetings occur on an as-needed basis. Failure to attend two consecutive Commission or Stakeholder meetings or demonstrated unethical conduct may result in appointment removal by Tribal Council. Compensation is \$100 per half-day meeting for Commission members who are not employees of the Tribe. **Meeting Location:** Justice & Regulatory Administration Bldg., EPD Large Conference Room, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137. **How to Apply:** Send letter of interest to the: Air Quality Program Office, PO Box 737 MS# 84, Ignacio, CO 81137 or Hand deliver to: Justice & Regulatory Administration Bldg., Air Quality Program, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137

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### House for Sale

4 bedrooms, 2 bath with new porch and a patio for \$104,000. Please call 970-563-3178 for an appointment to see it. Southern Ute tribal member only.

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

### Boards And Committees Vacancies

#### JOHNSON O'MALLEY COMMITTEE

Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) has three openings for committee member. In order to be Eligible for the JOM committee you have to a student(s) in the Ignacio and/or Bayfield School District. The student(s) has to be registered with the JOM program and if you have not yet done this please do so. Write a letter of interest as to why you want to be on the committee. Pay volunteer position. If selected, you will served on the committee for 2 years. The next meeting is on Monday, Nov. 6 at 5:30 p.m. at the Southern Ute Education Dept. If you have any questions feel free to call for Ellen S. Baker at 563-0235.

#### KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Seeking Southern Ute tribal members. KSUT is accepting letters of interest to fill three (3) Southern Ute Tribal Member seats. 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. KSUT is not owned or operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, KSUT is funded by it's listeners.

#### POWWOW COMMITTEE

OPEN UNTIL FILLED

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has two (2) PowWow Committee Member vacancies. A committee member must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member, or an interested Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian PowWow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interested individuals who would like to serve on this committee are urged to submit a Letter of Intent to the Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Building. For further information contact: Joyce Delaware Ford, Southern Ute PowWow Chairperson at 775-671-5426.

#### ROYALTY COMMITTEE

OPEN UNTIL FILLED

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.

#### WILDLIFE ADVISORY YOUTH BOARD

OPEN UNTIL FILLED

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.

**Seeking individuals to fill SOUTHERN UTE vacancies on KSUT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**KSUT IS ACCEPTING LETTERS OF INTEREST TO FILL THREE (3) VACANT SOUTHERN UTE MEMBER SEATS.**

- Southern Ute Seat applicant **MUST** be an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member.

Interested in an opportunity to be a part of KSUT's growth and development? Submit a Letter of Interest to KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham. Email: [tami@ksut.org](mailto:tami@ksut.org) or Mail: PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Info: 970-563-0255, or [www.KSUT.org](http://www.KSUT.org) Seats open until filled.

Frances Densmore recording Blackfoot chief, Mountain Chief on a cylinder phonograph for the Bureau of American Ethnology (1916). photo Wikipedia (en.wikipedia.org)

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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.

Engineering Technician II – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 11/14/17  
Under general direction of the Red Willow Operations Foreman, responsible for field operations in areas where the company has operated assets, ensuring that production is optimized under safe, environmentally correct, and efficient conditions in compliance with all regulations and consistent with Tribal priorities and concerns. Assists in collecting and maintaining accurate data related to operations, including production, and equipment information.

Reservoir Engineer IV – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 11/15/17  
Requires skillful application of reservoir engineering, petroleum engineering and project evaluation skills. Works collaboratively with Basin Teams and partners to evaluate reservoir performance and optimize development and depletion plans for assigned areas. Utilizes appropriate risking techniques and economic analyses to optimize the quality of investments.

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

Closing date 11/17/17  
Under general direction of the Red Willow Operations Foremen, responsible for managing and maintaining field operations to ensure

that production proceeds safely and efficiently in compliance with all regulations, and in a manner consistent with Red Willow and Tribal priorities and concerns. Assists in collecting and maintaining accurate data related to operations including production data and equipment data.

Lease Operator III – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date: 11/17/17  
Under general direction of the Red Willow Operations Foreman, responsible for field operations in areas where the company has operated assets, ensuring that production is optimized under safe, environmentally correct, and efficient conditions in compliance with all regulations and consistent with Tribal priorities and concerns. Assists in collecting and maintaining accurate data related to operations, including production, and equipment information.

Landman I Trainee – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 12/1/17  
Must successfully complete all required training at each level within the specified time limit per level and then be able to work independently as a Landman I, competently performing the duties and responsibilities required at each level. Will also communicate with supervisor any needs or deficiencies observed while participating in the Trainee Program.

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  
All Applicants Welcome • TERO-Native American Preference  
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.

\*Beverage Server – Circle Bar (On-call)

Open until filled  
Maintains the highest level of guest service while providing beverage service to Casino guests. The Beverage Server will prepare beverages prior to serving and will be required to lift and move up to 60 pounds regularly, including the responsibility of all cash and complimentary transactions. High School Diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 21 years old. Related work experience and/or training preferred. Must have great guest service skills.

Busser – Rolling Thunder (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Performs 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 next group guests, disposing of trash and other waste and keeping the restaurant stocked with adequate supplies such as plates, glasses, silverware and napkins. Busser will help cooks, servers and dishwashers perform small tasks as needed. Must be at least 16 years old. Must have reliable transportation. Must have a minimum of an 8th grade education, able to read and write at an 8th grade level. Must have basic mathematical skills.

\*Cage Staff (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Provides fast, accurate and friendly service to all internal and external customers while providing full compliance with all regulatory controls. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Good math skills essential. Be able to use a 10-key calculator. Previous banking or extended money handling skills required.

Front Desk Staff – Hotel (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Providing quality guest services that include reservations, registration and check-out, PBX operations, mail and message service for hotel guests. Must be accurate with daily accounting procedures. Responds to telephone and in person inquiries regarding reservations, hotel information and guest concerns. Assistance with guests may include; but not limited to: luggage assistance, directions/maps, driving guests to/from the airport. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have previous experience in hotel front desk. Must have 3 months previous customer service experience. Must possess a valid driver's license and be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

\*Housekeeping Staff (Full-time, graves)

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

Line Cook (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Preparation of the A La Carte menu and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness. Ensure all guidelines are followed according to the established specifications and standards in food safety and sanitation. Requires one to be an excellent team player and trust worthy. High School Diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast paced full service restaurant OR 4 months In House training or presently attending school. Must demonstrate cooperation, support skills and willingness to learn. Must have knowledge of standards of food preparation, serving and kitchen procedures.

\*Multi-Games Dealer – Table Games (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Reports to the Table Games Manager or as otherwise designated.

\*Security Officer (Full-time)

Open until filled  
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. Responsible for guest and employee safety on property. First identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. Must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. Must have a High School Diploma/equivalency 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.*

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

Animal Care Technician

Closing date 11/16/17  
Under the general supervision of the Animal Control Senior Officer, assures the care of impounded animals and other duties related to the care of the site and the animals. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Alcohol Counselor

Closing date 11/15/17  
Professional position, acting as the primary alcohol/substance abuse counselor and evaluator for court involved youth and adults. Provides mental health guardian ad litem services when assigned by supervisor. Full-time position and is contingent on grant funds being available. Pay grade 19; \$44,347/annually.

Economic Development Manager

Closing date 11/12/17  
Under general direction of the Director of Strategic Planning, plans, organizes, and implements economic development functions from conception to completion, including business retention, business attraction, and incentive programs. Full-time position, promoting the small business and economic development interests of the Tribe. Acts as a liaison with various local, regional, State, and Federal organizations (e.g. chambers of commerce, SBDC, Region 9 of the EDA, SBA, etc.). Provides information and/or makes presentations to Tribal Council, civic groups, businesses, and the general public on economic development issues, programs, services, and plans. Works with the Communications Specialist to formulate and implement marketing and business attraction strategies.

Gaming Director

Closing date 11/16/17  
Acts as the administrative head of the Division of Gaming. Attends meetings of the Gaming Commission or Tribal council. Annually prepares and submits to the J&R Director, for approval, a proposed budget for the succeeding fiscal year. Takes such action as may be determined by the Gaming Commission or J&R Director to be necessary to protect the security and integrity of gaming. Monitors and oversees gaming on the reservation to ensure compliance with the Tribal/State compact and the National Indian Gaming Commission. Oversees the licensing and background investigation of individuals and companies involved in gaming. Pay grade 24; \$78,315/annually.

Lifeguard (Full-time)

Closing date 11/17/17  
Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Lifeguard (Part-time)

Closing date 11/17/17  
Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Museum Collections Manager

Closing date 11/14/2017  
Responsible for all aspects of care for the Southern Ute Museum loaned and accessioned collections, including storage and display of all artifacts to professional museum standards, and maintenance of a current collections database. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Museum Technician

Closing date 11/14/17  
Will work closely with the Director, Curator and Collection Manager to provide support toward the completion of museum exhibits, assist with the care of all collections, and help monitor the condition of the museum facility. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Patrol Officer Trainee

Closing date 11/16/17  
Trainee position for uncertified individuals in-

terested in a career in law enforcement with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Will be required to attend and successfully complete an approved basic police-training course. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Physical Therapist

Closing date 11/16/17  
Works in the tribal health center with diabetes-specific patients, and provides homecare for Southern Ute Tribal Members. Expected to assess, plan, organize, and participate in rehabilitative programs that improve mobility, relieve pain, increase strength, and improve or correct disabling conditions resulting from disease or injury. Pay grade 23; \$69,597/annually.

Boys Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

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

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.

Controller

Open until filled  
Responsible for the integrity and timeliness of the financial information of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Prepares financial statements for distribution for internal and external reporting. Supervision and oversight of the accounting staff in the preparation of financial information. Responsible for the offices of General Ledger, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, Purchasing, Payroll, Fixed Assets and Contracts and Grants.

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. The HHC Aide 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. Will have responsibility for the day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors.

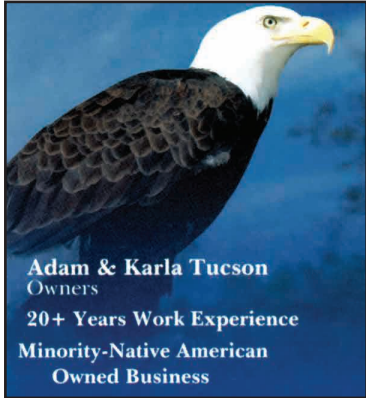
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SUCAP – Job announcements

Complete job description/application at 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 11/17/17  
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 Colorado driver's license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.

FLY FISHING

## Fall, my favorite time of the year

By Don Oliver  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

I love fall. It is, without a doubt, my absolute favorite time of the year. The weather’s cool, the colors are spectacular, there are fewer people in town, and Thanksgiving occurs. What’s not to love? So, as I practice eating large quantities of food in preparation for “Turkey Day”, I did take time to think about all I have to be thankful for. And, since this is a column on fly fishing, I enjoyed reviewing everything wonderful, connected to my fly fishing outings, that happened this year.

The first thing that comes to mind is completing my quest to catch a fish, with my fly rod, in all 50 states. When I hooked a bass in Indiana, the final state, I was happy beyond words. But I was also thankful for the orthopedic doctors that had given me new knees allowing me to stand and fly fish without pain. I also have stronger glasses that help me tie on the larger flies I now use.

As I reviewed my fishing log, for this year, I counted twelve states and one location that needed a passport before I was allowed to fly fish. On those trips I waded, floated in a drift boat or my float tube, fished from my bass boat, and my guides’ flats boats. Those locations produced nine different species of fish. And, if that’s all I did, it was a great year. However, I’m fortunate to have more to write about.

I am thankful to have fished with “The Wild



*As the Sunday morning infomercials say, “Wait, there’s more!” Two friends, from a wine tasting and fly fish trip way in the past, called.*

Bunch.” Just watching three grandchildren get excited about landing a six-inch fish is the best. The Wulff Pack, (old guys and their grown sons) also produced events that I still find myself smiling and laughing out loud about. The old guys were great. But being asked to help with instruction for Braided, the new ladies fly fishing club, was a step above them. The ladies take instruction better and are lots prettier.

This year, I was also able to fish the fundraising tournament for Casting For Recovery. For those of you that don’t know, CFR

is a non-profit organization that uses fly fishing to help women dealing with some stage of breast cancer. If you want to laugh, cry, and feel good about donating time and money, all in the same day, I suggest you volunteer with this organization

As the Sunday morning infomercials say, “Wait, there’s more!” Two friends, from a wine tasting and fly fish trip way in the past, called. They were in town and wondered if I’d like to fly fish with them? Sometimes people ask the silliest questions. Then friends in town called and asked if I’d go fly fishing with an out of town friend of theirs. (See last response) And to put the icing on the cake, several young people have called and asked me to go fly fishing with them. Just as friends.

This brings me to planning for next year’s Thanksgiving column. If I don’t plan ahead, and write it down, I’ll never remember what I’d planned on saying. Other than during mud season, and one trip needing a passport, I plan on fly fishing Colorado. There are so many places to fly fish in this great state, it’s my job to seek them out and report back to you. You’ll read about some of these places from time-to-time. But the big summary will come next November.

In closing, have a great Thanksgiving. Be sure and say thanks to everyone that has helped you have things to be thankful for.

I thank YOU for reading my column.

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## Prescribed fire in Sandoval Canyon, beginning Nov. 1

Staff report  
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Southern Ute Agency Fire Management is planning to burn piles in Sandoval Canyon. The 120 acre burn is located on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, north of Archuleta County Road 500 along Southern Ute Route 156. The legal description for the burn is

township 33N, Range 4W, Sections 29 & 30, and Township 32N, Range 4W, Sections 5, 6, & 7. The purpose of the burn is to reduce activity fuels from previous treatments. Smoke may be visible from County Road 500 and in the vicinity of Arboles. Drivers are encouraged to use caution in the event smoke settles into the road corridor.

The prescribed fire is planned to begin starting Nov. 1, 2017 and continue for up to 6 months. The burn is dependent on weather/burning conditions and will be implemented when these conditions are favorable.

For more information regarding the project, please contact the Southern Ute Agency, Fire Management Office at 970-563-4571.

## NEW EMPLOYEES



**Rachel Hoffman**  
**Job title:** Water Quality Technician  
**Description of duties:** The water quality technician position is responsible for performing field data collection, computer data input, and other duties associated with water quality management under the §106 & 319, and wetlands water quality programs.

### In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

Of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe • On the Southern Ute Reservation  
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#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-NC-0125**  
**Brooklynn Schmeiser, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth Schmeiser on behalf of Brooklynn Schmeiser has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Brooklynn Jade Schmeiser. 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 **December 8, 2017 at 5 pm**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2017.  
BY THE COURT, Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-NC-0126**  
**Caitlynn Marie Schmeiser, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth Schmeiser on behalf of Caitlynn Marie Schmeiser has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Caitlynn Marie Parmenter. 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 **December 8, 2017 at 5 pm**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2017.  
BY THE COURT, Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2016-PR-0146**  
**Stanley Ellsworth Frost, 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 **November 27, 2017 at 3:00 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 11th of October, 2017  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-NC-0121**  
**Christopher Ryan Rizzo, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Christopher Ryan Rizzo has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Christopher Lee Ryan. 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 **November 24, 2017 at 5 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 2017.  
BY THE COURT, Kara Cuthair, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-PR-0117**  
**Leroy Taylor Pinnecoose, 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 **December 12, 2017 at 2:00 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 16th of October, 2017  
Paula Trujillo, 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 filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Augusta Sammi Torres. As of October 3, 2017 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Augusta Sammi Burch name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Augusta Sammi Torres.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2017.  
Scott Moore, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

#### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-PR-0115**  
**Christopher Stewart Cloud, Deceased**

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **November 28, 2017 at 3:00 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 9th of October, 2017  
Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

## LEGAL NOTICE

#### TO ELLIOT WOODY:

Take notice that the SUIT Division of Social Services has filed a verified petition in dependency and neglect naming you as a respondent, in the case of *In the Interest of I.T.*, 17 DN 94 (SUIT Tribal Court). You are hereby notified that a hearing is set in this matter on **November 27, 2016, at 4:00 P.M.** in the Southern Ute Tribal Court, 149 C.R. 517, Ignacio, CO 81137, (970) 563-0240, for the purpose of advising you of your legal rights, which you are expected to attend. Termination of the parent-child relationship is possible if the allegations of the petition are proven. You may contact the Tribal Court to obtain copies of documents filed in this case.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2017.  
Peg Rogers, Attorney for the SUIT Division of Social Services  
P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137 (970) 563-0100



### Place Your Wood Orders

It is that time of year again when the snow will start to fly and a nice fire would be great! The Forestry/Fuels Program started, and wood pick up days will be Mondays & Wednesdays and wood deliveries to the Elders & Members with disabilities will be on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

PLEASE CALL 970-563-4780 TO PLACE YOUR WOOD ORDERS

### NOTICE

#### Housing Interest – Cedar Point Subdivision

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Cedar Point Housing Initiative Team would like to remind Tribal Members about the availability of the upcoming homes and town-home rental units. Construction should initiate sometime in early spring of 2018 for the single family homes. The town-home rental units are currently being constructed and should be available in early 2018. At this time we are requesting that you please contact the Tribal Credit Division and obtain your pre-qualification status for a mortgage loan to purchase a home in Cedar Point. Please feel free to share this information with any Southern Ute Tribal Members (eligible to receive an assignment) whom you believe might also be interested in living at Cedar Point. More information will be available in the next few months regarding the homes and we look forward to continuing with this important project. Thank you for your time and please call 970-563-4744 or 970-563-4710 for additional information or if you have any questions.

## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

### Your weekend forecast!

Friday, Nov. 10



64 sunny

Saturday, Nov. 11



60°F sunny

Sunday, Nov. 12



61°F sunny

Weather forecasts collected from [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov)



#### Ambient Monitoring:

Current up to date, daily readings for Temp, Wind, Precipitation can be found on the Southern Ute’s Environmental Programs Division, Air Quality Program website at: [www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/air-quality/ambient-monitoring](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/air-quality/ambient-monitoring).