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# The Southern Ute Drum



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Ray Lucero, a cultural leader with the Village of Laguna Pueblo gave his thanks to the Southern Ute Tribal Council on Monday, Nov. 13, prior to the annual cultural hunt on Southern Ute lands.

### HUNTING

## Cultural hunts honor traditional ways

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Since 2003 the Southern Ute Indian Tribe has hosted eight different Pueblos as well as the Hopi Tribe for cultural hunts on Southern Ute lands. Many Pueblos and other tribes in the southwest are either not blessed with the land base or the abundance of wildlife that the Southern Ute Indian Tribe has; in some cases, this makes hunting all but impossible on their lands.

“The deer is very precious to us, they bring us life,” said Vaughn Sarracino, Re-

ligious Kiva Leader, Pueblo of Laguna. Sarracino was one of the many hunters who gave their thanks to the leadership of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in Council Chambers on Monday, Nov. 13. Over the past several years Laguna Pueblo has reciprocated hunting opportunities on their lands for Southern Ute tribal members. Species such as elk, pronghorn and Barbary sheep have been harvested by Southern Ute Tribal Members on the Pueblo.

“Helping to facilitate these hunt requests is one of the more interesting and

rewarding responsibilities we have in the Wildlife Division, because it really demonstrates the importance of maintaining the traditional, cultural identity of the various Southwest tribes, and also demonstrates the generosity of Southern Ute with the sharing of its abundance,” Wildlife Division Head Steve Whiteman said.

Mule deer are culturally important to many Southwestern tribes, who use their parts in different ceremonies and use the meat

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### IN MEMORIAM

## Honoring of the late Jimmy R. Newton Jr.

By Robert L. Ortiz  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Former Southern Ute Tribal Chief Judge, Elaine Newton received a surprising package in her mail Friday, Nov. 10. Seeing the pink packing bubble wrap, Newton proclaimed to herself, “I didn’t order a flag!” The flag was folded, and presented in a ceremonial triangular wooden case.

This is the same flag that was flown over the Capitol on January 8, 2014 at the request of Senator Ellen Roberts, in honor of the late Jimmy R. Newton Jr., Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, as proclaimed on the accompanying certificate.

The package also contained other items, among them a signed card from Durango based lawyer, Ellen Roberts. Roberts served in the Colorado Senate from 2011- 2016, representing: Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma, Montrose, Ouray, San Juan and San Miguel counties. The package also



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Former Southern Ute Tribal Judge, Elaine Newton proudly holds a certificate affirming that the American flag was flown over the Colorado Capitol in Denver, on January 8, 2016 in memory of her son, the late Jimmy Newton Jr. The flag was also presented to Mrs. Newton in a package given to her from former Colorado Senator, Ellen S. Roberts.

included several plaques in honor of the late chairman, who was recognized as a leader, a son, and a father.

Jimmy R. Newton Jr. served on the Southern Ute Tribal Council when elected in 2003. Newton was later elected to Chairman, December 2011, becoming the youngest person to hold the office of Chairman at the age of 35. Among his many accomplishments, one in particular included seeing one of

his projects come to life, the formation of the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council in 2014.

### CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

One framed item is from the Congressional Record, of the Proceedings and Debates of the 113th Congress, Second Session. Dated Wednesday, April 2, 2014.

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### KSUT INC

## KSUT hosts blessing ceremony

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

KSUT public radio opened the doors to guests on Friday, Nov. 17 for a Blessing Ceremony ahead of their much-anticipated renovation project. The building that will house KSUT and be future home for broadcasting and media, sits on Tribal Campus, just south of the current location. Friday’s event served as an opportunity to showcase the new building, and recognize the people who have contributed to the radio station over the years. The ceremonial blessing was performed by Southern Ute elder Eddie Box Jr., who has also been honored in the naming of KSUT’s new station; soon to be the Eddie Box Jr. Media Center.

“I’ve got to give acknowledgment to all the Station Managers over the years, and all the workers. To have this building named after me was a real shocker,” Eddie Box Jr. said. “It kinda feels good, but I’m humble about it.”

KSUT was founded by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe as one of the first tribal radio stations in the country. Box is a long-time radio DJ, and lifetime board member for the station.

“I’ve always had an interest in music,” Box said. “My father would play music back in the 50’s and 60’s, I guess that rubbed off on me.” Following the formal blessing, an honor song was performed by the Yellow Jacket Singers.

KSUT Executive Director Tami Graham is leading the station’s fundraising process with their Capital Cam-



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder Eddie Box Jr. gives a warm welcome to those who attended the blessing ceremony for KSUT’s future home, the Eddie Box Jr. Media Center, Friday, Nov. 17.

paign. “To date, we have raised \$3.5 million toward our \$5.5 million fundraising goal. We look forward to sharing further information with our membership as we work to secure full funding for the project by the end of 2018,” she said.

“Current campaign highlights include mailing three newsletters to our membership, holding a two-day on-air capital campaign focused fund drive in late June and numerous small house parties and neighborhood cultivation events,” Graham said.

Getting supporters of KSUT together in person serves as an important step

in realizing the potential for KSUT’s future location in the heart of Ignacio, Colo., giving guests and donors a firsthand sense of the new space. This also allowed the station to present an update on important fundraising efforts.

“We’ve raised \$101,000 towards our goal of the Tribal match,” Graham said. “We have a tremendous opportunity here due to the generosity of the Southern Ute Tribal Council. We need all of your support to help us realize this dream.”

The evening was closed with the screening of a short

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## Vets parade in Durango



courtesy Eddie Box Jr.

Members of the Southern Ute Veteran’s Association took part in the Color Guard on Saturday, Nov. 11, during the annual Veteran’s parade in Durango, Colo.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Brandishing the American Flag from astride her steed, Durango Fiesta Days Queen, Sidney Cox makes her way down Main St. on Saturday, Nov.17.

More Veterans Parade photos on page 16.



TRIBAL LANDS

Tribal Council approves Land Assignment code

Staff report  
SU LANDS DIVISION

On November 7, 2017, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council approved a new Tribal Land Assignment Code. The new code replaces the Tribe’s Land Code, which was adopted by the Tribal Council and approved by the BIA in 1963 and had never been updated.

According to Tribal Chairman Clement Frost, “The Tribe’s new Land Assignment Code provides the framework for the assignment of tribal land to tribal members. The two-decade long process for developing the Land Assignment Code was inclusive, involving the tribal membership. The Land Code was antiquated

and needed modernizing to reflect current practices for processing tribal member land assignments.”

The Director of the Tribe’s Department of Natural Resources, Lena Atencio, commented, “The code was drafted utilizing the existing code and modernizing its components so it reflects the existing practices and processes related to tribal land assignments. The Land Assignment Code reflects the combined efforts and input of the Tribal Council, a tribal member committee, tribal members who attended meetings and submitted comments, Department of Natural Resources staff, and tribal attorneys.”

According to Atencio, whose Department has been charged with implementing

the new code, the differences between the old Land Code and the new Land Assignment Code include:

1. The name of the code has been changed from Land Code to Land Assignment Code.
2. The code has been re-formatted to be consistent with the format of other tribal codes.
3. A definitions section has been added.
4. The assignment application process is clearly set forth in the proposed Land Assignment Code.
5. The code requires the submission of a home-site development plan as part of the application process for a

Land page 14



Inauguration Ceremony

*Tribal Membership are cordially invited to attend the Inauguration for the newly elected*

*Southern Ute Indian Tribal Chairman & Council Members*

*on Monday, the eighteenth of December two thousand seventeen*

*10:00 AM*

*Sky Ute Casino & Resort  
Event Center*

A run-off election will take place Friday, December 15, 2017  
For more information & to RSVP, please call 970.563.2313

Many Moons Ago



Robert Ortiz/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Southern Ute Elder and Veteran, Austin Box, carried the Eagle Staff during the Grand Entry.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 21, 2007, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Roberta Cook/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

May the Great Spirit watch over us as we make our way on this road way and in our lives. Spiritual leader Everett Burch shadows Reverend Curtis Alderton as he gives his blessing with the offering of holy water to County Road 318 where so many lives have been taken from us as they traveled upon this stretch of road.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 21, 1997, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Dave Gilbert weighs fish as Ralph Watts looks on.

This photo first appeared in the Nov. 30, 1987, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

End of Term Reception

Recognizing Chairman Clement J. Frost and Councilwoman Amy J. Barry

Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM  
Leonard C. Burch – Hall of Warriors

Tribal Members are encouraged to attend this reception in recognition of the tireless work of Chairman Clement J. Frost and Councilwoman Barry. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

Agenda

03:00 PM	Invocation & Welcome	Vice Chairman – Alex Cloud
03:05 PM	Tribal Council Remarks	Tribal Council
03:15 PM	SCSYAC Remarks	SCSYAC Members
03:20 PM	Remarks from Executive Staff Southern Ute Growth Fund Sky Ute Casino & Resort Southern Ute Shared Services Permanent Fund	Darrell Owen Charley Flagg & Krista Red Alan Young Ramona Eagle & Andrew Frost
03:40 PM	Remarks from Visiting Dignitaries	
03:55 PM	Remarks from Staff	
04:05 PM	Reflection	Chairman Clement J. Frost
04:15 PM	Reflection	Councilwoman Amy J. Barry
04:50 PM	Honor Song	Yellow Jacket Drum Group
04:30 PM	Light snacks and refreshments	

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Lindsay Box, Communications Specialist – 970.563.0100  
Tribal Member Website page – <https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/members/>



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## 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.



Southern Ute Culture Preservation Department  
Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
P.O. Box 737, MS #8, Ignacio, CO 81137  
(970) 563-0100 Fax (970) 563-1098

Tribal Christmas Program – December 16, 2017 – 4:00 PM

Please fill out the following information in its entirety, and return this form by December 12, 2017.  
RETURN TO: Culture Department Office  
EMAIL: [twigil@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:twigil@southernute-nsn.gov)

### Tribal Christmas Program 2017 Sign-up Form

Please indicate:

Southern Ute Tribal Member	Southern Ute Permanent Fund
Sky Ute Casino Resort	Southern Ute Growth Fund

Tribal Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Christmas Performance** (Performance should not exceed 20 minutes.)

Performance Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(Information for the program)

Type of Performance: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Performance: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Minutes)

Props, i.e. audio equip, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Performers: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Special Requests:

\*Once a draft performance schedule has been created, you will be contacted.

## HONORING JIMMY NEWTON JR. • FROM PAGE 1

The record, Vol. 160, No. 53 reads in the following:  
*Remembering Jimmy Newton, Jr.*

Mr. Bennet, Mr. President, I come to the floor with a heavy heart to honor the memory of Chairman Jimmy Newton, Jr. of the Southern Ute Tribe. Chairman Newton was a tireless advocate for his fellow tribal members and passed away on Monday, March 31, 2014.

Chairman Newton began his career in public service in 2003 and was a strong and dedicated leader for a new generation. He was one of the youngest people to serve as tribal council member, vice chairman, and acting chairman before he was elected chairman of the Southern Ute Tribe in 2011. Chairman Newton leaves behind a legacy of deep respect for the Southern Ute culture and tradition.

I know I speak for our entire Colorado community when I extend my deepest sympathies to the Newton family and the Southern Ute tribe during this difficult time.

### STATE OF COLORADO

In Memoriam of the State of Colorado to the House of Representatives, Convened in the Sixty-Ninth General Assembly

Hereby extends sincere condolences and expressions of sympathy to the Newton family on the passing of Chairman Jimmy R. Newton, Jr.

The State of Colorado has lost an exceptional citizen with the passing of Jim Newton, Jr. Chairman Newton passed away on March 31, 2014 at the age of 36. He was an intelligent and kind man, who began a career in politics at the age of 26, becoming one of the youngest tribal members to ever hold a seat on Tribal Council. Mr. Newton went on to serve as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Council. Chairman Newton had great respect and passion for Southern Ute culture, and was an active participant in ceremonies and powwows. The members of the Colorado House of Representatives



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

A table full of plaques, certificates and an American flag were given to Elaine Newton. The items are from the Colorado State Senate, House of Representatives and the Colorado Legislature, all of which honored the late Southern Ute Chairman, Jimmy R. Newton Jr. The items were given to Mrs. Newton by former Colorado Senator Ellen S. Roberts.

extend heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Chairman Jimmy Newton, Jr. on their great loss, and express gratitude for his outstanding service to his tribe and to the entire State of Colorado.

On request of Representative, Mike Latchlan. Given this 4th day of April, 2014, State Capitol, Denver. Signed Mark Ferrandino, Speaker of the House of representatives.

### THE SENATE OF THE COLO. LEGISLATURE

A plaque, was presented from The Senate of The Colorado Legislature. Convened in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-Ninth General Assembly honors and remembers the life of: Chairman Jimmy R. Newton, Jr.

We memorialize and honor Chairman Newton for his achievements in politics and as an advocate for the Southern Ute Indian tribe. At age twenty-six, Chairman Newton became one of the youngest tribal members on the Southern Ute Tribal Council and in 2011 he was elected Chairman of the Council. He was a strong voice for his tribe, championing for critical tribal projects such as the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project. Outside the Council, Chairman Newton was actively involved in cultural ceremonies. Chairman Newton's advocacy and dedication to cultural involvement serve as an inspiration to current and future generations. Col-

orado will mourn the loss of a great man devoted to current and future generations. Colorado will mourn the loss of a great man devoted to his tribe, state and nation.

On request of Senator Ellen Roberts. Given this 4th day of April 2014. State Capitol, Denver, Colorado.

Jimmy Newton did believe our children are our future. He did many things to benefit, not only the tribal members, but the youth of the community. His vision lives on today, and we may never know the extent of the lives he touched.

It was only apparent at his funeral that a glimpse was seen of the extent of his influence. Jimmy Newton passed away Monday, March 31, 2014. Services were held April 4, 2014, at the Sky Ute Casino Resort's Events Center, with a packed house, and some standing. The First Nations Canadian Tribes were represented and spoke at his funeral.

Representatives from the political arena were also present. From the State level to the National level, his personality will be remembered.

As Elaine Newton reflected, "Jimmy always made people smile, he would crack a joke before session, then say 'it's time to get down to business.'"

Elected chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in December of 2011, he became the youngest person ever to hold the office.

## 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 Utes 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!

## 2017 Leonard C. Burch 6th Annual Walk/Run

Sunday, December 10

SunUte Community Center

Registration: 9 a.m.

Start: 10 a.m.

Special thanks from the Leonard C. Burch family

Sponsored by:

The Southern Ute Growth Fund

Law Firm of Maynes, Bradford, Shipps and Sheftel

Door prizes and employee incentives will be awarded after walk.

The first 100 adults to register will receive a free T-Shirt!

Children (10 and under) will receive a special prize!

Refreshments provided by Shining Mountain Health and Wellness.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Health Department Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council



For more info contact Leonora Burch at 970-799-3498 or Lisa Frost at 970-799-2056.



HEALTH

Your health is your wealth

By Maria Rivera  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

In 2017 in the state of Colorado there has been 24,330 new cases and 7,840 deaths due to cancer according to American Cancer Society research. Within the community of Ignacio there have been families that battled cancer and some who are currently fighting cancer. Cancer is caused by changes in cell DNA. Some changes may be passed down from our parents in the form of genetic defects, while others could be caused by environmental factors. Avoiding cigarettes, limiting alcohol, reaching a healthy weight, and getting regular exercise are all great steps for preventing cancer; adopting a healthy diet can also play a vital role.

From 2001-2009 the five most common causes of cancer deaths among Native American men were lung, colon and rectum, prostate, liver and kidney. The top five for Native American women were lung, breast, colon and rectum, pancreas and ovary, according to Center for Disease Control and Prevention. In the Southwest Region death rates for gallbladder, cervical cancers and myeloma were higher than those of white women. But in the same region Native Americans had lower death rates than white people for lung, colon, brain, esophagus, bladder and breast cancer.

Being mindful of your lifestyle is a vital part in cancer prevention, what you eat and don't eat can have a powerful effect on your health. Eating a diet that is rich in fruit, vegetables, healthy fats like olive oil, nuts, beans,



and whole grains can lower your risk for a variety of common cancers. Also keeping fiber in your daily diet plays a key role in keeping your digestive system clean and healthy to help prevent colorectal cancer and other common digestive system cancers, including stomach, mouth and pharynx.

On top of being mindful of what you eat its vital to avoid unhealthy eating habits. Avoiding trans-fat, saturated fats (no more than 10 percent daily calories) and adding more unsaturated fats such as fish, olive oil, nuts and avocado. Reduce the consumption of refined carbs and opt for unrefined whole grains like: whole wheat or multigrain bread, brown rice, barley, quinoa, bran cereal, oatmeal and non-starchy vegetables. Red meat and processed meats are associated with increased risk for certain cancers according to an analysis of diet and cancer published in 2012 in the journal of oncology by Amanda Bontempo, RD. On top of limiting red meat intake also limiting alcohol and dairy consumption can

cut the chances of cancer.

The way you prepare your food can take a toll on the nutrients you receive. Don't cook oils on high heat, instead try baking, boiling, steaming or broiling. Barbequed food should not be overcooked or burnt, as it creates carcinogenic substances. Store oils in a cool dark place and airtight containers so they don't become rancid. Avoid moldy or smelly foods. Always use microwave safe bowls or plates. When you can, buy organic and Non-GMO foods.

Several tips and steps can be taken to do your best to avoid cancer. Be as lean as possible without being underweight, be physically active for at least 30 minutes a day, limit alcohol intake, aim to meet nutritional needs through diet instead of supplements, it is best for mothers to breastfeed exclusively for up to six months. Washing and steaming your raw vegetables in order to get as much of the nutrients as you can. Instead of eating red meats, replace them with fish, chicken, eggs, nuts and soy.

There are many lifestyle changes you can make in order to help protect you against cancer or fight cancer. With cancer on the rise it's vital that as humans we treat our bodies as best as possible. Doing what you can to increase your plant based foods that are rich in nutrients, will help boost the immune system to protect you against cancer. Most people fall short of the recommended five servings of fruits and vegetables. To add more to your diet, focus on adding "whole" foods, which are as close to their natural state as possible. Prevention is key.

Southern Ute Health Center  
Pharmacy & Dental Holiday Closures

Offices will be closed 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.

What is Family Group Decision Making (FGDM)?

FGDM is a voluntary family lead process where the family is acknowledged as the primary decision maker rather than the systems/western approach of professionals making the decisions for the family.

Family members join together in order to discuss identified concerns, find solutions, and create a family action plan to resolve the concerns.

Who is involved in FGDM?

The Family is guided by the FGDM Coordinator who is an independent and neutral party. The Coordinator will prepare the Family Group, involved Service Providers and or others who are invited to participate in the FGDM process.

A Family Group includes immediate family including children, extended family, trusted family friends, community members, Spiritual Leaders or anyone else the family considers important in their life.

Service Providers/Professionals may be Social workers, Counselors, Guardian ad litem (GAL), Teachers, Mentors, Physician/Nurses, Mental Health worker, etc.

Families can use FGDM to address concerns such as:

- Family Identified Concern
- Education/Truancy
- Disability
- Child Safety and Well-being
- Adult/Elder Safety and Well-being
- Legal/Court\*
- Probate
- Financial
- Housing

\*FGDM can not change a pre-existing court order.

FGDM is based off of these values and beliefs about people.

- Families have strengths and can change.
- Strengths are what ultimately resolve concerns.
- Strengths are enhanced when they are acknowledged.
- FGDM values the Family and Family traditions.
- FGDM encourages collaboration between service providers working with the family.
- FGDM increases the family's investment and ownership in important decisions.

Family Group Decision Making honors your right to confidentiality, to choose who participates, spiritual and cultural belief and the option to decline.

For more information about Family Group Decision Making, please contact: FGDM Coordinator Charise Hunter at (970)563-2790

A healthy senior breakfast



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility held their senior breakfast; and healthy cooking was the theme of the meal on Friday, Nov 17.



Ingredients used to cook a healthy breakfast included a variety of vegetables, turkey bacon, egg beaters mixed with egg whites and extra virgin oil oils for frying.

Professional cook, Alan Herrera Jr. creates made to order egg omelets for the Southern Ute elders.

Native American Winter Market

Saturday, Dec. 2 • Durango High School • 9 a.m to 4 p.m.  
Come all and enjoy arts, crafts, and food.

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Foster Parent Recruitment Gathering

DECEMBER 06, 2017  
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- Learn how to become a Licensed Foster Parent
- Question and Answer Session

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“Our tribal children need you!”

DINNER WILL BE SERVED – DOOR PRIZES!

For more information contact:

Division of Social Services

Foster Care Coordinator, Lisa Frost

970-563-4734





Royalty host Thanksgiving walk



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The group of walkers share laughter and smiles during the Thanksgiving Walk with the Southern Ute Royalty in the Thanksgiving Walk, Saturday Nov. 18.

Tribal member Brandi Raines makes a joke to her daughter, Jr. Miss Southern Ute Tauri Raines and Southern Ute Brave Dominick Goodtracks while walking to SunUte.



Tribal Students of the Month

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



ANDRES RICHARDS

My name is Andres Richards. I attend Ignacio Elementary school, where I am a 4th grade student. My favorite subjects in school are, music, math, writing and art. My parents/guardians are Frank and Angela Richards. I like participating in soccer, basketball and baseball. In addition, I want to be a police officer when I grow up. I want to go to college after high school. I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of October, because I do good in math and follow the six pillars. Comments: Thank you for choosing me as student of the month.



LORENZO COOK

My name is Lorenzo Cook. I attend Ignacio Elementary school, where I am a 2nd grade. My favorite subjects in school are, math, science, P.E. and art. My parents/guardians are Ryan Cook/ Sharon Carmenoros. I like participating in football, hunting, fishing, hiking and going to movies. In addition, I want to play in the NFL when I grow up. I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of October because I have completely changed his attitude about school from unruly and negative to encouraging and positive. Lorenzo is now a super role model. Comments: Lorenzo has shocked everyone with how much he has grown. He works hard and tries to always do his best work. He continues to grow with every day. I am super proud of him and his accomplishments.

DECEMBER EVENTS AT IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ONGOING EVENTS (YOUTH)

**Tuesdays, 4 – 5 p.m.: Inklings Book Club**  
Join Inklings for snacks and a wonderful reading adventure every Tuesday from 4-5 p.m. for any 3rd-5th graders!  
**Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m.: Christmas Classics StoryTime**  
Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets and more that encourage development of early literacy skills in young children.  
**Wednesdays, 2-5:30 p.m.: Teen Café**  
Teen Café is open to teens in grade 6-12. It is a place to play games, do homework, make crafts, relax with friends, and have fun!  
**Wednesdays, 3-5 pm.: ICL MakerSpace**  
The ICL MakerSpace is open with a unique skill session happening. Come play with legos, learn about robotics, and discover other unique skills.  
**Saturdays, 1-3 p.m.: ICL MakerSpace**  
The ICL MakerSpace is open with a unique skill session happening. Come play with Legos, learn about robotics, and discover other unique skills.

ONGOING EVENTS (ADULT)

**Tuesdays, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Open Art Studio**  
The Open Studio is a time for artists to gather to work on their own projects while getting to socialize with other like-minded folks. Participation is not dependent on having taken classes at the library. All artists are welcome. Pat Knight will be on hand most days to offer assistance as needed.  
**Tuesdays, 1 – 3 p.m.: ICL Knitters**  
ICL Knitters meet to work on knitting projects, socialize, and share ideas. Everyone is welcome to drop-in.

**Fridays, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Open Art Studio**  
The Open Studio is a time for artists to gather to work on their own projects while getting to socialize with other like-minded folks. Participation is not dependent on having taken classes at the library. All artists are welcome. Pat Knight will be on hand most days to offer assistance as needed.

REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS

**Dec. 3, 2 p.m.: Writers Workshop**  
The ICL Writers' Workshop meets on the first and third Sundays at ICL. Local authors meet to share, review, and critique each other's work. Spring and summer issues of the Cedar Moon Journal are available for a suggested \$5 donation.  
**Dec. 4, 4 p.m.: Anime Club**  
Join us for an anime showing and a cultural activity! Due to the content of the shows all participants must be in Middle School or older.  
**Dec. 4, 5:30 p.m.: Word Processing Basics**  
Learn how to create and edit a document with a word processor. We will look at basic formatting tools such as how to bold text and change the page alignment.  
**Dec. 8, 3:30 p.m.: Virtual Legal Clinic**  
Colorado Legal Services offers a free clinic on the second Friday of each month. The clinic covers general information about Colorado family law, including divorce and custody, property law, probate law, collections, landlord-tenant law, etc. You'll learn what papers you need to start the action, general procedures, issues to look out for, resources, and other information. Instructors do NOT provide legal advice on individual cases. Call the library to sign up.

Building Bridges through ART 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.



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

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



## A tribal Thanksgiving dinner



Chairman Clement J. Frost, Executive Officer Andrew Frost, Vice Chairman Alex Cloud, Councilwoman Amy Barry stand behind Executive Officer Ramona Eagle during her introduction at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's annual Thanksgiving dinner, held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort's Event Center, Saturday Nov. 18.



Shiri Howell, Joe Howell, Krista Richards and Aeden Richards enjoy family time at the Sky Ute Casino Saturday Nov. 18 for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's annual Thanksgiving dinner.



Photos by Maria Rivera  
The Southern Ute Drum



### Giving thanks at SUIMA



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Shayne, Malia, Heather and Seth Roubideaux enjoy their family time at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Indian Academy's Thanksgiving Dinner Wednesday Nov. 15.

Southern Ute Executive Officer, Ramona Eagle attended the academy's annual Thanksgiving dinner.



### SUIMA donates!



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's primary students paid a visit to the Hall of Warriors to give their donations to the thanksgiving food drive at the LCB, Thursday, Nov. 16. The food drive, sponsored by the Southern Ute Public Relations Dept. and the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Tribe, will be used to serve families throughout the Ignacio community this Thanksgiving.

### Elementary feed hundreds



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The family of Joann Gomez enjoy the annual Thanksgiving meal served at the Ignacio Elementary School, Thursday, Nov. 16. The Ignacio Elementary School prepared over 600 meals, for the hundreds of families who came to eat a Thanksgiving meal with their Elementary student.



Ignacio Elementary School cooks: Mariel Mendez, Sierra Velasquez, and Alma Herrera prepared the food. "The cooks did an amazing job this year preparing all the food for the families and students," said Elementary School Principal, Kathy Herrera.

Gina Cosio and her daughter, Rosie Cosio enjoy each other's company at the Elementary School Thanksgiving meal.



# Thanksgiving Day Buffet

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 • 11AM-8PM

*Carved*

Roast Tom Turkey  
Honey Glazed Ham

*Entrées*

Salmon Dijonnaise  
Roasted Turkey Drumsticks  
Coconut Shrimp with Sweet and Sour Sauce  
Pot Roast Jardiniere  
Beef Stroganoff

*Sides*

Macaroni & Cheese  
Mashed Potatoes  
Whipped Yams  
Apple Sage Dressing  
Sweet Corn with Roasted Red Peppers  
Ambrosia

*Desserts*

Pumpkin Pie • Pecan Pie  
Sugar Free Apple Pie

**\$24.95** **\$10.95**  
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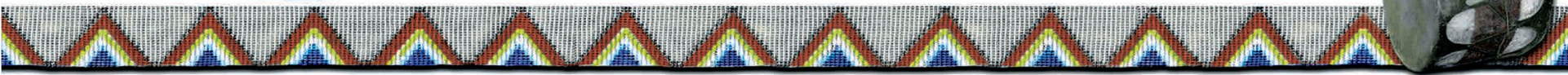
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Reservations required. Please call 888.842.4180

Menu items are subject to change. Prices do not include tax or gratuity. All Bear Club discounts apply.







# Youth riders return to Sky Ute Fairgrounds



Color Guard and Southern Ute veterans, Howard Richards and Raymond Baker, along with Ute Mountain Ute, Gordon Hammond present the flags at the introduction of the bull riding finals.



Southern Ute Royalty helps open the American Youth Bull Riding Finals Thursday, Nov. 16 at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds.



A young Wooley Rider keeps his grip for his eight second ride.

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

**American Youth Bull Riding (YBR) Finals brought in 160 participants from Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona and Missouri who competed in six categories: Wooley, Calf, Steer, Pee wee Bulls, Jr. Bulls and Senior Bulls. YBR was held at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds in Ignacio, Colo. Nov. 16-19. There were three local riders who fell short of the championship, Luke Mackey in Pee wee, Dustin Sanchez in Jr. Bulls and Lorenzo “Woody” Pena in Senior Bulls.**



Jr. Bull Rider and Ignacio High School Student, Dustin Sanchez prepares to ride with the help of his older brother Dalton Sanchez.



Local Sr. Bull Rider and Tribal Member Lorenzo “Woody” Pena gives it his best attempt at the YBR Finals at The Sky Ute Fairground in Ignacio, Colo.



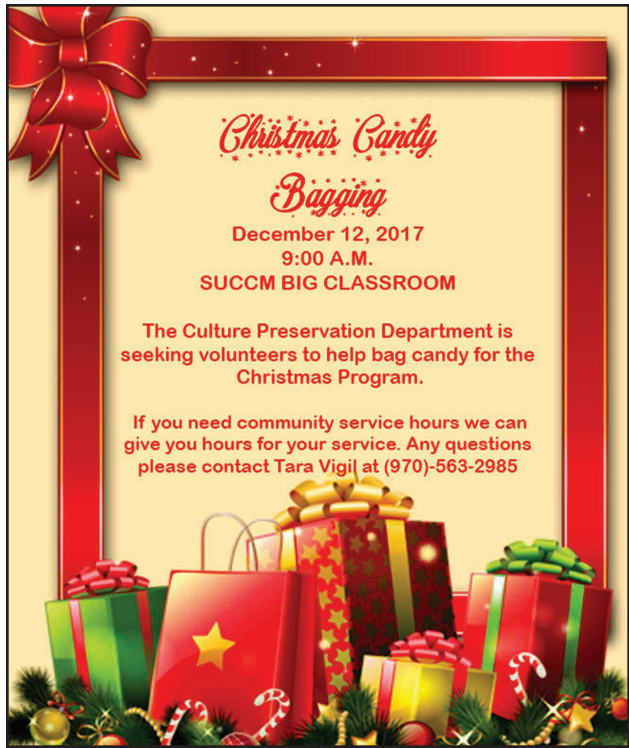
Dustin Sanchez of Ignacio receives a buckle during the YBR competition where he competed in Jr. Bull Riding. Out of 160 youth riders in six categories, Sanchez received one of the top 10 rides.

### SKY UTE FAIRGROUNDS Upcoming Events

**Crossroads Rodeos**  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds Indoor Arena  
December 9 and 23: 6 p.m.  
January 20, 2017: 6 p.m.  
February 10, 2017: 6 p.m.  
Entries please call 970-739-3851

**Lincoln Day Republican Round Up Dinner**  
Featured speaker: Lt. Colonel Allen West  
December 2: 5 p.m.  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds Indoor Arena  
Tickets: [Laplatacountygop.org](http://Laplatacountygop.org)





# Arts & Crafts Holiday Bazaar

**Resume normal hours Saturday and Sunday  
8 A.M. to 5 P.M. (Pool 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.)**

**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
- Taste of Christmas Event

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**

**TO PROTECT**  
LOS ANGELES  
FIRE  
POSITIVE  
IGNACIO  
COLORADO

**THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE**  
SUN UTE COMMUNITY CENTER

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE



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# 2017 Southern Ute Indian Tribe RUNOFF ELECTION

## CHAIRMAN CANDIDATES




Shane Seibel  
Chairman Candidate



Christine Baker-Sage  
Chairman Candidate

### SOUTHERN UTE RUN-OFF ELECTION



- Voter Registration Deadline •  
**Wednesday, December 6, 2017 by 5PM**
- Absentee Ballot Deadline Request •  
**Wednesday, December 6, 2017 by 5PM**
- Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline Request •  
**Thursday, December 14, 2017 by 5PM**
- Run-Off Election at SunUte Community Center •  
**Friday, December 15, 2017 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.**

Candidates for Chairman	Candidates for Tribal Council
are:	seats are:
<b>Shane Seibel</b>	<b>Amy J. Barry</b>
<b>Christine Baker Sage</b>	<b>Dedra White</b>
	<b>Cheryl A. Frost</b>
	<b>Cedric J. Chavez</b>

## COUNCIL CANDIDATES



Amy J. Barry  
Council Candidate



Cheryl A. Frost  
Council Candidate



Dedra White  
Council Candidate



Cedric J. Chavez  
Council Candidate

### CHRISTINE BAKER SAGE FOR TRIBAL CHAIRMAN



A Chairman for the  
people, who will  
speak for the people.

EQUALITY


RESPECT

COMMUNICATION

TRANSPARENCY

VOTE!!!!

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



STRONG-CARING-COMMITTED-LEADERSHIP FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

## SHANE SEIBEL FOR CHAIRMAN

PLATFORM:

1. INCREASED TRIBAL REVENUE (THROUGH NEW EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIVE OWNED BUSINESSES & CREATION OF NEW TRIBAL INDUSTRIES)
2. CUT GOVERNMENT SPENDING (REDUCE GOVERNMENT SPENDING, PRODUCE A COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT & INSTILL PROFESSIONALISM AND EFFICIENCY FOR A STREAMLINED GOVERNMENT)
3. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY (I AM COMMITTED TO DO MY BEST TO BE HEALTHY IN MY MIND, BODY & SPIRIT)
4. CHARACTER COUNTS (23+ YEARS OF LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE IN GROWTH FUND ENTITIES, 20+ YEARS COACHING & MENTORING OUR COMMUNITY YOUTH, HUSBAND, FATHER & GRANDFATHER)





VOTE

Cheryl A. Frost

for COUNCIL



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

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

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.

Dedra White


For Tribal Council



"I will fight and do what is right for all Tribal Members!"

As your Council Woman, I will:

- Work for you.
- 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.


VOTE 2017

DECEMBER 15, 2017 • 7 AM – 7 PM

SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER


Southern Ute Museum

Exhibits on Display:




Ute Chieftain Memorial Park Exhibit

Located: Upstairs




Permanent Gallery: Ute History

Located: Northeast Hall



Southern Ute Veterans Exhibit

Located: Northeast Hall Alcove







# ELECT SHANE SEIBEL FOR CHAIRMAN

LEADERSHIP-EXPERIENCE. COLLEGE-  
EDUCATED.  
PROFESSIONALISM. TRANSFORMATIONAL.



## VOTE SHANE SEIBEL FOR CHAIRMAN

“THE TIME IS NOW TO ELECT  
LEADERS WHO ARE EDUCATED,  
EXPERIENCED, AND READY TO  
ASK THE TOUGH QUESTIONS, FOR  
THE BETTERMENT OF THE  
TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP.”

MR. SEIBEL POSSESSES:  
COLLEGE EDUCATION  
LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE  
INTEGRITY  
TRANSPARENCY  
RESPECT



## KSUT at Durango Celebration



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The City of Durango sponsored a community celebration with family and kid's events; including food vendors, a beer garden and music by the Cannondolls. The festivities ended with a fireworks display, Saturday, Nov. 11. Earlier in the day, the city hosted a Veterans Parade on Main St., and the celebration continued into the evening at the Durango Transit Station. KSUT staff and volunteers: Chris Alland, Rose DiCicco, Tami Graham, Armida Juerta, and Robert Ortiz were slinging chile at the event.



Chris Alland and KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham along with Eddie Jr., and Betty Box. The new KSUT Media Center will bear Eddie Box Jr.'s name.

## KSUT HOSTS BLESSING • FROM PAGE 1

documentary on the history of KSUT, and its relevance both in the tribal community and throughout the region. The film was produced by Sean Owen, No Special Abilities Productions, and Co-directed by Sean Owen and Sheila Nanaeto.

"We look forward to this opportunity to take KSUT into the future," KSUT Board President, Susan Kearns said.

Through the generosity of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, KSUT has secured a new long-term home in Ignacio, a vacant building quadruple the size of our existing facilities. In addition to renovating the new Eddie Box Jr. Media Center, the Our Vision for Our Future capital campaign currently underway will:

- Replace and upgrade outdated production equipment.
- Add two broadcast signals to expand our reach in Montezuma County and to the Ute Mountain Ute and Navajo tribes.
- Fund new programs to produce local news and public affairs content.
- Establish seed funding for an endowment to diversify future funding.

## HUNTS HONOR TRADITIONS • FROM PAGE 1

to feed their communities. "We have that connection and take pride in our traditions as well," Councilwoman Lorelei Cloud said.

Cultural leaders are typically chosen by their respective tribal leaders to participate in these hunts. Non-hunting helpers sometimes attend and assist the hunters in the field both with ceremony as well as dressing and carrying animals out.

"I hope we can keep this tradition going," Councilman Adam Red said.

This year both Cochiti Pueblo and Laguna Pueblo made requests to harvest deer on Southern Ute lands. The Cochiti Pueblo hunt was approved for Nov. 6 – 9, with a bag limit of four either-sex deer and three does. The Cochiti hunters ultimately filled their tags with three small bucks and four does. The Laguna Pueblo hunt was approved for Nov. 13 – 17 with a bag limit of five either-sex deer and five does. The Laguna hunters filled their tags in just two days and left with five small bucks and five does.

"We feel that these were put here by the creator, they are here for us to share," Southern Ute Chairman Clement Frost said. "We are fortunate to have all those animals: buffalo, elk, deer and the eagles that watch over us."

I think that these hunts are fairly unique in Indian Country. There may be examples of other tribes offering such hunts, but I'm not aware of it happening. For many years the leadership of the South-



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

A mule deer takes shelter amongst the red willow. Deer populations are prevalent on the Southern Ute Reservation and make it possible for the Tribe to share these animals with other tribes for cultural purposes.

ern Ute Tribe has recognized the importance of sharing the abundant game resources on the reservation with other Native people, said Southern Ute Wildlife Biologist, Aran Johnson. "In the big picture of what's available for mule deer on the Southern Ute Reservation, these are small requests. The tribes that are requesting have legitimate need for these animals and the approval of these hunts by Southern Ute leadership means a great deal to them," he said.

Government-to-government request are made by other tribes to Southern Ute leadership to harvest animals, typically mule deer. The request is forwarded from Southern Ute leadership to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division, which they present to the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The Board discusses things like hunt dates, hunt area, as well as antler point restrictions for buck deer. Typically, there is a three

point per side antler point restriction, this excludes eye guards on the antler. Both either-sex and female only tags are issued for the cultural hunts. An either sex tag gives the hunters the option of harvesting a doe if they are having trouble finding a buck that satisfies the antler point restriction. Division of Wildlife brings the Board's recommendations to Tribal Council for their consideration and approval. Requests from other tribes must be received no later than July, 1.

The visiting members of the Laguna Pueblo presented the Southern Ute Tribal Council with an offering of traditional oven bread, boxes of food and other staples in recognition of the Tribe's generosity and continued support for the cultural hunts.

"It's an honor to see you here again, stay safe and enjoy our beautiful land," Councilwoman Amy Barry said.



# 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

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

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# Rolling Thunder Lanes

## National Native American Heritage Bowling

### SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER

#### 5, 12, 19 & 26

#### 11AM-5PM

All Native Americans with tribal ID will receive two FREE games of bowling, FREE shoe rental and one game of mini golf, weather permitting.

The activity is on these days and times only, no coupons or "rain checks" are available. Visit bowling center or call 970.563.1707 for details.





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# 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

Grand Prize: Cow Elk Tag

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





EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS



READY FOR DUTY AT A MOMENT’S NOTICE

Hello Tribal Members and local public. As not only a Southern Ute Police Officer, but also a Southern Ute Tribal Member, I wanted to give some insight into the benefits of SUPD Officers being able to respond to calls as quick as possible. Whether officers are off duty and get called in to help with a major call, or we are leaving our homes to report for regular duty, we are capable of responding to calls immediately without having to come to the office first because we are outfitted with the necessary equipment. I have chosen a few, important, incidents to tell you about. Hopefully they will demonstrate the importance of being able to quickly respond and how it can save lives and property.

One day as I was getting ready to call on duty and leave my residence in my patrol vehicle, Southern Ute Dispatch reported that a home near my residence was actively being broken into by a man with a baseball bat and the home owners were inside the residence. I was able to call on duty from my residence, respond immediately, find the perpetrator and make an arrest. All this was done approximately 10 minutes before the units who were already on duty were able to respond to the call to assist.

An SUPD Officer was on his way to work in the middle of a snowstorm when dispatch aired that a hit and run involving a pedestrian had occurred. Miles away from

the scene of the crash, the officer spotted a suspicious vehicle off the roadway. He pulled his SUPD vehicle in behind the car and observed that the vehicle had collision damage and the description matched the wanted vehicle. He was able to arrest the driver and prevent him from making it further away from the scene.

There have also been multiple times where in a moment’s notice, more than half of the police force was called in to help with a major call. Being able to respond in an assigned police unit without first coming to the office and trying to find an available pool unit played a huge role in being able to effectively handle the call at hand and prevented unnecessary delays in response time.

These incidents have one mutual benefit to the Southern Ute Tribe and public; our uniforms, weapons and vehicles were prepared for use and were ready to go from the moment we walked out of the door. Our officers are ready to serve and protect the Southern Ute Tribe at a moment’s notice from the second we leave our families and start driving towards work. This high level of preparedness is demanded by our small department and it’s that kind of rapid response that benefits the people scattered across the vast reservation lands.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Tribal Member,  
Jesse Vigil

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In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,  
Case No.: 2017-NC-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 Matthews. 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 15, 2017 at 5 pm**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 16th day of November, 2017.

BY THE COURT, Kayla Wing, 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 15, 2017 at 5 pm**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 16th day of November, 2017.

BY THE COURT, Kayla Wing, 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 HEARING

In The Interest Of: Case No: 2017-CU-0103; Zayden Chavez AND ALSO CONCERNING: Ilene Chavez, Petitioner/Mother, Dovavon Silva, Respondent/Father.

The above mentioned parties are hereby notified that the above-entitled matter has been scheduled for a Custody hearing on the Petition for Custody concerning Zayden Chavez before the above named Court on January 8, 2018 at 4:00 PM.

Kara Cuthair, Southern Ute Tribal Court, November 13, 2017

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

Happy birthday Turkey Boy!

It was Thanksgiving eve, 9 years ago, a day we will never forget. Momma was flown to Albuquerque, and we followed. You were born on Thanksgiving day. We watched the game in the waiting room and had dinner at Denny’s. But more importantly, it was the day we were blessed with a son, and a grandson, and a soon to be big brother. Be happy and be a good boy!

Love you - Mommy and Papa,  
Keemz, Kee and Alli



STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by “The Star Lady”

♊ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SAGITTARIUS PEOPLE! December is a BIG month with a lot going on. VENUS enters your sign on the 1st, and MERCURY turns retrograde in your sign on the 2nd. But that’s not all. There’s a FULL MOON on the 3rd. The 7th is PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY. On the 13th, the GEMINIDS meteor showers might have you gazing up into the night sky. The NEW MOON in Sagittarius occurs on the 17th. SATURN finally leaves your sign on the 19th. Most importantly, have a lively and CHEERY CHRISTMAS DAY.

♋ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

The Solar System is buzzing with news regarding the giant ringed planet named SATURN. Yes CAPRICORN it’s all about your planetary ruler changing signs on the 19th. You have lived under SATURN’S rules since you were born. Put all that practical wisdom to good use. Show others how to help themselves. Teach them to rely on their self confidence. It’s one of the best gifts you can give. Be good to yourself as well, and maintain your health. CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS TO YOU.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

Like a beacon from a lighthouse, December’s planetary pattern hones in to your finances and you might see slowly developing improvements after the 21st. Pay attention to events on the 21st. The SUN connects with SATURN and sends out a signal to slow down a little. You might be over doing and packing your day with too many activities. The same conditions apply to the 25th. Unless you have a clone you can’t be in numerous places all at once. So make your decision ahead of time. MERRY CHRISTMAS.

♐ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

One of your best allies this December will be SATURN. The restrictive chains are lifted on the 19th, and you are free to explore more lucrative career opportunities. Take your time Little Fishes. No need to rush into anything. It may be best to wait until after the 22nd. Meanwhile the planetary forces are in your favor as MARS zips into like-minded SCORPIO on the 9th. Travel and education might appeal to you. A combination of both would be inspirational. You’re never too old to learn. HAVE FUN PISCES.

♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

Once again the gift giving season has arrived. This year the planetary pattern rules the season with a MERCURY retrograde period from the 2nd to the 22nd. You’ll have to be vigilant during this time. Check all of your plans thoroughly. Impulsive buys might turn out to be final with no return possible. Travel plans may have a tendency to become confusing or delayed. Be mindful and patient ARIES. You’ll be able to navigate the month successfully, Enjoy the season. HO HO HO. HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

The month of December begins with your sign ruler VENUS rotating it way into the Fire sign of Sagittarius on the 1st. It teams up with the SUN, MERCURY, and SATURN who are already there. This is the spending season, and we all want to be a good Santa to our loved ones. Your best bet is to stick to your budget. The planets may present you with practical financial inspiration. A NEW MOON on the 17th encourages fresh ideas, and a positive outlook for the holidays. BE CONTENTED TAURUS.

♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

The FULL MOON on the 3rd in your sign, puts the emphasis on relationships. THE SUN, MERCURY, VENUS, and SATURN currently occupy the partnership section and might make it easier to for you to heal old disagreements for the holidays. Remember this is the season of peace and good will. JUPITER’S constructive presence in the health and work area may present improved situations. Be open to fresh opportunities GEMINI. A cooperative attitude will work in your favor. Spread CHRISTMAS CHEER.

♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

The HUGE news is that SATURN spins its way into your opposite sign of CAPRICORN on the 19th. It will shift the focus. Listening to what your mate has to say is important. Base your partnership on mutual respect. This is a good month to initiate more productive, and caring, communications between the two of you. Because MERCURY will be in retrograde until the 22nd, your words may carry weight. Choose them wisely. It’s time to sip some eggnog. MERRY, MERRY.

♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

You are the party planner of the Zodiac and have a knack for creating entertaining events. This month the Fire signs of ARIES, LEO, and SAGITTARIUS are particularly favored. An abundance of celestial energy is releasing a lively quality into the fun section of your December Horoscope. Take full advantage Lions, use your vivid imagination, and resourcefulness. This is one of your favorite holidays, and there is no doubt you will want to put your best ideas into motion. Have a GREAT CHRISTMAS LIONS!

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

This CHRISTMAS forecast may sound like a rerun of last year. For starters, your planetary ruler MERCURY will be turning retrograde on the 2nd, and staying in that mode until the 22nd. It means making a list, and trying to stick to it. Be flexible VIRGO. A NEW MOON on the 17th might encourage more harmonious family discussions regarding past issues. A diplomatic aura settles in and makes it easier for you to express yourself. It’s time to heal old wounds. Spread CHRISTMAS JOY, and CHEERFULNESS.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

Hey LIBRA people the planets are promoting both domestic harmony, and warmer family relations this month. You might be shedding some of the edginess that has been with you since MARS entered your sign on October 14th. MARS is changing signs and will zip into SCORPIO on the 9th. You might be in a more generous mood this holiday season. Martian energy prevails, and finances may be stimulated after the 9th. VENUS shifts into a compatible mode from the 1st through the 25th, BE FESTIVE.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

Cheer up SCORPIO, you have JUPITER gracing your sign all month! Luck, love, and productive growth are indicated. The planets are promoting your special creative talents. MARS will zip into your sign on the 9th, and kicks up your energy level. It’s a great time to get things done. You have bragging rights this December. Finances may show some improvement, but a little practicality would come in handy as well. Scout for the best deals you can get. The stores will be having early sales. HAVE A FUN HOLIDAY!

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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
Tribal Deputy Coroner Vacancy

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council is seeking letters of interest for persons interested in the appointed positions of Tribal Deputy Coroner. Position compensated at a rate of \$100 per call-out. The Coroner budget is administered by the Southern Ute Police Department and is available for advanced training and needed equipment. Please submit letter of interest for the Deputy Coroner to the Department of Justice & Regulatory, P.O. Box 737 – MS#10, Ignacio, CO 81137 OR in person at the Justice & Regulatory Administration Building at 71 Mike Frost Way by January 2, 2018. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for their consideration. Qualifications: Must be at least twenty-one years of age; Must have law enforcement experience; Must be EMT certified or possess other similar medical training; Must have a valid Driver's License for State of residency; and Must maintain a telephone for emergency notification purposes.

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.

Southern Ute Shared Services • Job announcements

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

Network Supervisor – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 12/8/17  
Will lead a technical network team in day-to-day activities of the Southern Ute Shared Services (SUSS) to ensure effective and reliable design, implementation, and maintenance of networks and to meet user needs. The Network Supervisor performs telecommunication and data network configuration and supervises network architects, engineers and administrators; supervises the installation of new network equipment and upgrades of existing network equipment including routers, switches, firewalls and network cabling. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering or other relevant degree and five years experience in security and network engineering; OR, an Associate degree in Computer Science, Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering and seven years experience in security and network engineering; OR a high school diploma or equivalent with nine years experience in security and network engineering is required. Must have Cisco networking experience with Cisco firewalls, network routers and network switches. Must have knowledge of network routing and security protocols and implementations: TCP/IP, SSL, IP-SEC VPN, SSL VPN, VLANs and BGP is required. Must have experience with network design, security and architecture. Must have Solarwinds or similar network monitoring tool design and implementation experience. Must have Citrix configuration experience or Cisco VPN configuration and support experience. Must have knowledge of Operating Systems such as Linux, Windows 7, or Windows 10. Must have knowledge and experience in client configurations in a Local Area network environment. Must possess strong troubleshooting skills and ability to work independently. Must be customer service oriented. Must have a willingness to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a positive and productive team oriented environment. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the SUSS vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

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](mailto:bleclaire@southernute-nsn.gov)

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)

LAND ASSIGNMENT CODE • FROM PAGE 1

homesite assignment. The code expressly delegates authority to the Department of Natural Resources to implement, administer and enforce the code subject to a right to appeal any department decision to the Tribal Council. Tribal members are given the option to name a beneficiary for an agricultural assignment with no minimum age designation and “contingent beneficiaries” are allowed. For homesite assignments, the beneficiary is the person who is the lawful owner of the former assignee’s house on the assignment. The new code has been forwarded to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for review and approval. Additional information regarding the implementation will be forthcoming and available via the tribal member website and other media. If you do not have access to a computer and have questions or concerns, please contact the Department of Natural Resources at 970-563-0126.

NOTICE from: Southern Ute Utilities Administration

The following is Transit Waste’s Holiday schedule for trash pickup

Thanksgiving Week

We will have no drivers on route Thanksgiving day (Thursday, Nov. 23). Any route that was to be picked up on Thursday will be picked up on Friday. Anything scheduled for pick up on Friday will be picked up on Saturday!

Christmas Week

We will have no drivers on route on Christmas Day (Monday, Dec. 25). That entire week will be pushed back one day for their routes.

- Monday pickups will be Tuesday.
- Tuesday pickups will be Wednesday.
- Wednesday pickups will be Thursday.

- Thursday pickups will be Friday.
- Friday pickups will be Saturday.

New Year’s Week

New to us this year, we also will not have drivers on route on New Year’s Day (Monday, Jan. 1, 2018). That entire week will be pushed back on day for those routes as well.

- Monday pickups will be Tuesday.
- Tuesday pickups will be Wednesday.
- Wednesday pickups will be Thursday.
- Thursday pickups will be Friday.
- Friday pickups will be Saturday.

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

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
Boards And Committees Vacancies

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.





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

Community Center Director

Closing date 11/27/17  
Day-to-day operation of the Sun Ute Community Center. Will use all of the resources of the Community Center and Multi-Purpose Facility to promote individual as well as Tribal awareness and pride. Provides coordination of resources between the Tribal Membership, Community Center, Tribal Organizations, local schools, and community members. Pay grade 24; \$78,315/annually.

Construction Services Repairman

Closing date 11/22/17  
Assists in home repair to Tribal Home Rehab Programs, Elders Maintenance Program, Tribal Member and Elderly/Handicapped Emergency Repair, and Tribal Rental Units. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

Detention Officer

Closing date 11/29/17  
Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Legal Service Director

Closing date 12/18/17  
Legal Dept. represents, advises, and supports the Tribe, at the direction of the Tribal Council. Advising both the Permanent Fund and Casino and may on occasion and subject to direction from the Tribal Council, work with the Tribe's Growth Fund and its legal representation as well. Providing such representation, advice, and support while also supervising and leading the Legal Dept. to support the needs of the Tribe.

Medical Assistant

Closing date 11/30/17  
Providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Museum Business Manager/Events Coordinator

Closing date 11/29/17  
Coordination, promotion and set up for public programs including, but not limited to, receptions, programs, exhibit openings, meetings and conferences. Secretarial and administrative support of the day to day management of the museum. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Plumbing Maintenance Technician

Closing date 11/22/17  
Installation, repair and maintenance of mechanical and plumbing equipment to include gas, water and sewer, piping and fixtures. Must be capable of both small and large-scale work and have the dexterity to maneuver in small spaces.

Alcohol Counselor

Open until filled  
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. Position is contingent on grant funds being available. Pay grade 19; \$44,347/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.

Home Health Care Aide

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

Human Resources Director

Open until filled  
Under general direction of the Executive Officer, Management of the Human Resources (HR) Dept., Employee Benefits Div., Health and Safety Management Div. within the Tribal organization. Planning activities, overseeing direction of the HR Dept. and establishing an internal evaluation process for the dept. Oversees the operational, administrative and strategic management of HR programs, policies, procedures. Ensures recruitment, employment; compensation, benefits; automated, manual record-keeping systems; employee training; employee relations; policy formulation and implementation; performance development and evaluation programs are maintained in accordance with established tribal and federal laws, regulations, policies, and procedures. Day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors.

Physical Therapist

Open until filled  
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.

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.

Assistant Controller – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 11/28/17  
Assisting the Red Willow Production Company (RWPC) Controller as directed in managing all accounting functions, to include establishing and maintaining Red Willow's accounting principles, practices, and procedures; managing monthly accounting tasks including AR, AP, general ledger management, and generation of financial statements; bank reconciliations and cash management; calculation and payment of taxes; establishing and maintaining credit records; assisting in the preparation and reconciliation of annual financial statements, and reporting as required. Supervises the joint interest billing function in the accounting department.

Energy Land Manager – GF Department of Energy (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 11/28/17  
Providing accurate and current land information and analysis for all aspects of Southern Ute Growth Fund Energy operations. Provides administrative and supervisory oversight for land staff within the Department of Energy. Coordinates with Manager of Energy Department and E&P Manager new and/or updated energy projects within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

Accounting Technician – Red Cedar Gathering (Durango, CO)

Closing date 11/28/17  
Provides accounting and administrative support to Red Cedar Gathering's purchasing, engineering and operations groups. Manages payroll process, interfacing with Southern Ute Indian Tribe payroll department to ensure accurate, timely delivery of time records. Presents a positive and professional image to internal customers and vendors.

Instrument and Controls Technician – Red Cedar Gathering (Durango, CO)

Closing date 11/28/17

Responsible for all instrumentation, controls, PLC maintenance, calibrations, and repairs at all Red Cedar Plant and Field Compression facilities, including amine plant equipment, engine/compressor, generators, and dehydration controls equipment. Performs work related to the repair and ongoing maintenance of equipment.

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

Closing date 12/1/17  
Trainee 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. Communicate with supervisor any needs or deficiencies observed while participating in the Trainee Program.

Geographic Information Systems Specialist – Dept. of Energy (Ignacio, CO)

Closing date 12/1/17  
Develops and maintains a GIS-based information systems for projects of the Energy Department within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe; analyzes ESRI and Tobin products; manages the deployment of ESRI and Tobin software.

Director of Business Development and Optimization – Red Cedar Gathering Co. (Durango, CO)

Closing date 12/8/17  
Providing technical and strategic leadership and management related to planning, design, and construction of new facilities and the optimization of existing Company facilities for the gathering, treating, and processing of natural gas. Works closely with EHS, Commercial, Engineering and Operations staff to ensure development of new and optimization of existing facilities are safe, efficient, reliable, and in regulatory compliance. Works closely with the Commercial and Operations staff to identify, evaluate, and negotiate new business opportunities. Assists with other leadership team duties and projects as required.

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.

Barista–Willows (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Greet and provides exceptional guest service to all guests. Preparing specialty coffee drinks, beverages and menu service in a Bistro and coffee operation. Accountable for accurately totaling food and beverage purchases, collecting payment and making change while ensuring that each guest receives superior guest service. Must have High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 18 years old. Previous coffee Barista experience required. Must have at least 6 months experience in the food service industry or related experience. Must have a point-of-sale cash register experience.

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

Open until filled  
Prepares 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 mathematic skills.

\*Chief Financial Officer (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Under the supervision and direction of the General Manager, the CFO/Controller is responsible for setting financial policy and direction for the organization to ensure efficient control of financial resources and maximization of profits. The CFO/Controller is responsible for overall financial and accounting functions, as well as monthly and quarterly profit and loss reporting to the Tribal Council. Additionally, the CFO has director level responsibility over the Cage, Count and Purchasing departments. The CFO/Controller manages the financial recording and reporting process to ensure accurate, timely and objective financial data from which informed management decisions can be made. The CFO/Controller will develop and maintain internal controls to safeguard assets and ensure compliance with established laws, regulations, policies, procedures, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Governmental Accounting Standards. The CFO/Controller assists the General Manager in directing and coordinating the business activities of the Sky Ute Casino Resort to maintain maximum operating efficiency, profitability and organizational growth opportunities and making recommendations as appropriate. The CFO will analyze potential expansion of business on growth opportunities for financial viability. Must have a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and/or Business Administration or closely related field, AND 5 years of Senior level Gaming Financial Accounting experience. Certified Public Accountant required. Controllershship experience in a tribal gaming environment highly desirable. Must have at least 3 years supervisory experience in an Accounting and/or Finance position. Must be able to demonstrate success in managing finance, accounting, budgeting, control and reporting. This should include experience with the day to day financial operations of an organization of at least 50 staff persons. Must have experience and skills in the use of software programs such as the current version of MS Office and automated accounting and reporting systems. Oracle PeopleSoft experience preferred. Must have knowledge of advanced accounting principles and procedures. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must possess strong verbal and written communication skills, excellent organizational and management skills and the ability to excel in handling details, multi-tasking and working under pressure. Must have knowledge of the Federal & State Payroll and Tax Regulations. Must be knowledgeable in the U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Financial Accounting Standards Board regulations (FASB) and Governmental Accounting Standards Board regulations (GASB). Must have knowledge of Casino operations and regulatory requirements, i.e., Tribal, State, Federal Minimum Internal Controls (MICs) and Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA).

\*Count Team Manager (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Day-to-day operation and direct supervision of all activities within the Count Department. The Count Team Manager ensures compliance with

the Casino's policies & procedures and applicable Gaming regulations. Maintains a high standard of guest service within the Count Department and actively promotes positive customer and employee relations by ensuring that excellent customer service is continually provided. Reports to the Chief Financial Officer. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have at least 4 years of experience in a highly regulated business environment. Must have at least 3 years of experience in a Management position. Count team experience is preferred.

Event Staff–Banquet (On-call)

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

\*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. The position requires one to be an excellent team player and trust worthy. HS 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)

Closing date: 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.

Room Attendant–Hotel (Full-time)

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

\*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. They are the first identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. They must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. Must have a High School Diploma/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.*

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.



# Ignacio School District honors veterans



Ignacio Boy Scouts Troop #813, who carried in the American flag stand with Southern Ute veteran, Raymond Baker, who carried in the Southern Ute flag.



The Ignacio High School choir sing “God Bless America” as photos of community veterans were displayed in the background, closing out the Veterans Program.



Lincoln DeKay, Micah Chee, Evan Ray and Cyrus Cosio lead the the Pledge of Allegiance.



The Ignacio Elementary choir line up prior to reciting the National Anthem with the Ignacio Boys and Girls Scouts.



The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council: Elijah Weaver, Devondra Garcia, Lexi Young, Allisianna Baker, and Christina Herrera, presented guest speaker, Bob McPherson with a Pendleton blanket.

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

## HCCA host Veterans breakfast



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

J. Paul Brown (left) member of the Colorado House of Representatives, was joined by community members in the chow line, served by the Hope Community Christian Academy (HCCA). The meal was donated by Farmer's Fresh Market, and the coffee provided by Starbucks. Family members and HCCA staff provided fresh fruit and baked goods.



Silver SPRUCE Academy students held a flag raising ceremony after the Veterans breakfast. The students lowered the American flag and raised a new flag donated by Phil Abbot, to be flown in front of the ELHI Building.

An Honor Wall dedication took place after performances by the Hope Community Christian Academy students. The wall was created by Phil Abbot. He used items including, uniforms that were donated by veterans, plaques made by the Bayfield High School woodshop class, and portions of the Veterans 2014 Calendar designed by the Southern Ute Drum.

# Veterans take to the streets in remembrance



courtesy Eddie Box Jr.

Southern Ute Navy veteran, Raymond Baker brings in the Southern Ute Flag as part of the Color Guard.



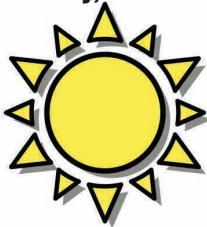
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WWII veteran Fran Pearlmutter, served as a Code Breaker during the war. Originally from Brookline, MA, Pearlmutter now lives in Durango, Colo. with her family.

## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

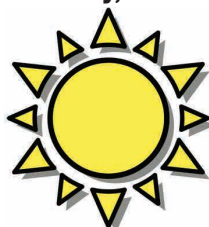
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Friday, Nov. 24



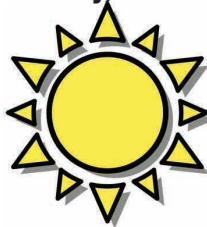
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Saturday, Nov. 25



62°F sunny

Sunday, Nov. 26



63°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).



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Harleys, adorned with American flags, fill Main St. with the sound of engines.