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## TRAFFIC

# Public comment period ends for the revised Traffic Code

Staff Report

SOUTHERN UTE LEGAL DEPT.

Since the end of November, the Southern Ute Tribal Council had been seeking public comment on the draft revised Traffic Code. After not receiving many comments, the Tribal Council extended the comment period to February 5, 2018. The comment period for the revised Traffic Code has, therefore, ended. The Tribe will review comments received and consider suggested revisions before adopting the final version of the Traffic Code.

Because the Tribe will be seeking to issue civil citations for traffic infractions not only to Indians, but also

to non-Indians on roads where the Tribe has civil jurisdiction over non-Indians under P.L. 98-290, the federal legislation confirming the Reservation's boundaries, Tribal Council wanted to offer the general public an opportunity to comment on this Traffic Code. The Tribal Court will conduct traffic infraction hearings, and appeals will be handled by the Tribe's Appellate Court, which is administered by the Northwest Intertribal Court System in the State of Washington. Appellate hearings can be conducted and arranged in person, telephonically, or by other technological means at the Tribal Court.

During the comment period,

Tribal Council was also interested in hearing from the public on the appropriate blood alcohol content (BAC) for an offense that the Tribe is considering adding to the current Traffic Code—Driving with an Excessive Blood Alcohol Content (known as DUI Per Se under Colorado law). This is a separate offense from driving under the influence (DUI) and Driving While Ability Impaired (DWAI) and is, therefore, a proposed new offense that does not exist in the Tribe's current Traffic Code that was drafted before Colorado adopted a DUI Per Se law. The BAC level to charge an Indian with driving under the influence will remain the same

as it has been, 0.08, and Indian drivers with BACs of 0.05 to 0.08 will be charged with DWAI.

In the revised Traffic Code, the Tribal Council, wanted to avoid an overlap in the BAC level for the DUI offense and the Driving with an Excessive BAC offense. In Colorado, a driver whose BAC is measured at 0.08 or higher can be charged with both DUI and DUI Per Se. In other words, both offenses can be charged, although sentencing can be imposed on only one of the offenses if the defendant is convicted of both. To avoid the confusion to tribal members that non-Indians experience in

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## TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS

# Councilman Frost tenders resignation

Staff report

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

Council Member Kevin R. Frost tendered his resignation with great honor and humility effective 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 23.

"While it is a privilege to be elevated to Tribal Council by our tribal membership, I have received an opportunity and challenge I will not ignore," stated Frost. Frost has accepted President Trump's appointment to serve at the pleasure of the Department of Energy's Secretary Rick Perry as Deputy Director for the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs in the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs,



Kevin Frost

Washington, D.C.

Southern Ute Council Member Frost thanked the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for the opportunity to collaborate on issues affecting the Tribe and wished all the best for the future of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL CORNER

# Tribal Council encourage membership to sign up for emergency alert system



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The CodeRed emergency notification service, lets you receive voice or text updates on your cell phone or voice-over-Internet phone alerting you when situations occur in your community.

By Lindsay Box

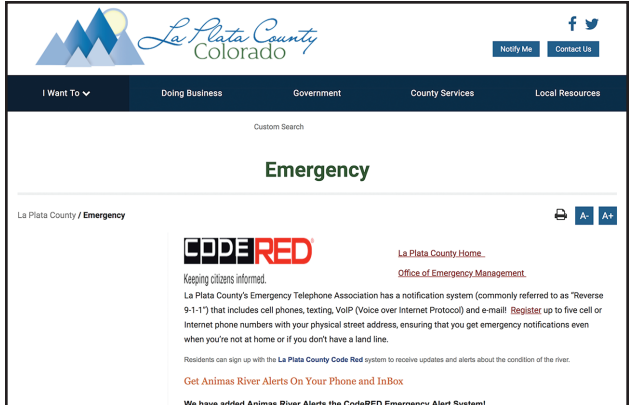
TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Tribal member health and safety is among the top concerns for the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council. One of Chairman Sage's priorities is to increase tribal member communication, including law enforcement and emergency situations. "It is important to keep the tribal membership informed of emergencies, especially those that affect the tribal campus and local area," stated Chairman Christine Sage.

Recent law enforcement events have highlighted a greater need for emergency communication within our community. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe would like to utilize a free, national, high-speed emergency notification solution called CodeRED. The Emergency Telephone Service Association of La Plata County ("ETSA") provides CodeRED. The CodeRED system will be utilized in the event of emergencies or critical community alerts. The Southern Ute Tribal Council encourages all tribal members and tribal employees to download the



Register through the Durango website at [www.durangogov.org/codered](http://www.durangogov.org/codered).



Register through the La Plata County portal at [www.co.laplata.co.us/emergency](http://www.co.laplata.co.us/emergency).

CodeRED Mobile Alert app to receive immediate notifications. Upon opening the app, you will be able to select the types of alerts and the radius of which alerts those alerts are adminis-

tered. Tribal members can also register by going to [www.co.laplata.co.us/emergency](http://www.co.laplata.co.us/emergency) or [www.durangogov.org/codered](http://www.durangogov.org/codered).

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## SUNUTE

# SunUte helps fill the Gap

By Trennie Collins

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

SunUte launches the Fill the Gap program; with a new director at the helm, SunUte Community Center's Recreation and Fitness Departments have taken a new approach to the common phrase " (lending) giving a helping hand."

Fill the Gap is a combined initiative meant to help the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (BGC) when they are unable to provide activities to the BGC kids, or when the schools are closed.

"We want the kids to feel more at home at SunUte and we also want to provide them with a safe environment," acting Fitness Director Abel Velasquez said.

On Monday, Feb. 19, the Recreation Department will be taking the kids to Pagosa Springs for snow-tubing, weather permitting, or to get some R&R at the hot springs.

One of the main goals for this program is to introduce kids to new activities while still keeping them active, safe and also freeing up time for BGC



Sacha Smith/SU Drum archive

to do trainings for their staff. "We can honestly do so much with this program while we all try to help each other out," said Virgil Morgan, acting SunUte Recreation Manager.

Even though right now, Fill the Gap is only open to Boys and Girls Club mem-

bers they hope in the near future to be opened up to the community. "We want to introduce a lot of new activities," Velasquez said.

SunUte plans on splitting up time with the Recreation Department and the Fitness

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## 40th annual Snowdown



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Miss Southern Ute Lorraine Watts and Little Miss Southern Ute Myla Goodtracks ride the royalty float along Main St., for the annual Snowdown Light Parade, held Friday, Feb. 9, in Durango, Colo.



REVISED TRAFFIC CODE • FROM PAGE 1

State Court when charged with two separate offenses for basically the same unlawful driving behavior, the Tribal Council wanted to make the BAC for DUI Per Se to be higher (either a 0.10 or 0.15 BAC) than the BAC for a DUI.

In 2001, the Tribe and the State of Colorado entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement Concerning Revocation of Drivers' Licenses. Before the Agreement was adopted, the State had been processing driver's license revocations for Indian drivers on the Reservation under the State's driver's license laws and administrative hearing procedures. To settle litigation concerning State jurisdiction for driver's license proceedings involving certain Indian drivers, the Tribe entered into this Agreement in which the Tribe agreed to adopt the 0.08 BAC standard for driver's license revocation. The Agreement also establishes the administrative process for the Tribe to issue orders revoking Indians' on-Reservation driving privileges, which the State recognizes and then imposes these revocation periods to the driver's Colorado driving privileges. In this way, the revoked Indian driver is prohibited from driving both on and off-Reservation.

EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM • FROM PAGE 1

The Southern Ute Police Department also encourages tribal members and employees to register cell phones with the CodeRED system to receive emergency notifications when Reverse 911 and CodeRED are activated. Current landlines are automatically registered for Reverse 911, however cell phone users must complete registration prior to receiving alerts. You must register with your phone and physical address. As emergencies arise, the Southern Ute Police Communications Center and/or the Durango-La Plata Emergency Communications Center will send out an alert to registered users. If you are traveling, you will still receive the notification if an incident is taking place near your registered address and within the notification radius.

In the event of an emergency, the Southern Ute Police Department will activate a CodeRED alert, informing the membership of emergencies by sending an alert. If you travel outside of the Southern Ute Reservation, the app will also update to your new location, making you aware of any emergencies around your new destination.

For more information on the CodeRED system, please contact the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Executive Office at 970-563-0100.

Many Moons Ago

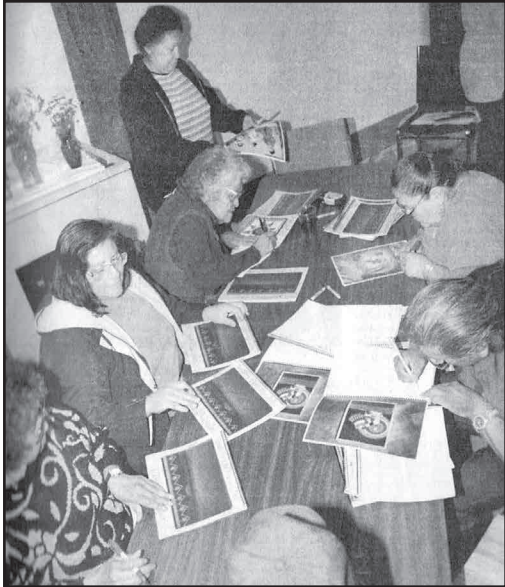


D. Peabody – TTA SUCAP worker/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Patrons at the Awareness Conference enjoy a laugh and their gifts are: Shining Mountain Diabetes Program Health Educator – Marge Borst, Sky Ute Casino Employee – Benda Watts, PHN Southern Ute Health Center – Susan Turner and Joyce Dutchie.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 15, 2008, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Artists whose work is featured in the 1998 Tribal Calendar were on hand to autograph and discuss their artwork at the Southern Ute Museum and Cultural Center on January 29.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 13, 1998, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Sheila Ryder and Theodosha Frost watch as the students arrive.

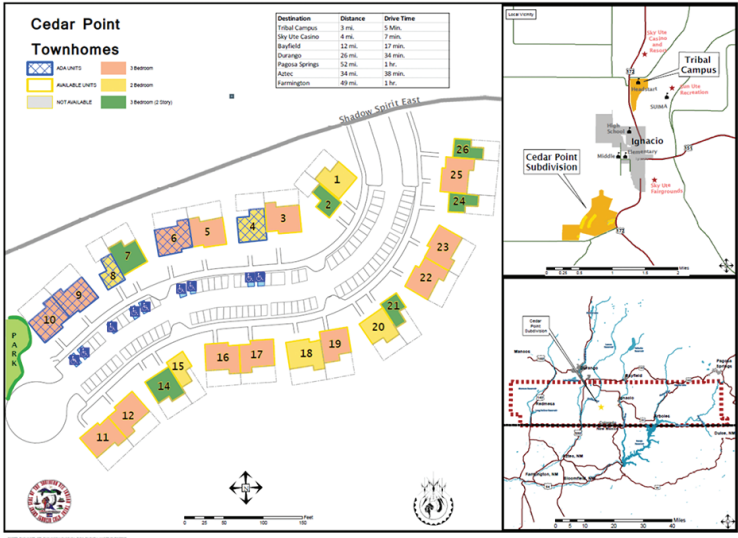
This photo first appeared in the Feb. 19, 1988, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Southern Ute Tribal Housing Announcement  
Cedar Point Townhomes coming soon!

- For: Southern Ute Tribal Members  
-When: Summer of 2018  
-Where: Cedar Point East: 60 Shadow Spirit East  
-What: 25 Townhomes:
- 1312 sq. ft. unit (2) bedroom \$ 1,510.00/mo.
  - 1527 sq. ft. unit (3) bedroom \$ 1,760.00/mo.
  - 1692 sq. ft. unit two story (3) bedroom \$ 1,945.00/mo.

New! Being built winter and spring 2018!

- Granite counter tops
- ADA Units available
- Energy star appliances
  - Dishwasher
  - Washer & dryer
  - Cook stove with oven
- Fenced back yard
- Maintenance free living
- Community park



Follow us on our website:  
<https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/tribal-housing/townhomes/>

Welcome Zach Rockwell



courtesy SUPD

The Southern Ute Police Department (SUPD) has hired a Campus Security Officer. His name is Zach Rockwell. Mr. Rockwell came over to us from the Tribe's Boys and Girls Club Program, he has several years of experience in security. Rockwell is a member of the Navajo Nation. Rockwell is responsible for patrolling the buildings on Upper Campus, he has direct communication with SUPD Dispatch. If you need to contact Zach Rockwell, he can be reached by calling SUPD Dispatch at 563-4401 or 563-4402. Zach is here for the safety and security of the employees, as well as the visitors and clients that are being served on a daily basis. Please say "Hi" to Zach as he makes his rounds and welcome him to the organization.





Royalty represents in Dulce



Little Miss Southern Ute Myla Goodtracks introducing herself at the Jicarilla Days Powwow, Friday, Feb. 9 in Dulce, N.M.



Tom Alires/Special to the Drum Southern Ute Brave Dominick GoodTracks addresses attendees at the annual Jicarilla Days Powwow, Dulce, N.M.

KSUT screens 'Tribal Radio'



courtesy KSUT

A screening of "Tribal Radio," a documentary film about the history of KSUT as one of the first tribal radio stations in the country. It was selected to screen at the Santa Fe Film Festival Native Shorts program, Saturday, Feb. 10. Pictured: Sean Owen, filmmaker, Mike Santisteven, Tribal Radio Program Director, Sheila Nanaeto, Tribal Radio Station Manager, Tami Graham, KSUT Executive Director, standing in front of the Center for Contemporary Arts, following the screening in Santa Fe, N.M. Sean is a local filmmaker based out of Durango, Colo. and has made several films focused on Native American issues. His film has also been accepted into several national and international festivals.

44th Annual Denver March Powwow  
March 23-25, 2018 Denver Coliseum



★ Grand Entry ★  
A magnificent array of color, motion, and sound! "A Living Hoop" the Denver March PowWow song rendered by HeartBeat begins the Grand Entry. Color guard, royalty, and dancers dressed in full traditional regalia dance into the arena.  
Fri. Sat. Sun. 11 a.m. Fri. Sat 7 p.m.

★ Dance Competition ★  
Witness the pageantry and beauty of traditional tribal dances as performed by over 1,500 American Indian Dancers. Inspired by time-honored songs, performed by 35+ drum groups, these gifted dancers perform the historical dances of their tribal ancestors.  
Throughout the day and night

★ Tribal Storytelling ★  
Storytellers share the legacies, legends and histories of a distinguished and proud people. While in the storyteller's circle, learn the significance of dance and music in the lives and culture of America's indigenous people.  
Top of the hour 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

★ Arts & Crafts Show ★  
Enjoy the works of Native American craftsmen during the arts and crafts show that is part of the Denver March PowWow. Nationally-acclaimed artists display their creations that reflect unique function and beauty. This is an opportunity to purchase many one-of-a-kind items.  
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

★★Admission★★  
\$7 per Day \$20 weekend pass Elders 60+ \$3  
Children 6 and under FREE  
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www.denvermarchpowwow.org

Ute Storytelling

Southern Ute Cultural Museum

Friday March 2, 2018

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us & listen to stories told by our Ute elders

Refreshments will be served

Sponsored by Southern Ute Royalty and Royalty Committee

54TH ANNUAL HOZHONI DAYS POW WOW

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APR. 13TH - 14TH 2018

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE - WHALEN GYM - DURANGO, CO

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SOUTHERN HOST DRUM | Southern Style  
HEAD MAN | Aaron Denny WhiteThunder  
HEAD WOMAN | Lizzie Hardin  
MC | Erny Zah  
ARENA DIRECTOR | Leon Wheeler  
HEAD JUDGE | Bruce LeClaire  
HEAD GOULD | Leo Dayish

SPECIALS  
HEAD WOMAN | All Category Jingle Special  
HEAD MAN | Mens Northern Traditional  
In Memory of Ross Denny  
COMMITTEE | Switch Dance  
MS HOZHONI | Junior Fancy Shawl

DRUM CONTEST  
NORTHERN | 1st, 2nd, and 3rd  
SOUTHERN | 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

FRIDAY APRIL 13th  
GRAND ENTRY | 7 PM  
GOULD DANCE | 5 PM

SATURDAY APRIL 14th  
GRAND ENTRY | 1 PM & 7 PM  
GOULD DANCE | 11 AM & 5 PM

Admission: \$6/Day (60+/under 6 yrs old free)

DANCE CONTESTS  
Mens and Womens Golden Age (55+)  
Mens (18-54): N. & S. Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Womens (18-54): N. & S. Traditional, Jingle, Fancy  
Teen Boys (13-17): Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Teen Girls (13-17): Traditional, Jingle, Fancy  
Jr. Boys (6-12): Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Jr. Girls (6-12): Traditional, Jingle, Fancy  
Tiny Tots (6 and under)

Host Hotel | The Best Western Durango Inn & Suites | 21382 US Highway 160 W | 970-247-3251  
\*Must mention pow wow to get rate

This is a alcohol and drug-free event.  
Vendor info: Lisa Cate 970-247-7221 or lscate@fortlewis.edu  
Wanbli Ota Club and Fort Lewis College are not responsible for theft, accidents, or injury.

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## TRIBAL HEALTH

# How to have a healthy heart

By Paige Kapp  
SU HEALTH CENTER

February is American Heart Month, and a great time to get back to those New Year's resolutions, and take steps to improve heart health. There are many risk factors for heart attacks and stroke. Some we can control, and some we can't. Here are some ways to lower your risk.

- Quit smoking. Smoking increases your blood pressure and cholesterol. It also hardens blood vessels. If you need help quitting, contact the Southern Ute Health Center or 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-7848-669) to make your quit easier.
- Get moving. Most of us don't get all the exercise our bodies need to keep us in tip-top shape. At least

30 minutes of moderate intensity (break a sweat) exercise, at least five days a week can keep you feeling and functioning your best. Start slow and listen to your body. Talk to your doctor if you are not sure what your body can handle.

- Cut back on sugar. With its many deceiving names (high fructose corn syrup, fructose, sucrose, etc.), sugar is everywhere. Steer clear of sodas and other sweetened drinks. They pack a punch with calories, and are bad for heart health.
- Fill your plate with fresh (or frozen) vegetables and fruit. These fill you up, and are a great source of fiber, vitamins, and antioxidants.
- Healthy fats from nuts, seeds, fish, and avocados are good for your heart,

and your cholesterol. Avoid trans fats (hydrogenated oils), and fried foods, since these will raise your bad cholesterol.

- Whole grains are rich in fiber. Grains like brown rice, oats, corn, whole wheat, and quinoa are full of vitamins and antioxidants. Just avoid those that have been heavily processed.
- Watch the alcohol. More than 1 alcoholic drink per day, or 2 per day for men, can be bad for heart health. Keep drinking below these levels to keep your body happy.

All of these healthy choices can lead to better blood pressure, better cholesterol levels, weight loss, and better blood sugar control. They can also help you to feel good, what's the draw back? American Heart Month is a great time to get started.

## CRISIS PREVENTION

# We can all save lives

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Question. Persuade. Refer. These are the three steps that anyone can learn to help prevent suicide, according to the QPR Institute. The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training, cited the organization's website. "The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know." Southern Ute Community Actions Program (SUCAP) will be presenting the QPR training program to the Ignacio community at the end of the month.

Community plays a pivotal role in prevention efforts;

the program is intended to bring professional training to anyone who might have the ability to influence actions and prevent suicide through greater awareness.

The upcoming suicide prevention training provided by SUCAP costs ten dollars per person, but funds are available for those who cannot afford the expense. The training will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at Ignacio's ELHI Community Center.

Another immediate resource, available to anonymously report a young person in crisis, is SAFE2Tell, which can be contacted by text, phone or social media.

**National Crisis Line**  
1-800-784-2433  
(1-800-SUICIDE)

**Safe2Tell**  
1-877-542-7233  
text or call

## Suicide Prevention Training

Question. Persuade. Refer. (QPR)

Tuesday, Feb. 27  
6 pm to 7:30 pm

ELHI Community Center (ICC Auditorium)  
To learn about QPR visit [qprinstitute.com](http://qprinstitute.com)

Cost of the training, \$10 Scholarship funds are available.

Call 970-759-3633 for more information.

\*Community event not sponsored by SUPD.

## February's Sip Chat & Chew Potluck

Attention Southern Ute, Northern Ute, Ute Mountain Ute

Come join us for some food and drinks

We provide the Main dish.

Bring your own favorite side dish or dessert.

We will be holding a Storytelling Contest. (1st, 2nd, 3rd Prizes) your story can be a Traditional, Funny, Make Believe, True or Scary.

Where: Multi-Purpose Facility

256 Ute Rd, Ignacio CO

When: February 23rd

11:30A-2:30P

Any Questions please call (970)-563-4784

## If you or someone you know is in crisis now...

If you are in a life threatening emergency call: 911

If you need to talk to someone right away:

**Colorado Crisis Services:**

- 1-844-493-8255 or text "TALK" to 38255
- [www.coloradocrisiservices.org](http://www.coloradocrisiservices.org) To access chat or find urgent mental health centers nearby. Help and hope are available 24/7/ 365 days a year.



**In crisis?**

- Crisis Text Line: Text HELLO to 741741
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255
- <http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/talk-to-someone-now/>

**If you need support for suicide grief or suicidal thoughts but are not in crisis:**

- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention: <https://afsp.org/find-support/>
- Resources from the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:**
- **Help yourself:** <http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/help-yourself/>
- **Help someone else:** <http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/help-someone-else/>

**WHAT IS SPCC?** The Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado (SPCC) was formed in 1999, when concerned citizens set out to create a statewide agency with the purpose of preventing suicide and creating a resource network for those who were working to prevent suicide around the state. Today, SPCC's membership of concerned agencies, organizations and individuals who are working in the areas of suicide prevention, intervention and postvention has statewide reach.

## Walk in our Gathering Room



Indoor walking in private or with friends  
**21 laps = 1 mile**  
**Multi-Purpose Facility**  
**8A-5P, call to schedule your time**  
**970-563-4784**

## Southern Ute Health Center Pharmacy/Dental/Optometry Holiday Closure

In observance of Presidents' Day on Monday, Feb. 19, the Southern Ute Health Center/Pharmacy, Dental/Optometry will be closed and will resume regular business hours Tuesday, Feb. 20. For Emergencies please call our after-hours service at 970-563-4581 or 877-215-9635

**Group Exercise Classes** **Chair Exercise Classes** **Fitness Floor**

# Tribal Member Fitness Incentive!!

Open Exclusively to Southern Ute Tribal Members!

### Details:

- Fill out a raffle ticket each time you exercise at SunUte, participate in a class or take part in a walk.
- At the end of each month a winner will be drawn.
- Winner will receive a \$100 Gift Card.
- The more you use SunUte, the better your odds are for winning!

Swimming Pool

Walk/Run Events

Gymnasium

For more information, please contact one of the Fitness Staff Members:

Abel Velasquez/ Fitness Director: (970)563-2651,  
Sage Frane/Group Ex. Manager: (970)563-2656  
Sean Etsitty/Fitness Trainer: (970)563-3658

[www.sunute.com](http://www.sunute.com)



## Healing Spirits

**600 miles in 2018 Challenge**

....YOU IN?? Sign up starts January 31st, open to 100 participants.

Healing begins in the body and the mind. Take that walk on the path to wellness.....it's your year, start it with a challenge!

- Monthly drawings for reaching a monthly goal
- Giveaways at each Healing Spirits Sunday Walk (Two per month: one in Ignacio and one in Bayfield)
- Lunch Time "Hungry for Health" walks every Wednesday (12pm starts @ SunUte Community Center)

**Complete 600 miles by the end of 2018 and be entered into a Grand Prize Package drawing. Includes:**

- 2 tickets to a Denver Nuggets game (Redeemable between the months of Jan. & Feb. 2019)
- One night hotel stay
- \$100 cash and.....
- Gift Basket (valued at \$200)

**Incentives and prizes for all participants.**

To sign up and for more details email: [healingspirits@eaglearrow.org](mailto:healingspirits@eaglearrow.org)

#healingspirits #walkandwater #sunute #walkinmymoccasins







Krispy Kreme ... anyone?



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Lane Hunter, along with brothers, Nate and Dewayne Hendren made the rounds on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's campus Friday, Feb. 2, selling Krispy Kreme donuts, assorted or original. The student's fundraising efforts will help pay for a dance choreographer, Gabe Garcia, and for future dance competitions they will be competing in. The boys dance with the La Plata County Independent Youth Performing Arts, and they will be practicing with Garcia, preparing for the dance competitions at the Manzano High School in Albuquerque, N.M. on March 24. Check for later updates in The Southern Ute Drum.

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Department when it comes to getting the kids active. Some goals are to use the facility to the fullest and also take some trips around

the area. “We are excited to see where it goes, excited to see the kids do something other than BGC.” Morgan said.

For more questions or for more information about Fill the Gap please call SunUte Community Center at 970-563-0214.

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.



ELLIOTT HENDREN

My name is Elliott Hendren. I attend Ignacio Middle School, where I am in the 6th grade. My favorite subjects in school are, math, reading rocks and history.

My parents/guardians are Danita baker and Lucinda Cloud. I like participating in sports and Winter Guard. In addition, I want to be a police man when I grow up. I want to go to the marines after school.

I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of January, because I work hard. I give 100% in all that I do. Plus, I really love school and always doing my best. I would like to say thank you for this nomination.

Comments: Elliott is a real pleasure to have in class. He is consistently enthusiastic about his school work and genuinely enjoys participating. Many of his Ignacio Middle School teachers and students enjoy Elliott. He has a very bright future ahead of him. Thank you Elliott for your joyful attitude.



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum  
EBONY GOMEZ

My name is Ebony Gomez. I attend Ignacio High School, where I am in the 9th grade. My favorite subject in school is math.

My parents/guardians are Kenneth and Geneva Gomez. I like participating in volleyball and basketball. In addition, I want to become a doctor. 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 January, because she has worked hard and done well in her classes at Ignacio High School and she swerve as a good role model for other students.

Comments: Ebonee works hard in her classes. She is respectful to her teachers and she participates in school activities, such as sports! She is always pleasant to be around.

A Community Event Sponsored By...

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE**  
Education Department  
Distance Learning Programs

# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Career Fair

**Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018**

**9:00AM-2:00PM**

315 Ignacio Street, Ignacio CO 81137

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students / College Students / Graduates / Community Members

**Join Us!**

**At Ignacio High School**

Need a job? Want to go to college?  
Discover and Learn...

50 + BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES  
20 + COLLEGE RECRUITERS  
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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES  
COLLEGE & MILITARY RECRUITERS  
EDUCATIONAL PLANNING  
RESOURCE SHARING

**Questions?**

Contact: Nicole Cabral  
Distance Learning Programs Coordinator  
Southern Ute Education Department  
(970) 563-2785  
ncabral@southernute-nsn.gov

## After School Youth Field Trip

6 Weeks of Fun in the Jungle Gym  
February 14th -March 21st  
Depart time: 2:15pm from SunUte  
Class Time: 2:45-3:30pm @ Jungle Gym Durango  
Ages: 9yrs-12yrs  
Free to Tribal Members & 1st Descendants  
**Community Youth \$15**  
Limited to 11 spots

Visit Southern Ute Drum on a great article [www.sudrum.com/top-stories/2018/01/19/welcome-to-the-jungle/](http://www.sudrum.com/top-stories/2018/01/19/welcome-to-the-jungle/)

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## 5th Edition Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families Train-the-Trainer

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First Nations Oweesta Group Hotel Room Block

The Spring Hill Suites Fort Lauderdale Airport & Cruise Port has provider those attending this training with a special group rate of \$174 USD per night from March 19 to 23, 2018. Please call 954-920-9696 for hotel reservations and reference the Oweesta BNC room block to receive the group rate. The last day to book your room at this special group rate is February 26, 2018.

This training will offer a three day, state-of-the-art instructor training and certification program to help Native CDFIs, tribes and other Native organizations establish and sustain financial education programs in their communities.

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## PAG Open House/Meeting

February 20, 2018  
At 6:00 pm  
SUIMA Dining Hall  
Refreshments will be provided

All families and friends of SUIMA are cordially invited to attend. We encourage family participation, input and support of the Academy. Your voice is important to us.

Please RSVP by February 9, 2018 to the Admin. Desk at 970-563-0253

Child care can be provided if requested in advance.





# Valentine's dance draws many



Ignacio youth enjoy dancing to various songs they requested, laughing and sharing each others company.



Adrian Pinnecoose shows his dance moves on the dance floor.



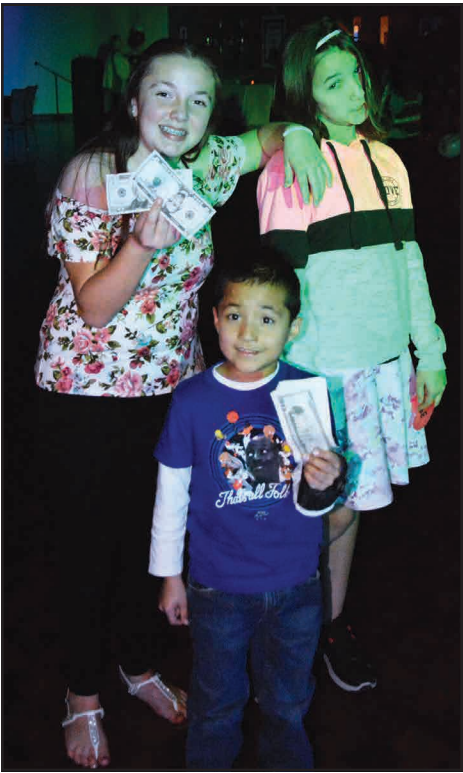
Zxander Wartman dances all around the dance floor.

**The Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility hosted a Valentine's Dance, Friday, Feb. 9. Dominic Sage providing the dance beats and groove for the evening. Home cooked food was prepared by MPF Operations Manger Elise Redd. A few games were also held at the dance, including a 'Hot Seat' and 'Minute-to-win-it'. A couple dance competitions: a Cupid Shuffle dance off (sponsored by Dominic Sage), and a country two-step (sponsored by Elise Redd) were held as well. The Multi-Purpose staff would like to thank everyone who came out to their dance, they saw a great turn out and hope to have more events in the future for everyone to enjoy.**

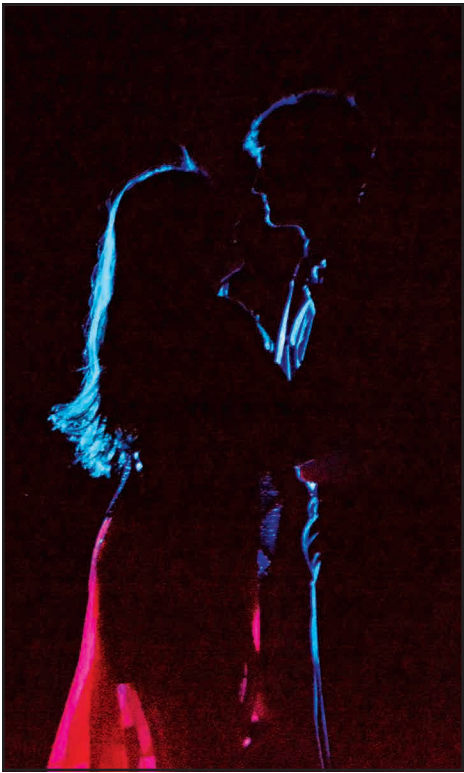
**Photos by Robert L. Ortiz**  
The Southern Ute Drum



Nanas Fuller demonstrates her break dance skills.



Show me the money! Cupid Shuffle, cash winners, Cheyenne Herrera, Evelyn Rangel and Stephen Romero.



Ignacio High School freshmen, attended the Valentine's dance, and a couple won the country two-step competition.



The Cupid Shuffle is always a dance favorite, as many lined up and shuffled to the right, to the right, to the right, right, right.

# GUNS N HOSES BASKETBALL FUNDRAISER

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4PM

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## Positive Youth Development Training

### Ignacio

**When:**  
Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018  
8:30am-3pm

**Where:**  
Sun Ute Community Center  
290 Mouache Circle Ignacio, CO.  
81137

**Who:**  
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**To Register:**  
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For More Information Please Contact  
Eric Wilson:  
[ewilson@pinonproject.org](mailto:ewilson@pinonproject.org)  
Cindy Houston:  
[chouston@scyclistens.org](mailto:chouston@scyclistens.org)

Positive Youth Development, "PYD" is an *approach* that incorporates the development of skills, opportunities and authentic relationships into programs, practices and policies, so that young people reach their full potential.

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The next regional PYD event: CORTEZ, Wednesday, March 7th

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## VETERANS AFFAIRS

# Updates to Veteran's Post-9/11 GI Bill program

By **Richard S. Schleeter**  
LA PLATA COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICES

### Expansions of the Post-9/11 GI Bill

Includes benefits for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will provide up to nine months of additional Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to certain eligible individuals who: have or will soon exhaust entitlement of the Post-9/11 GI Bill program; apply for assistance, and are enrolled in a program of education leading to a post-secondary degree that, in accordance with the guidelines of the applicable regional or national accrediting agency, requires more than the standard 128 semester (or 192 quarter) credit hours for completion in a standard, undergraduate college degree in biological or biomedical science; physical science; science technologies or technicians; computer and information science and support services; mathematics or statistics; engineering; engineering technologies or an engineering-related field; a health profession or related program; a medical residency program; an agriculture science program or natural resources science program; or other subjects and fields identified by VA

as meeting national needs. If the individual has completed at least 60 standard semester (or 90 quarter) credit hours in a field listed above, or has earned a post-secondary degree in one of these fields and is enrolled in a program of education leading to a teaching certification.

Priority will be given to individuals who are entitled to 100 percent of Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits and to those that require the most credit hours. VA can pay each eligible individual the benefits for up to nine additional months, but the total may not exceed \$30,000. VA will not be authorized to issue any Yellow Ribbon payments. These additional benefits cannot be transferred to dependents. This expansion becomes effective on August 1, 2019.

### Elimination of 15-year Limitation to use the Post-9/11 GI Bill Program

The law removes the time limitation for the use of Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits for individuals whose last discharge or release from active duty is on or after January 1, 2013, children of deceased Service members who first become entitled to Post-9/11 GI Bill program benefits on or after January 1, 2013, and all Fry spouses.

All others remain subject to the current 15-year time limitation for using their

Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits.

The main objective of the Veterans Service Office is to provide prevention, protection, advocacy and support services to veterans and their families so they can maximize their quality of life, well-being and potential. The La Plata County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) provides information and assistance to veterans and their families. There is a wide range of benefits available for our nation's veterans. Every veteran is encouraged to contact the CVSO to find out more about their VA benefits. Your CVSO can assist you in any matter pertaining to the Department of Veterans Affairs. These services are free of charge. Please visit the La Plata County web site at [www.co.laplata.co.us](http://www.co.laplata.co.us) for more information about what the La Plata County Veterans Service Office can do for you.

The La Plata County Veterans Service Office is co-located with the Durango VA Clinic at 1970 E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 102, Durango, CO 81301. For clinic appointments, call 970-247-2214. The Veterans Service Office phone number is 970-759-0117. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday, except holidays, and appointments are encouraged. Call 970-382-6150 to schedule an appointment with the CVSO.

## Proceed with caution



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The intersection at County Road 517 sports the infrastructure for a soon to be operational stoplight, mild weather made it possible for contractors to get a majority of work completed ahead of schedule. The remaining steps to be finalized by CDOT are temperature dependent, and the traffic signal will not be operational until that work is done later this spring, with hopes of having the intersection functioning by late March, or early April. Until then it is encouraged that drivers be mindful of oncoming traffic and take the extra time to safely navigate the busy intersection.

## COUNCIL CONNECT SCHEDULE

LISTEN TO COUNCIL CONNECT ON KSUT TRIBAL RADIO FROM 02:30-03:00 PM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES.

SHOWS WILL COVER SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COUNCIL INITIATIVES, CHANGES ON TRIBAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LEVELS THAT IMPACT TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP, COUNCIL BUSINESS TRIP UPDATES, AND UPCOMING EVENTS.

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
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APRIL	MAY	JUNE
9 & 23	7 & 14	11 & 25

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## Healing Spirits Walks

### Wednesday "Hungry for Health" Walks

SunUte Community Center @ 12pm

- February 21<sup>st</sup>
- March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>

### Sunday Walks

- February 18<sup>th</sup>, @ 12pm
  - Ignacio, SunUte Park
- March 4<sup>th</sup>, @ 12pm
  - Bayfield, Eagle Park
- March 18<sup>th</sup>, @ 12pm
  - Ignacio, SunUte Park



WALKS WILL BE OUTDOORS, WEATHER PERMITTING....BUNDLE UP!

If the weather is too bad, we may use SunUte Facilities depending on availability. If a walk needs to be cancelled, you will be notified via email or text.

For more information email: [healingspirits@eaglearrow.org](mailto:healingspirits@eaglearrow.org)

## Southern Ute Veterans Association Notice

Annual Meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2018 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility – Officer Elections, by-law review/revisions. All Southern Ute Tribal Member Veterans invited. The Veterans Association meets the first Wednesday of the month at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility.

- April 4 – 5:30 to 7 p.m.
- May 2 – 5:30 to 7 p.m.
- June 6 – 5:30 to 7 p.m.



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- Understanding the process of a Foster Care application.
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- Question and Answer Session

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For more information contact:

Division of Social Services

Foster Care Coordinator, Lisa B. Frost

970-563-0209



## SunUte Community Center

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Tuesday 20th





COLORADO TRANSPORTATION

The Cannabis Conversation aims to identify solutions to marijuana-impaired driving

Staff report  
COLO. DEPT. OF  
TRANSPORTATION

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), along with 18 partners representing the marijuana industry, community nonprofits, universities and others, has launched a new campaign that invites Coloradans to share their opinions, behaviors and habits related to marijuana and driving. Called The Cannabis Conversation, this new drugged driving campaign aims to capture and understand public perceptions about marijuana-impaired driving in an effort to collectively identify solutions that will keep Colorado's roads safer.

Colorado continues to see serious marijuana-involved traffic crashes in Colorado. It's a problem that CDOT and its partners are now seeking the community's input to help address. In 2016, there were 77 fatalities that involved drivers with active THC in their blood. Fortunately, recent public education efforts have resulted in over 90 percent of marijuana users knowing they can get a DUI for driving high. However, more than 50 percent of users consistently report driving high in the last 30 days, which puts all roadway users at risk.

"As the first state to legalize recreational marijuana, everyone looks to Colorado for answers to drugged driving so we are trying something new and innovative," said Sam Cole, Safety Communications Manager at CDOT. "The Cannabis Conversation is about hearing from many different voices on the topic of driving high and under-

standing how we can more effectively connect with people about the dangers of doing so."

To spark the conversation, the campaign is asking Coloradans to complete an anonymous online survey about their opinions and behaviors related to marijuana and driving. The campaign will also be talking to the public at various events and festivals throughout the spring to gather feedback in person. The campaign seeks to understand why some marijuana users choose to drive high, what the public perceives as the dangers of doing so, and how campaign partners can more effectively address the situation. Both marijuana users and non-users are encouraged to participate in the process.

**Take the survey at ColoradoCannabisConvo.com.**

This is a statewide, multi-year initiative that will involve the public, industry influencers, dispensaries, law enforcement, local government and other stakeholders to ensure all angles and perspectives are heard.

"Responsible consumption and reducing marijuana-impaired driving is a shared priority," said Kristi Kelly, executive director of the Marijuana Industry Group (MIG). "We're proud to play a part in this collaborative approach and look forward to learning from what Colorado has to say about this issue."

Delta 9-THC is the primary psychoactive component of cannabis and it can cause impaired driving. Colorado law specifies that drivers with five nanograms or more of Delta 9-THC in their blood can be charged for DUI. Because Colorado

cannot use roadside devices for the detection of marijuana, law enforcement officers – many trained as Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) – base arrests on observed impairment. People who use marijuana for medicinal purposes can also be arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana if they show impairment. On average, more than 60 people are arrested each day in Colorado for DUIs resulting from drug or alcohol consumption.

"We at Lightshade are proud to participate in The Cannabis Conversation. This is our third year working with CDOT, and this year, we're looking forward to a fresh approach. We think two-way communication is important. Better understanding this issue can ultimately improve the safety of our customers and the general public – something that is of utmost concern to us," said Shannon Brooks, Lightshade Dispensaries VP, Marketing and Corporate Social Responsibility. "We also think it's important to educate cannabis consumers to the dangers of driving high – and feel strongly that the message needs to be delivered in a way that's well-received and can change behaviors."

"Ultimately, we want to create a social and behavioral shift in the way people think about driving high," said Cole. "What we learn from this campaign will help us move toward our goal of zero deaths on Colorado roads."

For more information about The Cannabis Conversation and to participate in the survey, visit ColoradoCannabisConvo.com.

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One Day INTERNET-BASED



March 17, 2018  
8am-3pm

Ignacio, Colorado (Sky Ute Casino Resort)

This One Day INTERNET-BASED Hunter Education Course, needed to qualify for a Colorado Hunter Education Certificate, will be offered March 17, 2018 (8 a.m. – 3 p.m.) at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Please call 970-563-0130 if you have any questions.

Course fee \$10 (payable to the instructor on the first day of class)  
Class size is limited to 20 students.  
Minimum age requirement is 12 or older. Parents of younger students are encouraged to attend with their child.  
Pre-registration is required. Register online at [register-ed.com/events/view/118100](http://register-ed.com/events/view/118100)

The major portion of this course uses the Internet to complete the mandatory homework. The online portion of the class must be completed before attending class on the March 17. The online course is \$24.50 and is available at <https://www.hunter-ed.com/colorado/>

Class time on Saturday is 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a one-hour lunch break. Students must complete the online course, attend the class, and pass a written test and pass a live fire shooting test. Do not bring any firearms or ammunition to class, all supplies will be provided.

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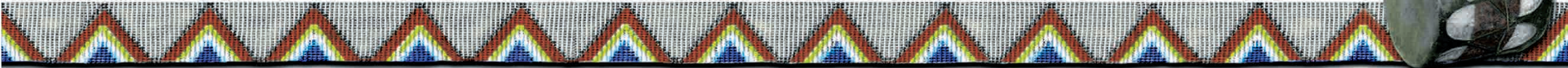
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# Snowdown, It's a black-tie affair



Jr. Miss Southern Ute Autumn Sage greets spectators along Main St. alongside the rest of the Southern Ute Royalty.

**In its 40th year, the annual Snowdown celebration graced the streets of Durango, this year's event was dubbed: A Black-Tie Affair, which encouraged participants to dress to the nines. With wacky events held throughout the community, the weeklong celebration culminated with the light parade, held Friday, Feb. 9. The Southern Ute Royalty Committee keeps up with tradition each year by entering a float to represent the Tribe's current royalty, donning their full regalia.**



Fire dancers grace the annual Snowdown Light Parade, as it makes it way north along Main St.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley  
The Southern Ute Drum



The Durango Street Band dressed in lights with a touch of Victorian elegance.



Flames light up the night sky and bring cheer to the spectators lined up along Durango's main drag. Hot air balloon owners traditionally take part in the annual parade.

## Snow Down throw down



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Hundreds of spectators and dodgeball enthusiast showed up and were ready to cheer and play at this year's Snowdown dodgeball tourney, Thursday, Feb. 1 at Durango Recreation Center. The event was sponsored by Southern Ute Community Actions Programs (SUCAP).



Tasha Herrera, ball in hand, watches the other team for her chance to throw the ball.

Dodgeball players did everything in their power to be the #1 seed in this year's Black-Tie Affair dodgeball tournament, even if that meant crossing the line to get a ball.

## Pie in the sky



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The Patio restaurant was filled with family and friends for the first ever, 'Shut yer pie hole' contest on Thursday, Feb 1 as part of the regional Snowdown contests & events. Patio restaurant owner Emily Meisner, served up cream pies and cheered on the contestants, who competed in three separate age categories from youth to adult.

Pie eating contestants, who were not allowed to use their hands, were judged on how much pie they could eat in just under a few minutes — bibs and safety glasses were mandatory.



Look for more photos and additional coverage on  
The Southern Ute Drum's website.

[www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com)





SUCAP

‘Above and Beyond the Call of Duty’ award, Pierre-Louis

Staff report  
SUCAP

The ‘Above and Beyond the Call of Duty’ award goes to Andrae Pierre-Louis for February, 2018. The award was presented to Andrae, Thursday, Feb. 1.

Andrae has worked in SUCAP’s Youth Services Division for several years now and has shown tremendous growth in the past year. It has been a difficult time for SUCAP Youth Services; we lost a major grant, several full-time staff, and nearly an entire after-school program. Staff has struggled to maintain their routine and their programs with limited funding and staff who were still gaining experience. Yet Andrae stepped up without question or prompting. He jumped at the chance to help where needed and has taken on additional duties and responsibilities. His high energy, positive attitude, and flexibility enable him to provide high quality programming despite all the program restraints and struggles.

He is now managing two after school programs nearly completely on his own. Not only does he provide KICK programming four days a week, but he’s taken the lead on our start-up high school program and created a solid program with consistent attendance and youth engagement. He has even eased the division workload



courtesy/SUCAP

Left to right: Tava Wilson, Youth Services Interim Division Director; Andrae Pierre-Louis, Project Manager, KICK & Connect - Youth Services; Eileen Wasserbach, SUCAP Executive Director.

by collaborating with another high school program to achieve our grant outcomes. And as if that wasn’t enough, Andrae also stepped up to finalize Camp Venture plans last year. Camp Venture is a huge undertaking and not a one man job. He took this task on without having been a part of the initial planning process, yet he took it in stride and made sure all

had an enjoyable, awesome camp. It is clear he loves his job, this community, and the participants at SUCAP Youth Services.

Overall, Andrae has proven to be an asset to this organization and community. His work ethic and generous nature are something to be admired and something we should all strive for. Good Job Andrae!!

Harjo goes live at KSUT



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Joy Harjo stands together with Southern Ute tribal elder, Ula Gregory and KSUT directors, Sheila Nanaeto and Tami Graham following a live performance at the KSUT studios on Wednesday, Feb. 14.



Native American poet, musician, and author, Joy Harjo performs live during an interview, which was broadcast over both of KSUT’s signals, Wednesday, Feb. 14. Harjo hails

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# Youth ballers take the court



Landyn Bravo swoops in and steals the ball away from Christian Cosio. Bravo scored the only point of this game leaving the score 2-0, Pacers winning.

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



Celtics player Kambrie Byrd lands the jump shot after taking the ball down the court.



Raptors player Romeo Thomas looks for the steal from Pacers player Seraya Ruybar, Monday, Feb. 12 at SunUte's gymnasium.



Virgil Morgan, coach for the 10-11 year old Lakers team shows his players some basketball moves as they take a time out.

### BP to conduct inspections utilizing drone technology

In February 2018, BP America Production Company ("BP") will begin conducting routine inspections of its pipelines and other facilities in the San Juan Basin by aerial drone. Currently, BP conducts these inspections annually by helicopter and on a regular basis by using foot patrols. Drone technology will allow BP to inspect its pipelines, well sites and other facilities for leak detection and right-of-way management.

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Payment due date **April 1, 2018**

For your convenience, here is some basic PRIIP (Pine River Indian Irrigation Project) information.

As the operator of the PRIIP, the BIA is responsible for water **delivery** to all lands within the PRIIP (Tribal Assignments, Allotments, and Fee lands). The BIA is also responsible for **ALL** PRIIP billing for Allotted lands and Fee lands, including Tribal Trust lands.

If you have questions or concerns regarding water delivery issues or billing for the previously listed land types, please contact the BIA Irrigation Office at 970.563.9484

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is responsible only for administering PRIIP billing to individuals with Tribal Land Assignments.

If you have questions or concerns regarding your billing on your Tribal Land Assignment, please contact the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Department of Natural Resources at 970.563.0125.

LEFT HOOK PROMOTIONS

## MARCH BOXING MADNESS

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

## MAIN EVENT

WIBF & GBU Welterweight Title Fight

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IHS BASKETBALL

IHS boys dealt first league loss this winter

Three tests still await 'Cats before postseason

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Sometimes it's easier to get back up on one's feet than stand upon them for prolonged periods of time; and with the regular season winding down, that's what the Ignacio boys will look to do in order to build momentum for the 2A-District 3 Tournament, Feb. 23-24 at Montezuma-Cortez H.S. Which, being closer to IHS Gymnasium, will seem like home compared to two tricky away destinations visited Feb. 9-10.

Able to trip Telluride 59-51 after the Friday night fray inside the MinerDome, the Bobcats were unable to keep a clean sheet in the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League and dropped a disappointing Saturday session – ending an eight-game winning streak – at Ridgway by a 42-41 verdict.

To be fair, the Demons weren't the same Demons that lost by 36 points back on Jan. 12. Finally starting to jell under former RHS standout Jake Coulter, Ridgway went into the game having won five of their last six with four of those earned outside Ouray County, and their only loss during that stretch coming by just ten points at Mancos a week before the 'Cats – then ranked #8 in the CHSAApoll – came a-calling.

Senior Jimmy Saville and sophomore Kaden Forrest – who did not play in the teams' previous meeting – each scored 12 points (and each grabbed



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Ocean Hunter (32) tightens up a sideline trap on Norwood's Cael Spangler (3) during the Bobcats' 79-31 Feb. 3 win inside IHS Gymnasium.

nine rebounds) and senior Colin Kraft added ten as the Demons built up a 30-23 halftime lead before Ignacio won the fourth quarter by an 11-3 margin to nearly swipe victory from defeat.

Dinged to 9-1 in SJBL action by the rare loop loss, head coach Chris Valdez knew that both games could be difficult if regulars Kai Roubideaux and Lawrence Valdez were still unavailable, though the squad had proven capable – getting senior guard Kruz Pardo back definitely helped – of playing well in

their absence by downing 4A Durango (56-51, inside Fort Lewis College's Whalen Gymnasium) less than four days before.

"Some of the newer guys that haven't had a lot of time ... I thought they played hard, and that's important to me," Valdez said. "We can play harder, more aggressive – not worried about getting people tired, because we don't want to go to our bench."

"It's going to be a tough road in there, trying to defend them and secure re-

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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

With head coach Jordan Larsen and assistant Dennis deKay looking on from the chairs at far right, Ignacio heavyweight Randy Herrera (left) digs in against Dolores' Bryan Escarcega at the 2A-Region I Championships in Delta, Colo.

IHS WRESTLING

Ignacio sending two grapplers to State

Sanchez, Grooms qualify for Pepsi Center

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Though unable to forcibly flip Hotchkiss' Ethan Guy over – the referee would separate the two after noticing an illegally-applied full-nelson hold – Ignacio's Micah Westbrook, who'd avoided being a pin victim himself not long before, showed that the undermanned Bobcats would work until the 2A-Region I Championships, held Feb. 9-10 at Delta High School, were complete.

Maxing out what would be the event's final Day 1 match, as well as his final match of the 2017-18 season – his first in IHS red-and-white – Westbrook managed to wrestle the Bulldogs' 160-pounder for a full six minutes before losing a 13-5 major decision and becoming a first-day

casualty (he'd already lost by pin to Norwood's Aidan Dabal) in the hunt for top-four status and a CHSAA State Championships berth. "He's been a hard worker ... all season long, and his work ethic and persistence are what allowed him to battle that opponent from Hotchkiss," head coach Jordan Larsen stated proudly. "I'd say Micah has come from having no clue what wrestling is to being able to compete with opponents at a tough regional in a single season of wrestling ... at a mainly 'upperclassman' weight."

With 35 team points, Ignacio finished 12th out of the 15 teams attending, but two 'Cats managed to strive and survive long enough to see the season's final weekend.

"We will be competing against the other best 15 wrestlers in the state, and that means that we are on

an even playing field with those we come up against," Larsen said. "The boys are working hard, and it is in their hands as to whether or not they take advantage of this rare opportunity."

As expected, junior Dustin Sanchez was tough at 152 pounds and earned his ticket to Denver after going a third-place 2-1 at the regional.

Losing to Cedaredge senior Colton Hoerr early on Day 2 after getting a first-round 'bye' on Day 1 into the division's semifinals, Sanchez recovered to pin NHS freshman Broc Joseph with five seconds left in the first period and then pinned Meeker sophomore Jacob Shelton 1:31 into the second period.

Standing 22-13 overall, Sanchez will first meet

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Ignacio's Avionne Gomez (25) looks to drive the ball against former Lady Bobcat Hilda Garcia during IHS' 39-38 loss to Durango, Feb. 6 inside Fort Lewis College's Whalen Gymnasium.

IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lady 'Cats learn from season's first loss

Recovers, rips Telluride, Ridgway

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Having seen his squad squander an advantage against 4A Durango which any side would have savored, Ignacio skipper Trae Seibel was more than happy to see the Lady Bobcats rebound well with 2A/1A San Juan Basin League road victories at Telluride and Ridgway – Feb. 9th and 10th, respectively.

"We played good and executed on the offensive end," Seibel said, following a 42-19 trouncing of THS inside the MinerDome. "We played team ball and we are humbled to be back on the winning side."

Still venting any steam stemming from and remaining after DHS freshman Madelyn McManus' two

free throws with 0:01.1 remaining, giving Durango a 39-38 win inside Fort Lewis College's Whalen Gymnasium after trailing 34-19 through three quarters, IHS easily completed their weekend's work walloping luckless RHS 52-9.

Sophomores Michaela Messer and Ashley Medina each scored three to lead the Lady Demons, while Ignacio's mathematics hadn't been fully totaled as of press time.

And though the two triumphs couldn't prevent the Lady 'Cats from slipping out of the CHSAApoll's top-ten, they were more than enough to keep IHS (15-1 overall as of press time) unbeaten in league play at 11-0 going into their last regular-season contests.

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## TRIBAL MEMBER MEETING

February 22, 2018  
Multi-Purpose Building  
1-4 pm

Purpose: Review & discuss Title 3  
Appellate Code  
Review & discuss Title 8  
Probate Code

Recommendations will be submitted to  
Tribal Council for their review and update.

Refreshments will be served,  
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### NOTICE: Cedar Point Housing Area

**Per the Protective Covenants:** Parking. No automobile shall be parked on a lot or within the HOME Grant housing Project except in a driveway or designated parking areas. No automobile shall be parked along the street during periods of snow removal. Please park in designated areas within your assignment boundaries. Parking in the streets and the sidewalks is not allowed. In addition, no abandoned vehicles or vehicles that are not in operating condition and/or that are not registered within the vicinity of the Home Grant housing project shall be stored on lot for more than fifteen (15) days. If an abandoned or inoperable vehicle is kept upon a lot the Tribe or association may tow, store or sell following notice. The Homeowner shall be assessed all charges related the removal of the vehicle.



#### TERO Department

PO Box 737  
71 Mike Frost Way  
Ignacio, Co. 81137  
Office: 970-563-0117 fax: 970-563-4824

#### Program Guidelines

This program is to assist the Southern Ute Tribal Elders/handicap who reside on or within the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and at their primary residence. The program assists with Spring/Fall Clean up, snow removal, lawn maintenance, small tree/shrub trimmings, raking, assisting with heavy lifting/removal of furniture and appliances and tilling of garden plots.

**This program service is not available for secondary homes: ONLY for the primary home.**

#### Snow Removal: [Nov.-Feb.]

- ❖ Shovel sidewalks and make walk ways to the propane tank, wood shed, garages and/or other buildings needing to get to 15-20 feet wide and garage entrance areas.
- ❖ The lawn service scheduled listing will be used daily for service.
- ❖ Roof raking will be provided as a safety precaution.
- ❖ Snow will be shoveled 15-20 feet from home after falling from the roof, as a safety precaution to the primary homeowner (elder/handicap). This safety precaution is so the snow don't pile up and accumulate icy walk ways or porch areas.
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#### Other Services: [As Requested]

- ❖ Assist with heavy moving of furniture(s).
- ❖ Assist with heavy moving of outside fixtures.
- ❖ Assist with Fall/Spring cleanup. [Fall-Oct; Spring-April]
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## TRIBAL OBITUARIES



#### SAMMY E. PINNECOOSE

Sammy E. Pinnecoose, a long time Ignacio resident, passed away Friday, January 26, 2018 in Durango, Colorado. He was 74 years old. Sam was born on September 19, 1943 in Ignacio, Colorado. He attended the Ute Vocational School in Ignacio and later transferred to Bayfield High School where he graduated. Sam was active in sports playing football, baseball and especially basketball.

Sam, an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal member also claimed heritage from the Northern Ute Indian Tribe and was a Sun Dancer. He worked for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe as a residential attendant at the Ute Vocational School, Purchasing Agent, Assistant Manager for the Pino Nuche' Hotel and Restaurant and Assistant Manager

for the Sky Ute Downs.

Sam continued his education in Stillwater, Oklahoma studying Business Management then Louisville, Kentucky where he studied and obtained his formal horse training. Sam's true passion was training, riding and owning race horses. Sam's horses competed and placed in various races in Farmington at McGee Park, The Downs in Albuquerque and Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, New Mexico. He loved the thrill of racing and could be found on a track training and conditioning his horses or watching simulcast horse racing.

He is survived by his children; Samantha Pinnecoose, Freda (Kiniw) Pinnecoose, Vanessa (Mark) Pinnecoose-Torres, Felicia McKinley, Clarence Pinnecoose, Antonio Cloud and Barry Cloud all of Ignacio. Grandchildren; Shelenia Porambo, Raelynn Torres, Shayla Cloud of Ignacio, Gabriel, Princess Toph and Princess Tylee of Bayfield, Colorado and Zariah Cloud of El Ren, Oklahoma. Great-grandchildren: Jaela and Kylan Velasco both of Ignacio, Colorado as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Siblings; Barney Pinnecoose, Cecil Pinnecoose, all of Ignacio, Sam was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Sarah Russell-Pinnecoose, Laveta Vigil (sister), Stanley Pinnecoose and Bennett Thompson (brothers).

A memorial service will be held 10 a.m., Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Chapel with a luncheon to follow at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Building, 356 Ute Road, Ignacio, Colo.



#### STEVEN CRAIG MONTE

Steven Craig Monte passed away Monday, January 29, 2018, at Park Forest Care Center in Westminster due to complications of lung cancer. He was 58 years old.

Steven was born July 10, 1959, to John Monte and Effie Red Monte in Durango,

Colorado. He grew up in and graduated High School in Ignacio. He lived in Ignacio, Durango, Pueblo, and Denver.

He enjoyed going to the movies, gambling in Central City, eating out with his friends and family.

He is survived by his mother: Effie Red Monte of Ignacio; Siblings: Victoria (Johnathan) Gill of Albuquerque, NM, Sherry Salazar of Ignacio, Victor C. (Stephanie) Monte of Ignacio, and Drake J. (Delaina) Monte of Tucson, AZ; many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his father: John Monte; Paternal Grandparents: William and Ruth Monte; Maternal Grandparents: Bird and Nana Red; Brothers: William John Monte and Norton Monte.

Visitation will be held at Hood Mortuary on Tues., Feb. 6, 2018 at noon. A rosary will be held on Tues. (2/6) at 6:00pm at the Southern Ute Memorial Chapel, a Wake to follow. A Mass will be held on Wed., Feb. 7, 2018 at 10:00am, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church, burial will follow at Ouray Memorial Cemetery.



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**Feb. 26**

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Pine River Indian Irrigation (PRIIP) Engineering Services

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT) is seeking a qualified consultant to perform an engineering evaluation of selected structures and channels that are part of the PRIIP. This project includes the review of approximately 109 structures and 4.1 miles of channel, located within 10 miles of Ignacio, CO. For inquiries and a copy of the detailed RFP, contact the SUIT Purchasing Office: Attn: Steve Govreau, Purchasing Manager, PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137 sgovreau@southernute-nsn.gov. Proposals will be received through **February 26, 2018**. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on certification, contact TERO at 970-563-0117. SUIT reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the SUIT.

Published: February 2, 2018



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### Correction

Shyla Cloud is Antonio Cloud's daughter not Jared Carel's which was mentioned in the February 2, 2018 issue of The Southern Ute Drum.

**Southern Ute Tribal Offices will be closed Monday, Feb. 19. in observance of President's Day**  
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### ELECTION BOARD

CLOSING 3/16/18 – The Southern Ute Election Board is seeking one (1) full-time Regular Board Member. The closing date is Friday, March 16, 2018 at 5 p.m. Qualifications: 11-2-102, (1) & (3): Must be a Southern Ute Tribal Registered Voter. Must reside within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Shall not have been convicted of a felony, and Shall not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonestly or fraud within five years immediately preceding appointment to the Election Board. The Election Board is a paid committee, IRS Guidelines, a Criminal Background Check is necessary. Southern Ute Employee benefits are offered, and you will be considered an Official of the Southern Ute Tribe. Please submit your Letter of Intent to: Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Election Board, P.O. Box 737 #32, Ignacio, CO, 81137. Physical location: 356 Ouray Drive/LCB, 2nd floor east wing. Contact the Election Board at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303/2305 or via email: election-board@southernute-nsn.gov

### 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 its listeners.

### ROYALTY COMMITTEE

OPEN UNTIL FILLED – Attention Past Royalty, Fair Rodeo Queens. The tribe is seeking former Miss Southern Ute/Fair and Rodeo Queens to serve on the Royalty Committee. Two positions are open for two former royalty members. Initial terms are staggered, thereafter three-year terms will be served. To support the Royalty, by providing education in Ute culture and history, to promote and recruit applicants, to plan and host the annual pageant and royalty dinner, other duties associated with the committee. Will review/revise and as appropriate develop Royalty handbooks, code of ethics, review complaints and address disciplinary issues associated with the committee. Meets monthly, and works closely with the Culture Director, this is a non-paid committee. Interested Tribal members should submit a letter to the Human Resource Department at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137.

### WILDLIFE ADVISORY YOUTH BOARD

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

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

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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.

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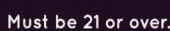
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#### Heavy Equipment Supervisor

Closing date 2/23/18 – Supervises assigned heavy equipment operators and provides heavy equipment services for the Southern Ute Tribe. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

#### Loan Specialist

Closing date 2/23/18 – Provides clerical, secretarial, and client support to the Tribal Credit Division as needed. Presents positive and professional image to Tribal employees and the public. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

#### Receptionist/Mail Clerk

Closing date 2/23/18 – Reception duties for the Southern Ute Tribal organization, including, but not limited to, operation of the telephone switchboard, greeting visitors, providing information about the Tribal government, and referring callers or visitors to the appropriate office for assistance. Performs clerical duties for the Tribal Information Services Director and other Departmental Divisions as needed, including mail processing and distribution. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

#### Social Services Division Head

Closes 2/19/2018 – Day-to-day operation and management of the Southern Ute Tribal Social Services Division, in accordance with the guidelines (fiscal, philosophical, and programmatic) established and approved by the Tribal Council. Manages programs and services including child/adult welfare protective services, family, 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.

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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.

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Open until filled – Entry level position located under the Southern Ute Division of Gaming (DOG). Under general supervision of the Investigator III, incumbent works in coordination with other DOG Investigators to learn and perform Law Enforcement/Regulatory duties for the enforcement of Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

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Open until filled  
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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.

#### 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.

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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-0153**  
**Cheryl Root, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Cheryl Root filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Chispas Root. As of January 30, 2018 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Cheryl Root name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Chispas Root.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2018,  
Scott Moore, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2018-NC-0032**  
**Gabriel Carlos Griffith Tucson, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Karla Tucson on behalf of: Gabriel Carlos Griffith Tucson has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Gabriel Carlos Tucson. 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 **March 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2018,  
BY THE COURT,  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2018-NC-0033**  
**Paiten Rae Griffith-Tucson, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Karla Tucson on behalf of: Paiten Rae Griffith-Tucson has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Paiten Rae Tucson. 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 **March 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2018,  
BY THE COURT,  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2017-PR-0118**  
**Corina Ann Tobias, 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 **FEBRUARY 26, 2018 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 24th of January, 2018  
Kayla Wing, Deputy Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2018-PR-0028**  
**Sammy Everett 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 **MARCH 5, 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 30th of January, 2018  
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### 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. Baristas take and prepare orders. In addition to strong guest service skills, baristas need to be able to listen carefully to guest orders and prepare drinks correctly. Accountable for accurately totaling food and beverage purchases, collecting payment. Must have high school diploma or equivalency. Must be at least 18 years old. Previous food and beverage and/or barista experience preferred. Must have at least six 6 months experience in customer service, food and beverage industry or related experience. Must have basic math skills and the ability to make change. and making change while ensuring that each guest receives superior guest service.

#### Cage Staff (Full-time/Graves)

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

#### Café Cashier (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Providing friendly and courteous service to all guests in a fast paced work environment. Taking guests food orders, accurately totaling food and beverage purchases and collecting payments. Assists in preparing and serving any and all foods necessary for the Cafe kitchen. Prepares ala carte food products from the hot food line in the front area of the Café. Will balance the register at end of the shift, with proper report of discrepancies and complete paperwork. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 16 years old. Must be able to count money and make change. Cash register experience preferred. Food service/preparation experience preferred. Must be able to work at a fast pace and multi-task in a fast paced environment.

#### Deep Cleaning Staff (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Cleanliness of the entire kitchen as instructed by facilities management and/or supervisor. 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.

#### \*Facilities Technician (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Electrical and mechanical functions, operation of equipment, environmental controls and conditions, and the structural integrity and appearance of the facility and grounds. Works as part of a team to insure smooth operations of the facility, equipment and building; by providing maintenance support, troubleshooting and repair, preventative maintenance on commercial heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems including; boilers, AHU's, hot and chilled water distribution systems, circulation pumps, cooling towers, walk-in coolers and freezers. Reports to the Facilities Manager. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have at least 4 years of documented HVAC troubleshooting, repair, refrigeration and maintenance experience. Must have a working knowledge of maintenance and repair procedures for HVAC Building Automated Systems with programmable logic controls, as well as a working knowledge of pressure vessels, boilers, hot water heaters, heat recovery units, VFD's, Pumps, Motors and radiant systems. Must have an extensive knowledge of facilities structures and finishes. Must have experience reading and interpreting blueprints and schematics. Must pass a written HVAC & Electrical Exam with a (70% or a higher score).

#### \*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. Excellent team player and trust worthy. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast paced full service restaurant OR 4 months In-House training or presently attending school. Must demonstrate cooperation, support skills and willingness to learn. Must have knowledge of standards of food preparation, serving and kitchen procedures.

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

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

#### Room Attendant (Full-time) w/Sign on bonus

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 are physically demanding and may be stressful at times, particularly during peak season periods. 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 or GED preferred. 1 year previous experience preferred in hotel or hospitality business. Must be able to perform repetitive physically demanding routine tasks. Must demonstrate willingness to learn and the ability to pay close attention to details.

#### \*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. 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.

#### Server-Willows (Full-time)

Open until filled  
Provide an exceptional dining experience by delivering first class guest service of food and beverages to include: taking the order and delivering food and beverage items. Handle tasks in a friendly, courteous, helpful, timely and professional manner resulting in a high level of guest satisfaction. High school diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 18 years old. Minimum 1 year waitress/waiter experience. 1 year of cashiering and food service experience. Must have a point-of-sale cash register experience.

*\*Must be 21 years old,*

## SUCAP – Job announcements

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

#### Teaching Position (Temporary)

Closing date 2/18/18  
Looking for some summer income? Join the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start program. We provide a fun, educational summer session for children 3–5-years old. Hiring now for a Temporary Summer Teacher positions 6/4/18 – 08/16/18. AA or BA in Early Childhood Education or related field is required.

#### Facility and Occupant Safety Coordinator

Closing date 2/19/18  
You are joining a group of dedicated people who all have one thing in common: they care deeply about kids and want to make sure they are safe at all times. Southern Ute Head Start; an excellent opportunity to serve and engage in a great community. Temporary up to 6 months, Part-time, 20 hours, flexible schedule

is required. Facility Occupant Safety Programs experience preferred. High School Diploma or GED required. Able to lift minimum of 30 lbs. and experience with power tools. Work will require the use of computer. Subject to a background check, medical exam and TB test.

#### Head Cook

Closing date 2/16/18  
SUCAP Senior Center in Ignacio. Directing all phases of meal preparation. Weekdays, Meals on Wheels and on-site meals for elderly nutrition program. Must have a current health certificate and food handlers card; experience developing menus. 6 months experience as a supervisor and 1-year experience commercial cooking. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid Colorado driver's license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.

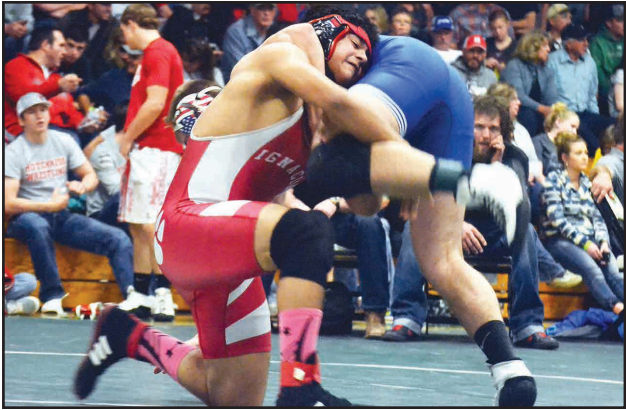


## IGNACIO SENDS TWO TO STATE • FROM PAGE 12

Fowler senior Chantz Lange (Region II runner-up, 27-10 going in) inside Pepsi Center. Another encounter with Hoerr could happen in the semifinals, but Sanchez would also need to defeat either Stratton senior Dayne Hines (4th at Region III, 14-11 going in) or Ordway-based Crowley County senior Ryan Rivera (Region IV champion, 17-9) should he get past Lange.

Bumped up to 145 pounds rather than his normal 138, IHS junior Skieler Grooms went 3-1 in Delta and placed third to earn his State spot. Losing only to Paonia senior Clay Campbell, the eventual champion, in the winners' semifinals – following a second-period pin of Hayden senior Jake Planansky – Grooms bounced back to stick Mancos sophomore Breccen Morelli in an elapsed 2:07, and then defeated Norwood senior Riley Wilson 3-0.

Having improved to 17-10 overall before arriving in the Mile High City, Grooms' first State opponent was to be Swink junior Kaleb Fisher (Region IV runner-up, 19-9 going in). Awaiting the winner would then be either Merino senior



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio 182-pounder Cesar Pedregon resists Cedaredge's Toby Waddell, while also trying to get the Bruin off his feet during the 2A-Region I Championships in Delta, Colo.

Remington Canfield (Region III champion, 33-3) or Pueblo Dolores Huerta Prep freshman Xavier Mendoza (4th at Region II, 10-9).

"They both had some outstanding regional tournaments ... were able to show their ability to compete against tough opponents and come out victorious," Larsen said, of Sanchez and Grooms. "Our focus this week is on not being satisfied."

Like Westbrook (4-23 overall), sophomore 182-pounder Cesar Pedregon (9-15) finished 0-2 at the regional, though he nearly earned himself another match before losing 4-2 to Meeker's Colby Clatterbaugh.

"His downfall ... was main-

ly due to his inexperience and, in short, his tendency to just 'wing it' instead of using moves he does very well, as is the case with many young wrestlers," said Larsen. "If he can change that between now and next season, I see no reason why he won't qualify and potentially do some damage at next year's State tourney."

Finishing 4-15 this winter, heavyweight Randy Herrera actually earned sixth-place status in Delta despite finishing 0-3, with two losses coming via pin against Dolores' Bryan Escarcega.

"Randy ... honestly has also made some very real strides forward this year. He has developed some confidence, along with great development of his technical expertise," said Larsen. "However, in order to be successful at 285, he will need to commit to a lot of weight training and off-season training – along with both Micah and Cesar. If he commits himself ... Randy will be a much different wrestler at the start of next season."

"We as coaches are very proud of all of these boys, and can't wait to see how they shape their fate both this weekend and, in the future," he continued. "I couldn't ask for a greater group of honest, hard-working, and receptive young men to coach."

## BOYS DEALT FIRST LOSS • FROM PAGE 12

bounds," he'd predicted – correctly, as things turned out – following IHS' 79-31 home win over Norwood a week prior to venturing to THS (where Miner senior Reed Schacht pumped in 17 problematic points) and the Demons' lair. "We're focusing on ... crashing the boards, every position."

Bobcat statistics from the road trip had not been totaled as of press time, at which moment the 'Cats still stood 12-4 overall. Up next for Ignacio will be a Snowcoming Week-ending visit on Saturday, Feb. 17, from 1A Ouray with tipoff scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Having had a week to prepare, the Trojans will arrive standing 6-4 in the SJBL



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Kruz Pardo (23) fights through Durango's Will Meyer (5) during the Bobcats' 56-51 win, Tuesday, Feb. 6 inside Fort Lewis College's Whalen Gymnasium.

and 9-9 overall after a neutral-site [Gunnison] 69-52 loss to non-league Creede, at the time #4 in Class 1A.

Results from IHS' 2/15 trip to Mancos – with the Blue Jays, winners of six

straight, standing 13-4 overall and 9-3 in league at the time – were unavailable at press time. The boys will then wrap up the regular season hosting 1A Monticello, Utah, on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

## LADY CATS LEARN FROM LOSS • FROM PAGE 1

Up next, Ignacio will host Ouray (10-8, 8-2 SJBL) on Saturday, Feb. 17, to conclude "Snowcoming" Homecoming Week at IHS as well as regular-season play. Tipoff against the Lady Trojans is scheduled for 2:00 p.m.

Results from Ignacio's 2/15 trip to Mancos (3-13, 3-9) were unavailable at press time, as were figures from the team's 2/13 home test against Pagosa Springs – which came to town 9-1 in the 3A Intermountain, 15-3 overall and sitting fourth in the updated Class 3A rankings. Postseason work begins Feb. 23-24 at the 2A-District 3 Tournament, to be held at Montezuma-Cortez H.S.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Led by Fernanda Tavares (second from right) and Sidney Cox (far right), the Ignacio bench erupts after a basket Tuesday, Feb. 6 against Durango inside Fort Lewis College's Whalen Gymnasium. Even though IHS would lose 39-38, the Lady 'Cats recovered from their first loss this winter with consecutive SJBL road wins later that week.

2A-Region I Wrestling Standings	
1. Cedaredge	228
2. Paonia	209.5
3. Hotchkiss	178
4. Norwood	121
5. Meeker	119.5
6. Oak Creek Soroco	83
7. Hayden	79
8. Mancos	62
9. Dolores	50
T-10.Dove Creek/Kremmling West Grand	39
12. IGNACIO	35
13. Nucla	26
14. Rangely	14
15. Walden North Park	6

2A-Region I Wrestling Champions	
106 – Gage Bailey, Dove Creek; 113 – Adrian Nieto, Cedaredge; 120 – Sergio Campos, Hotchkiss; 126 – Sean Dale, Cedaredge; 132 – Traycer Hall, Hotchkiss; 138 – Tannen Kennedy, Meeker; 145 – Clay Campbell, Paonia; 152 – Grey Neal, Paonia; 160 – Aidan Dabal, Norwood; 170 – Jace Logan, Oak Creek Soroco; 182 – William Gabriel, Nucla; 195 – Devin Curtis, Hotchkiss; 220 – Sky Carlson, Oak Creek Soroco; 285 – Levi Peterson, Paonia.	

Recreation Presents

March 2nd & 3rd, 2018

Ski and Snowboarding Field Trip

Over night Ski Trip at Telluride

SUIT Member/1st Descendants \$15.00

Open to all Native American Youth \$30.00

Bring: Bed Roll /Sleeping Bag, pillow, snow pants, coat, gloves, snow boots, goggles, change of clothes

Provided for Youth: All ski/boardng gear, Ski/Snowboard lessons & Lift Ticket

Leave From SunUte: March 2nd 3:00 pm

Return To SunUte: March 3rd 7:00 pm

Ages: 10-17 yrs old.

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Seating is limited

For more information 970-563-2652

TELLURIDE

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Your weekend forecast!

Friday, Feb. 16

42°F sunny

Saturday, Feb. 17

48°F sunny

Sunday, Feb. 18

52°F sunny

Weather forecasts collected from www.weather.gov

February 15

February 23

March 1

March 9

March 16

CHSAAnow.com Class 2A Boys' Basketball Poll (Released 2/12)

CHSAAnow.com Class 2A Girls' Basketball Poll (Released 2/12)

1. Ordway Crowley County

2. Yuma

3. Del Norte

4. Julesburg-Ovid Revere Sedgwick Co.

5. Ault Highland

6. Byers

7. Limon

8. Edwards Vail Christian

9. Meeker

10. Simla

Others Receiving Votes: IGNACIO, Calhan, Sanford, Rangely, Fowler, Lafayette Alexander Dawson, Colorado Springs Evangelical Christian, Haxtun, Evergreen Clear Creek, Paonia

1. Yuma

2. Wray

3. Swink

4. Holyoke

5. Limon

6. Del Norte

7. Denver Christian

8. Simla

9. Ault Highland

10. Oak Creek Soroco

Others Receiving Votes: IGNACIO, Meeker, Rangely, Haxtun, Evergreen Clear Creek, Paonia, Sanford

2018 TRI-UTE GAMES

When: May 29<sup>th</sup>-May 31<sup>st</sup>

Welcoming Night May 28<sup>th</sup> at SunUte

Looking for Athletes & Coaches for the upcoming Tri-Ute Games held in Ignacio this year!

Sports: Basketball, Co-Ed Volleyball, Golf, Archery, Swimming, Cross Country, Wrestling and Hand Games

\*Ultimate Warrior Challenge\*

Earn a 5 piece Tri-Ute Pin by participating in individual, team, cultural and Ute Warrior Challenge activities.

(Receive your 1<sup>st</sup> piece of the pin set at check-in on May 28<sup>th</sup>)

Packets Due Friday, April 6, 2018!!!

Who: Enrolled Tribal Members and 1<sup>st</sup> Descendants with CIB

Ages: 9-18

The purpose of the games is to come together so our children get to know one another and to foster friendships between the Northern Ute, Southern Ute, and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribes.

To be a part of Team Southern Ute

Please contact SunUte Recreation Team at 970-563-0214

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