



BGC announce winners of elk raffle

PAGE 2



Singing and prayers for 2018

PAGE 3

PRSRT STD
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
Ignacio, CO 81137
Permit No. 1

January 5, 2018
Vol. L, No. 1

Official newspaper of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
For subscription or advertising information, call 970-563-0118
\$29 one year • \$49 two year

The Southern Ute Drum

FREE

INSIDE THIS ISSUE	
Culture	3
Health	4
Education	5
Sports	8
Voices	9
Classifieds	11

The Southern Ute Drum presents: Tops in 2017

TRIBE ELECTS CHAIRWOMAN



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

UTE MUSEUM OPENS IN MONTROSE



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

2017 NAIG IN TORONTO



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

COUNCIL TREE COMES DOWN



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

As we say farewell to 2017, and usher in the New Year, The Southern Ute Drum takes a moment to reflect on some of the top news stories, and news trends of the past twelve months. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe elected new leadership, announcing Christine Sage as their new Chairman. The empowerment of youth, sustainable energy, and the preservation of culture remain high priorities for the sovereign nation. To see a full list of the year's top news trends, turn to the page 6.

MUSEUM

‘The Point Man’ debuts at Southern Ute museum

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A small ornate statue of a Vietnam soldier now greets visitors as they enter the Southern Ute Museum’s ‘Welcome Gallery’. The bronze statuette was expertly crafted by local artist Orland Joe, and branded as ‘The Point Man.’

“In Vietnam, the point man was at the head of the platoon, as the soldiers moved through the jungle. His job was to look out for the enemy, and any possible dangers ahead,” Southern Ute Vietnam Veteran Rod Grove said.

During a Veteran’s Conference in Denver, about eight years ago, Grove heard Stephen D. Bowers, liaison for the Seminole Tribe of Florida; talk about ‘The Three Soldiers’ statue in Washington D.C. and how the American Indian was not represented. He was asking for support, in an effort to add an American Indian to



courtesy Jeremy Wade Shockley

‘The Point Man’ statuette is now on display in the Southern Ute Museum’s Welcome Gallery for all to see. The expertly detailed statue of a Native American soldier in Vietnam, was created by renowned Native American artist, Orland C. Joe, as a commissioned project by the Southern Ute Veteran’s Association.

Point Man page 3

Call for design submissions for Native American Veterans Memorial

NMAI will begin accepting entries Veterans Day

Staff report
THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Few people know that Native Americans serve the U.S. armed forces at higher rates per capita than any other ethnic group and have served since the American Revolution. That is about to change. On Veterans

Day, Saturday, Nov. 11, the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) will begin accepting entries for designs for a National Native American Veterans Memorial on the National Mall. The international competition is open to all; architects, artists, designers, students

and anyone else who wants to submit a design. Entries will be accepted until 3 p.m. EST Jan. 9, 2018.

Congress commissioned the National Museum of the American Indian in 2012 to honor Native American servicemen and women with a

Call for design page 3

BOXING

Ring in 2018 like a champ

By Maria Rivera
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

In 2016 Anthony and Maria Archuleta decided to take the leap of faith and follow their dreams of having a family owned boxing gym. They named their business The Ring of Champions (ROC). The gym sits in the heart of Ignacio and has been in operation since May 2016. It is the only boxing gym within La Plata County.

Archuleta has always had a love and passion for boxing. He boxed at a young age with George Manzanarez’s Boxing Gym, “If it wasn’t for George bringing boxing to Ignacio, I don’t think I would be doing this, I also had some great role models in my father, Elco Garcia and my older brother,” Archuleta said.

Boxing page 4



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The Ring of Champions Boxing Gym owner, Anthony Archuleta coaches Andreas Richards through a footwork drill during their warm-up, Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Toy Drive gives to Ignacio



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Santa and SUPD Community Resource Officer, Don Folsom walk down Piedra Ave. followed by the Los Pinos Fire Engine and Southern Ute Police Dept. ready to bring cheer and good wishes to all the boys and girls during the toy drive on Friday, Dec. 22.

BGC raffle a success



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe announced their annual raffle winners on Friday, Dec. 29 at the SunUte Community Center. The club raised \$3,100 for future club related activities through the annual elk tag drawing. BGC Behavioral Coordinator, Cassandra Sanchez and Board President, Jeff Ward called upon BGC members to pull names for the drawing, which awarded participants with two opportunities to win elk hunt tags, along with other prizes.

2017 Southern Ute Elk Hunt Raffle Winners

- **Grand prize** **Jim Carpenter** (Cow Elk Tag)
- **Grand prize** **Darian Price** (Cow Elk Tag)
- **First prize** **Damion Barela** (Two-Night Stay at Sky Ute Casino Resort)
- **Second prize** **Michael Rowe** (28-piece Premium Camping Set)
- **Third prize** **Nolton Tsinnijinnie** (Dinner for two at Seven Rivers Steakhouse)
- **Fourth prize** **Adam Gurule** (Custom Benchmade Knife)

Thank you to the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife, Tyson Thompson, Sky Ute Casino Resort, and everyone who purchased a raffle ticket. Thank you for supporting the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe!

2018 Southern Ute Drum Deadlines

Deadline Dates	Publication Dates	Federally Recognized Holidays/Tribal Holidays	Southern Ute Indian Tribe Administration Office Closures
Dec. 29	Jan. 5	New Years Day (1/1)	SU Tribal offices closed (1/1)
Jan. 12	Jan. 19	Martin Luther King Day (1/15)	SU Tribal offices closed (1/15)
Jan. 29	Feb. 2	Valentine's Day (2/14)	
Feb. 12	Feb. 16	President's Day (2/19)	SU Tribal offices closed (2/19)
Feb. 26	Mar. 2		
Mar. 12	Mar. 16		
Mar. 26	Mar. 30	Easter (4/1)	
Apr. 9	Apr. 13		
Apr. 23	Apr. 27		
May 7	May 11	Mother's Day (5/13)	
May 21	May 25	Memorial Day (5/28)	SU Tribal offices closed (5/28)
Jun. 4	Jun. 8	Father's Day (6/17)	
Jun. 18	Jun. 22		
Jun. 29 *	Jul. 6	Independence Day (7/4)	SU Tribal offices closed (7/4)
Jul. 13	Jul. 20		
Jul. 30	Aug. 3		
Aug. 13	Aug. 17		
Aug. 27	Aug. 31	Labor Day (9/3)	SU Tribal offices closed (9/3)
Sep. 10	Sep. 14		
Sep. 24	Sep. 28		
Oct. 8	Oct. 12	Cultural Diversity Day (10/9)	
Oct. 22	Oct. 26	Halloween (10/31)	
Nov. 5	Nov. 9	Veterans Day (11/11)	SU Tribal offices closed (11/12)
Nov. 15 *	Nov. 21	Thanksgiving (11/22)	SU Tribal offices closed (11/22-23)
Dec. 3	Dec. 7	Leonard C. Burch Day (12/10)	SU Tribal offices closed (12/10)
Dec. 17	Dec. 21	Christmas (12/25)	SU Tribal offices closed (12/24-25)
Dec. 27	Jan. 4, 2018	New Year's Day (1/1/18)	SU Tribal offices closed (12/31-1/1)

*denotes early deadline

All content, including classified ads, RFP/RFB notices, job announcements, display ads, letters, stories and articles, photos, press releases, birthdays, greetings and holiday wishes – **submitted for publication AFTER DEADLINE will be considered for the following issue.** Requests for design work must be submitted by 5 p.m. on the above posted deadline dates. The Southern Ute Drum reserves the right to edit all materials for spelling, grammar, clarity and libel.

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Phone: 970-563-0118 • Fax: 970-563-0391 • Web: www.sudrum.com
Email: sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov • Mail: PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137
Physical address: 356 Ouray Dr., Ignacio, CO (Leonard C. Burch Building, 2nd floor)

Southern Ute Tribal Office Closures

Monday, Jan. 15 • Martin Luther King Day
Monday, Feb. • 12 President's Day

Many Moons Ago



Amy Barry/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Lisa Burch, Wellness Specialist for the SMDP, provides a massage to Phyllis Escalante, while Andrew Frost, Yvonne Phillips and Anthony Mattox watch and ask questions during the massage demonstration.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 4, 2008, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

20 years ago

These folks were caught in the act of spreading Christmas Spirit at the Tribal Christmas Dinner. Front row: Ramona Silva, Fidelia Silva, Vida Peabody, Sarah Baker and Anthony Porambo. Back row: Connie Baker, Louise Wilsona and Leanne Baker.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 2, 1998, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

A hero in disguised as Randy Litz came to the rescue of the Language and Culture Committee. Randy picked up a snack before he could speak his language.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 9, 1988, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Learn to Plan and Cut your Lone Star Quilt & Basic Sewing Skills Class



Multi-Purpose Facility

Sewing Room

January 11, 2018

10:00 AM — 4:00 PM

Sign-up @970-563-4784

Class is Limited to 8

This class prepares you for up-coming classes, including Lone Star Quilt Classes beginning Jan 12, 2018.

Look for other skills building sewing classes— in February—Sewing with a Serger. Use these skills to make your ribbon shirt and dresses, for a professional finish.

Lone Star Quilt Classes
January 12, 2018
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Multi-Purpose Facility

This is an Intermediate class—you must know how to cut with a rotary cutter and sew using a 1/4" seam, this is the 1st of 5 classes.

Get caught up—attend the January 11, (pre-requisite class).

Class is limited to 8 students, you will make a queen size quilt, supply list available when you sign up.

Call to sign-up: 970-563-4784

Loopy Scarf Crochet Class



Sunday January 21, 2018

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Multi-Purpose Facility

Open to the public

You will need:

- 8 oz. worsted weight yarn
 - Size H (5 mm) crochet hook, or size needed for gauge
 - Safety pin
- Yarn needle or large-eyed tapestry needle

Instructor: Kathi Gurule

To sign up or for more information call 563-4784



POINT MAN ON DISPLAY • FROM PAGE 1

the memorial.

Unfortunately, the National Mall has closed the door on the addition of any further monuments, according to Grove. Never-the-less, Grove continued to pursue the idea of creating a concept for a statue that would represent the American Indian. “I contacted Orland Joe, who liked the idea and followed through with a concept and design, with the approval of the Southern Ute Veterans Association,” Grove said.

The statue is now on display, honoring the Native American soldier and the sacrifices that so many individuals made during the Vietnam War.

“It is the first thing that visitors will see,” Southern Ute Museum Exhibits Preparator Jed Smith said. “It will also flow into the Veteran’s Exhibit, like a teaser. ‘The Point Man’ sparks an interest in the larger exhibit.”

Smith also remarked on the hard work that went into creating a proper display for the bronze statuette.

“Hats off to Building Maintenance and the team, it took a lot to make this happen,” Smith said. “From lighting, to constructing the platform, it takes a big team. That’s what makes the exhibit successful.”

The State of New Mexico



courtesy Jeremy Wade Shockley

The small bronze statue is full of intricate details, representing features specific to Native American culture, such as an emblazoned leather knife sheath, an eagle feather, and pendent.

is in the process of creating a monument for veterans and is seeking a Native American statue for the proposed memorial according to Grove, who would like to see this concept reach its full potential.

“It is my hope, and that of the Southern Ute Veterans Association, that ‘The Point Man’ statue will be realized in recognition of all the Native Americans who have served this country in times of war,” Grove said.

CALL FOR DESIGNS • FROM PAGE 1

prominent memorial on the grounds of the museum located on the National Mall, a place that draws nearly 24 million visitors annually to the nation’s capital. Since then, the museum has been working with Native American veterans, tribal leaders, historians and cultural experts to consult on the needs that the memorial should express.

In 2015, the museum established an advisory committee composed of Native American leaders and veterans. Co-chaired by former Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (Northern Cheyenne) and Chickasaw Nation Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel, the museum began consulting American Indian Nations across the country to gather input and support. Campbell, a Korean War veteran, is one of the few Native Americans to serve in the U.S. Congress.

“This is a tremendously important effort to recognize Native Americans’ service to this nation,” Campbell said. “Like so many others, I was compelled to serve to honor the warrior tradition that is inherent to most Native American societies—the pillars of strength, honor, pride, devotion and wisdom.”

In 2017, the museum selected a blue-ribbon jury of Native and non-Native artists, designers, schol-

ars, veterans and others to conduct a two-stage design competition for the memorial. During the first phase, the jury will meet in session and select up to five finalists. The finalists will be announced Jan. 25, 2018, and advance to the second stage of the design competition.

The memorial is scheduled to open Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2020. The museum’s exhibition, Patriot Nations: Native Americans in Our Nation’s Armed Forces, will continue to travel around the country through the 2020 dedication.

This project is made possible by the support of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; Bank of America; Northrop Grumman; the Citizen Potawatomi Na-

tion; the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians; Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker LLP; General Motors; Lee Ann and Marshall Hunt; the Shakopee Midewakanton Sioux Community; and the Sullivan Insurance Agency of Oklahoma.

The National Museum of the American Indian is committed to advancing knowledge and understanding of the Native cultures of the Western Hemisphere—past, present and future—through partnership with Native people and others. National Mall at Fourth Street and Independence Avenue S.W.; Open every day from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (closed Dec. 25); Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and AmericanIndian.si.edu.

The jury members are

- Larry Ulaaq Ahvakana (Inupiaq), artist, Ahvakana Fine Art
- Stephanie Birdwell (Cherokee), director, Veterans Affairs, Office of Tribal Government Relations
- Johnnetta Betsch Cole, director emerita, Smithsonian’s National Museum of African Art
- Edwin Fountain, general counsel, American Battle Monuments Commission
- Mark Kawika McKeague (Native Hawaiian), director of cultural planning, Group 70 International Inc.
- Brian McCormack (Nez Perce), principal landscape architect, McCormack Landscape Architecture
- Lillian Pitt (Wasco/Yakima/Warm Springs), artist
- Herman Viola, curator emeritus, Smithsonian
- Kevin Gover (Pawnee), alternate juror, director of the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian

Singing into 2018



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility was filled with singing and drumming, as people gathered to bring in 2018 in a good way. The annual New Year’s Eve gathering brought together many for feasting, songs and prayers on Sunday, Dec. 31. The annual event was organized by Neida Chackee and family members. The potluck dinner was provided by family and community members.



Young guns, Hunter Frost and Cesar Corona sing in the New Year’s Eve drum circle. The younger generation continue to sing the songs of our ancestors.

Southern Ute elder Elwood Kent (second from left) led the singers in songs, as they brought in the New Year.

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



January SIP CHAT & CHEW
Elder Pot Luck

Friday January 19, 2018
11:30AM - 2:30 PM
Multi-Purpose Facility

We provide the main dish,
you bring your favorite side dish, or dessert.

Attention Southern Ute, Northern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute Elders and guests!
Come and share a meal and good company with your friends and neighbors, at the
Multi-Purpose Facility, at 256 Ute Road in Ignacio CO.
For more information call: 970-563-4784

TRIBAL HEALTH

They’re holding my medicine hostage!

By Paige Kapp, SU HEALTH CENTER

Why is it that my doctor always says I need to get bloodwork? If I just saw the doctor for an earache last week, why do I need to make another appointment? I feel fine, so why do I have to see my doctor so often? Why can’t I pick up my prescription?

These are common questions in any medical facility. There are many answers for many different situations, so I’ll break these questions down one-by-one.

1)Why is it that my doctor always says I need to get bloodwork?

Bloodwork, or laboratory tests are a way for your doctor or medical provider to check on the things we can’t see, feel, or hear with a physical examination. There are many tests that can be run for many different illnesses, life stages, and health states. The most common tests are chemistry or metabolic panels, which look at liver and kidney function, and electrolyte balance in the body; complete blood count, which tests for infection, anemia, and certain types of cancer; and lipid panel, which is an evaluation of blood fat and cholesterol and can be used to determine heart risk. Other common tests look at thyroid function, vitamin D level, and urine protein. These can be used to adjust medications, and screen for potential underlying health problems.

2)If I just saw the doctor for an earache last week, why do I need to make another appointment?

Our healthcare providers do their best to care for the whole patient at every visit. While cold, flu, and other infections make us feel “sick”, there are many other things that your medical provider wants to evaluate, and it is best to have a good look when you are well. There are many times that more information is needed, like lab work or other tests, or the provider needs more time to do a more complete evaluation, and give the patient all of the attention needed to address any concerns.

3)I feel fine, so why do I have to see my doctor so often?

Sometimes a follow-up appointment is needed to be sure that an illness is improving. Other times, your medical provider wants to make sure that your health is stable or improving, especially after a medication change. We know that the earlier we take care of new problems, the easier they are to get under control. It is also a good way for you and your medical provider to get to know one another better, and develop a good working relationship.

4)Why can’t I pick up my prescription?

All medications, including herbs and supplements, come with the potential for side effects and toxicity. While your healthcare team, including your pharmacist, does their best to provide the safest and most effective medication for your needs, sometimes a physical exam, lab work, or even an eye exam, are recommended to be sure that any problems are caught early. Some medications are only used for a short period of time, and refills are not necessary. All prescriptions expire a year from when they were written, so a visit to your provider for a new prescription may be needed.

The new year is a great time to take a closer look at your health. Call the Southern Ute Health Center at 970-563-4581, make an appointment to get to know your healthcare team, or to catch up on that wellness visit.

2018, LIKE A CHAMP • FROM PAGE 1

“I opened the doors for the kids, I don’t do it for the money, because let’s face it, we aren’t going to get rich.” The main focus is to give the community an outlet and another option to get into shape. ROC is all about family and community, they wouldn’t be in business if it wasn’t for all the positive support they have received. There were times where he has housed boxers who had nowhere to go, he is passionate about helping people succeed not only in boxing, but in life as well. “When people think about Ignacio they think about all the bad things around here, I hope that we can slowly change that,” he said.

In boxing, winning and losing aren’t everything; every day you learn something. The sport builds confidence to motivate individuals to work hard in and out of the gym. Strict rules run the gym because the primary focus is the youth and bringing them into a positive environment to succeed in school, boxing and life. Archuleta’s biggest rule is to be respectful and no bullying in or out of the gym. The Archuletas’ are working with the school counselors and probations officers to give those with troubles an outlet that also teaches self-discipline. The program will include a six to eight week evaluation to develop a plan on why, when and how to not get in trouble. “It’s dangerous, they have to have the right mentality. We don’t want them to start fights, it’s a violent sport, but it can bring out a certain element in each individual. Everyone deserves a second chance, a person must be able to discipline themselves before you can be disciplined by someone else,” Archuleta said. “I take a stand against bullying, it is never ok.”

Prior to the boxing gym, the corner location was an auto body shop. “In 2009-10 I tried to get this building, but Dub beat me to the punch and there were no other places in town that would offer the boxing environment that they need to put in work. We needed space for a cardio room, weight room and boxing area,” Archuleta said. Construction of the building started in 2015, the time and patience it took to get the building in legal working order was a long process. In order to open the doors to the public, the building had to be remodeled to fit the needs of patrons. Previously it was two separate buildings, now the building and gym are one fully functional boxing facility. ROC has everything a boxer needs in order to be successful in the sport. The



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Ignacio High School freshman Lawrence Toledo shows his power as he punches the heavy bag.

building is equipped with a boxing ring, heavy bags, speed bags, double ended bags, cardio equipment and a weight room. The gym offers boxing apparel as well as sporting goods for the community.

May 2016 the gym held tryouts and had 20 people attend, of the 20, eight are still with it. Now we have 18 members from ages ranging from 8 years old to their 30’s, athletes from Pagosa, Hesperus, Durango and a handful from Ignacio. “I wish more of the local families would take advantage of the gym. There is no favoritism here and there shouldn’t be in any sports. You do what you have to do or you don’t. Everyone who is a member gets one-on-one time from the coaches,” said Archuleta. “We have had coaches come in and out, but Ernie Trujillo has been my right-hand man and my better half. He is here for the kids and nothing more, I couldn’t have done all this without him.” ROC is currently looking for boxing coaches with a positive and supportive attitude.

When members start they cannot step foot in the ring or compete until they complete six to eight weeks of training to be disciplined, in shape and learn the fundamentals of boxing. You cannot learn how to box overnight, it takes years, and you must practice a minimum of three days a week. In order to turn pro you must have at least five to seven fights.


The gym has several payment options for the Amateur Boxing Training as well as Boxing Fitness and Self-Defense. The prices are very affordable and based on what you are will-

ing to commit to. You are paying about a little over a dollar a day for a month to have access to a full boxing gym, weight room, cardio and one-on-one coaching. If you are interested in training to become an amateur boxer, the coaching staff teaches you all aspects of the sport, provides room and board for travel, one-on-one training, access to the gym and a USA Boxing Membership. ROC has a program where they offer six to eight kids free training if they cannot afford it. All they have to do is write a two page essay to prove that they want it. “We try to help out as much as we can, but bills do need to be paid unfortunately, if not we would let all the kids join for free,” Archuleta said.

The amateur boxing training is for athletes looking to train to travel and compete in fights and eventually go pro. Boxing Fitness and Self Defense is a 30-40 min boxing exercise that gives you a full body workout out for people who need a good, quick fitness regime. It is a tough sport and in order to survive the whole fight you have to be in the best shape that you could possibly be. The doors are open for ages five and up and anyone interested in coaching (must pass background check). If you are interested call or stop by The Ring of Champions Boxing Gym and register you and/or your child for Amateur Boxing or Boxing Fitness and Self Defense. You must come with a positive and hardworking attitude from coaches to athletes, “It takes one bad player to ruin a team and one bad coach to ruin a player,” stressed Archuleta.

SunUte Community Center Pool

DIVE-IN-MOVIE



When: Friday January 19th
Time: 6pm-8pm
Where: Pool area
Cost: No additional cost
*Regular daily fee or membership required
RATED PG

For more information call:
Lisa Allen/ Aquatics Coordinator 970 563-0214

Southern Ute Health Center & Pharmacy

• New Hours •

Mon. – Thurs.:
7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Friday:
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sat. & Sun.:
Closed

The Southern Ute Health Center is closed at noon the first Thursday of every month.



Shining Mountain Health & Wellness

Breastfeeding Program

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

Shawmarie Tso, LPN, ALC

(970) 563-2163

smtso@southernute-nsn.gov

Tristian Benally, RN , CLC

(970) 563-2340

tbenally@southernute-nsn.gov

Lisa Smith, RDN

970-563-2344

Jane Henson, RN

970-563-0100

Happy New Year, 2018



When: January 10, 2018

Where: M-C building-lactation RM

From: noon — 1:00 pm

Please RSVP by January 09, 2018 Before 5 PM

lactation room remains open

Moache-Capote Building

116 Capote Drive

Ignacio, CO 81137

Renew your Membership



As of **Sunday December 31, 2017** all Boys & Girls Club memberships are expired. Boys & Girls Club annual membership will be due by **Friday January 12, 2018**. Starting January 12th any members with an expired membership will not be able to attend Club until memberships are renewed. You will receive all paperwork at the Boys & Girls Club office and pay at SunUte front desk. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Boys & Girls Club at (970) 563.4753.

Starting

Wednesday December 27th

Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

970.563.4753



FLY FISHING

2018, Bring it on

By Don Oliver
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Regardless which side of the political spectrum you were on, no one can say that 2017 wasn't a year for the record books. So, for 2018 I am going to ignore politics and concentrate on fly fishing. Having received my new analog calendar (the old-time paper kind), in my old-time mail box, I begin to fill in fishing dates using my old-time fountain pen. As you can see, I am getting old. But thanks to the modern miracle of orthopedic surgery, I will be using my fly rod, not just looking at it and remembering days gone-bye.

As I mentioned before, I plan on spending an inordinate amount of time, this year, fly fishing in-and-around Durango. However, there are some months around here when fly fishing is not much fun. Even though we have had unseasonably warm and dry conditions for the fall and early winter, it will change. We will get snow, ice, sleet, and cold weather. That's followed by mud season in the spring. So, what's one to do to feed the fly fishing addiction?

If you have one or two jobs and can't get out of town, there are some local options. Fly fish the Animas, until the weather gets too cold. Then move south to the San Juan River. I have had some epic dry fly days down there during the winter. Also, the Pine River, on the South-



ern Ute Reservation, is just south of Bayfield. It can be warmer there than here in Durango. If you have a boat or float tube, there are lakes in New Mexico that don't freeze over. So all is not lost in the immediate area.

For those that are retired, or happily unemployed, I have some other suggestions. If you have a passport, a winter trip to warm salt water in the Caribbean is always good. If you don't have a passport, but want a warm salt water fly experience, there is the Gulf of Mexico, a remarkable place to fly fish. That takes care of winter, but what about the aforementioned mud season? For those of you new to the Durango area, mud season is when there is little or no skiing, and the rivers are overflowing with mud from spring runoff. It starts in mid-March and goes through May. It is a real boring time of the year for fly fishermen. For those of you stuck here, for whatever reason, I suggest you tie flies and know this season will pass. For those

of us who have recently received a slight raise in Social Security, own a dog, a truck, a bass boat, and are married to the most wonderful woman in the world (aka she who must be obeyed), there is an alternative.

This mud season will find me and swambo in the Southeast. There, the dog and I will search out and cast to my favorite four letter warm water fish, "bass." We'll do that while swambo mingles in and amongst the Wild Bunch. I don't want to make those dealing with mud season jealous; I will also be doing some work. I will plan and write two columns about where I am and what fly or popper is working best. I will also refine my summer destinations of lakes and tail waters close to home. I also promise to tell you where they are, and how to get there.

Further, for 2018 I want the non-profits that use fly fishing in their mission to take me up on my offer to help them. I also am not letting any of the political news bother me. As old as I am, I know there is nothing I can do about any of those numb-nuts, from any party.

Speaking of age, as the big 7-0 approaches I plan on fly fishing every chance I get. That means I will be over-exposed to sun, wind, rain, sleet, hail, bad coffee, greasy breakfasts, good cigars, and single malt scotch. I will have that rugged "rode hard and put up wet" look.

This is going to be a great year.

SUCAP

Archuleta wins ABCD award

Staff report
SU COMMUNITY ACTION
PROGRAMS

Rosanna Archuleta, Head Cook for the Southern Ute Head Start program, has been awarded the ABCD award for service Above and Beyond the Call of Duty.

Archuleta was hired as Head Cook in August of 2017. She was immediately faced with having to provide breakfast, lunch and snacks for over 100 children every day with extremely limited staff resources. She worked extra hours to make sure that healthy nutritious food was available to the children during this time. Not long after this, she was required to oversee the move of the kitchen, equipment, food and staff and set up operations in a new kitchen at the Southern Ute Cultural Center.

Throughout this time, Archuleta has remained dedicated and willing to work as long as needed to assure that services to children did not suffer. Working with staff from the Southern Ute Museum and the Cultural Center, she has devel-



courtesy/SUCAP

Recipient of the ABCD (Above and Beyond the Call of Duty) Award Rosanna Archuleta, Head Cook for the Southern Ute Head Start program holds up her award alongside Eileen Wasserbach, executive director of Southern Ute Community Action Programs (SUCAP).

oped a system for delivering food to the classrooms that are operating at the Head Start site. She is focused on providing high quality food that tastes great.

Char Schank, Head Start Division Director, said, "Rosanna has proven to be a real team player who readily thinks and acts outside the box. Her positive attitude is contagious as well as her smile. She has acted selflessly and shown she has what it takes to lead the kitchen crew. We are lucky to have such a hard work-

er in this organization." The award was presented to Archuleta at the SUCAP Board of Directors meeting on Dec. 7, 2017.

Southern Ute Head Start is a division of Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. SUCAP honors employees who show exemplary dedication and commitment to the mission of the organization with the ABCD Award, which was initiated in 2016. For more information, please contact Eileen Wasserbach at 970-563-4517.

SUCAP

Donate your vehicle today

The most important miles are yet to come

Staff report
SU COMMUNITY ACTION
PROGRAMS

Vehicle owners can now turn their unwanted, but usable vehicles into valuable revenue for services. Vehicles can be donated at any time and the process is easy. The proceeds of each donation benefit Southern Ute Community Action Programs, an organization devoted to improving the lives of residents of Southwest Colorado since 1966.

SUCAP uses support from vehicle donations to benefit its diverse human services. Over 2,500 people

a year directly benefit from the programs offered by the six divisions including: early childhood education and family services, substance abuse treatment, employment training, nutrition and transportation for the elderly, public transportation, and youth development. For over 50 years, SUCAP has served the southwest corner of the state in a variety of ways; they hope to be "With YOU – Every Step of the Way."

The donation process is simple. Click on the donation button on the homepage of www.sucap.org. You will be directed to the Vehicles for Charity website, or you can

call their toll-free number. The vehicle is usually picked up in 3-5 days at the donor's convenience. Please provide a clean title and make sure the vehicle has no major damage. A receipt for the donation will be sent as a follow-up in the mail, which may be used to document a tax deduction.

Unwanted, but usable vehicles are accepted, including: cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, RVs and more. Clean up those older vehicles in your driveway and make an impact on the lives of your neighbors at the same time!

More information is available at www.sucap.org.

SunUte Recreation Presents:

ALBUQUERQUE COMIC CON

January 13th
One Day Field Trip
Ages: 13-18 Years Old
Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members

& 1st Descendants
As of January 2nd
Fee: \$30.00

The trip is a one day event. Kids attending will be taking part in the 2018 Albuquerque Comic Con! Costumes are optional but an imagination is a must!!! We will be leaving early in the morning (7am) and returning in the evening (7:30 pm). This is a wonderful chance to meet artists of your favorite comics, movies and TV shows. This is the biggest day of the event withLunch and dinner provided

First come, first serve. Seating is limited

Artists featured include: **DANNY TREJO**, **SEAN SCHENNEL**, **CHANDLER RICE**, and **STING**.

Tribal Energy Management Seminar Series San Juan College School of Energy

INFORMATION: Whether you are a tribal leader making decisions about energy resources, a government official building knowledge of tribal issues, or an industry representative working in Indian country, an exciting new seminar series at San Juan College School of Energy is designed to meet your needs. The Tribal Energy Management Seminar Series will increase your knowledge and build your understanding of the relationship between government, industry and Native American communities. The five seminars, each on week long, include a variety of interactive presentations and exercises along with insight from highly respected guest lecturers. The curriculum covers science, technology and regulatory frameworks as well as historical and cultural issues. The last seminar takes participants on a series of field trips to four reservations for an in depth look at energy business in Indian Country.

TEM GOALS: Enhance management and entrepreneurial capacity in tribal communities; Increase industry and government understanding of how energy business is conducted in tribal communities; and Promote a collaborative relationship between government, industry, and Native American tribes regarding resource development.

REGISTRATION AND COST: The cost per each seminar for non-degree seeking participants is \$600. Degree seeking students should consult with the San Juan College catalog or contact SOE Advisor Georgia Cortez 505-566-3890. The Southern Ute Education Department can provide part-time scholarships to Tribal Members for this series of classes at San Juan College. If interested, contact Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger, Adult Education Manager, 970-563-2784, jhunstiger@southernute-nsn.gov

SEMINAR DESCRIPTIONS & DATES:

- **TEM 110: Intro to Federal Indian Policy (Oct. 23-27)** Federal Indian Policy from "emergent" to current times; the impact that past policies and treaties have on current situations.
- **TEM 211: Intro to Indian Energy: Water, Land, Minerals (Dec. 4-8)** A focus on Indian energy resources, including land, minerals and water.
- **TEMS 210: Intro to Tribal Governance, Sovereignty, and Regulations (Jan. 22-26)** The Impact of the Federal Indian Policy on tribal sovereignty and governance.
- **TEMS 212: Intro to Tribal Business, Finance, and Human Resources (Feb. 26-Mar. 1)** An overview of tribal energy business systems and structures.
- **TEMS 213: Doing Business on Tribal Lands: A Practical approach (April 9-13)** Application of knowledge and theories from previous TEM courses.

EDUCATION

CSU Master Gardener Program application deadline extended to Jan. 12

Staff report
CSU EXTENSION OFFICE

The Colorado State University Extension Office in La Plata County is excited to announce that we are now accepting applications for the 2018 Colorado Master Gardener (CMG) program until Jan. 12, 2018.

Students will receive training in tree care, vegetables, soils, native plants, water wise gardening, pruning and much more. The training utilizes on-site and distant

education experts to teach a series of multiple classes.

The 12-week series starts Thursday, January 25 and will take place at the La Plata County Fairgrounds every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$170 if you intend to volunteer, or \$530 for a certificate without volunteer time.

The CMG training is equivalent to a four-credit hour course. In comparison, tuition for an instate resident, undergraduate, four-credit class is \$1729 at CSU, plus

books and fees. CMG volunteers are expected to complete 50 hours of volunteer time in the first year and 24 hours in subsequent years.

To receive an application packet, please contact or stop by the La Plata County Extension office. Applications, as well as additional information on the program, are also available online at www.laplataextension.org and are due no later than Jan. 12 to the Extension Office: 2500 Main Ave., Durango, Colo., 81301.

SKY UTE FAIRGROUNDS Upcoming Events

Crossroads Rodeos

- January 20, 2017: 6 p.m.
- February 10, 2017: 6 p.m.

Entries please call 970-739-3851

Additional information on upcoming events at the Southern Ute Fair Grounds can be found online at: www.skyutefairgrounds.com



The Southern Ute Drum presents

10. Youth Empowerment



Fabian Martinez/SU Drum



courtesy Kree Lopez/SU Culture Dept.

Youth were empowering each all over Ute country in 2017. The Southern Ute Tribe hosted this year's Annual Tri-Ute Leadership Conference held at Fort Lewis College in June. The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council attended both the Tri-Ute Conference held in Denver in March, and the National Congress of American Indian (NCAI) Conference this past October — where the 'elders roundtable' was cited as the most impactful session for the young leaders who attended NCAI.

9. Osprey cam!



courtesy/SU Wildlife

This past summer, the Southern Ute Tribe's Wildlife Resource Management Team installed a high definition 1080p camera to observe the osprey nest located at Lake Capote. Wanting to generate more interest and support for the project, the Wildlife Resource Management Team plans to make a few enhancements to the camera, like adjustable positioning and the addition of audio. The renovation will take place once the osprey migrate for the season.



courtesy/SU Wildlife

8. Cedar Point Housing



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

This year, Cedar Point Housing has expanded their real estate by adding new homes and town houses. FCI Contractors built 25 new townhomes on the east end, and 23 houses on the west end of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Cedar Point subdivision. They are anticipated to be finished in the summer of 2018.

7. Bears make presence known



Mike McLaughlin/SU Lands Division

One hot topic for the summer of 2017 was the bear population, from downtown Ignacio to neighborhoods across the Southern Ute Reservation, wild bears were in search of food. An early spring frost had deprived bears and other wildlife of their natural food sources, forcing the tenacious creatures to search elsewhere for calories. This rash of hungry bears, kept the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife busy through the fall season. The Southern Ute Drum helped to get the word out on best practices for avoiding wildlife, and being responsible with trash and other potential food sources which often attract unwanted wildlife.

6. Oxford Solar Project



Cloe Seibel/SU Drum

Monday, Jul. 15, dignitaries from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Growth Fund and Southern Ute Utilities Division dedicate the Tribe's newest renewable energy venture, the Oxford Solar Plant. The solar array is comprised of 4,000 solar panels across four acres of land. "Today marks a significant day for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, as we make our way into alternative energy," Councilman Kevin Frost said at the dedication. It is the largest in La Plata County, the energy produced by the Oxford Solar Plant will help to power buildings on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's campus.



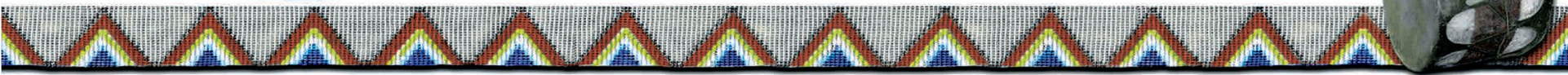
Lindsay Boxl/SU Council Affairs

5. Bears Ears Monument



courtesy/Jeremy Wade Shockley

In 2017 Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost showed strong support for the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition, and the monument designation put forth by the Obama administration, protecting the cultural and environmental integrity of lands in Southeast Utah deemed sacred to tribes with historical ties to the region, including the Ute bands. The Southern Ute Drum covered the story as it has evolved, leading to the most recent announcement that the Trump Administration proposed a significant reduction of the Bears Ears National Monument despite strong opposition from the Native American community.



Top news events in 2017

4. 2017 NAIG in Toronto



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Tribe had a strong presence in Toronto, Canada last summer, competing under the banner of Team Colorado in the 2017 North American Indigenous Games. Indigenous youth from across North American and Canada come together every four years to build teamwork, strong cultural ties and compete for medals in a series of highly competitive sporting events.



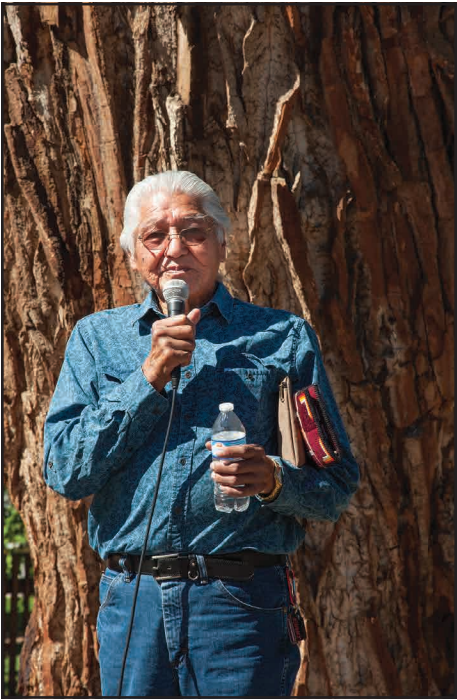
Trennie Collins/SU Drum

3. Delta removes Council Tree

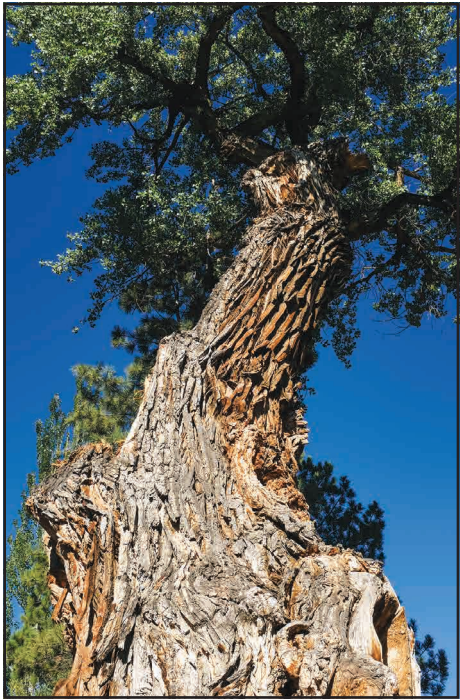


Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Ute people lost a cultural icon in August of 2017, when the Delta County Historical Society, owner of the 215+ year old Ute Council Tree deemed the ailing cottonwood to be unsafe due to age and structural integrity. Members of all three Ute tribes gathered together to say their prayers and speak to the historical significance the Council Tree and its importance to the Ute people on Aug. 25, 2017. The site will remain as a historic landmark in Delta, Colo. honoring the cultural legacy of the Council Tree.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

2. Ute Museum re-opens



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Ute Indian Museum had their grand opening in Montrose, Colo. on June 10, 2017. There were dignitaries from all three Ute Tribes as well as representation from the State of Colorado to celebrate the unveiling of the redesigned museum celebrating Colorado's longest residents — the Utes.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

1. Sage elected as Chairwoman



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe welcomed newly elected Chairman Christine Sage, Councilman Cedric J. Frost and Councilwoman Cheryl A. Frost onto Tribal Council, Friday, Dec. 14, "I am humbly honored to represent my tribe," said Chairman Christine Sage at the Inauguration held at the Sky Ute Events Center Monday, Dec. 18 where Southern Ute tribal members filled the room to watch the newly elected officials get sworn into office. Sage is the second woman to hold the position of Chairman for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.



Maria Rivera/SU Drum

2017-2018 Southern Ute Tribal Council (l-r): Kevin Frost, Adam Red, Lorelei Cloud (Treasurer), Christine Sage (Chairman), Cheryl A. Frost, Alex S. Cloud (Vice Chairman) and Cedric J. Chavez.



JV'ers rumble in the jungle



photos Joel Priest/special to the Drum

Ignacio JV guard Rhai Price (25), a senior, decides whether to hold his position, pass off, or cross his dribble over against Mancos freshman Jerome Schamp (34) during action Dec. 19 inside IHS Gymnasium. Coming off unsatisfying losses to 3A Basalt (54-49) and 3A Montezuma-Cortez (62-24) at M-CHS' Dec. 15-16 "Rumble in 'The Jungle,'" the Bobcats bounced back into form by routing the Blue Jays 59-21 in 2A/1A San Juan Basin League play. IHS' varsity later followed suit, defeating the Jays by a 67-33 margin after leading 38-9 at halftime, and improving to 4-1 overall, 3-0 SJBL.



Ignacio JV guard Ty-Wren Bear Medicine (0), a sophomore, fires up a successful long shot over Mancos' Nicholas Huver during action Dec. 19 inside IHS Gymnasium.



Ignacio JV guard Joe Garcia (12), a freshman, flies up and through Mancos' Peyton Suazo (3) and Riston Bowen (13) for a tough two-point try during action Dec. 19 inside IHS Gymnasium.

IHS BOYS BASKETBALL

'Cats draw Wolverines on Day 1 of area tourney

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Earlier this season, Ignacio head coach Chris Valdez had a chance to compare his 2017-18 Bobcats to his squad from just a couple years ago, and the result was quite promising.

"You know, I look back at the year when we had Wyatt (Hayes), Tucker (Ward) and Anthony (Manzanares) as our guards," he began, "and we've got Johnny (Valdez), little (Lawrence) Valdez, Cole (McCaw). We have Kruz (Pardo) when he's done – has to sit out ... a third of the season – and when we get those four all together ... And then our posts are as good, if not better ... so are we as good a team as that?"

"I don't know, but we can be ... if we work towards it."

"We just need to work on our big men getting the ball more – tossing it into the middle – and working on our free throws a little bit," added guard Lawrence Valdez, a junior. "Our conditioning's alright, but we could be moving faster down the court."

Any and all holiday-break fine-tuning will be on display this weekend, Jan. 5-6, as the Bobcats ring in 2018 properly at the Southwest Colorado Classic (a.k.a. 4 Corners Classic), hosted this year by Bayfield – a much shorter drive for IHS fans than Durango's Demon Dome last winter.

Ranked fifth in the last CHSAANow.com Class 2A boys' poll before Christmas, Ignacio will also bring a solid 4-1 overall (3-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin League) record into BHS Gymnasium for a highly-anticipated 7:00 p.m. showdown with Jeff Lehnus' hosting Wolverines (2-4, 0-0 3A Intermountain).

In the preceding first-night contest, DHS – survivors of a slim 61-54 road win at 2A Telluride their most recent (Dec. 21) time out – will take on former 4A/5A Southwestern arch-nemesis Montezuma-Cortez at 5 p.m.

Under veteran skipper Alan Batiste, Durango will enter the tournament 2-6 (0-0 SWL) overall, while Michael Hall's crew stands



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Ocean Hunter (32) accelerates around a Moab, Utah, Grand County defender at last month's Montezuma-Cortez "Rumble in 'The Jungle.'" The Bobcats get the 2018 side of their schedule underway Jan. 5 at 3A Bayfield, as part of the Southwest Colorado Classic.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio varsity reserves, Ty-Wren Bear Medicine, right, and Daniel Weaver stretch before action at last month's Montezuma-Cortez "Rumble in 'The Jungle.'" The Bobcats get the 2018 side of their schedule underway Jan. 5 at 3A Bayfield, as part of the Southwest Colorado Classic.

3-3 (0-0 IML). Being as though IHS competed at M-CHS' "Rumble in 'The Jungle'" last month, the 'Cats should be relatively ready for their 3 p.m. test on Day 2 against the Panthers, with BHS then battling the Demons in the 5 p.m. closer.

Having already shown the ability to sprint up and down the floor, and shoot from long range with just about anybody – a recognized hallmark of Ignacio Basketball no matter what year – Valdez mentioned depth as about his only serious concern going into the Classic.

"We're just probably not as deep as we need to be, but that's why we've got the young guys out there; we've got to work on them and try to get 'em ready."

"When our normal five are in the game we're as good as anybody," he'd stated later at Montezuma-Cortez's Rumble. "It's just keeping those guys out there and not making mistakes we've made – try to not turn the basketball over, be a little smarter with it, and try to score consistently throughout the game."

"But we bring somebody off the bench and it really ... there's always a hole out there," he continued. "But that's the learning process; we've got to get them caught up."

After the tournament Ignacio will next play Jan. 12-13, inside IHS Gymnasium versus SJBL threats Ridgway and Telluride, at 6 p.m. and 'TBA' respectively.

CHSAANow.com Class 2A Boys' Basketball Poll (12/18)

1. Julesburg-Ovid Revere Sedgwick County, 2. Ordway Crowley County, 3. Yuma, 4. Del Norte, 5. IGNACIO, 6. Sanford, 7. Simla, 8. Meeker, 9. Byers, 10. Hoehne.

ELKS
NATIONAL
HOOP SHOOT
FREE THROW
CONTEST

COMPETE | CONNECT | SUCCEED

Contest Location: Escalante Middle School - Durango, CO
Hosted By: Durango Elks, Lodge No. 507
Date/Time: January 6, 2018/Doors open at 10 a.m. Shoot starts at 11 a.m.
Director: Dewey Waldron. Phone/email: 970-769-8636/dbw54@frontier.net

The Elks Hoop Shoot, funded by the Elks National Foundation, is a free throw contest for children ages 8 to 13. Contestants' age-groups are determined by their age as of April 1, 2018. For more information, contact the Lodge Elks Hoop Shoot Director listed above or visit elks.org/hoopshoot.

Elks National Foundation, Inc.

"These materials are neither sponsored nor endorsed by Durango School District 9-R"

2750 N. Lakeview Ave. | Chicago, IL 60614 | 773/755-4758 | hoopshoot@elks.org | elks.org/hoopshoot

Ross Denny Memorial
Men's All Indian
Basketball Tournament
Jan. 12th - 14th 2018

SunUte Community Center
Ignacio, CO

Entry:
\$300

Contact
Heather (970) 880-0580
Damon (970) 880-317-9054

1st - \$2000 plus Under Armor Jackets
2nd - Under Armor Jackets
3rd - Under Armor Shirts
All Tourney & MVP Awards

* Must show CDIB during registration. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Over 30 years of publishing!

THE SOUTHERN UTE
DRUM

The news of the Southern Utes.
Advertise in your newspaper call 970-563-0118!



Casino hosts Bayou Bash



courtesy/Sky Ute Casino Resort

The Sky Ute Casino Resort hosted the “New Year’s Eve Bayou Bash.” An ice carving and bayou shack were both completed by the Casino’s in-house staff, who had a great turn-out for the dinner and dance. The dinner menu included alligator, oysters, crawdads, and Cajun gumbo. The dance was hosted by Troy Landry, best known for his role in the television show ‘Swamp People,’ and featured music by Creedence Clearwater Revival tribute band, Fortunate Son.

Place Your Wood Orders

It is that time of year when the snow flies and a nice fire would be great!

The Forestry/Fuels Program started, and wood pick up days will be Mondays & Wednesdays and wood deliveries to the Elders & Members with disabilities will be on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

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

SUIT- EMERGENCY FAMILY SERVICES
Elder’s Utility Program

Current Elder’s Utility Program Clients: We are writing to inform you that there have been changes to the Elder’s Utility Program. On Nov. 7, 2017 the Southern Ute Tribal Council approved the following:

- Elder’s Utility Program name has been changed to Water Haul Program.
- Due to budget purposes and to meet the demand for water haul services, the Water Haul Program will no longer pay for polycart (trash) rental. If we currently pay for your trash, we will no longer pay the \$30.30 each month as of Jan. 1, 2018. This program will only pay for water haul services to approved clients within the SU reservation boundaries.
- Clarification: your polycart (trash can) will not be taken away. It will stay at your residence, but you will be responsible for paying for the monthly charges.
- All current water haul clients need to come in or call the Emergency Family Services office about continuing their water haul service. If we don’t hear from you by or before Jan. 1, 2018, we will stop payments until you have contacted us to continue your service.
- All clients who are under the age of 55 who receive services from us must provide us a Doctor’s Statement of Disability by or before Jan. 1, 2018. If this is not on file by due date, we can’t pay for your water haul bill after Jan. 1, 2018 until it’s on file with us.

Please keep in mind, these changes will take effect on Jan. 1, 2018. You can also use your Emergency Family Services money to pay for your polycart bill if you wish to do so. Keep in mind, that Emergency Family Services program is limited to \$600/per Tribal Member 18 years or older/per fiscal year. You will need to bring the bill in to the Emergency Family Services office each time. If you have any questions or would like us to send you a copy of the new and approved Water Haul Program Policies and Procedures please contact us. Please see our update in the SU Drum and also on the Southern Ute website under Emergency Family Services: www.southernute-nsn.gov/tribal-services/emergency-family-services/

Multi-Purpose Facility
COMMUNITY
YARD
SALE

The Yard Sale is open to the Ignacio, Bayfield, Oxford, Allison, Arboles and other area communities.

No fees, No admission, we will provide you with flyers to share.



SUNDAY JANUARY 14, 2018 9 AM to 3 PM

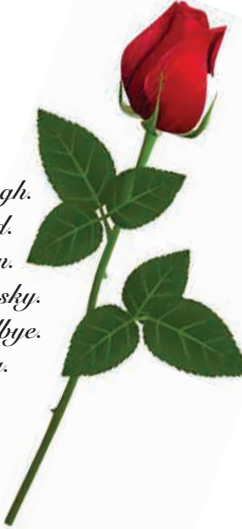
Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility
256 Ute Road Ignacio CO

Call to reserve your space 970-563-4784

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

In Memory of My Beautiful Daughter
Leah S. Weaver

Letting Go
The angels gathered near your side, So very close to you.
For they knew the pain and suffering that you were going through.
I thought about so many things, as I held tightly to your hand.
Oh, how I wished that you were strong, and happy once again.
But your eyes were looking homeward, to that place beyond the sky.
When Jesus held His outstretched arms, it was time to say goodbye.
I struggled with my selfish thoughts, for I wanted you to stay.
So we can walk and talk again, like we did ... just yesterday.
But Jesus knew the answer, and I knew you loved Him so.
So I gave to you life’s greatest gift.
The gift of letting go ... I love and miss you every day.
Your Mom, Faith



In Memory of My Mother
Victoria W. Taylor

Flowers grow in Heaven, Lord please pick a bunch for me.
Place them in my Mother’s arms, and tell her they are from me.
Tell her I love and miss her, and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss on her cheek.
And hold her for a while, because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day.
But there’s a ache within my heart,
that will NEVER go away.
I love you Mom and I will see you again.
Your daughter, Faith Taylor Gomez



Happy Birthday Keelyn
Grandchild

You are the child of my child.
And your life is a joy to me.
I am grateful to have you in my life.
As I watch through the generations,
I am reminded that the bonds we form are as everlasting as the spirit.
You will always be my “baby girl.”
Love you always, Papa



After Holidays Sale
Jan 2-31, 2018

ALL KEYCHAINS, POTTERY AND
BEADED BRACELETS
25% - 50% off
Southern Ute Museum Gift Shop
Open 7 days a week
10am –5pm

Drum
Deadline

Next issue:
Jan. 19
Deadline:
Jan. 12

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: jshockley@southernute-nsn.gov

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A biweekly newspaper owned and operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Ignacio, Colo.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$29 per year • \$49 two years
PHONE: 970-563-0100 • DIRECT: 970-563-0118
TOLL FREE: 1-800-772-1236 • FAX: 970-563-0391

MAILING ADDRESS
The Southern Ute Drum: PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137

PHYSICAL ADDRESS
356 Ouray Drive, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, CO 81137

STAFF EXTENSIONS & EMAIL ADDRESSES
The Southern Ute Drum (sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov)
Jeremy Shockley • Editor, ext. 2255 (jshockley@southernute-nsn.gov)
Robert Ortiz • Composition Tech., ext. 2253 (rortiz@southernute-nsn.gov)
Maria Rivera • Reporter/Photographer, ext. 2252 (mriviera@southernute-nsn.gov)
Trennie Collins • Administrative Assistant, ext. 2251 (tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov)

The Southern Ute Drum does not assume responsibility for unsolicited material and does not guarantee publication upon submission.

Published biweekly and mailed 1st class from Ignacio, Colo.
Printed by the Farmington Daily Times in Farmington, N.M.
The Southern Ute Drum is a member of the Native American Journalists Association, the Society of Professional Journalism and the Colorado Press Association.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT CR 517/HWY 172 Road Re-construction Traffic Signal Work

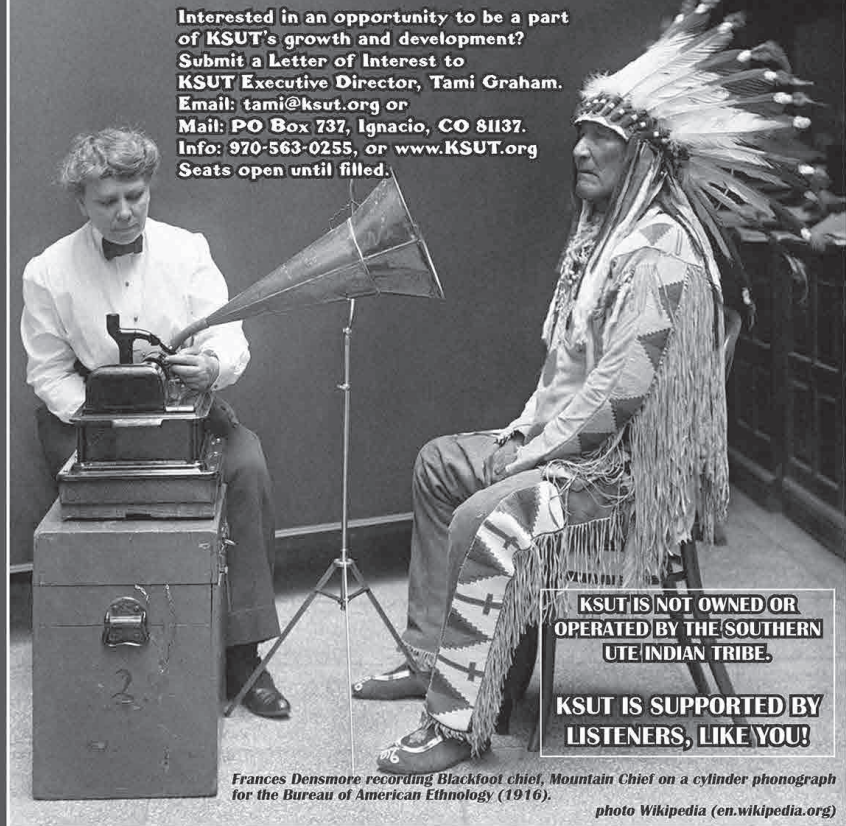
Given the warm, dry temperatures this winter, the project team has decided to move forward with traffic signal work before the project is shut down for the winter. The work is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 19. During this time, there will be planned, intermittent stops at the intersection of County Road 517 and State Highway 172. These stops in traffic are not anticipated to last more than 10 minutes at a time. The amount of work completed will depend on weather conditions, though we would like to complete the entire intersection before moving to a full winter shutdown. Please remember to drive slowly and cautiously when workers are present, especially along SH 172 southbound where speeds will drop dramatically enroute to the construction. Contact Construction & Project Management with any questions about the road re-construction at 970-563-0138.

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 or Mail: PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Info: 970-563-0255, or 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)

**KSUT IS NOT OWNED OR
OPERATED BY THE SOUTHERN
UTE INDIAN TRIBE.**

**KSUT IS SUPPORTED BY
LISTENERS, LIKE YOU!**

In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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

NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2017-NC-0153
Cheryl Root, Civil Subject**

Notice is hereby given that Cheryl Root has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Chispas Root. 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 **January 29, 2017 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 12th day of December, 2017.
BY THE COURT, Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

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 filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Brooklynn Jade Matthews. As of December 18, 2017 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Brooklynn Schmeiser name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Brooklynn Jade Matthews.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2017.
Paul Whistler, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

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 filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter

as Caitlynn Marie Parmenter. As of December 18, 2017 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Caitlynn Marie Schmeiser name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Caitlynn Marie Parmenter.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2017.
Paul Whistler, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

NOTICE OF PROBATE

In the Estate Of,

Case No.: 2017-PR-0145

Lustana A. Maestas, 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 **January 8, 2018 at 9:00 AM.** All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 4th of December, 2017
Kayla Wing, Deputy Court Clerk

OFFICE CLOSURES

The Southern Ute
Tribal Administration
Offices will be closed

**Monday, Jan. 15
in observance of**

Martin Luther King Day

Offices will resume
normal business hours
on Tuesday, Jan. 16

For additional information
visit the Tribe's website
www.southernute-nsn.gov

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 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 one (1) PowWow Committee Member vacancy. 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.

TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS COMMISSION

The Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) is accepting letters of interest for two (2) commissioners; A person with knowledge and experience in the regulation of Tribal Gaming and; A person with knowledge and experience in Tribal energy resource development to serve on the Tribal Employment Rights Commission which are compensated positions. Southern Ute tribal member/Applicants must have the following requirements: Knowledge and Experience in the regulation of Tribal Gaming; Knowledge and Experience in Tribal Energy Resource Development; Does not own or operate a certified Indian Owned Business; Experience or expertise in administrative hearing procedures; Eighteen (18) years of age or older; Good character; and Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and Confidentiality. Submit your Letter of Interest to the TERO Division by 3 p.m., Thursday, January 25, 2018. Or send letter to TERO Division, P.O. Box 737, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, CO 81137. If you have any questions, please call TERO, at 970-563-0117 or 970-563-0100 ext. 2291. TERO is located in the J&R Administration Bldg., 71 Mike Frost Way, (north of the Tribal Court building).

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.



WINTER IS HERE
GIVEAWAY
-WIN A-
2018 FORD F-150 4WD
WITH SNOWMOBILE AND TRAILER

\$500 SKY UTE LOOT
DRAWINGS FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS
JANUARY 5-27
FROM 4PM-9PM

A CHANCE TO WIN \$500 SKY UTE LOOT
AN ADDITIONAL
EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS
FRIDAYS 4PM-7PM

GRAND FINALE
JANUARY 27

5X ENTRIES
EVERY MONDAY
6AM - MIDNIGHT

EARN 1 ENTRY FOR EVERY 100 POINTS

Sky Ute Casino
RESORT
Located on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

SKYUTECASINO.COM
888.842.4180
IGNACIO, COLORADO

Winter is Here: Promotional period January 1-27, 2018. Drawings Friday and Saturday, 4PM-9PM. 5X Entries: Promotional period January 1-22, 2018. Monday only 6AM-MIDNIGHT. Prizes are non-transferable. Rules apply. See Players' Club for details. Sky Ute Casino Resort reserves the right to modify or cancel promotions at any time without notice. Vehicle and snowmobile make and model may differ from image(s) shown and are for marketing purposes only. Must be 21 or better to enter casino.



Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE 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

Dispatcher

Closing date 1/11/18
Under general supervision of the Sr. Communications Officer, provides radio dispatch services for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Fitness Director

Closing date 1/12/18
Day-to-day operation of fitness related activities within the SunUte Community Recreation Center, consistent with the fiscal and philosophical guidelines of the Community Center.

Reading Teacher – SUIMA

Closing date 1/11/18
Professional teaching position with the Private Education Dept. Uses specialized reading strategies and the Montessori philosophy to provide S.U. Indian Montessori Academy students with a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of the child. Communicate effectively with parents/guardians about their child’s progress in each domain area, primarily in the context of Reading Instruction.

Social Services Division Head

Closing date 1/12/18
Day-to-day operation and management of the S.U. Tribal Social Services Division, in accordance with the guidelines (fiscal, philosophical, and programmatic) established and approved by the Tribal Council. Manages programs and services including child/adult welfare protective services, family, group, and individual therapy, BIA General Assistance, Low Income Energy Assistance Program, Title IV B – Foster Care Program, Colorado State Human Services and related Programs and Contract/Grants.

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. Full-time position and 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.

Lifeguard (Part-time)

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

Medical Assistant

Open Until Filled
Providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

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.

Plumbing Maintenance Technician

Open Until Filled
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.

Speech/Language Therapist (Part-time w/ benefits)

Open Until Filled
Professional position within the Department of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of speech and language therapy services.

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements

Visit our website at www.skyutecasino.com to view job openings and apply online

Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137
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
Preparing specialty coffee drinks, beverages and menu service in a Bistro and coffee operation. Baristas take and prepare orders. The Willows Barista is 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. Must have superb guest service and communication skills, with a pleasant and out-going personality.

*Beverage Server-Circle Bar (Full-time)

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.

*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. 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. Manages the financial recording and reporting process to ensure accurate, timely and objective financial data from which informed management decisions can be made. 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. 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. 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).

Deep Cleaning Staff (Full-time)

Open Until Filled
Responsible for the cleanliness of the entire kitchen as instructed by facilities management and/or supervisor. The deep cleaning staff will clean food and beverage facilities and equipment. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 18 years old. Must be

able to take and provide written and oral direction in English. Must be available to work all shifts including nights, holidays and weekends.

Event Staff (On-call)

Open Until Filled
Primary responsibilities include assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. Requires 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. Requires one to be an excellent team player and trust worthy. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast-paced full-service restaurant OR 4 months In House training or presently attending school. Must demonstrate cooperation, support skills and willingness to learn. Must have knowledge of standards of food preparation, serving and kitchen procedures.

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

Open Until Filled
Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. This position 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. 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. The department is responsible for guest and employee safety on property. They are the first identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. Must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must 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. Must acquire First Aid/CPR training within the first year of employment.

**Must be 21 years old.*

SUCAP – Job announcements

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

Head Cook

Closing date 1/12/18
SUCAP Senior Center in Ignacio. Directing all phases of meal preparation. Weekdays, Meals on Wheels & on-site meals for elderly nutrition program. Must have a current health certificate and food handlers’ card; exp. developing menus. Two years experience as a supervisor and commercial cooking. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid CO driver’s license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.



NOW HIRING
Current Opportunities

Come to our Hiring Event at Discover Goodwill’s new
Durango Retail Center

1230 Escalante Drive, Durango, CO 81301
(Escalante Ave. & Baker Lane across the street from Big O Tires)

**Thursday - Saturday, Jan. 4 - 6,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Noon Sat.)**

**Be part of our mission of helping individuals
achieve greater independence!**

Available positions include:

- Retail Sales Associates – FT & PT - \$10.20 hr.**
- Donation Services Associates – FT & PT - \$10.20 hr.**
- Retail Generalist Associates – FT - \$10.70 to \$11.00 hr.**
- Shift Supervisors – FT - \$11.50 to \$12.50 hr.**

Full-time and part-time positions are available with a variety of schedules. Our Retail Center will be open seven days a week. Candidates hired will start work the week of January 15 through 19, 2018. For more information and to apply visit www.discovermygoodwill.org/jobs, click on “Join Our Team” and search “Durango.”



ATTENTION
Southern Ute Tribal Members!

Did you know you can get a copy of
The Southern Ute Drum mailed to you for free?

Call the Drum office at 970-563-0118
to get on the mailing list!
Or stop by the Drum office in the Leonard C.
Burch building at 356 Ouray Dr. in Ignacio!

Toys from Santa



Community Resource Officer, Don Folsom gives Kean Cantsee a soccer ball from the BGC toy drive Christmas stash.



Boys and Girls Club Program Coordinator, Tristany Sanchez hands out toys to girls in the community.



Serenity Velasco tightly hangs onto her new presents from Santa; delivered on behalf of SUPD, Los Pinos Fire Dept. and BGC.



Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, The Southern Ute Police Department and Los Pinos Fire Department pose with Santa on Friday, Dec. 22 after handing out toys to kids in the community.

The Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, along with the Southern Ute Police Department, Public Relations and Los Pinos Fire Department started sharing the holiday spirit early by hitting up the Ignacio community with early Christmas presents. The departments went out on Friday, Dec. 22 to ring in the holiday by driving through the community with holiday music playing and sirens going off. Kids were surprised by gifts and a visit from Santa.

Photos by Trennie Collins
The Southern Ute Drum



Skyson Manning takes a toy handed to him by Los Pinos Fire Department Captain, Jim Owens. Owens and his Los Pinos Fire team helped hand out toys to kids on the toy drive delivery routes on Friday, Dec. 22.

Ugly sweater showdown



photos Maria Rivera/SU Drum

Lisa Smith and her elf speak about who is on the naughty or nice list during the contest Thursday, Dec. 21 in the Hall of Warriors.

Ugly sweater contest winners: Lisa Smith, Sarah Taylor, Constance Lehi (overall 1st place) and Louise Jack receive their prizes for funniest, most creative and most original as well as an overall winner.



Dance away the holiday blues



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Dancers showed their "Cupid Shuffle" moves on the dance floor. The Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility held a Christmas Dance on Friday, Dec. 29. The dance featured music by Dominic Sage and finished with an Ugly Sweater Contest. Those in attendance also enjoyed burgers, fries and other refreshments, to chase away those holiday blues.

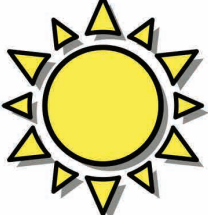


Entranced by the lights, Alessa Herrera awaited her chance to dance away the holiday blues.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

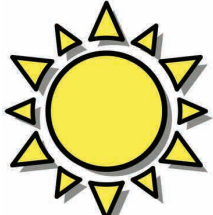
Your weekend forecast!

Friday, Jan. 5



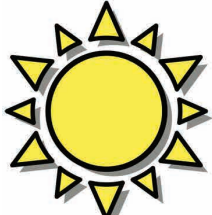
49°F sunny

Saturday, Jan. 6



49°F partly sunny
10% showers, 20% snow in evening

Sunday, Jan. 7



46°F mostly sunny

Weather forecasts collected from 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.



Ugly sweater contest winners – first place, Jennifer Goodtracks stands alongside second place, Stephen Romero.



Stephen Romero dances with his grandmother, Luana Herrera during the Christmas Dance.