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SUNUTE

Ute language immersion through Guardian Art

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A Native American based “ninja” gymnastics program aims to reinforce the Ute language through a unique and proven method of teaching.

“We are combining the language with movement,” explained SunUte Director, Robin Duffy-Wirth. “When you do that, there is a higher retention rate.”

“Eight of us went to California to explore the program,” Duffy-Wirth explained. The Executive Officers, Virgil Morgan, Elijah Weaver, Nate Hendren, Maria Archuleta, and Alex Pena. We spent two days at their gym – the Nexus Guardian Art Headquarters. “The team building was unbelievable. Watching the youth’s confidence build was a highlight of the trip,” Duffy-Wirth said.



courtesy Guardian Art

The Guardian Art program blends physical activity with language immersion to teach youth in Native American communities.

Guardian Art was created by Great Owl Lightening, who hails from the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation on Canada’s Manitoulin Island. He is a fluent speaker in his own language, which led him to establish three immersion schools in Canada to help other communities and tribes retain their individual languages. Through Guard-

ian Art, we took a whole different approach to teaching and preserving culture and language, he explained.

The Guardian Art program collaborated with tribes and first nations whose population of fluent language speakers was estimated to be as low as 50-60 speakers. He estimates

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CCIA

Commission welcomes Lt. Governor Primavera, tribes voice concerns

By McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) held the third quarterly meeting on Friday, March 22 at the History Colorado Center in Denver. Tribal leaders, royalty and members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe were in attendance.

Chairing her first ever CCIA meeting, Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera called the Commission to order. The meeting began with the approval of minutes from the last quorum and the authorization of the agenda. Primavera welcomed tribal officials from Ute Mountain Ute and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, she then gave up the mic and let the two tribes give their updates. Both tribes began by welcoming the new Commission Chair and Lt. Governor Primavera to the meeting and expressed gratitude. “Thank you for all



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Southern Ute Vice Chairman, Cheryl Frost reiterates how important it is for her and fellow council members to be involved in decisions that impact the state of the tribe at the quarterly Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting.

the support and work that we know you will do,” Southern Ute Vice Chairman Cheryl Frost stated.

Primavera is no stranger to leading; she has spent decades dedicated to fighting for affordable quality health care. She has spent years in the public eye working for Coloradans and was first elected to serve in the State Legislature in 2006. In addition to all her achievements, Primavera announced plans to, “work

at expanding Medicaid and private-insurance coverage for women’s preventative health care, secure insurance coverage for children who need autism services.”

The biggest concerns that were brought up had to do with water, substance abuse and tribal youth. “We have received numerous grants that will help with our tribal health department and with our youth,” Frost said. Recently,

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SOVEREIGNTY

State Capitol honors Colorado’s first people

By Trennie Collins
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Colorado State government recognized all three Ute tribes on Thursday, March 21, officially calling that day “Ute Day at the Capitol.”

Tribal leaders and officials from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and Ute Indian Tribe of Utah, were all in attendance.

“The Utes have been and continue to be an intricate part of this state,” stated Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera who welcomed all and spoke on behalf of Governor Jared Polis.

Red Spirit from the Ute Indian Tribe honored attendees with a flag song to start the momentous day, as tribal elders and veterans: Rudley Weaver, Jonas Bullethead Grant and Gordon Hammond brought flags from their respective tribes to post on the west

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McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Tribal flags from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and the Ute Indian Tribe are now posted in the State Capitol Building in Denver. They were placed there on Thursday, March 21 when all three Ute tribes were recognized by the State of Colorado at what is now known as “Ute Day at the Capitol.”

TEAM COLORADO

NAIG 2020 preparations underway

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The SunUte Recreation Department is hosting an kickoff event and informational meeting, bringing athletes together for Tri-Ute Games and the North American Indigenous Games (NAIG). The meeting will provide all relevant information for Tri-Ute 2019 and NAIG 2020. The event will take place at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility, Wednesday, April 3, at 6 p.m. – dinner will be provided.

“We want to have a presence at NAIG,” SunUte Director Robin Duffy-Wirth emphasized. “In order to do that, we need to get them ready – a year of preparation is our goal.”

Athletes, coaches, and



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NAIG COUNCIL

parents of athletes are all highly encouraged to attend the dinner. The meeting is open to tribal members, first descendants and other Native Americans. Having athletes and coaches committed to the upcoming games is instrumental to the program’s success, and this meeting will set the groundwork for those teams to compete.

Team Colorado is comprised of Native Americans

living in Colorado. The youth train together and travel together, representing Colorado in the North American Indigenous Games every two years. “We are also supporting other Native Americans,” SunUte Recreation Manger Virgil Morgan said. We want to get the athletes signed up, get them working with one another and training together — this is our goal towards having the best and most competitive team possible, he explained.

Halifax, Nova Scotia will set the stage for the upcoming North American Indigenous Games, bringing athletes together from across North America.

The 2019 Tri-Ute games will be hosted by the Ute Indian Tribe this summer in Fort Duchesne, Utah, July 16-20.

Denver welcomes powwow



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute Veteran, Rudley Weaver greets Jr. Miss Southern Ute, Autumn Sage at the Denver March Powwow during grand entry on Saturday, March 23. In it’s 45th year, the powwow returned to the Denver Coliseum.

More Denver March Powwow photos on page 9.

Ignacio honors life of Casias



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Community members gathered together in the heart of Ignacio for a candlelight vigil honoring the late Gloria Casias, who lost her life earlier this month. Prayers and traditional songs were shared on the plaza at the Ignacio Community Library, Sunday, March 17, in the company of friends and family — many of whom stepped forward to speak out against domestic violence. Deidra White Eagle helps to light a candle, honoring her friend’s life.

More candlelight vigil photos on page 5.

VFW recognizes So. Ute Vets



courtesy Southern Ute Veterans Association

Southern Ute Veterans Association members Rod Grove and Howard Richards Sr. receive an award at VFW post 4031 in Durango, Colo. for their dedication and support of veterans, Monday, March 18.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) award, was presented to the Southern Ute Veterans Association. The award reads, "Your steadfast support of your nation, tribe, veterans and warriors is an example of patriotism to emulate." According to Association Commander, Howard Richards Sr., the relationship with Southern Ute Veterans and the VFW goes back 33 years and first began with ties to the American Legion in Ignacio, Colo.

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Many Moons Ago

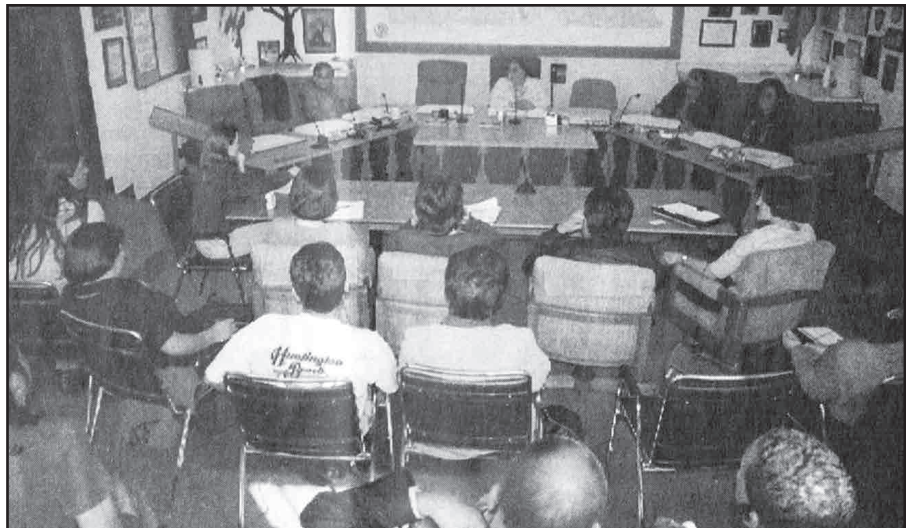


Amy Barry/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Lakota TwoCrow and his fellow peers visited CSU's Little Shop of Physics to get a glimpse at the phenomenon of the subject of physics and the science field. The Little Shop of Physics visits the Southern Ute Education Department every two years for schools around the area.

This photo first appeared in the Mar. 27, 2009, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

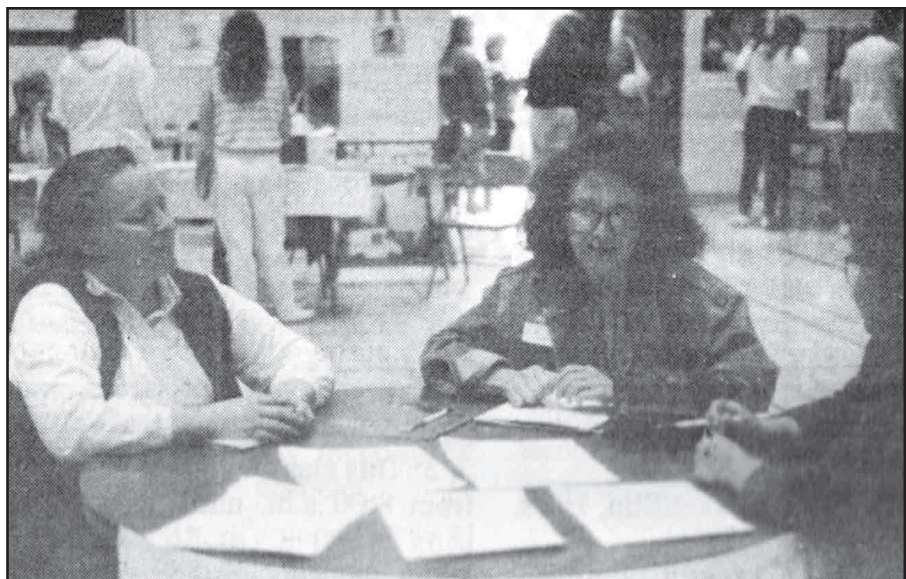


Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

A Latin American contingent sponsored by the International visitation Program in Washington D.C. visited Southern Ute Tribal Council members on March 22. The 14 representatives and translators from various Central and South American countries asked council questions regarding sovereignty, inter-tribal relations and cultural preservation.

This photo first appeared in the Mar. 26, 1999, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

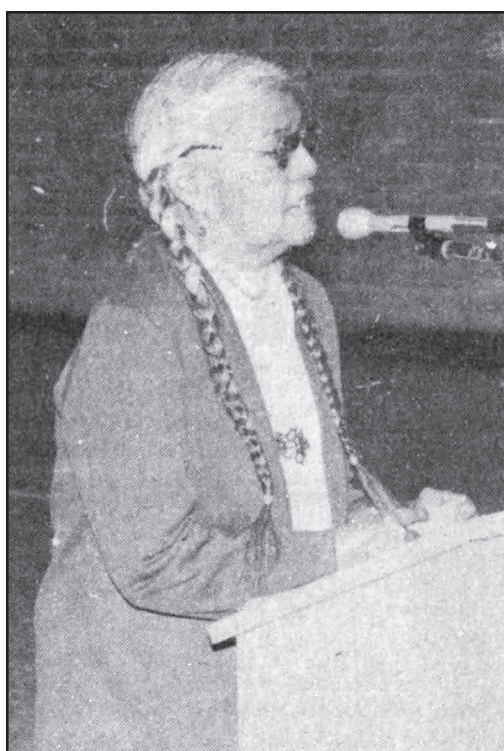


SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Myrna Jacobson and Jennifer Goodtracks explain the concepts of psychology to Cheryl Frost. This was one of 20 booths that were available at the Third-Annual Career Fair in the Ignacio high school gym for students to visit.

This photo first appeared in the March 31, 1989, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

40 years ago

Sunshine Smith started off a Ute-Language General Meeting and discussed the reasons why the Ute language must be retained on Wednesday, March 21. The meeting also discussed methods of teaching Ute and also proposed a Ute language school for Southern Ute children that would be owned and operated by the Tribe.

This photo first appeared in the March 30, 1979, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Construction Services

2019 Home Rehab Applications

Deadline **April 15th, 2019** **Deadline**

Construction Services will be accepting applications for 2019 Home Rehab until April 15th, 2019, application received after April 15th, 2019 will be considered for 2020. Please contact Construction Services if you have any questions. Thank you.

970-563-0260

THE INSIDE OUT:

Visions from the Artist's Mind

A look into the Southern Ute Museum's permanent collection featuring:

Orian Box	Norman Lansing
Russell Box Sr.	Sam Ray
Woody Crumbo	Byron Red Sr.
Sam English	Dorothy Strait
McGarey Gallegos	Bennett Thompson

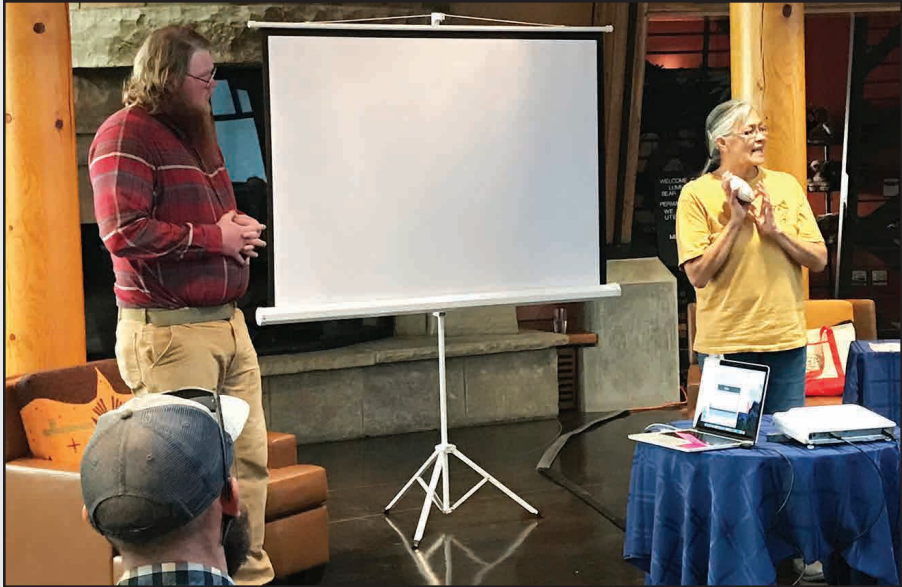
April 5, 2019 - April 30, 2020

Opening Reception: Friday, April 5, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

SOUTHERN UTE MUSEUM



Maitland speaks at museum



courtesy Jed Smith/SU Museum

Southern Ute Museum Director Linda Baker presented speaker Brian Maitland with a seed pot created by artist T. Poncho from the Pueblo of Acoma, N.M. Brian Maitland’s presentation on Ute baskets took place Friday, March 15. Maitland is a senior at Fort Lewis College, whose research focuses on basketry and how woven items can show a network between groups in the Southwest and their environment.

Elders talk travel



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Southern Ute elder, Evalyn Russell attended the elder’s luncheon that was hosted by the Southern Ute Tribal Services Department on Tuesday, March 19 at the Multi-Purpose Facility.

Dr. James Jefferson, provided the invocation for the elder’s luncheon, which was hosted by the Southern Ute Tribal Services department and held in the Multi-Purpose Facility.



2019 Annual Spring Clean-Up

Southern Ute Property and Facilities
Tyson Thompson, Director
970-563-2945

Tribal Departments, Tribal Members and tenants of the Southern Ute Housing Authority only. We will not pick up for non-tribal tenants living in Tribal Member owned rental homes. All pick-ups must be within the boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation only. Please feel free to call with any questions or concerns.

April 8–April 12 only.

ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN **ONE AREA** AND GENERAL TRASH MUST BE **BAGGED** FOR PICK UP.

If you have tires, only 4 tires per household will be picked up. NO EXCEPTIONS.

We will not pull **your** trailer to the transfer station for you.

- ♦ **Tribal Elders**
If you need assistance, please contact the TERO Department at 970-563-2291.
- ♦ **Environmental Programs, 970-563-0135**
Disposal of hazardous waste. If you are unsure of any waste, please inform those that are picking up so it can be identified by Environmental Programs.
Large site or dangerous HAZMAT testing and cleanup will be completed at the homeowners expense
- ♦ **Motor Pool, 970-563-0280**
Tribal Member homes west of the Pine River except those listed below.
- ♦ **Building Maintenance, 970-563-0265**
Tribal Member homes on Cr 314, Cr 315, Cr 316 and Cr 311 as well as upper and lower campus. We also take **all** vehicles being disposed of.
- ♦ **Grounds Maintenance, 970-563-0272**
Tribal Member homes located in Cedar Point East & West, Ignacio Peak and the La Boca area west of the Pine River as well as upper and lower campus.
- ♦ **Construction Services, 970-563-0260**
Tribal Member homes east of the Pine River.
- ♦ **Southern Ute Housing Authority, 970-563-4575**
Southern Ute Housing Authority renters and Senior Center occupants are to contact the Southern Ute Housing Authority.

99TH ANNUAL SOUTHERN UTE FAIR THEME AND ART WORK CONTEST

The Southern Ute Culture Preservation Dept. would like to announce the 2019 Logo and Theme Contest for the 99th Annual Southern Ute Fair. **This contest is open to ALL Ute members.** All art media will be accepted until **May 3 at 5p.m., NO EXCEPTIONS.** Artwork shall be no larger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with respective artwork. Artwork can be drawings, photos, painting, etc. Artwork must be signed. Selected artist must sign a waiver and the artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Preservation Dept. Artwork will be featured on all items associated with the 99th Annual Southern Ute Fair. The winner will receive a \$750 monetary award plus Fair merchandise that will be purchased by the Southern Ute Culture Preservation Dept. with the Fair Logo & Theme. Winner will do a short interview and picture with the Public Relations Department or write a short paragraph explaining the Logo and Theme which will be featured in the 2019 Fair Premium Book. **NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES!** Submit artwork to: Southern Ute Culture Preservation Department PO Box 737 #88, Ignacio, CO 81137 OR call 970-563-2985 with questions.

Powwow For The Children
Cash Prize Payouts

HAND DRUM CONTEST

1st	\$500
2nd	\$300
3rd	\$200

TEEN DANCE CATEGORIES

1st	\$200
2nd	\$150
3rd	\$75

TEEN GIRLS

Jingle & Fancy Combined
Traditional, Northern & Southern Combined

TEEN BOYS

Fancy & Grass Combined
Traditional & Chicken Combined

JR. DANCE CATEGORIES

1st	\$75
2nd	\$50
3rd	\$25

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Fancy & Grass Combined
Traditional & Chicken Combined

JR. GIRLS

Jingle & Fancy Combined
Traditional, Northern & Southern Combined

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VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

What is People-First Language and why is it so important?

Staff report
SOUTHERN UTE VOCATIONAL
REHABILITATION

People-First Language means addressing people in a way that puts the person first instead of the person's disability diagnosis. People with disabilities are, after all, PEOPLE first. People with disabilities are everybody. The more considerate we are about the way we speak to each other and about each other; the more considerate we become in our behavior toward one another.

Our SUIT Vocational Rehabilitation program staff will be at the annual Career Fair on April 17 at the Ig-

nacio High School, and we will also be participating in the annual Color Run on April 24, at the Ignacio Middle School.

We are located in the Mouache-Capote Building at 116 Capote Drive in the

Lower Level. Our office hours are Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Our office number is 970-563-4730. Please feel free to call us anytime if you have any questions about our program and its services.

Say This	Not This
People with disabilities	the handicapped, the disabled
Person who has a congenital disability	person with a birth defect
Person who has (or has been diagnosed with)	person afflicted with, suffers from
Person with a physical disability	a cripple
Accessible parking, bathrooms, etc.	handicapped parking, bathrooms

TRIBAL HEALTH

Does your mood change with the seasons?

Staff report
SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL SERVICES

Surviving the winter blues requires energy and essence preservation, but brings about the rewards of spring in the form of new beginnings, regeneration, and a revival of spirit. Many people struggle with seasonal affective mood issues, commonly referred to as seasonal affective disorder (SAD) – a depression related to the change in seasons. If you have felt this through the winter season, you are certainly not alone! Mostly EVERYONE experiences some low energy, being less productive, sleeping more and feeling some isolation.

Allow yourself the space to shift from hibernation to revitalization by reflecting on the past in which you had time to think about in the winter, checking in with yourself at the present, and setting goals for the future, this spring, to make the most of this new

season. The impact of light and temperature on the human body is profound. We all need some level of light and warmth for our bodies to survive and thrive.

Three great ways to help shift from winter to spring are helpful for the awakening of a new season ... SPRING!

1. **Exercise, exercise, exercise.** Moving your body on a regular basis has far-reaching, positive effects on your physical and emotional health. Walking around your neighborhood, doing push-ups, running around outside with children, spring cleaning, checking in on your New Year Resolution goals (You still have lots of time to accomplish)!
2. **Get more light.** Everyone needs to be exposed to sunlight on a daily basis. Since many jobs can be done indoors, this often takes effort. But the benefits are

great, physically and emotionally. Our bodies absorb vitamin D, important to our health, from sunlight. And the energy and emotional boost that we get from a few minutes in the sun can be exceptional.

3. **Talk it out.** All transitions have their challenges, and it's always easier when you're talking to someone about it. Whether you're talking to a friend, co-worker, or therapist, let someone into your inner thoughts and experiences. Talk about your experiences of the winter and your expectations and new energy for spring! Spring is the time of rebirth, growth, and renewal. The Bear awakens from his winter's sleep and celebrates by dancing to welcome the spring. Berries and fruit have been replenished to help him nourish his body and soul.

NUTRITION

Ready, set, plant!

By Denee Bex, MPH, RD
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

It's almost time for planting season. Imagine right outside your home, growing and harvesting fresh greens, carrots, squash, tomatoes, and other vegetables. There's nothing like a sweet and savory tomato picked right off the vine. You can have this in a few months if you start planning right now!

Start thinking about what you can do to prepare for the upcoming growing season. As Native people, we have long been growers and harvesters to help us survive and thrive. Let's strengthen our ties to the land by growing our very own fruits and vegetables for our loved ones. Starting up your own garden will also encourage your family to start eating healthier too.

Having a garden is a great stress reliever after a long day, and it helps us stay physically active. It teaches our young ones about where food comes from and helps us appreciate the hard work that goes into growing food. For me, having my own garden is also about the satisfaction that comes from being able to say, "I grew this, and I want to show my family love by giving them my hard-earned work."

It is similar to when you bead your own jewelry, or make your own blanket and you give them as gifts to family. There's a certain happiness we have about things we put our hard work into and we want to share that love and happiness. Growing our own fruits and vegetables can be the same way.

Another reason why you should have your own garden is that you will know exactly where your food is coming from! Sometimes the fruits and vegetables in the grocery store come from very far places and industrial farmers may put things in the soil that aren't too good for our health or the environment.

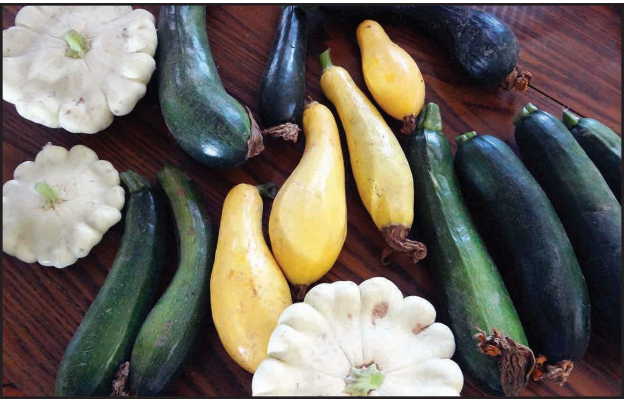
Eating a traditional diet full of home-grown veggies is good because it helps us to become healthier. As Native people we have gotten away from growing our own food and sharing our harvest with our family. It is so easy nowadays to drive up to a window, pay for food, then drive off.

A lot of us have forgotten how hard it was to grow that tomato and lettuce in our burger, butcher the cow that



Denee Bex/Special to the Drum

Cornstalks fill a backyard garden, another ideal crop choice for the arid temperatures of the Southwest region.



Denee Bex/Special to the Drum

The autumn harvest can yield some impressive results; pictured here is a variety of squash and zucchini, which traditionally grow very well in the Four Corners region.

made the patty, and milk the cow that made the cheese. By taking part in the process, we can fully appreciate how our food came to be, instead of simply opening a fast food bag and gobbling it up!

Our diets have become high in processed foods and fast foods – and it's making us sick. Often, those processed foods can be high in salt, fat, and sugar, that can lead to problems such as high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease, and cancer. Let's say no to easy food that makes us sick and go back to the land that once made us healthy and thriving. We'll feel better in the long-run!

So, you may ask, "what can I start growing?" There are many vegetables that should grow very well at our elevation in the Four Corners region. At the start of April, you can start planting cold weather crops such as lettuce, spinach, and radishes.

These are fast growers, so you can be harvesting by the end of April. Imagine being able to harvest your own spinach right outside your door and sauté it with some onions and garlic. This is a great side dish for any meal.

If you don't have access to land for a bigger garden, you can also grow in containers, such as five-gallon buckets. When it warms up a little, in about a month or so, you can even grow a tomato and squash plant in that five-gallon bucket.

Just think, a few months from now, you will have the satisfaction of saying I grew this, and the love that it shows to your friends and family. Now is the time to decide what you would like to plant!

Denee Bex is a Registered Dietitian and advocate for healthy traditional diets and home-grown foods within Native American communities. She can be reached at Denee.Bex@gmail.com.

Candelight vigil for Casias



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute elders, Sanjean Burch (center) and Pearl Casias (far left) were among those who publicly spoke out against domestic violence. The program was coordinated by SkyDawn Moccasin-Flower and Diane Millich.

Friends and family came to honor Gloria Casias, a domestic violence advocate, on Sunday evening, March 17 in downtown Ignacio.



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Books fill SUIMA



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Getting ready to leave the book fair, students Niko Frost and Max Veneno check out with their final choice of books on Thursday, March 14.



O'honzoni Larry browses through the books at the annual book fair held at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy.

SUIMA students, Tia Howe, Marcus Taylor and Shyla Watts perform "Shark Doo Doo" together while parents and teachers attend the annual book fair on Thursday, March 14.

EDUCATION

Southern Ute Education Dept.: Student of the Season

Student interview by McKayla Lee
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Southern Ute tribal member Chris Hayes has been nominated as the Southern Ute Student of the Season for the Winter of 2019. Hayes currently attends the fifth grade at Ignacio Elementary School. His parents are Wyatt Hayes and Tonya Baker.

"Christopher is a wonderful student. He is always role modeling the six pillars of character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. I admire his passion for learning, his willingness to help others, and his caring attitude toward his peers, teachers, and other school staff. He was the clear choice for Southern Ute Student of the Season for winter," Southern Ute Intermediate Teacher, Dorian Romero expressed. "Christopher, keep up the good work!"

McKayla Lee: Why do you think you have been nominated to be student of the season?



Chris Hayes
5th Grade
Ignacio Elementary School

Chris Hayes: Mmm, I don't know.

ML: What do you like most about school?

CH: Recess, because you don't have to learn and you get to talk around with friends.

ML: What is your favorite subject in school?

CH: Math and ELA, because in ELA you just have to write and in math you just have to look up at the board.

ML: Do you have any

role models in your life?
CH: Caden, my friend.

ML: Yeah, why is he your role model?

CH: Because he's always positive.

ML: Do you think you're a role model to others?

CH: (Shrugs his shoulders) Yeah.

ML: Are you excited for high school?

CH: A little.

ML: I hear you're an ambassador at school, what does that mean?

CH: I get to help people at school.

ML: Do you play any sports?

CH: Yes, baseball and wrestling.

ML: Are you proud of yourself for being student of the season?

CH: No

ML: Oh, why not?

CH: Because I didn't know I was going to be.

Supporting awareness



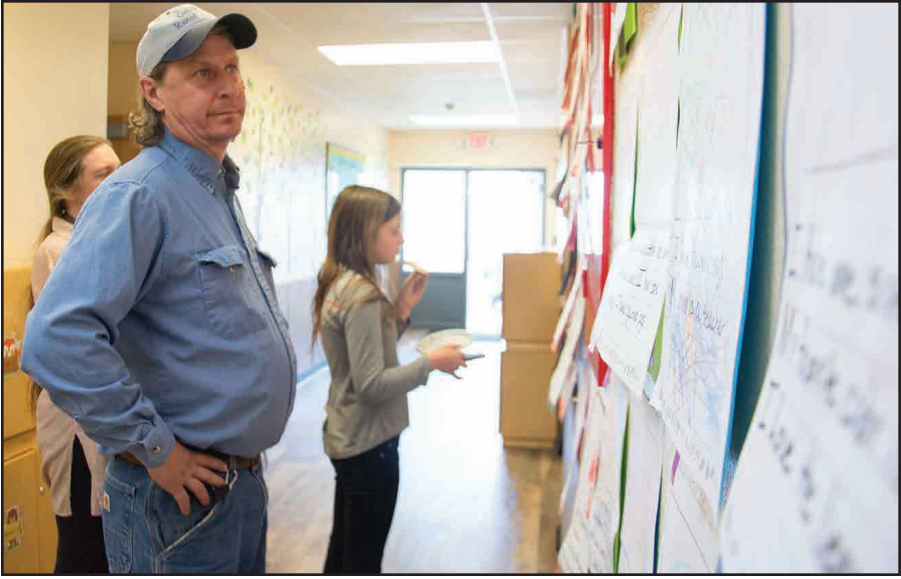
photos courtesy Robin Duffy-Wirth/SunUte Community Center

Team KIND members, Lisa Olguin and Robin Duffy-Wirth of SunUte, handed out wireless Beats on Thursday, March 21, to Ernesto Verneno at the Ignacio Middle School. Verneno was the winner of the magnet contest on the lockers in the school.

Team KIND presented gifts to the Ignacio High School winners on Thursday, March 21, for the "suicide awareness magnets in your locker" contest. Helaina Taylor won a pair of headphones. Emily Hatcher, Marcus Archuleta and Charlize Valdez each won \$25 gift cards.



Early Learning Program opens



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Children of the Ignacio Early Learning Program crafted art pieces that were hung in the hallways, parents were encouraged to try and find their child's work at the Open House on Friday, March 15.

Parents and families explored the new preschool during the open house at the Ignacio Early Learning Program on Friday, March 15.



ICL hosting Poetry Writing Contest

The Ignacio Community Library is hosting a Poetry Writing Contest for the month of April in recognition of National Poetry Month. All ages can enter the contest, and winners from three age categories will be selected - Adults, Teens and Kids. The deadline to submit all poems is Friday, April 26, and no more than two poems per person can be submitted. Please stop by the library to pick up an official entry form, or find one on our website.

Kickoff Tri-Ute/NAIG Informational Meeting

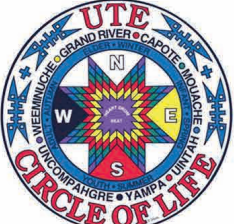
Who: Tribal Members, First Descendants & Other Native Americans.

What: Informational Meeting about Tri-Ute Games and NAIG.

When: April 3rd, 2019 at 6PM.

Where: Multi-Purpose Facility

Dinner will be provided!



For more information call Recreation. (970)563-0214 Kelsey EXT.2660 Virgil EXT.2652

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18th Annual Career Fair

Wednesday, April 17th 2019

9:00AM-1:00PM

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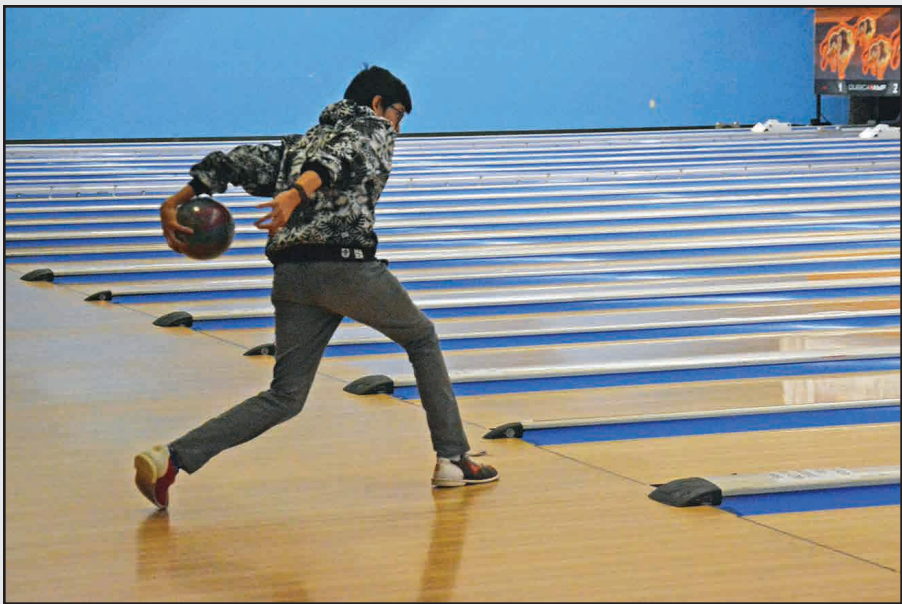


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Bowling for State



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Julian White sends the ball down the lane in his final game of the Youth Bowling Fundraiser, Saturday, March 23 at the Rolling Thunder Lanes in the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The youth bowlers are raising funds for travel and lodging at the State bowling tournament in Greeley, Colo. the first weekend in May. To donate visit their gofund me page at www.gofundme.com/help-the-kids-get-to-the-state-tournament.



Oziah Goodtracks send his ball down the lane during his game at the Rolling Thunder Lanes.

Myla Goodtracks beams with pride after picking up a spare during her game. Rolling Thunder Youth Bowlers coach, Randy Martinez smiles in the background. Martinez said bowlers are awarded for good bowling scores and can receive bowling scholarships to go to college.

VICTIM SERVICES

Justice Department awards over \$300,000 to Tribe

Funds to support Native American crime victims

Staff report
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Office of Justice Programs' Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) awarded over \$391,425 to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe as part of a larger effort to assist victims of crime, announced U.S. Attorney Jason Dunn. The Southern Ute grant is part of more than \$5.7 million to support crime victims in Native American communities nationwide. This set of awards is the second in a series of grants being made by OVC to American Indian and Alaska Native communities. OVC has now awarded more than \$9 million of a planned \$100 million to support tribal victim service programs.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe received \$391,425 to expand its victim services program by providing direct victim services and trauma-informed personnel support. The funding will pay for supplies, staff training, the purchase of new equipment for forensic medical services and child forensic interviews and clinical therapeutic services for crime victims.

"I recently travelled to the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and saw firsthand how much they've accom-

plished in helping victims of crime," Dunn said. "I also know that a grant, like this one, can provide a huge benefit to crime prevention and victim protection."

"American Indian and Alaska Native communities face extensive public safety challenges, but through creative approaches that combine traditional methods with innovative solutions, they are demonstrating their determination to meet the needs of victims in their communities," said Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Matt M. Dummermuth. "These grants, part of historic levels of funding awarded by the Department of Justice to American Indian and Alaska Native communities, will provide significant resources to bring critical services to those who suffer the effects of crime and violence."

The Justice Department is working to improve the lives of all crime victims, including American Indian and Alaska Native communities, by providing accessible resources and services. These awards, and those to come, represent the most significant victim services funding ever dispersed to American Indian and Alaska Native communities.

According to the Bureau

of Justice Statistics, American Indians and Alaska Natives experience violent crimes at rates far greater than the general population.

"American Indian and Alaska Native crime victims continue to face challenges in identifying vital services and resources needed to help survivors address their trauma and navigate a complex system," said OVC Director Darlene Hutchinson. "The Justice Department has made it a priority to partner with tribes to help victims and their families rebuild their lives in the aftermath of violence."

The Office of Justice Programs directed Dummermuth, provides federal leadership to improve the nation's capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims, and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal justice system. OJP has six bureaus and offices: The Bureau of Justice Assistance; the Bureau of Justice Statistics; the National Institute of Justice; the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; the Office for Victims of Crime; and the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking. More information about OJP and its components can be found at www.ojp.gov.

Senior Breakfast

Friday April 5, 2019

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM



Multi-Purpose Facility 563-2640

2019 Tribal Fair Open Rodeo volunteers needed!

The Southern Ute Culture Preservation Department is seeking Southern Ute tribal members and/or Southern Ute tribal staff who would like to help plan the 2019 Southern Ute Fair Open Rodeo. If you are interested please call the Special Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-2985.

Seeking 2019 Bear Dance Feast Head Cook

Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box is seeking a head cook for the 2019 Bear Dance Feast Monday, May 27. The head cook will be responsible for preparing the stew & corn, as well as finding volunteers to serve & clean up. All the ingredients will be provided. The Head Cook is open to Tribal Members first. Must have a current Food Handler's certificate for yourself and helpers who will be preparing food. A monetary stipend will be given to the head cook. If interested contact Special Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-2985.

So. Ute Powwow Committee Seeking Catering Bids

Southern Ute Powwow committee is seeking catering bids for the Bear Dance Powwow dates May 24 & 25, 2019. There is a menu already planned out for both days. Expect to serve about 50 people for the two days, meals will be served for lunch and dinner. Powwow committee will provide paper products, utensils and beverages. We will not provide cooking supplies or servers. However, there is a kitchen on site where meals will be served. Bids are due by April 26, by 4 p.m. Please contact and/or submit bids to SkyDawn Moccasin-Flower at sflower@southernute-nsn.gov or call for more information 970-563-2971. Bids may also be dropped off at the TERO Department with Hilda Burch or emailed to hburch@southernute-nsn.gov.

HAPPY SPRING!

"Color My World With Love"

IGNACIO COMMUNITY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

FUN COLOR RUN

APRIL 24, 2019

IGNACIO MIDDLE SCHOOL

REGISTRATION STARTS: 1 PM

WALK/RUN STARTS: 2 PM

FIRST 50 PEOPLE TO REGISTER GET A FREE T-SHIRT!

ALL AGES & ABILITIES WELCOME!

MUSIC BY: BIG C PRODUCTIONS

ALL SCHOOL BUSES WILL RUN AFTER EVENT.



Photo by: Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

If you or someone you know is being abused, please contact 911 or the Southern Ute Tribe's Division of Social Services at 970-563-2339.

Sponsored by:

Southern Ute Division of Social Services
Ignacio Police Department
Southern Ute Food Distribution Dept.







For more information or questions contact: Precious Collins @ 970-563-2264 or LuRhea Ramone @ 970-563-2328.



Shredding the slopes



Virgil Morgan/SunUte Community Center

SunUte recreation took a group of kids snowtubing at the Hesperus Ski Area, followed by a trip to the cinema to see the new Captain Marvel movie, Saturday, March 16. The kids had the great idea for all of them to snowtube down the hill together at once. Pictured together: Elijah Weaver, Kalynn Weaver, Morgan Jameson, Mathew Jameson and Rhianna Carel.

Developments ahead



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Small Business Specialist Apprentice, Loretta Velasquez greets and thanks Southern Ute tribal member, Lynette Sage for showing up to the informational meeting on Entrepreneurship and Economic Development on Tuesday, March 19.

2019 TRI-UTE GAMES

When: July 16th-20th, 2019

Registration Deadline April 5th

Looking for Athletes & Coaches for the upcoming Tri-Ute Games held in Fort Duchesne summer 2019!

Sports: Basketball, Co-Ed Sandpit Volleyball, Golf, Archery, Bowling, Skateboarding, Wrestling and Hand Games, Cross Country
Ultimate Warrior Challenge

Who: Enrolled Tribal Members and 1st 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
Kelsey Frost 970-563-2660 or Virgil Morgan 970-563-2652

Ignacio Chamber Presents



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Deputy Director of the Southwest Colorado Small Business Development Center, Mary Shepherd (right) spoke at the Ignacio Community Library on Thursday, March 14 as part of the program — Ignacio Chamber Presents.

Notice to the Tribal Membership

Deceased Tribal Member Information

The Tribal Information Services (TIS) Department will no longer provide information on deceased tribal members without the consent of the immediate family. The newly established policy is to provide the family the right to privacy. TIS will notify only the Departments that provide direct services to the membership. The flags will continue to be lowered in honor of the deceased.

NOTICE
SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL
MEMBERSHIP



Beginning October 1, 2018, the Tribal Information Services Department will begin assessing a \$10 replacement fee on all Tribal Identification Cards. Thereafter, replacement fees will increase incrementally with each request.

Tribal Information Services Department (970) 563-2250
Vital Statistics Office (970) 563-2302

I Feel Lucky

GIVEAWAY

Win up to \$5,000 cash weekly!

Saturdays, March 9-30 NOON-10PM

Rules apply. See Players' Club for details. Sky Ute Casino Resort reserves the right to modify or cancel promotions at any time without notice. Must be 21 or better to enter casino.

Sky Ute CASINO RESORT
Owned and Operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Ignacio, CO 888.842.4180
SkyUteCasino.com

YOU'RE A STAR IN OUR SKY!

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE
DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL INFORMATION SERVICES

NOTICE

Southern Ute Tribal Members 18 and over who are requesting personal information such as, copies of birth certificates, tribal identification cards, social security numbers, Certificate of Indian Blood, state and federal tax verifications, address changes, name changes or any other documents must contact the Department of Tribal Information Services, Vital Statistics Office at (970) 563-0100 extension 2302.

Personal information will NOT be provided to anyone else (parents, grandparents, etc) without a signed Release of Information.

UTE LANGUAGE THROUGH ART • FROM PAGE 1

that the population of fluent Southern Ute speakers could be as low as 20. “To me the Ute language is on the endangered species list,” he emphasized. “It is a make it or break it situation – and our system has been proven to work.”

“I’m learning to speak Ute through our techniques,” Lightening said. “Working with [Lynda] D’Wolf to learn how to create immersion. It is strengthening a cultural value as well. We want to make this Southern Ute,” Lightening emphasized.

Cultural Education Coordinator, Hanley Frost is bringing in the Ute culture aspects, Lynda D’Wolf the language. Ute Language Guide, Dr. Stacy Oberly is networking between Guardian Art and the Southern Ute Montessori Academy.

“Our program is based on repetition, action and memory. It uses the body, and incorporates cultural viewpoints,” he explained. “There is no age limit on Guardian Art.” It builds unity between kids and parents – kids teach parents. Parents share the same challenges while bonding with their children.

“While you’re doing it, you’re saying it. Some kids are more hands on then visual, so they learn it through muscle memory – they are hearing the Ute language and doing it at the same time,” reinforced SunUte Recreation Manager, Virgil Morgan.

“I believe this is an amazing program. This is the trial period,” Duffy-Wirth said. “We were gifted this project; to see if this is a vi-



courtesy Virgil Morgan/SunUte Community Center

Southern Ute tribal member, Alex Pena practices Guardian Art, at the Nexus Headquarters in Fremont, Calif. on Friday, Jan. 18.

able program for the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy and BGC.”

SunUte is working with SUIMA and BGC from March 18 – May 17. The program is funded through a grant from Tribal Health to pay for equipment and time.

“Not only will it promote the Ute language, it promotes self-esteem, body awareness. How to handle bullies, self-defense, plus it builds confidence – and it’s a blast,” exclaimed Duffy-Wirth.

Guardian Art founder, Great Owl Lightening is

excited about the collaboration with SunUte. The three-month program will take place each week on Mondays and Fridays, plus an evening program in conjunction with Friday Family Fun Nights at SunUte. The evening program is open to everyone, the proceeds go towards funding the NaNa-Ma (Together) Giving Program, which provides memberships to students and families who would otherwise not have the opportunity to take advantage of SunUte’s facilities and programs.

LPEA

LEAP makes outreach visits in La Plata and San Juan counties

Staff report

LA PLATA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION

Representatives from LEAP (Low-income Energy Assistance Program) and Energy Outreach Colorado will be making visits to local communities to assist residents who need assistance paying their energy bills. The program, which runs from Nov. 1 through April 30, provides an average of \$365 per household in assistance.

To date, more than 82,000 applications have been received online or through the Department of Human Services offices across the state. Specifically, in La Plata and San Juan counties, nearly 750 applications have been submitted with an

average benefit of \$544.

“We’ve been able to help a greater number of individuals this year thanks to our outreach efforts,” said Theresa Kullen, manager of the LEAP program. “We now offer the application online, which makes it even easier for people to access assistance.”

While spring has officially begun, there is still cold weather ahead. To ensure children, the disabled and elderly remain warm in their homes, outreach visits will be made to the following locations.

- **March 26**, 10 a.m., 3 p.m., Durango Community Recreation Center, 2700 Main Ave, Durango, CO
- **March 27**, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Ignacio Community Li-

brary, 470 Goddard Ave., Ignacio, CO

- **March 27**, 1:30-5 p.m., La Plata County DHS, 10 Burnett Ct., Durango, CO
- **March 28**, 11 a.m., Silverton Public Library, 1117 Reese St., Silverton, CO

*Weather permitting

Atmos Energy, which provides natural gas services in the area, is assisting in the outreach effort as a partner with LEAP and EOC. Representatives from the company will be available for questions on Tuesday, March 26 during the Durango event.

For more information on the LEAP program and EOC’s programs, call 1-866-HEAT-HELP or visit: <https://www.colorado.gov/cdhs/leap>.

Ribbon Skirt & Dress Workshop



April 10 & 11

**10:00 AM -3:00 PM
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM**

**Space is limited
call to sign-up
563-2640**

Bear Dance Kick-off Meal



Photos Provided by Jeremy Wade Shockey/SU Drum

**Thursday, May 23, 2019
11:30 AM -1:00 PM**

Sky Ute Casino Event Center



For More Information contact Events Coordinator Tara Vigil at (970) 563-2986

Southern Ute Bear Dance Workshop



SU Drum/ Jeremy Wade Shockey

May 13, 2019

9:00 - 11:00 AM

Sky Ute Casino Events Center

Open to Tribal Staff & General Public

For more information contact : Tara Vigil Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-2985, or Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box at 970-759-7038

2019 Ute Nations Day Honoring Ute Golden Age (70 & Up)

**Thursday May 23, 2019
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

Multi-Purpose Facility



For more Information contact: Tara Vigil Special Event Coordinator at 970 -563-2985

Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 24-27, 2019

Ignacio, Co

Bear Dance Chief-Matthew Box

**Bear Dance Corral Blessing
10:30 A.M. Friday, May 24, 2019**

**Bear Dance Feast
12:00 P.M. Monday, May 27, 2019**

**Bear Dance Grounds are located between
Ute Road & HWY 521 in Ignacio, CO**

- No Short Dresses or Baggy Pants while dancing
- Photography, Video & Audio recording is prohibited; **except by members of the Ute Tribes.**
- The Southern Ute Tribe will not be held responsible for accidents, injuries, or theft.
- The Pine River is **RESTRICTED.**
- For information on vending, contact (970) 563-2985



Jeremy Wade Shockey/SU Drum



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Denver March Powwow celebrates 45th



Shayne White Thunder and Malia White Thunder dance with their mother, Heather White Thunder and their uncle Aaron White Thunder during an intertribal at the powwow.



Jr. Miss Southern Ute, Autumn Sage dances with royalty from across Indian Country at the annual Denver March Powwow.

The 45th annual Denver March Powwow brought thousands of dancers, vendors and families to the Denver Coliseum from Friday, March 22 – Sunday, March 24. The powwow activities drew in spectators from across the country and brought together tribal royalty, veterans and drum groups.

Photos by McKayla Lee
The Southern Ute Drum



U.S. Army Veteran, Bruce LeClaire carries the American flag during Grand Entry for the 45th annual Denver March Powwow.



Miss Tiny Tot, from the Crow Nation makes her way into the powwow arena during grand entry.



A fancy dancer exhibits his skill during the first night of the Denver March Powwow Grand Entry.

Hozhoni Days Powwow
Scheduled for April 12 & 13, 2019



photo/info: www.fortlewis.edu/hozhoni-days-powwow



Southern Ute tribal elder, Austin Box waits for the grand entry to begin on Saturday, March 23.



COMMISSION WELCOMES LT. GOV. • FROM PAGE 1



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Southern Ute Vice Chairman, Cheryl Frost welcomes everyone to the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting held at the History Colorado Center.

members of the Southern Ute Tribal Council took the time to further educate themselves by attending a suicide awareness and prevention training that was taught by tribal staff.

The training provided the basic skills that are needed when dealing with a suicidal individual and offered a multitude of local and national resources for suicide prevention. “The Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board is working right now to secure more grant funding so that the tribes can obtain that money so we can continue our tribal health programs – not only here at Southern Ute, but also at all the tribal communities that the health board services,” Frost shared.

Echoing Frost’s opinion, Councilman Cedric Chavez thanked the Commission and provided a more in-depth perspective of the affects that substance abuse has on tribal youth. “It’s really common that this [abuse] affects a lot of people, but looking forward I would like to see how we can help our young people be able to make the better choice and pay attention to the impacts that this will have on their futures.”

In addition to health concerns, the tribal update

brought up how well the Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division is doing. “They were able to secure a letter of support from La Plata County and from Archuleta County as well for our proposed minor source program, which we anticipate at least two years until the process is to be completed. Those letters have been sent to the federal government at the EPA for any final comments and approval,” Frost stated. In short, the minor source program was designed to protect public health and the environment that is regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Currently the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is working to expand the existing water pond, which is used in the event of a drought or other pertinent emergency. “The current water pond allows us to have one day of potable water – so this expansion should hopefully provide us with up to 28 days of water that can be used by the Tribe and by the town of Ignacio,” Frost explained.

With the knowledge of the drought that plagued the Southwest region last year, Councilman Adam Red explains why he agrees with the recent push to have the

water storages expanded. “Water is extremely important to us – so with that we have to think of the Tribe and the town and how this will affect their lives, which is why I want to see this moving forward.”

Local education institutions and surrounding communities have also collaborated to create new opportunities to expand businesses. “We’re creating a makerspace, under the guidance of the Economic Development [Department] to build an avenue for tribal members to create their own small businesses,” Red stated. Recently, the Southern Ute Tribe has made new hires to support the newly designed economic development department. While in these roles, they will focus on providing quality job opportunities for tribal members, implementing economic strategies and developing small business ventures.

The next CCIA meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 31, and will be held in Towaoc, Colo.

“I am happy to be working with both tribal governments,” Primavera expressed. “Hopefully together we can collaborate and make this a true Colorado for all.”

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wall of the Capitol building.

“Thank you all for being here and taking an interest in learning about the Ute Indian tribes,” said Vice Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Cheryl Frost. “We’re here and aren’t going anywhere.”

Tribal Royalty from each tribe were asked to get up and make introductions. “It’s an honor to be here to represent the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and to represent natives of all tribes because some people don’t know the Ute people are still here,” said Jr. Miss Southern Ute, Autumn Sage.

The issue of finding a more prominent and permanent place within Colorado’s Capitol for the tribal flags and descriptive plaques was a goal of the Ute Tribes and former Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) Executive Director, Ernest House Jr.

The Southern Ute Tribe and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe supported having the Ute Indian Tribe of Utah’s flag displayed, even though they do not currently reside in Colorado.

Colorado has always been the home to the three Ute Indian tribes, who once inhabited the mountains, rivers and plains of Colorado and surrounding states. The ancestors of the Utes were said to be here since 10,000 B.C.E.

Once upon a time, all three Ute Tribes were in danger of being relocated outside of the state by the United States Government, until 1868, when the first boundaries of the Ute Reservations were drawn in Colorado.

In 1881, all the Northern Ute Bands were removed from the White River Agency, near present day Meeker, located in Northern Colorado. In the mid 1800’s the three bands: The Yampa, Umcompahgre and Grand River, now known as the Ute Indian Tribe, were forced to leave Colorado for a reservation in Utah, now located in Fort Duchesne.

“It’s an honor, it’s a privilege from this state to recognize the Ute Indian Tribe. Back home in our state, Utah, this is unheard of,” said Edred Secakuku, councilman for the Ute Indian Tribe.

To this day the Ute Indian Tribe still continues to pursue issues dating back to the 1800’s when they were forcefully moved out of Colorado. The Ute Indian Tribe is suing the state of Utah because they believe they were never compensated for two million acres of land stretching from Vernal to Green River and a billion dollars for reparations for lost minerals, grazing, water and other rights they were promised, but never compensated for.

Colorado’s Governor Jared Polis proclaimed March 21, 2019 as “Ute Day at the Capitol”, and designated “Ute Day at the Capitol” to publicly celebrate and honor the Ute Nations by stating in his proclamation: “Whereas, the state of Colorado celebrates and honors the contributions and sovereignty of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Indian Tribe and encourages its citizens to actively seek knowledge about the history and heritage of the Ute people in Colorado’s past, present and future...”

Wanting to continue a healthy working relationship with our current Governor as they did Colorado’s former Governor,



McKayla Lee/SU Drum

Veterans from each respective Ute tribe carried in the flags for “Ute Day at the Capitol” on Thursday, March 21 at the Capitol building in Denver.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Jr. Miss Southern Ute, Autumn Sage stands proud, representing the Southern Ute Tribal Royalty, while being praised by Colorado’s State Representatives.

John Hickenlooper, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe will continue to discuss their issues through government-to-government collaborations and dialogue.

“As of today, and going forward for everyone who walks by and visits our Capitol, these flags and plaques will serve as recognition of the Ute tribes and as a reminder of our commitment and our obligation to do right by Colorado’s first residence,” stated Primavera. “This administration believes our diversity is our strength.”

Commencing into the House and Senate, representatives from each tribe split up and continued into the separate foyers.

In the House of Representatives, Colorado State Representative Barbara McLachlan and Representative Marc Catlin welcomed members of the Ute tribes.

“It’s “Ute Day at the Capitol” for those of you lucky enough to be in the foyer. They raised flags up that are now in the main chamber and they are absolutely beautiful and they will never let us forget how important the Ute tribes are in Colorado,” said McLachlan “They add so much to our communities, they add a love for our earth, a fellowship with each other and symbolic relationship with their surrounding communities, a deep love for their families and a strong devotion to spiritual traditions.”

In an effort to make Colorado and its residence feel at home, the following entities collaborated to make the Ute Flag Ceremony possible: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, Ute Indian Tribe, Legislative Council Staff, Capitol Building Visitor Services, The Department of Personnel and Administration, the

Capitol Building Advisory Committee and CCIA.

To continue those government-to-government relations after flag ceremony and Ute Day festivities, all three Ute tribes went to the Lt. Governor’s office and had a round table discussion.

“I’m here to listen today to whatever is important for you to talk to us about,” said Lt. Governor Primavera.

Hot topics of discussion brought up by the Southern Ute Tribe’s council members were tribal water rights, economic development and working with the Department of Motor Vehicles regarding Tribal ID recognition within federal and state guidelines. Many of these issues are shared by each tribe. Another hot button issue is working with the State of Colorado, Tribe and State of New Mexico for law enforcement. “A portion of the reservation that butts up against New Mexico and because of the response time, its quicker for our police department to respond to these calls. We want to work on the jurisdiction issue,” stated Councilman Adam Red.

All tribes concluded with praise and thanks to former CCIA Executive Director, Ernest House Jr. and Morgan Ferris, current Program Assistant for CCIA, who have put hard work into making these government-to-government relations work throughout the years.

“Thank you Colorado, thank you for recognizing us as one of your original inhabitants of this territory. We we’re forcefully removed from this state,” stated Secakuku “All our power is still here, our footprints are still here, our prayers. Our mountains are still home along with the medicine of who we are, Nuchu.”



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.

APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY
8 & 22	6 & 13	10 & 24	8 & 22

TUNE IN ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION AT 91.3 FM, IN THE FARMINGTON, NM AREA AT 89.7 FM AND ON THE WEB AT KSUT.ORG

Elder Celebration Dinner

All Ute Elders Are Welcome!

Doors open at 5:30PM for coffee, tea and socializing

Dinner begins at 6:00 PM

Monday April 8th, 2019

Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility

Sponsored by:



If you need a ride, please contact Elder Services for transportation (970)-563-0156

In the event of a funeral the Elder Celebration Dinner will be rescheduled to another date.

For more information, contact: Edward Box III at (970)-563-2984



2019-2020 Hunting on Southern Ute Indian Reservation

Hunt Date Summary		
	Pick-up	Season Dates
Deer, Elk, Fall Turkey	Aug. 12	
Early Archery		Aug. 31 – Sept. 8
General		Sept. 9 – Dec. 31
Upland Game Birds	Aug. 12	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Mountain Lion	Sept. 23	Nov. 1 – Aug. 9, 2020
Spring Turkey	March 18	March 30 – May 26
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Waterfowl and Migratory Game birds	Aug. 12	See CPW season dates

HUNTING PERMITS

Southern Ute Tribal Members

The following conditions must be met to obtain Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting permits:

1. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member 12 years old or older and be able to present an enrollment card at the time permits are picked up.
2. Hunters under the age of 21 must possess a hunter safety card and must present it at the time permits are picked up.
3. Issued permits must be signed by the applicant.
4. Mail-out permits will be provided to non-resident Tribal Members only after receiving a letter including the Tribal Member’s name, date of birth, copies of their enrollment card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of permits desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Duplicate Permits

Lost or destroyed hunting permits will be replaced by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management for a cost of **\$5 per permit**.

New Address / Telephone Number / Driver’s License Information

If you held a previous year’s hunting permit and your home address, telephone number, or driver’s license information has changed, you are required to provide the new information to the Wildlife Resource Management.

LEGAL WEAPONS

Legal weapons for **mule deer, elk and mountain lion** shall include:

1. Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug.
2. Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8” with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface.
3. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14” from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16” long, having a broadhead a minimum of 7/8” wide and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface. Unless specifically approved by the Management Division, crossbows are illegal during the early archery season.
4. Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk.
5. .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets.
6. Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for **turkey** shall include:

1. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns except .410 gauge; bow and arrow, crossbow; rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and Muzzle-loading rifles and handguns;

Legal weapons for **waterfowl** shall include:

1. Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets;

Legal weapons for **small game** (including upland birds) shall include:

1. Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, any bow and arrow or crossbow.

HUNTER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Hunter Safety Requirements

All hunters under the age of 21 years must

have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must present their hunter safety education card to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management (DWRM) when acquiring permits and must carry the card with them while hunting. The DWRM offers hunter education classes twice per year. Please contact the office for more information.

Hunters Under Age 18

Hunters under 18 years of age may only hunt regulated species when accompanied by an adult.

DESIGNATED HUNTING

Designating Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members

Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members over the age of 12 may designate another enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member who meets the hunting permit eligibility requirements to hunt for them during the regular hunting season. Southern Ute Tribal Members who wish to designate another Southern Ute Tribal Member must pick up and sign their own permits, and the Division of Wildlife Resource Management will place the name of the designated hunter on permits at that time. Designated hunters will only be allowed to harvest **female deer and elk, or turkey of either sex** during the general fall hunting season. Designated hunters will not be allowed for any other form of hunting.

Designating Division of Wildlife Resource Management

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management will provide designated hunting services to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member elders (55 years of age or older), single women, or physically disabled individuals. Requests must be made to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management, and all animals will be harvested during the regular Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season.

TAGGING AND VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS

Tagging Requirements

All big game must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the **Month** and **Day** of harvest on the tag, and sign the permit in **Ink** immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the tag from its backing and affix to the carcass. All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass left in camp or in a vehicle. There is an additional “Antler Tag” attached to the carcass tag. This was developed for Tribal Members to be able to have proof of legal harvest on both a set of antlers (or horns) and on a carcass if the two are separated. The antler tag should be affixed to antlers kept at a residence or brought to a taxidermist. **Validation** is the inspection of a harvested animal and may or may not be required depending on the species or hunt type. Part of the validation process may also require the hunter obtaining a validation tag as proof of inspection prior to the hunter leaving the reservation with the harvested animal. For further information regarding validations and validation tags, please contact the DWRM.

Validation Requirements

Depending on the season and species hunted, validation of harvested animals may be required. Guidelines vary and are given in detail by species and hunting season below.

- **Early Archery mule deer, elk, and turkey: Mandatory Validation**
- **Buck Deer and Bull Elk: Mandatory Validation**
Tribal member hunters are required to have mule deer bucks and bull elk validated within 5 business days of harvest. Please call the DWRM to make arrangements.
- **Spring and Fall Turkey: No Validation Required**

Southern Ute Tribal Season Dates and Bag Limits (Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members Only, unless specified)	
Mule Deer and Elk	
Season Dates:	
Archery:	August 31 – September 8, 2019
General:	September 9 – December 31, 2019
Permits Issued:	Beginning August 12, 2019
Bag Limits:	3 Mule Deer (1 Buck and 2 Does**) 4 Elk (1 Bull and 3 Cows**)
** Tribal Members must have their first doe or cow validated to receive their second doe or cow tag and have their second cow validated to receive their third cow tag.	
Spring Turkey	
Season Dates:	March 30 – May 26, 2019
Permits Issued:	Beginning March 18, 2019
Bag Limit:	1 bearded turkey. No beard length restrictions, but a harvested bird must have a beard naturally attached.
Fall Turkey	
Season Dates:	Early Archery: August 31 – September 8, 2019
General:	September 9 – December 31, 2019
Permits Issued:	Beginning August 12, 2019
Bag Limit:	1 Turkey (either sex)
Mountain Lion	
Season Dates:	November 1, 2019 – August 9, 2020 or until the harvest quota is filled
Permits Issued:	Beginning September 23, 2019
Bag Limit:	1 mountain lion (either sex)
Dogs:	Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of mountain lions will be allowed.
Restrictions:	It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.
Harvest Quotas:	7 mountain lions total or 4 female mountain lions
It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line to check the status of harvest quotas and hunt area closures prior to hunting. Call 970-563-0130 any time for quota status.	
***The mountain lion hunting season will remain open until the season ending date or until the harvest quota is filled, whichever comes first.	
Crossing Permits and Guiding and Outfitting for mountain lions	
Non-members accompanying Tribal Member lion hunters must possess a Hunter Accompany Crossing Permit, which can be purchased from the Wildlife Division. The Crossing Permit is specifically to accompany a permitted hunter while hunting on Tribal land. The permittee is expressly prohibited from carrying a firearm, or providing hunter assistance in the form of equipment, specially trained dogs, pack animals, or other similar types of hunting aids commonly provided by professional guides and outfitters.	
Black Bear	
Season Dates:	There is no open season for black bear.
Upland Game Birds Including Dusky Grouse and Quail	
Season Dates:	September 1 – December 31, 2019
Permits Issued:	Beginning August 12, 2019
Bag Limit:	Dusky Grouse: 3 birds per day
	Quail: 8 birds per day
Migratory Game birds including doves, pigeons, rails and snipe	
Permits Issued:	Beginning August 12, 2019
Migratory game bird season dates and bag limits will coincide with the State of Colorado migratory bird hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2016 Small Game Hunting Brochure for more information regarding migratory game birds.	
Waterfowl including ducks, geese and coots	
Permits Issued:	Beginning August 12, 2019
Waterfowl season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2015 Waterfowl Hunting Brochure for more information. Waterfowl hunters are required to obtain a federal duck stamp before hunting waterfowl (available at the Post Office).	
Small Game (including Furbearers)	
Permits Issued:	Permits may be picked up at any time during the calendar year. The season runs year-round.
Small game shall include beaver, badger, bobcat, coyote, fox species, muskrat, prairie dogs, rabbits and hares, raccoon, ringtail, squirrel species, and weasel species.	
While no bag limits apply to small game species, certain rules and regulations do apply to trapping (as follows):	
Important Regulations for Trapping:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Permission from assignee to trap. No person shall trap furbearers on private, assigned and allotted lands without the permission of the landowner, assignee or person in charge of the property.2. Interference with traps. It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap, snare or other device lawfully set by a trapper, or remove any furbearer from said devices.3. Unattended traps. It is the duty of a trapper to endeavor to prevent undue suffering by wildlife captured or trapped. It is unlawful for any person to set a trap and leave it unattended in excess of twenty-four (24) hours unless chemical or mechanical methods are provided to prevent suffering of trapped animals.4. Traps in the field must have identification of the trapper attached and available for Enforcement to see upon checking the trap. Identification must include the trapper's name and phone number. Identification methods can include engraving into a trap or attaching an identification tag (metal preferred). Other methods can be acceptable as long as the tag is visible for inspection.	
Shed Antler Collection Season	
No Permit Required	
Season Dates:	Year Round
Shed antler collection on Tribal Lands is open to Southern Ute Tribal Members only. There is no permit required or restrictions on Tribal Members pertaining to shed antler hunting/collecting. Non-members, including spouses, immediate family or others, may not pick up and possess shed antlers while on tribal lands.	

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- **Doe mule deer and Cow elk: Mandatory Validation Exception**
Hunters planning to pick up a second doe tag or a second or third cow elk tag must have their doe or cow validated prior to picking up additional tags.
- **Mountain Lion: Mandatory Validation**
Validation must take place within 24 hours of the kill. Contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management or Southern Ute Tribal Rangers during regular business hours or contact Southern Ute Dispatch outside of regular business hours to arrange validation.
- **Upland game birds, waterfowl and small game: No Validation Required**

EVIDENCE OF SEX REQUIREMENTS

Evidence of the sex of harvested mule deer, elk, wild turkeys, and mountain lions must remain **naturally attached** to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if necessary). Evidence of sex for mule deer and elk include the head and/or the testicles or udder. Evidence of sex for wild turkeys is the beard (for males). For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both males and females must be left attached for sex identification purposes.

GUIDING AND OUTFITTING

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management. Illegal guiding and outfitting on the reservation is a serious offense with consequences for both the hunter and the person providing the guiding or outfitting services. Please contact the Wildlife Division immediately if you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting is taking place on the reservation.

ACCOMPANY CROSSING PERMITS

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management issues crossing permits to non-Southern Ute Tribal Members to accompany permitted hunters while hunting. Persons holding crossing permits may not hunt or carry a firearm of any type while accom-

panying a permitted hunter. **Persons holding a crossing permit may not provide specialized guiding and outfitting-type assistance to permitted hunters.** Contact the DWRM for more details on crossing permits or to have crossing permits issued. Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are not in the immediate family of a Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter must acquire a crossing permit so that they may accompany the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member while hunting. **Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are in the immediate family of a permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter may accompany the hunter without obtaining a crossing permit.** For the purposes of accompany crossing permits, immediate family is considered a spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, son in-law, daughter in-law or legal guardian of the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter. Note that a maximum of two permittees at a time are allowed per Southern Ute hunter and the crossing permit will be valid for 30 days or until the end of the hunt season, whichever comes first. Cost for crossing permits will be \$20 per permittee, and each permit is valid for accompanying a single specified Tribal member hunter.

OPEN AND CLOSED AREAS FOR HUNTING ON THE RESERVATION

Open Areas
Open areas for huntable species shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.

Closed Areas
Closed areas shall include all grounds immediately surrounding the Lake Capote Recreation Area including the campground. For precise boundaries contact the Wildlife Division.

ADDITIONAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

A complete listing of regulations pertaining to hunting on the Southern Ute Indian reservation is contained in Title 13: Wildlife

Conservation Code. Contact the DWRM for a current copy of Title 13 or visit our website: <http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/wrmweb/>. Additionally the Division has a limited number of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Laws Handbook 2008 available to Tribal hunters. Please ask about them in the Wildlife office.

Failure to wear Daylight or Fluorescent Orange or Pink Garments

During the big game hunting season, it is unlawful to hunt mule deer and/or elk with a firearm unless the person hunting is wearing a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange or pink color, totaling five hundred (500) square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50.00 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation. Persons specifically hunting for fall turkey, or specifically hunting for mountain lions when big game seasons are running concurrently are not required to wear blaze orange, but are encouraged to do so for their own safety in the field.

Failing to Tag Wildlife Properly
It is unlawful for any person to fail to tag wildlife properly. In its simplest form, tagging means to sign and punch the dates on your tag and affix it to the animal's carcass. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 10 points towards permit revocation.

Shooting from a Motor Vehicle
It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Wastage of Game Meat/Abandoning a Carcass

It is unlawful to abandon any edible portion of wildlife or permit it to go to waste. Penalties for big game include a \$1,000 fine and 15 points. Other wildlife includes a \$250 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation. Additionally it is unlawful to take any wildlife and abandon the carcass or take wildlife only for the head, claws, teeth, hide, antlers, horns, tusks, or organs with the intent to abandon the carcass or to mutilate any living wildlife. Penalties include fines ranging from \$25 - \$20,000 and 25 points towards permit revocation.

Closure of Lake Capote Recreation Area
The Lake Capote Recreation Area will be closed to all hunting. Hwy 160 borders the closure area on the north and Hwy 151 on the west. The range fence directly south of the lake (running east/west) defines the southern boundary and the east boundary will follow the eastern bank of Stollsteimer Creek running north.

Off-road Travel on Tribal Lands
It is unlawful to travel off of established roads and two-tracks with any vehicle while on Tribal lands. This includes ATVs. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

Schedule of Civil Penalties Connected to Poaching Convictions on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation	
Big Game: Mule Deer	
Trophy Buck (24" or greater inside spread)	\$10,000 + 15 Points
Buck	\$5,000+ 15 Points
Doe	\$1,000+ 15 Points
Big Game: Elk	
Trophy Bull (6 + points on one antler)	\$10,000+ 15 Points
Bull	\$5,000+ 15 Points
Cow	\$1,000+ 15 Points
Mountain Lion	\$5,000+ 15 Points
Shed Antlers	\$2,500+ 15 Points
Additional penalties associated with poaching convictions often include point accrual and revocation of hunting and fishing privileges on the Southern Ute Indian reservation for 2 – 5 years	

AUTHORITY
These hunting regulations are approved by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council under authority as outlined in Title 13, Article 1, Section 13-1-106, Subsections (1) through (3); Article 2, Section 13-2-101, Subsections (1) through (5); Article 2, Section 13-2-104; Article 2, Section 13-2-105, Subsections (1) through (3); of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code revised and amended by Tribal Resolution No's. 89-34, 01-69, and 02-215.

2019-2020 Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Seasons

Season Type	Permitting Start Date	Season Dates
Spring Turkey	March 18	March 30 – May 26
Mule Deer Rocky Mtn. Elk Fall Turkey	August 12	August 31 – November 17
Bighorn Sheep* Mountain Goat* Moose*	August 12	August 24 – October 6 (Sheep) September 3rd – October 31 (Goat) September 7 – October 13 (Moose)
Mountain Lion	September 23	November 1 – April 26, 2020
Upland Game Birds	August 12	September 1st – December 31st (Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant and Chukar)
Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds	August 12	Waterfowl season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific and Central flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons.
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fishing	Anytime	Calendar Year
*Permitting for these rare game species takes place through a special application and drawing process each spring. For more information, see Rare Game Permitting.		

SEASON FRAMEWORK

Hunting and fishing seasons are established annually by the Tribe for all game species found within the Brunot Area. The table found on the inside cover of this proclamation specifies the current seasons (i.e., the start and end dates for legal harvest), as well as the permitting start dates. Most seasons will be the same or very similar from year to year, however, dates of several seasons may vary slightly. Those animal species not identified as having designated seasons, and those not protected by the Tribe from harvest for cultural or conservation reasons (see Protected Fish & Wildlife), may be harvested without a Tribe-issued hunting or fishing permit.

Cultural and Ceremonial Hunting
Those Tribal hunters wishing to hunt for cultural or ceremonial purposes within the Brunot Area and outside of the regular, Tribal-approved seasons must contact the SUIT Division of Wildlife prior to hunting. Special authorization is required for any hunting outside of the established seasons, and at least two weeks advance notice of a cultural/ceremonial hunting need should be provided.

PERMITTING

All Tribal Members hunting or fishing within the Brunot Area must carry with them the appropriate permit(s) issued by **either** the Tribe or State of Colorado. Tribal Members who obtain **Tribal** permits are subject to the Tribal seasons and regulations set forth in this Proclamation, to be enforced by the Tribe. Those who obtain State hunting or fishing permits must hunt or fish in accordance with State seasons and regulations (see the Colorado Parks and Wildlife), which will be enforced by the State. It is unnecessary, but allowable, for a hunter or angler to be permitted by both entities. On-Reservation hunting and fishing permits (i.e., within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation) and off-Reservation hunting and fishing permits for the Brunot Area are **separate and non-interchangeable**. It is the responsibility of each hunter and angler to be properly permitted for the area hunted or fished, and to follow any and all applicable regulations for that area.

Permitting for Brunot Area hunting and fishing is managed entirely through the

Tribe's Division of Wildlife office, located in the Annex Building on the tribal government campus near Ignacio, Colorado. Permits may be obtained in-person at this office or by mail for those Tribal Members living outside the Reservation area. Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are issued free-of-charge for the first issuance. A \$5 fee applies for replacement of lost or damaged permits.

Permitting Start Dates
Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are available to pick up at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office (or mail out) beginning on the start dates specified on the inside cover of this Proclamation through the end of the established season. Note: Except for Fishing and Small Game, the permitting start dates do not correspond to the actual season start dates.

For Rare Game (i.e., bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat), successful applicants in a lottery process will be notified of their permit availability through the Division of Wildlife following permit drawings held each June.

Permit Eligibility
Only Southern Ute Tribal Members may obtain Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits from the Tribe and the following criteria must be met in order to obtain a valid permit:

- All applicants must present a Southern Ute Tribal identification card at the time of permit pick-up.
- For hunting, but not fishing, only applicants 12 years old or older may obtain a permit, and those under the age of 21 must present a hunter safety card.
- The applicant's hunting and fishing privileges must not be currently suspended or revoked through the Tribe's wildlife penalty-point system.
- Issued permits are not valid unless signed by the applicant.

Permit Transferability
The transfer of Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits is **strictly prohibited**, even to other Southern Ute Tribal Members or other Native Americans. Only the individual named on the Brunot Area permit is au-

thorized to hunt or fish, per the terms of the permit. "Designated hunting" – the transfer of certain permit types between Tribal Members – is an option only for on-Reservation hunting (i.e., hunting within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation) and is not allowed within the Brunot Area.

Mail-Out Permits
Mail-out permit(s) will be provided at no-cost by the SUIT Division of Wildlife only to a non-local Tribal Member and only upon receipt of a signed letter of request from the Tribal Member. The letter must include the hunter's name, mailing address, date of birth, copies of the Southern Ute Tribal identification card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of the permit(s) desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Permit Replacement
Lost or damaged Brunot Area permits may be obtained at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office for a \$5 per permit fee, regardless of permit type. Lost or damaged permits will be immediately voided, and notification of voided permits will be sent to tribal law enforcement.

Rare Game Permitting
Unlike other Brunot Area permitting, permitting for Rare Game (i.e., Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat) is handled through a permit application and drawing process. Availability of applications will be announced through local media in the Ignacio area, and applications will only be accepted during the month of May. Random drawings from among the applicants will then determine the recipients of a very limited number of hunting permits. Notification of these individuals will occur during the month of June. Those who repeatedly apply but do not receive a permit will accrue bonus points, which will improve future chances of selection. For detailed information on the rules governing the Tribal Council-approved lottery process and bonus point system, please contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office.



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HUNTING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the 2019/20 Tribal-approved regulations pertaining to the harvest of Brunot Area Big Game, Rare Game, Small Game, Upland Gamebirds, and Waterfowl.

Legal Weapons

Legal weapons for harvesting mule deer, elk, mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose shall include:

- 1. Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface;
- 2. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a minimum broadhead width of 7/8 inch, and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface;
- 3. Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug;
- 4. Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk;
- 5. .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets;
- 6. Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for **turkey** shall include:

- 1. Shotguns except .410 gauge; bows and crossbows (i.e., as specified above for deer, elk, etc.); rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and muzzleloading rifles and handguns;

Legal weapons for **waterfowl** shall include:

- 1. Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for **small game and upland gamebirds** shall include:

- 1. Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, and any bow and arrow or crossbow.

Evidence of Sex

Evidence of sex for harvested mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose must remain naturally attached to the carcass while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if required). Evidence of sex will include the head and/or testicles or udder. For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both male and female must be left attached for identification purposes. For wild turkey the beard must remain attached.

Carcass Tagging

The carcass of a harvested large game animal (i.e., mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose) must be tagged by the person who

harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest indicated on the permit and sign the permit in ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the permit face (i.e., the “tag”) from its backing and affix it to the carcass. All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass that is first brought to camp or to a vehicle. For antlered animals (i.e., buck deer, bull elk, bull moose) and horned animals (i.e., bighorn sheep and mountain goat), an optional antler/horn tag is also provided as a tear-off portion of the permit. The antler/horn tag should be used if the head and carcass are to be separated (e.g., if the head is going to a taxidermist and the carcass is going to a meat processor).

Deer & Elk Harvest Reporting

For 2019, Hunters are still required to have buck deer and bull elk validated. Hunters should be prepared to describe generally where and when an animal was harvested. Validation must occur within five business days of harvest. The Division will work with hunters to arrange a time and place to meet to validate their animals. Doe deer and cow elk harvest still must be called into the Division, however a full validation isn’t required. Failure to report the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area could subject the hunter to penalties under the Tribe’s Wildlife Conservation Code.

Rare Game and Mountain Lion Harvest Validation

Hunters are required to have validated any **mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose** harvested from the Brunot Area. Validation is the physical inspection of the animal by staff of the Tribal Division of Wildlife staff are not available for weekend validations; therefore, animals must be validated during regular business hours (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m., 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.). For **mountain lion**, the carcass must be inspected within 48 hours of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with skin attached. For **bighorn sheep, mountain goat and moose** the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass as well as the head with horns or antlers and skull intact. The carcass may be quartered in the field. If the harvested animal is a ram bighorn sheep, the Tribal Division of Wildlife will affix a permanent mark (plug) to the horn as proof of legal harvest.

Mountain Lion Hunting

Mountain lion hunting in the Brunot Area is divided into four separate units, and each unit has an associated harvest quota. The mountain lion season is open either until the season end-date or until the unit quota is filled, whichever occurs first. If the quota for a unit is filled, the season will immediately close for that unit. A Brunot Area lion permit is valid for hunting in all units that have not reached the designated harvest quota. Please refer to the mountain lion unit map in this Proclamation for the location of each unit. Lion hunters should be aware that Lion Unit 1 (L1) encompasses both the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and a portion of the Brunot Area. Even though L1 is a combination of Reservation and Brunot lands, lion hunting on the Reservation portion requires

a reservation permit, while lion hunting in the Brunot portion requires a Brunot permit. The lion permits for both areas are not interchangeable.

Important Mt. Lion Hunting Information
A mountain lion telephone information line is available for hunters to call to check on the status of the quotas in each unit. It is the hunter’s responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and unit closures. Call 970-563-0130 at any time for quota status.

Lion harvest quotas, by unit	
Lion Unit	Harvest Quota
L1	7 lions or 4 females
L2	1 lion either sex
L3	2 lions either sex
L4	2 lions either sex

It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them. Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt mountain lions.

Upland Gamebird Hunting

Hunting for Upland gamebirds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Upland Gamebirds includes dusky (blue) grouse, ptarmigan, pheasant, and chukar partridge. Columbian Sharp-tailed grouse and Gunnison Sage Grouse may occur within the Brunot Area also; however, populations of these birds are very low and hunting of these species is not allowed. Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt upland game birds.

Waterfowl and Migratory Gamebird Hunting

Hunting for Waterfowl and other migratory gamebirds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Waterfowl includes various species of ducks, mergansers, coots, dark and light geese, snipe, and rails (Virginia and sora). Migratory gamebirds include doves (mourning, white winged and collared) and band-tailed pigeons. Because waterfowl and migratory gamebird seasons and bag limits are set by the federal government, the Tribe does not currently have the ability to set its own season dates and bag limits for these species. Therefore, Tribal Member hunters pursuing these species must abide by season dates and bag limits set by the State of Colorado. The Brunot Area encompasses parts of both the Central and Pacific Flyways. Most of the Brunot Area is within the Pacific Flyway, while the Central Flyway portion is a much smaller area located east of the Continental Divide. Please note that, under Federal law, all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. A Duck Stamp can be purchased at a local Post Office.

Trapping of Small Game

Trapping of small game is a special harvest methodology that is highly regulated at the State level, and is similarly regulated by the Tribe within the Brunot Area. The purpose of the regulations is to minimize the potential impacts of trapping on non-target wildlife, especially rare, threatened, or endangered species. For the Brunot Area, the species of concern with trapping are the Canada lynx and river otter, both of which are the subject of major re-introduction efforts and are protected from take throughout the San Juan Mountains region. Trapping is allowed year-round, per the established Small Game season, and a trapper must obtain a Small Game permit to engage in any trapping of wildlife in the Brunot Area. Wildlife that may be trapped are those species covered under the Brunot Area Small Game permit, including: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel. All trappers must comply with the following tribal trapping regulations:

- **Trapper Notification & Reporting.** A trapper must provide at least two weeks advance notice to the Tribal Division of Wildlife of any planned Brunot Area trapping effort. The notice must include approximate location of traps, number and type(s) of traps to be used, and approximate timeframe for operating the traps. Within two weeks of completing the trapping, the trapper must have traps completely removed from the field and report to the Division the trapping results (i.e., identify all target and non-target species captured, animals retained or harvested, and all non-target mortalities).

- **Trap Attendance.** Any individual operating a trap within the Brunot Area is required to physically inspect the trap at least once every 24 hours. Note that this is not a “once daily” requirement; a trapper cannot inspect a trap on one morning and return in the afternoon the next day, as this would be in excess of 24 hours.
- **Trap Types Allowed.** Only live traps may be used for trapping in the Brunot Area, which includes any non-lethal cage, box, or Snead-design colony traps. All other methods of trapping are prohibited, including, but not limited to, all types of legholds, snares, and instant kill traps.
- **Bait Restrictions.** Visual lures, fresh meat baits, fish oil, and anise oil lures meant to attract felids are not permitted due to the risk of injury or mortality for Canada lynx.
- **Target and Non-Target Captures.** All captured target species must be killed on-site when the trap is checked. All captured non-target species that are un-injured must be released. Accidental mortality of non-target animals must be reported to the Wildlife Division, per the trapper reporting requirement. Canada lynx and river otter that are captured but un-injured must be immediately released. Accidental capture of these species must be reported within 12 hours of discovery to the Tribal Wildlife Division.
- **Interference with Traps.** It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap lawfully set by a trapper, or for a non-operator of a trap to remove any animal from said trap.

OTHER HUNTING REQUIREMENTS

- **Hunter Safety Requirements.** All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must be able to present their hunter safety education card when acquiring permits, and must carry the card with them while hunting. Both the Tribe and Colorado Parks and Wildlife offer hunter education classes, and should be contacted for more information.
- **Hunters Under Age 18.** Hunters under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.
- **Daylight Fluorescent Orange or Pink.** For non-archery hunters hunting mule deer, elk, or moose within the Brunot Area, it is required that the hunter wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline of solid daylight fluorescent orange or pink color, totaling 500 square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.
- **Loaded Firearm in Vehicle.** It is unlawful for any person, except those authorized by law, or by the Tribe’s Department of Justice and Regulatory, Enforcement Division, or Wildlife Management Division, to carry or possess any firearm other than a pistol or revolver in or on any motor vehicle, unless such firearm is unloaded. For purposes of this section, a rifle or shotgun shall be considered unloaded if it is unloaded in the chamber; a muzzle-loader shall be considered unloaded if it is not primed, and, for such purpose “primed” means having a percussion cap on the nipple, a primer in the breech, or flint in the striker and powder in the flash pan; and a bow shall be considered unloaded if an arrow is not nocked on the string. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.
- **Shooting from Road.** It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from or across or onto any maintained public road. “Road” shall mean the area extending 50 feet on either side of the center line of the roadway. Penalties include a \$250 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.
- **Shooting from a Motor Vehicle.** It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

FISHING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the Tribal-approved seasons and regulations pertaining to fishing within the Brunot Area for 2019. The fishing season is the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. Except as noted under Special Management Fisheries, standard angling methods and daily bag limits apply to all Brunot Area fishing by Tribal anglers.

Season Bag Limits for Big Game, Rare Game, and Small Game	
Hunt Type	Bag Limit (per hunter)
Mule Deer	2 (1 buck and 1 doe)
Rocky Mtn. Elk	2 (1 bull and 1 cow)
Mountain Lion	1 (either sex)
Fall Turkey	1 (either sex)
Spring Turkey	1 (bearded gobbler)
Bighorn Sheep (Two permits available for 2019)	1 (either sex)
Mountain Goat (Two permits available for 2019)	1 (either sex)
Moose (Two permits available for 2019)	1 (either sex)
Small Game ¹	Unlimited
¹ Small Game includes: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrels.	
Daily Bag Limits for Upland Gamebirds and Waterfowl	
Upland Gamebirds	
Dusky Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant, Chukar	3 of each per day
Waterfowl And Migratory Gamebirds	
Waterfowl and migratory game bird season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific and Central flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2019 Waterfowl Hunting Brochure for more information. Waterfowl hunters are required to obtain a federal duck stamp before hunting waterfowl (available at any Post Office).	



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Important Note: Numerous creeks and rivers with sport fisheries cross over the Brunot Area boundary. It is important for anglers to remember that, upon leaving the Brunot Area, Brunot fishing permits are no longer valid; State permit requirements and regulations apply outside of the Brunot Area. When entering the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, reservation requirements apply.

Standard Angling Methods

Game fish may be taken by hook and line, as well as by bowfishing (see Bowfishing). Fishermen are allowed up to two fishing rods at a time per angler. For bait fishing, one line may be used with up to two single baited hooks attached. For lure fishing, one line may be used with one artificial lure attached. Artificial lures may have up to two hooks (single, double, or treble) attached. For fly-fishing, one line may be used with up to two flies attached.

General Fishing Restrictions

- **Legal Fishing Hours/Duration.** Fishing may occur 24-hours a day, unless the daily bag or possession limit is met. Once the daily bag or possession limit is met, the angler must discontinue fishing.
- **Illegal Fishing Gear/Methods.** Use of the following gear or methods to catch fish is prohibited on all Brunot Area waters: all net types (excluding hand-held landing nets), trotlines, traps, explosives, poisons, guns, or any other gear or method not specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.
- **Chumming.** Chumming, or placing in the water any type of fish attractant for the purpose of catching fish, is prohibited in all Brunot waters. Chumming does not include the use of bait, lures, and flies as specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.
- **Bait.** Permitted baits are worms, insects, crayfish, vegetable matter, artificial salmon eggs, PowerBait, fish (dead only) and amphibians (live or dead), provided that fish and amphibian species used for bait must be non-native to the Brunot Area. Check with the Wildlife Division on native species prohibited from use as bait. Bait restrictions still apply in certain Special Management Fisheries identified herein.
- **Planting Fish.** It is unlawful to release or move into any Brunot Area waters any fish from aquaria, ponds, bait buckets, or any other external fish source.
- **Fishing Pole Attendance.** Anglers must attend their fishing pole (be within 50 feet) at all times.
- **Minnows.** It is unlawful to take, possess, transport, or sell live minnows anywhere within the Brunot Area.

Bowfishing

Bowfishing is allowed for northern pike and carp at all times in all Brunot Area waters. Bowfishing is also allowed for kokanee salmon concurrent with times and locations designated for salmon snagging. See Salmon Snagging for specific locations and timing. Legal equipment for bow fishing shall include recurve, compound or longbows with reels and arrows attached with fishing line. Arrows must have barbed heads and be equipped with a safety slide keeping the line in front of the bow at all times.

Daily Bag and Possession Limits

The Daily Bag Limit is the maximum number of game fish you can take in one day.

Daily Bag and Possession Limits		
Game Fish	Limit (All Water Types)	
Trout* (Rainbow, Brown, Cutthroat, Splake, Golden, Lake, Brook over 8")	4	
Brook Trout (under 8")	10	
Kokanee Salmon	10	
Northern Pike	Unlimited	
Common Carp	Unlimited	
Yellow Perch	Unlimited	
Bullhead	Unlimited	
White Sucker	Unlimited	
Game Fish	Lakes/Reservoirs	Rivers/Creeks
Channel Catfish	10	Unlimited
Bass (Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted)*	10	Unlimited
Sunfish (Bluegill, Green, Redear, Pumpkinseed)*	20	Unlimited
Crappie (White and Black)*	20	Unlimited
Walleye and Saugeye*	5	Unlimited
Tiger Muskie	1 fish, 36" or larger	Unlimited
*The Daily Bag and Possession Limits for trout, bass, sunfish, crappie, walleye and saugeye are IN AGGREGATE, meaning that the limits for each group of fish consist of one species or a mix of the different species indicated.		

The Possession Limit is the number of fish you may have in your possession at any one time, including in your creel, ice chest, vehicle, camp, or home. The possession limit for all game fish is no more than one daily bag limit (single species or in aggregate), as indicated in the Daily Bag and Possession Limits table. Bag and Possession Limits do not apply to those species where “Unlimited” take is indicated, (see chart below).

Special Management Fisheries

Special Management Fisheries are specific streams and lakes within the Brunot Area where closures and/or special harvest and tackle restrictions are in place to protect or enhance the local fish population. These locations include: Trophy Trout Waters, Cutthroat Conservation Waters, Trophy Bass Waters, Spawning Waters, and Salmon Snagging Waters. All anglers must comply with the special regulations in place for these designated waters.

A. Trophy Trout Waters.

- For the waters listed below, anglers may use artificial flies and lures only, with no bait fishing allowed. Unless otherwise noted, only two trout 16 inches in length or longer may be kept, per day.
- **Animas River.** From Lightner Creek to the south Brunot Area boundary located at Rivera Crossing Bridge.
 - **Bear Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Dolores River.
 - **Dolores River.** From McPhee Dam downstream to the west Brunot Area boundary, near Lone Dome State Wildlife Area.
 - **Emerald Lakes (Big & Little).** Located 10 mi. northeast of Vallecito Res.
 - **Lake Fork (of Gunnison River).** From High Bridge Gulch downstream to the north Brunot Area boundary.
 - **Los Piños River.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.
 - **Piedra River.** CATCH & RELEASE ONLY from USFS Road 631 bridge downstream to the lower boundary of the Tres Piedra Ranch (1.5 miles above US160). All trout must be returned to the water immediately.
 - **Rio Grande River.** From the lower boundary of River Hill Campground (near Rio Grande Reservoir) to the east Brunot Area boundary, just west of Creede, Colorado.
 - **Vallecito Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.

B. Cutthroat Conservation Waters

- are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are managed to conserve pure-strain Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout. Anglers may fish these waters with artificial flies and lures only, but all fish must be returned to the water immediately. Cutthroat Conservation Waters include:
- **Big Bend Creek** (8 mi. southwest of Durango Mtn. Resort)
 - **Clear Creek** (6 mi. northwest of Hermosa)
 - **Cooper Lake** (10 mi. southwest of Lake City)
 - **Deep Creek** (6 mi. west of Telluride)
 - **Elk Creek** (10 mi. west of Telluride)
 - **Hermosa Creek, East Fork** (at Durango Mtn. Resort)
 - **Hermosa Creek** (headwaters to confluence with East Hermosa Cr.)

- **Piedra River, East Fork** (15 mi northwest of Pagosa Springs)
- **Rio Lado** (10 mi southwest of Rico)
- **Sloan Lake** (10 mi northeast of Silverton)
- **Spring Creek** (8 mi west of Rico)

- C. Trophy Bass Waters** include two reservoirs where harvest is restricted to a smaller number of fish and/or specific size ranges in order to promote healthy reproductive bass populations.
- **McPhee Reservoir.** All bass (either smallmouth or largemouth) between the sizes of 10” and 15” must be immediately returned to the water. The Daily Bag and Possession Limit for bass from McPhee Reservoir is 5 fish.
 - **Totten Reservoir.** Located near Cortez, anglers may only keep smallmouth and largemouth bass that are 15 inches in length or longer. Anglers must also refrain from fishing along the north shore of the reservoir from March 1 through May 31 in order to protect nesting waterfowl.

- D. Spawning Waters** are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are inhabited by spawning populations of kokanee salmon and/or wild trout. In order to conserve these important fisheries and ensure successful reproductive cycles, special seasonal fishing closures are necessary. The Brunot Area Spawning Waters and corresponding closures are listed below.
- Big Emerald Lake Inlet Creek (CLOSURE). All fishing is prohibited in Lake Creek inlet for ½ mile above Big Emerald Lake from April 15 thru July 15.
 - Grimes Creek (CLOSURE). All fishing is prohibited in Grimes Creek from September 1 thru November 14.
 - Groundhog Reservoir Inlet Creeks (CLOSURE). All fishing is prohibited in Nash Creek and Groundhog Creek inlets for 1/2 mile above Groundhog Reservoir from April 15 through July 15.

- E. Salmon Snagging**, or using hooked devices to snag salmon in parts of their bodies other than the mouth, is only allowed for kokanee salmon in designated waters during certain times of the year. Standard daily bag / possession limits for kokanee and gear restrictions for lure fishing apply to snagging.
- **Florida River (above Lemon Reservoir).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Lemon Reservoir from September 1 thru December 31.
 - **Grimes Creek (upstream of Vallecito Res. water line).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.
 - **Vallecito Creek (CR501 upstream to Weminuche W.).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.

PROTECTED FISH & WILDLIFE

In order to ensure the long-term conservation of many rare and protected species that occur within the Brunot Area, the Tribe does not allow harvest of certain fish and wildlife by Brunot Area hunters and anglers. These include all species protected from take under the various Federal wildlife laws (e.g., Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act); those species protected under State of Colorado Title 33, and designated wildlife populations that are the subject of special research or re-introduction efforts.

For the Brunot Area, the protected wildlife species most likely to be encountered by hunters include: **Canada lynx, river otter, Gunnison sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, all raptors (eagles, hawks, falcons, owls), and all songbirds.** The protected fish species most likely to be encountered by anglers include: **Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout** (designated pure populations), **roundtail chub, flannelmouth sucker, and bluehead sucker.** None of these protected fish and wildlife species may be harvested by Tribal Brunot Area hunters or anglers. For a complete list of protected species, please contact the Tribal Division of Wildlife.

In addition to the protected species identified above, the Tribe has also designated **black bear** as a protected, culturally sensitive species that shall not be subject to harvest by Brunot Area hunters under a Southern Ute Tribal-issued permit. Tribal hunters, however, retain the option of obtaining a State permit for harvesting black bear.

OPEN AND CLOSED AREAS, PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND INDIAN LAND

Open Areas for hunting and fishing shall generally include all public lands within the Brunot Area boundary, which consist of most Federal government and State of Colorado-owned lands (e.g., National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands, State Wildlife Areas, State Parks, State school sections). Certain exceptions apply on some Federal and State-owned properties, or portions thereof; see Closed Areas below.

- Closed Areas** are those lands within the Brunot Area where hunting and/or fishing is not allowed by the Tribe for (1) public safety reasons, or (2) sensitive resource protection reasons. These areas include:
- all properties within the limits of any Brunot Area town or municipality;
 - all properties or areas closed by local government (i.e., city or county) for public safety reasons;
 - any place in close proximity to campgrounds, boat ramps, marinas, trailheads, occupied buildings, private residences, and any other facilities where hunting presents an undue risk to users, residents, and/or the facilities;
 - any areas closed by Federal or State agencies to protect archaeological, wildlife, or other sensitive natural resource sites;
- Note:** Additional fishing-related closures are also specifically identified in the Spawning Waters section of the Brunot Area Fishing Regulations.

Private Property represents a substantial portion, approximately 25%, of the entire Brunot Area. Although permitted Brunot Area hunters and anglers are authorized to take game species on private property, the hunter or angler must always obtain access permission from the land owner prior to entering private land. It is always the hunter’s or angler’s responsibility to know where private land occurs, even if land boundaries are not clearly marked in the field. Hunters and anglers should carefully review maps provided by the Tribe, as well as those published by State and Federal lands agencies. Always seek knowledgeable help if in doubt about land status.

Indian Land within the Brunot Area is a small portion of the Ute Mountain Ute (UMU) reservation extending to south of Cortez, Colorado and west of Mesa Verde National Park. **For purposes of Brunot Area hunting by Southern Ute Tribal Members, UMU land should be considered private property and not huntable without the expressed permission of the UMU Tribe.**

LAND USE REGULATIONS

Virtually all of the public lands within the Brunot Area – whether federal, state, or locally controlled – are subject to a wide range of land use regulations, some of which are not exclusively directed to fish and game matters. Common examples include, but are not limited to, restrictions on: open fires, recreational shooting, overnight camping, wood cutting/collecting, boating, livestock use, and especially off-road vehicle use (e.g., 4x4 trucks, ATV’s, motorcycles, mountain bikes, snowmobiles). One of the more significant land use regulations affecting hunters is a vehicle ban in certain areas. Within State Wildlife Areas, federal wilderness and research areas, and specially-designated portions of National Forest, vehicle access is commonly banned either seasonally or year-round. The purpose of those regulations includes public safety and the protection of natural resources from public over-use and abuse.

The Tribal Council recognizes that requiring compliance with nondiscriminatory federal, state, and local land use regulations in the Brunot Area as a matter of Tribal law may limit or interfere somewhat with the exercise of the Tribe’s Brunot Agreement rights by tribal members, but the Tribal Council finds that requiring compliance with such regulations as a matter of Tribal law is an advisable exercise of Tribal sovereignty in the interest of comity and to:

- Avoid the applicability of such regulations to Brunot Area hunting and fishing from being determined in federal or state court;
- Avoid potential litigation with an uncertain result;
- Avoid potential intergovernmental conflicts.

Such regulations, therefore, shall apply to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing as a matter of Tribal law. The Tribal Council reserves the right to create exceptions to the general applicability of such regulations to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing.



BOBCATS BASEBALL

Bobcats’ sticks stall in IHS Invitational finale

Ignacio held to one late run by Montezuma-Cortez

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

It wasn’t exactly Kirk Gibson coming in to bat against Dennis Eckersley. But Saturday afternoon, March 23, Ignacio senior Mike Archuleta knew he had a job to do when head coach Don Hayes inserted him in the bottom of the sixth inning to pinch-hit for second baseman Bela Torres.

“I told Mikey, in fact, at the beginning of the game ... said, ‘Today would probably be a day when I’m going to want you for one at-bat,’” Hayes recalled. “And he came through well for us.”

Facing Montezuma-Cortez reliever Ryan Medina with one out and runners at third and second bases, Archuleta played it ‘by the book,’ knocking a pitch to the right side of the Panthers’ infield. And though he’d be retired 4-3, he made the score 11-1; Holland Roukema hustled across home plate on the play – denying M-CHS a shutout in the final game of the 2019 IHS Baseball Invitational.

Having led off the home half of the inning beating out an infield single to short-stop, Roukema scoring was



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Ignacio’s Gabe Tucson pitches in relief during the Bobcats’ season-opening, 6-0 loss to the 4A Bloomfield, N.M., JV on Monday, March 18, at BHS’ John Gutierrez Field.

only appropriate; his performance on the mound had kept M-CHS in check until a rising pitch count and three Panther runs in the top of the fifth led to his removal.

“Seemed pretty good,” he said of his work on the hill, plus 1-for-2 (with a walk) hitting. “We could have done better batting-wise, but I think that’s it.”

“Holland gave us a good effort and I believe ... overall we had a good, solid defensive day,” said Hayes, alluding to the fact that of the enemy’s run total, only about five were earned. That is, scored without benefit of an error.

And through four frames at IHS Field, Bobcat miscues

were about the only means the Panthers (2-1, 0-0 3A Intermountain) had available to help them break the ice.

With one on and one out in the top of the third, Tristan York cracked a grounder to Torres, who threw to short-stop Ian Weinreich covering second to force Chance Cote, but beat out the return throw to first baseman Gabe Tucson. Torres then bobbled a Cordell Baer bouncer, and with both Panthers safely aboard, York then stole third base and scored when Cesar Pedregon couldn’t collect Roukema’s throw and translate it into a tag.

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Vanessa Gonzales, left, and Elco Garcia, Jr., lead the Bobcats in stretches prior to practice Wednesday, March 20. IHS Track & Field will finally see action Saturday, March 30, in Bloomfield, N.M.

BOBCATS TRACK & FIELD

Ignacio Track & Field prepping for 2019 debut

State-caliber distance runners should pace Bobcats

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Having last competed for Colorado Track & Field coaching icon Larry Zaragoza as an Alamosa senior in 2010, qualifying for the Class 4A State Championships in the 300-meter hurdles (as well as the 4x400 relay), Aimee DeSouchet admitted Wednesday, March 20, that the master’s methodology is trying to show through in her own instructing.

“I think once you get ‘Zare-d’ you don’t un-Zare,” she joked. “He was always ready to raise the expectations for me, tell me ‘You’re strong enough, you’re fast enough and you can do this!’ That was really cool, and I try to channel that into how I speak to my athletes – finding that balance between coaching and ‘moming’ them, you know?”

“The most meaningful day of practice is the one where you’re sick, or you didn’t get enough sleep because you were studying,” noted DeSouchet, entering her second

spring as 2A Ignacio’s head girls’ coach. “That hardest day is the one that means the most, because you’ll remember getting through a day like that – that’s something that’s stuck with me from Zaragoza.”

And as it stands, any Spring Break slump this week could be the biggest barrier between the Bobcats and a strong season start – almost three weeks behind other area programs, including 3A Bayfield and 4A Durango – at the Bloomfield, N.M., Bobcat Invitational on Saturday, March 30.

“Coach Aimee’s ... the only ‘veteran,’ the only one that’s been here for a while,” laughed boys’ head coach Alfonso ‘Ponch’ Garcia, 2019 successor to John Gurule and more or less IHS’ chief executive with assistants Daniel Holley and Caryna Pourier holding cabinet positions. “You need to be open-minded with the kids, and yet strict when you open your mouth and teach them. They’re

still young kids, and hopefully if the kids listen we’ll be okay. And it’s going to be fun; I’m excited!”

“Having three new coaches with me is different from last year, but there’s an awesome attitude that’s come out; it’s very united, which I don’t think it was last year,” said DeSouchet. “Communication’s really open, kids know what’s going on, know what’s coming and they know expectations – it just seems more comfortable. High expectations, but comfortable.”

“There’s 16 kids, so on the 30th we’ll find out more, I think,” Garcia said. “We’ll see where that takes us; right now, it’s a challenge for all of us. As a new guy, the first meet will dictate a lot of things for me; it’ll tell me a lot about where I’m going to place kids, and where they want to go themselves.”

Returning State qualifiers on the boys’ side will help simplify such

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It is the responsibility of Tribal Member Brunot Area hunters and anglers to know and understand the various land use regulations that are in place and enforced within the Brunot Area. Violations of the regulations are not only violations of Tribal law, but also may constitute violations of state and/or federal law, and, therefore may be prosecuted in Tribal, state, or federal court. In a state or federal prosecution for violation of such regulations, therefore, it may be an ineffective defense to assert that the Tribal Member was exercising Brunot Agreement rights, since those regulations are applicable as a matter of Tribal law. Hunters and anglers should contact the Tribe’s Wildlife Management Division or other appropriate management agencies for more information on applicable land use regulations (e.g., U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Parks, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, etc.).

GUIDING & OUTFITTING

A “guide” or “outfitter” is a person who accepts compensation for (1) guiding, leading, packing, protecting, supervising, instructing, or training persons in the take or attempted take of wildlife; or (2) providing facilities (e.g., tents, cabins, camp gear, food, or similar supplies, equipment, or accommodations), equipment or services for hunting activities, including but not limited to the transportation of individuals, equipment, supplies, or wildlife by means of vehicle, vessel, or pack animal. The guiding and outfitting of a Tribal Member Brunot Area hunter requires special authorization of the guide/outfitter from either the Tribe OR State and Federal authorities, depending on (1) the SUIT member status of the guide, or (2) whether the hunter is hunting under authority of a Tribal or State hunting permit. If a hunter with a Tribal Brunot hunting permit wants to utilize the service of a Tribal Member guide/outfitter, this guide/outfitter must first be permitted by the Tribe, per Tribal permitting requirements, and the guide/outfitter must comply with the Tribe’s established guiding and outfitting rules and regulations. More information on these requirements and regulations is available through the Tribe’s Division of Wildlife office. If the hunter wants to utilize the service of a non-SUIT member guide/outfitter, OR if the hunter is hunting under the authority of a State hunting permit, the guide/outfitter must comply with all applicable State and Federal permitting requirements and regulations pertaining to guiding and outfitting. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) and/or the U.S. Forest Service should be contacted for more information.

The terms “hunting” and “fishing”, as they relate to guiding and outfitting, are used interchangeably.

INCORPORATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE

The following sections of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Wildlife Conservation Code, as amended and published as of the date of adoption of this Proclamation, are adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and incorporated by reference into this Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Proclamation. The purpose of the incorporation is to provide for the applicability of the incorporated sections to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing notwithstanding any on-Reservation applicability limitation that may be expressed or implied in those sections. All Tribal Members who wish to hunt or fish in the Brunot Area must comply with the requirements set forth in the incorporated sections. The regulations contained in this Proclamation shall govern in the event of any conflict with the requirements contained in the incorporated sections.

Article 1 (except for §13-1-106): Definitions, Organization, Regulations
Section 13-2-105: Denial, Suspension and Revocation of Permit Privileges
Section 13-2-106: Administrative Appeal
Section 13-2-107: Judicial Review
Article 3: Offenses
Article 4: Penalties and Procedures
Article 5: Evidence and Additional Penalties

JURISDICTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Tribe and State of Colorado have a shared responsibility for establishing appropriate hunting and fishing regulations for the hunters and fishermen under their respective authorities in the Brunot Area, as well as for enforcing those regulations. It is the Tribe’s intent to provide a law enforcement presence in the Brunot Area utilizing Southern Ute Tribal Rangers. Tribal hunters and anglers are likely to encounter both Tribal and State law enforcement officers while in the Brunot Area, and should be prepared to show appropriate identification and permits, if requested by any law enforcement officer. In general, if a violation of a Tribal wildlife regulation has been committed by a Tribal-permitted hunter or angler, that hunter or angler shall be subject to Tribal citation and prosecution in Tribal Court.

Tribal hunters and anglers are required to carry with them their Tribal identification cards as proof of Tribal-enrolled status.

Guns ‘N’ Hoses



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Young Jania Jackson and her Southern Ute Police Department teammates hoist high the Guns ‘N’ Hoses Basketball Challenge trophy after SUPD, with help from players repping the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, defeated Los Pinos Fire District 41-24 – LPFD had won the previous two clashes – in the 2019 edition Wednesday night, March 20, inside IHS Gymnasium.



Members of the Los Pinos Fire District team observe the paper-airplane throwing contest held between the first and second quarters of the Guns ‘N’ Hoses Basketball Challenge.

Reinforcing the Southern Ute Police Department squad during the Guns ‘N’ Hoses inside IHS Gymnasium, young Joseph Atencio hustles the ball forward on a fast break.

Durango takes AVS Cup



courtesy Jessica Buell/Durango Steamers

The Durango Steamers won the AVS CUP Championship in their 10U (9-10-year-old) division against the Foothills Flyers (Littleton) in Loveland, Colo. at the Budweiser Center, Sunday, March 17. The Durango Steamers finished the AVS Cup with a 3-1 record, defeating Vail Mountaineers, 7-3 at the Pepsi Center, losing to Littleton Hawks, 2-4, and beating the Colo. Springs Tigers, 4-2. Southern Ute tribal member, Keevin Reynolds scored a game tying goal in the final game, motivating the Steamers to win against the Foothills Flyers 6-4 in the championship game.

Youth wrestle into spring



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Bayfield Wolverine, Nakai Box readies himself, awaiting the referees whistle to begin the match at the Bayfield Youth Wrestling tournament, Saturday, March 16 in the Bayfield High School Gym.



Ignacio Bobcats, Chad Benally has the upper hand as he maneuvers himself atop his opponent at the Bayfield Youth Wrestling tournament Saturday, March 16.

Ignacio Bobcats, Chris Hayes squares off against his opponent in the Durango Demons High School gym, Saturday, March 23.

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decisions. Throwing Natonni Cundiff graduated last May, but Elco Garcia, Jr., and Jonas Nanaeto are back as juniors seeking a return to Lakewood's Jeffco Stadium in two months.

"I have big goals for Elco, and I have big goals for Jonas," said Garcia. "Elco ran, I think, a 4:48 [1,600m] last year, and we had a tryout Monday and he ran – already – a 4:55. And that was with nobody pushing him. And Jonas ... he'd run a 2:01 [800m], then ran, like, a 2:13 already with nobody pushing him!"

"Our distance coach (Holley) is doing an amazing job; we think alike," he continued. "I gave him the workout, and he was like, 'Whoa! Did you copy mine? Or did I copy yours?'"

Senior Joe Herrera, foregoing a final baseball season, could surprise in the sprints as well as other events.

"The other day we had tryouts and he ran, like, a 13-high in the hundred," Garcia recalled. "I told him, 'We can definitely take two seconds off of it,' and to him that was a shock – like, 'You can do that?' I pull them together a little bit

was like, 'Of course I can, but you've got to do what I ask of you.'"

Junior Jason Hampton-Foutz returns in the pole vault and sprints, while freshmen Tyler Barnes, Alric Hudson, Damien Escalera, Jeremy Roderick and Nathyn Stollsteimer, junior Johnathon Whitt and senior Lucas Roderick presently round out the boys' roster.

With State qualifying thrower Aliyana White having relocated for her junior season, senior Kiana Valdez and sophomore sister Charlyze will be expected to lead the Lady 'Cats. Sophomore Vanessa Gonzales also returns, giving DeSouchet at least three-fourths of last season's 4x200 relay around which to build (freshman Lexy Young could step in should Emily Cundiff not return), plus a trio able to compete anywhere from the 100 to 1,600 meters.

"The girls, they've been going on and on about relays. So I think the returning members as well as this idea of 'We want to do relays' – that last year – is going to be ready, wanted to make sure nobody's going to get hurt ... because we have such a small team."

more," said DeSouchet.

"And we have a junior girl, Helaina Taylor," she added, discussing a potential thrower. "She didn't compete with us last year, but she's also been running every day. Running, getting good technique down ... I haven't seen anything 'bad' yet."

"Kiana ... also wants to do long jump," noted Garcia. "So hopefully she comes in and surprises!"

"Overall it's been really hard because we have not run a meet," he continued, trying to assess the squad's collective progress to date. "We don't even know if we're going to have hurdlers, you know, with being so small. But by looking at our practices ... so far, so good."

"Plus, our track has been showing for maybe a week and a half," quipped DeSouchet. "They've just barely gotten the [throwing] pits opened! We had on the schedule, but then decided not to go to – I think it was – Piedra Vista on the 16th; we just decided we weren't going to be ready, wanted to make sure nobody's going to get hurt ... because we have such a small team."

MAYB comes to SunUte



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Eppie Quintana dribbles up the court, past an opponent, as Willie Fuller (3) looks for the pass. Ignacio's only basketball team played in the Mid-American Youth Basketball tournament Saturday, March 23 in the SunUte Community Center. The Ignacio boys split two games, losing to the Montezuma Storm and beating the Bayfield Wolverines, then redeeming themselves against the Storm to take third place in the tourney.



Sonny Flores of the Pine River Rapids 1, looks to the basket and a chance to score in the fifth and sixth grade age bracket.



Gabriel Cox goes up with a hook-shot against the Bayfield Wolverines. The Ignacio team defeated Bayfield 42-9.

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Baer then scored from third on a Ryan Medina single to center, but Roukema ended the threat by getting Clayton Yoder to tap back to the mound. He'd then get out of a bases-loaded, one-out jam in the fourth by getting Panther leadoff man Dylan Kibel to ground into a 6-3 (Weinreich-to-Tucson) double play.

Ignacio (0-3, 0-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin) left runners stranded at first and second against Preston Davidovich (W; 5.1 IP, 2 H, R, 4 BB, 12 K) during the home half of the fourth, and the contest went into a fifth frame with Montezuma-Cortez holding a slim 2-0 lead and knowing the 'Cats nearly clawed themselves back into contention against fellow IMLers Pagosa Springs two days earlier before falling 17-12.

Montezuma-Cortez finally broke through firmly in the fifth, chasing Roukema (L; 5 IP, 5 R, 2 ER, 6 BB, 5 K) off the hill with three runs. Two (Baer, Medina) touched the home plate via a one-out, pinch-hit single by Carson Yoder and the third (Clayton Yoder) scored on designated hitter Ty Blackmer's one-out groundout to short.

Beginning with a Kerwin Tom pinch-hit fly to right, dropped by IHS' Clint Talamante-Benavidez – a replacement for starter Colten Jackson, ejected in the bottom of the fourth for voicing his opinion of a Davidovich off-speed delivery retiring him on strikes – the Panthers' first six hitters in the top of the sixth all reached against reliever Pedregon (0.2 IP, 6 R, 3 ER, 2 BB, K) and scored, with a bases-clearing double by Medina the big blow. He finished 3-for-4 with two runs scored and four RBI, while Carson Yoder went 1-2 with two RBI. Blackmer ended up 0-2 with two walks and two runs batted in, while Baer



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio catcher Lawrence Toledo attempts to tag out Montezuma-Cortez's Tristan York (3) at home plate during the third inning of the 2019 IHS Baseball Invitational's final game Saturday, March 23.

finished 0-3 but reached on two errors, was also plunked by a Pedregon pitch, and scored three times. Lawrence Toledo went 1-for-3 atop Hayes' order, while Pedregon and Stephan Gomez each went 0-2 with a walk.

Having trailed PSHS – this season under the guidance of former major-league pitcher Mike Remlinger (who turned 53 on Day 3 of the Invitational) – by a 17-4 margin entering the bottom of the fourth inning, IHS erupted for eight runs during their next two at-bats before the time-limited game was called complete.

Toledo went 2-2, drew two walks and scored three times against the Pirates, while Archuleta – who started in left field – went 2-3 with a run. Taking the loss on the mound, Weinreich (0.1 IP, H versus Montezuma-Cortez) went 2-for-4 offensively with a run, while third baseman Rendon Mestas, unavailable against M-CHS, ended up 2-3 with a walk, and Gomez 1-2 with a walk and two runs.

Paden Bailey, Eric Hudleston and Ryan Lewis each scored three times for Pagosa Springs, which went 3-0 (including a 13-11 win over 2A Sargent on Day 2 and a 14-5 rout of 2A Sanford on Day 3) at the tourney and improved to 3-3 overall.

"Overall I thought it was

a good tournament for us," said Hayes. "Bats are coming ... and we're getting better remembering when a sign might be coming and when you wouldn't be expecting one, so good communication's going on. I'm very happy with the way things are moving."

Up next for the Bobcats will be a split 'doubleheader' of sorts, with Ignacio traveling north to face Paoonia at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 30, then making the short drive west to neighboring Hotchkiss for a 2 p.m. follow-up.

"This week I'm giving them a couple days off. We'll be back Tuesday," Hayes said, detailing IHS' Spring Break itinerary, "and we're going to keep working that pitching machine and keep working in that batting cage. Throw a few more wrinkles in – today we had one ready for first-and-third but we didn't use it – that I'm pretty sure most every baseball team does, but that are new things to these guys ... or at least 'new' hearing it from me."

"So, we're ... going to keep working the fundamentals, just like we stress every day."

"Hopefully we start doing better," said Roukema, "with all this practice we're going to get."



STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by “The Star Lady”

♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

The 1st and 2nd day of APRIL has you swimming around in a sea of confusion. Vivid dreams may even have you seeing “Old King Neptune” himself. No you’re not losing it. The MOON is in the dreamy, watery, sign of PISCES. This is the sign of great imagination. Be playful on those days. Remember ... the 1st is APRIL FOOLS DAY! From the 3rd to the 5th, your senses begin to sharpen. A NEW MOON in the sign of ARIES on the 5th introduces an adventurous cycle. Sweep procrastination out the back door Rams.

♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

The month of APRIL begins and ends with the MOON in PISCES. We’re all caught between these bookends. They are emitting spiritual message, one of compassion for others. Now that eccentric URANUS has taken up residence in your sign, you may feel inclined to take up some type of cause, like helping others less fortunate. This planet can act with the speed of lightning. Spending might increase this month. Shopping and buying pretty treasures gives you great pleasure this month TAURUS.

♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

Grab a fan GEMINI. You’re smoking hot this month! MARS the fiery RED ONE has moved into your sign, and it knows how to stir things up. You can rely on it creating plenty of action. It all begins on the 4th, and 5th when the MOON enters the sign of ARIES. Wait there’s more ... the NEW MOON on the 5th sows the seeds of an uplifting sequence of events. By the time the FULL MOON rolls around on the 19th you may want to take a nice deep breath, and wave GOOD BYE to an old uncomfortable situation.

♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

There’s more to APRIL than just a few showers. The planets are busy shifting their positions. MERCURY is currently swimming through the deep waters of PISCES, along with VENUS and NEPTUNE. The message they are sending is Mystical, Imaginative, and Spiritual. Their celestial rhythm might have you responding with your own personal style. On the 20th, both the SUN and VENUS change signs. EASTER SUNDAY may be filled with jelly beans, candy, and pure enjoyment MOON KIDS.

♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Hey Lions rise up and roar. You have until the 19th to enjoy the productive benefits of the SUN in the sign of ARIES. Furthermore, MARS, the action planet has rolled into the sign of GEMINI and might fill you to the brim with novel ideas. The 5th is a good launch date for an idea. Be inventive and seek out creative adventures, and playful pursuits. Restless LUNA enters your sign on the 13th, and 14th. You might invent some unique technique to dying EASTER EGGS. Try sprinkling them with some heavenly sparkles.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

There are 5 days this month when the MOON will be traveling through your opposite sign of PISCES. They are the 1st, 2nd, 28th, 29th, and half of the 30th. Family members may have totally opposite opinions from yours. Use your intuitive instincts when dealing with domestic difficulties on the 21st. MERCURY zips into the sign of ARIES on the 16th. It could have you contemplating a better way of managing your bills. A useful URANIAN influence may help to produce innovative ideas at your job.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

The SUN illuminates the MOON on the 19th. In other words there’s a FULL MOON in your sign LIBRA. It signals the completion of a personal event that might have been set into motion many moons ago. Blessings can come in a variety of ways. On the 20th VENUS gently rotates into your relationship sector. A decidedly kind, and loving Aura surrounds you. Current partnerships become more of a priority. The SUN shines brightly in your house of partnerships until the 20th. Love will always conquer all challenges.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)

APRIL is a fine month to develop financial goals. JUPITER in the money related 2nd house, will reverse its course on the 10th. It backtracks for the rest of the month. This motion will continue through mid August. It may have you rethinking a prior mindset related to your spending habits. The SUN shines in the 6th house of health until the 20th. It may excite you with the desire to make improvements in your daily routine. VENUS is at play in the amusement area of your Horoscope until the 19th, it means LUCK.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

APRIL arrives on a semi-rocky beginning. Take a sincere look at family matters from the 1st to the 3rd. A practical connection between MERCURY and SATURN on the 7th may help you find the right words to offer sensible financial advice to a close family member. Arguments solve nothing. JUPITER, your extra large planetary ruler will begin its backward motion on the 10th and will stay in that mode for the rest of the month. Aim for the best and easiest solutions you can think of. Utilize your intuitive senses.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

Tiny but mighty PLUTO slides into sleep mode on the 24th and has the capability of putting a delay on your personal plans until fall. In addition to that there are other possibilities to ponder. VENUS connects with PLUTO on the 14th and brightens your day. Favorable finances might put a big smile on your face. SATURN (your sign ruler) is also on the job but it will turn retrograde on the 29th. This ringed planet is large and lazy at times. It will sleep until Mid-September. Patience, Patience, CAPRICORN.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

Inner conflict and power struggles might be the pattern in early APRIL. The planets have set up a rowdy atmosphere that conflicts with your need for independence. Changes may occur at lightning speed, and you need to be quick on your feet to keep up. MERCURY is retrograde. Be patient AQUARIUS, your options improve after the 15th. The SUN/URANUS pairing on the 18th is more to your liking. It helps to propel you forward. On the 24th VENUS enters the fun portion of your chart. Let the good times roll!

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

Greetings Little Fishes. Welcome to the month of APRIL. MERCURY, VENUS, and NEPTUNE are all in your sign until mid-month. Take advantage of these planetary positions. They may persuade you to be in a better situation at just the perfect moment. Set your objectives into motion now. Timing is everything. Rely on your tried and true psychic instincts. SATURN and PLUTO encourage you to bravely follow a more reliable, and direct course towards reaching your goals quickly. Satisfaction follows you.

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TRIBAL OBITUARIES



WILLIAMS – Stanley “Bear” Williams passed away quietly on March 15, 2019 surrounded by the love of his family.

Bear is a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. He was born to Wanda M. American Horse and John S. Williams on August 20, 1955 in Roosevelt, UT. Stanley was a graduate of Bayfield High School. During his high school years Bear excelled in the sport of wrestling. Growing up on the ranch, Bear could be found doctoring cattle, fixing fence, irrigating, baling hay, riding his horse or any other jobs that needed to be done.

Later in life Bear, along with his younger brother, Mike, would venture into the lumber industry. Cutting and delivering wood to clients all over La Plata County and beyond. Together they established a

thriving business.

Bear liked meeting new people and never had a bad word to say, and this gave him the opportunity to make lasting friendships. Bear was light-hearted and loved to joke around. He enjoyed the solitude of country living, being able to connect with nature was a blessing. He took life one step at a time and was never in a rush to see the day pass by. Bear enjoyed life in a good way and treated his fellow man with respect. When patience was called for, Bear would relax with a cup of Navajo tea and a Louis L’Amour book. He enjoyed crossword puzzles, tending to his winged feathered friends, and drawing to his heart’s content.

Bear leaves behind his cat “Stubby”, brothers Roderick Williams, Ronald Yellowbird, and Eric Williams; sisters Elizabeth Williams, Marianne Williams, Michelle Williams and Susan Williams; numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers John Chad Williams and Mike Williams; half-brother, Glenn Williams; half-sisters, Emily Taylor and Shirley GoodTracks and niece Olivia Young.

There was a visitation at Hood Mortuary Chapel on Thursday, March 21, 2019. A graveside service was held be at Ouray Cemetery in Ignacio, Colorado on Friday, March 22, 2019.

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

Happy 12th Birthday to my “Sweet Pea”!

Have a wonderful day. I am very proud of you in all you do. Keep up the good work and never give up. I’ll always be here for you whenever you need me. I love you...

Always,
G-MA Mel



Happiest of birthdays Alliyannah!

We are happy to see you into the next year of your young life. You make us smile and laugh and keep us on our toes for sure. Happy birthday baby sister.

Love You Lots

Momma Mira, Brother Keemz, Big Bro KJ and Big Sis Keelyn, and of course Papa – and the rest of the family!

A Gallup victory



courtesy April Lynnell

The All Day softball team came out as tournament champions at the first annual Spring Break Softball Bash on Saturday, March 16 at Gallup Sports Complex in Gallup, N.M. They won their first game and lost their next two, having to battle through the losers bracket to play BamBOO in the championship game around midnight. They fought hard to keep winning their games. Congratulations ALL DAY job well done. Top Row: Tyler Black, Jerome Istenes, Mikey Padilla, Erick Villegas, Tyler Young and Kruz Pardo. Front Row- RC Lucero, Clifford Jones, Jr., Jason Carmenoros, Arnulfo Pardo III and Anthony Manzanares.

Forestry Fuels Program 2018-2019

Program is for enrolled Tribal Members only. Enrolled Tribal Members that pick up their wood may do so on Mondays and Wednesdays. Deliveries to the Elders and Disabled enrolled Tribal Members will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each enrolled Tribal Member household will be allowed 3/4 Cord of wood per month. Please call at least four days in advance, as we only have one delivery truck and wood orders may be delayed until the next scheduled delivery date based on how busy we get each week. New enrollees into our Program will need to call 970-563-4780. Enrolled Tribal Members needing Ceremonial Wood call 970-563-4780. If you are an enrolled Tribal Member requesting Sweat Wood, you must have a Sweat Lodge on your property. The last day to receive wood for this year's program: If you pick up wood, it will be April 29, 2019 AND if we deliver your wood, the last day will be April 30, 2019. If you would like a copy of the Policies and Procedures for our Program, please call 970-563-4780.

Correction

In the “Hockey Champs 6-0” photo published in the March 1, issue of the Drum. The Durango Hookey Squirts age division (10U) is 9-10-year old (10 and under).

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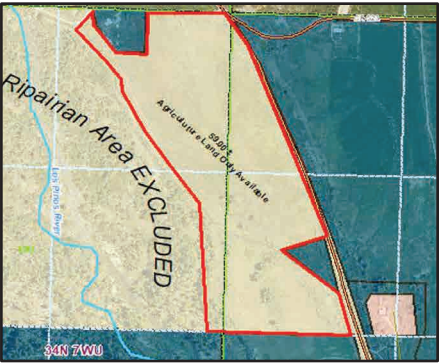
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45 Day Public Notice of Availability

Notice is hereby given that applications for Tribal lands are being taken for eligible enrolled Southern Ute Indian Tribal Members for an Agricultural Tribal Land Assignment described as: A Parcel of Land located in the NE/4 Section 10U and the NW/4 of Section 11U, T34N, R7W, N.M.P.M., La Plata County, Colorado and being more particularly described as follows: That part of the NE/4NE/4 and the SE/4NE/4 of Section 10U lying east of the centerline of the Ceanaboo Ditch as it may exist, along with the easterly 100 feet of the said SE/4NE/4 lying south of said Ceanaboo Ditch. Along with that part of the W/2NW/4 of Section 11U lying west of the westerly ROW of County Road 521 (Buck Hwy). Less and except an assignment held by Lenora Rock and an assignment held by Donna Rock. And further excepting any portion of the NE/4NE/4 of Section 10U lying north of the southerly edge of an existing access road that lies along its northerly line. Being 59.0 acres more or less.

Posting Date: March 1, 2019
Expiration Date: April 15, 2019



Section 29-2-105 of the Land Assignment Code provides that Public Notice is required. The department shall publish and post notice

of land available for assignment. The notice shall include the applicant's name (Alex Pena), a description of the property for which an application for the assignment may be filed and a description of the use to be made of the land. Tribal members submitting comments or an objection over this land being made available for assignment may do so by mail or by contacting the Department of Natural Resources - Lands Division at 970- 563-0126 or PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. The selectee for the above-described lot on Southern Ute Indian Tribal land will be determined by a "Drawing". All interested "eligible" Tribal members will submit a Tribal Land Assignment Application and farm plan for the 59 m/ acre parcel agricultural assignment. **Per the Land Code, only enrolled Southern Ute Indian Tribal members eighteen (18) years of age or older are eligible to obtain a Tribal Land Assignment. The cards used for the drawing will include the name, address and contact of the Tribal member Applications shall be reviewed by the Lands Division to ensure that the Tribal members requesting an assignment meet the eligibility requirements. After the 45-Day Posting period has expired, a drawing date will be scheduled as soon as possible. A "primary name" and a secondary name will be drawn. The secondary name will be drawn in the event the "primary" Tribal member declines the land at any time after the drawing. The "primary's" documents formalizing the assignment or lease (whichever is applicable) will be presented to Tribal Council as soon as possible to approve the resolution granting the assignment. Staff is available by appointment to accompany interested applicants who wish to view the agricultural land and assistance is available for drafting a farm plan. For further information, please call the Lands Division at 970-563-0126 or to make an appointment to view the property.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Southern Ute Indian Tribe For Crack Seal Project For Ignacio Peak Routes

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Tribal Planning
P.O. Box 737
116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-2271**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for crack seal project for Ignacio Peak routes. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Tribal Planning Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2:00 P.M. MDT, on April 12th, 2019. Proposals received after that

time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Douglas McDonald for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-2271 or dmcdonald@southernute-nsn.gov. 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 TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Southern Ute Indian Tribe For Pavement Marking/Striping Project For Tribal Campus Routes

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Tribal Planning
P.O. Box 737
116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-2271**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for pavement marking/striping for Tribal campus routes. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Tribal Planning Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colo. 81137 until 2:00 P.M. MDT, on April 5, 2019. Proposals received af-

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NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

**In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No: 2019-NC-0031
Izabella Oawichichi Howe, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Marquette Cloud on behalf of Izabella Oawichichi Howe has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Izabella Oawichichi Cloud. 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 22, 2019 at 5 pm. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2019.
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,
Case No.: 2018-PR-0100
Jared Ryan Groves, 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 May 13, 2019 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 25th of March, 2019
Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

NOTICE OF PROBATE

**In the Estate Of,
Case No.: 2019-PR-0026
Michael Whitewolf Vasquez, 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 **April 16, 2019 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 1st of March, 2019
Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

Boards, Committees & Commission Vacancies

ETHICS COMMISSION VACANCY

The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill two (2) vacancies for "Alternate Member-At-Large" positions on the Ethics Commission. Qualifications are: Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at least 18 years of age or older; Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality; Have a familiarity with tribal government; and Satisfactory completion of a background investigation for criminal history showing no convictions or guilty pleas for felonies or any misdemeanor involving dishonesty. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice & Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way by May 31, 2019. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BOARD

Closing 4/12/19 – The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is currently looking to fill two (2) volunteer Board Member positions. A majority of the committee shall be tribal members. The Board of Directors is responsible for knowing and effectively articulating the mission, vision, core values, goals, policies, and program areas of the Club. Members of the Board must attend meetings regularly and attend applicable committee meetings on a regular basis; also attend a minimum of 1 priority event and 1 Club event annually. Board Members must maintain confidentiality of sensitive information and conduct oneself as a model for children in a manner that exemplifies high character. Interested parties must pick up an application available on the www.bgcusu.org website or by request from Mr. Bruce LeClaire at 970-563-2694 or bleclair@southernute-nsn.gov. Applications must be returned to Mr. LeClaire no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, April 12, 2019.

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 associ-

ated 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 Dept. at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137.

TRIBAL MEMBER NEEDED FOR YOUTH VACANCY ON WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD

Open Until Filled – The Tribe is seeking an enrolled Southern Ute youth to fill a special youth-only seat on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The 1-year Tribal Member only position – between the ages of 14 and 18 – 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. 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. Information, contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130.

POWWOW COMMITTEE

Open until filled – Attention: Tribal Members & other Natives. The Powwow Committee is seeking two (2) interested person to serve on the Powwow Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to nurture and promote a positive impression of the Southern Ute Tribe through songs, dances and other activities to preserve the culture. The Committee is a non-paid committee and meets bi-monthly. Interested Tribal members can submit letter of intent to the Pow Wow Committee, PO Box 737-16, Ignacio, CO 81137, or hand deliver to Hilda Burch at the TERO Dept. or email to hburch@southernute-nsn.gov.

REQUEST FOR BIDS KSUT/KUTE Broadcast Facility for Eddie Box Jr. Media Center

FCI CONSTRUCTORS, Inc. is accepting bids for selective demo, concrete, masonry, rough carpentry, casework, roofing, doors, windows, gypsum board, stucco, flooring, painting, appliances, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, fencing, and landscaping to our office at 186 Moose Lane, Durango, CO, or by fax at 970-259-8633, or by email to ksmith@fciol.com until Thursday, April 11, 2019 12 P.M. (MDT) for the construction of the KSUT/KUTE Broadcast Facility. Proposal documents are accessible by contacting FCI at 970-259-8644. Proposal evaluations will comply with the SUIT TERO Code for Native American Preference. It is the responsibility of the submitting firm to see that any bids are delivered to FCI prior to the closing date and time.

REQUEST FOR BIDS Construction Services for KSUT Broadcast Facility

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction and Project Management
P.O. Box 737, 116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, CO 81137, 970-563-0138**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for construction services for KSUT Broadcast Facility. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colo. 81137 until 2 P.M. MDT, on April 11, 2019. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be

returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov. 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 TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Public Notice: Rescheduled Southern Ute Indian Tribe/ State of Colorado Environmental Commission Meeting

The cancelled March 13, 2019, Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission (Commission) meeting will be rescheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2019 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Justice & Regulatory Administration Building – EPD Large Conference Room located at 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137. The agenda will include Call to Order/Introductions, New Business, Minor Source Program, CDPHE Updates, Open Discussion/Questions and Public Comment, and Schedule Next Commission Meeting. For more information or a copy of the meeting material please contact Ms. Marlene Scott-Jewett, Air Quality Analyst 1 at 970-563-2219 or visit the Commission website at: <http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/justice-and-regulatory/epd/air-quality/env-commission/>

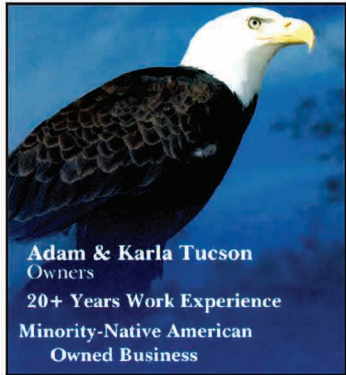
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Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, be sure the HR Dept. has your current contact information on file. Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

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

Boys & Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

Closing 4/10/19 – Assists in the implementation, planning, and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

Community Resource Officer

Closing 4/5/19 – Under the general supervision of the Senior Community Resource Officer, provides prevention awareness activities to the community and serves as a liaison between the Southern Ute Police Department and the community. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

Custom Farm Field Supervisor

Closing 4/4/19 – Under general supervision of the Agriculture Division Head, ensures Custom Farm services are provided for Tribal members in a prompt efficient and effective manner. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Dental Assistant

Closing 3/31/19 – Under dentist supervision, responsible for a wide range of tasks in the Southern Ute Health Center dental office including, but not limited to, providing chair side dental assistance, administrative and records duties and radiology functions. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

Detention Officer

Closing 4/1/19 – Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Dispatcher

Closing 4/5/19 – Under general supervision of the Sr. Communications Officer, provides radio dispatch services for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

Family Court Therapist

Closing 4/3/19 – Provides direct and clinical supervision to Family Court Support Office staff and program services. Assists the Chief Judge and the Court Program Analyst/Grant Writer with recommendations for new or enhanced program services requiring grant funding. Manages a small family court caseload conducting mental health Guardian ad Litem investigations, Special Advocate investigations, parent coordination, and mediation services. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/year.

Fitness Trainer (Full-time)

Closing 4/8/19 – Fitness evaluation, exercise prescription, personal training and fitness activities related to the Fitness component of the Community Center, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by the Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

Lake Capote Maintenance Worker

Closing 4/8/19 – Southern Ute tribal member only. Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager, the Maintenance Worker will: greet guests, collect fees for fishing/camping/small concessions; clean, maintain, and repair grounds, facilities, and buildings; and assist with site development and improvements. Position is seasonal/full time, 8-month schedule. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Principal

Closing 4/10/19 – Administrative oversight, including planning, development, implementation and evaluation of the teaching program provided through the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy for children ages birth through thirteen. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/year.

Summer Environmental Programs Intern

Closing 4/15/19 – Summer work position for an enrolled local Native American. The length of the summer work program is two months. Involves working within the Air and Water disciplines within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Environmental Division. Working with and performing various tasks within ambient air monitoring, air permitting and compliance, stream monitoring and riparian restoration resulting in a well-rounded, technical understanding of a Tribal environmental program. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

Air Enforcement Coordinator

Open Until Filled – Under general supervision of the Air Quality Program Manager prepares, coordinates and tracks air quality enforcement order packages and provides subject matter expertise on technical and regulatory tasks within the Enforcement Section of the Tribal Title V Operating Permit Program. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

Clinical Supervisor

Open Until Filled – Senior level position that provides Clinical Supervision to staff Case-workers providing a full range of intake and/or ongoing social casework services for a variety of program areas such as child abuse and neglect cases, youth-in-conflict cases, and adults unable to protect their own interests. Provides clinical supervision and oversees Family Preservation and the Foster Care Program Coordinator. Pay grade 22; \$61,872/year.

Endocrinologist (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Providing specialty endocrinology services e to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC).

Occupational Therapist (PT w/ benefits)

Professional position within the Department of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of occupational therapy services. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

Patrol Officer

Open Until Filled – Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

Physical Therapist

Open Until Filled – Works in the tribal health center with diabetes-specific patients, and provides homecare for Southern Ute Tribal Members. Is 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.

Physical Therapist (PT w/benefits)

Open Until Filled – Professional position within the Department of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of physical therapy services. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

Speech & Language Therapist (PT w/benefits)

Open Until Filled – Professional position within the Department of Private Education. Works with Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students in need of speech and language therapy services. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

Umpire/Referee

Open Until Filled – Maintains rules and regulations on the playing field and courts during Sun Ute Recreation Department sporting events. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements

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

Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137
TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome

Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

Line Cook (Full-time)

Preparation of the A La Carte menu and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness. Ensure all guidelines are followed according to the established specifications and standards in food safety and sanitation. Requires one to be an excellent team player and trust worthy. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. Must be at least 17 years old. Must have at least one-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 (On-call)

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. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must have 6 months experience as a table games dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in blackjack, three card poker, roulette and specialty games.

Event Staff (Full-time)

Assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up and re-set of events in all banquet areas. Act as a guest service representative at Banquets and related events. Requires that you achieve and maintain the highest level of guest service, as well as maintaining professional interactions, safe working conditions and teamwork. Must have food handling experience. Must be at least 18 years old, 21 years of age or older preferred in order to serve alcohol. Must have a valid driver's license and must be driver insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Café Cashier (Full-time)

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. Must be at least 16 years old and able to count money and make change.

*Surveillance Agent I (Full-time)

Ensuring a safe and secure environment for Casino customers and employees by observing, reporting and recording gaming and non-gaming activity using surveillance equipment to abide by all procedures, gaming regulations, and policies and protect the Southern Ute tribal assets from illegal and questionable activities. Must have high school diploma or equivalent and must be at least 21 years old. Testing will be administered to measure aptitude and understanding of table games. Must be able to

successfully obtain a Support Gaming License.

*Surveillance Agent II (Full-time)

Ensuring a safe and secure environment for Casino customers and employees by observing, reporting and recording gaming and non-gaming activity using surveillance equipment to abide by all procedures, gaming regulations, and policies and protect the Southern Ute tribal assets from illegal and questionable activities. Must have high school diploma or equivalent and be 21 years old. Must have prior experience in Surveillance, a Casino gaming department, or equivalent OR must successfully serve as a Surveillance Agent I for a minimum of three (3) months and acquire and demonstrate aptitude and ability to perform the essential job functions.

*Surveillance Video Technician (Full-time)

Installs, repairs, and performs preventative maintenance on all surveillance CCTV systems and related equipment to industry and internal standards. Must be at least 21 years old and have a High School Diploma or equivalency. CCTV and/or electronics 2-year degree OR two (2) years of equivalent experience is required.

*Beverage Server (On-call)

Must maintain the highest level of guest service while providing beverage service to Casino guests. Will prepare beverages prior to serving and will be required to lift and move up to 60 pounds regularly, including the responsibility of all cash and complimentary transactions. Must be 21 years old. High School Diploma or GED preferred. Related work experience and/or training preferred. Must have great guest service skills and be capable of regularly lifting and moving up to 60 pounds.

*Bingo Staff (Part-time/No benefits)

Servicing guests during Bingo games, including selling additional special games and pull tabs, instructing customers in bingo play, calling bingo games, verifying bingos to the caller, beverage service and other duties promoting guest satisfaction and play. Verifying winning bingo cards and makes payouts accordingly. Must have High School diploma or equivalency and be at least 21 years old. Must have good cash handling skills, previous experience with cash transactions required OR must have Bingo experience and can demonstrate knowledge of bingo cash transactions showing a complete understanding of the process.

Room Attendant (Full-time)

Thoroughly cleaning (20) hotel guest rooms and performing routine duties individually in a fast-paced work environment. Duties include cleaning hotel room by wiping, washing, scrubbing, vacuuming, sweeping and mopping all areas of the guest rooms. Requires the ability to bend, lift, stand and walk throughout the shift. Duties of this job are physically demanding and may be stressful at times, particularly during peak season periods. Will be cleaning an average of 12 guest rooms and during peak season, up to 20 guest rooms per shift.

**Must be 21 years old.*

Southern Ute Growth Fund • Job announcements

Please visit our website at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp for full job details and to apply online.

Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

Southern Ute Growth Fund, Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO
Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.

Executive Director – SU Growth Fund (Ignacio, CO)

Closing 4/5/19 – Directing the business of the Growth Fund in cooperation with the Growth Fund Management Committee and other Growth Fund Directors with the objective of providing maximum profit and return on invested capital; managing the Growth Fund to meet established current and long-range objectives subject to the approval of the Tribal Council; and representing the Growth Fund with the Tribal Council, Tribal membership, Indian Country and the public. This position is to be filled only with a Southern Ute Tribal Member. Minimum Qualifications: A Bachelor's Degree and ten years progressively responsible and diverse business or administrative experience; OR a high school diploma or equivalent and fifteen years progressively responsible and diverse business or administrative experience is required. Must have ten years supervisor or management experience; must have computer experience with working knowledge of spreadsheets and word processing, specifically Excel and MS Word; must have good negotiation skills; must have experience with budget preparation and compliance.

Plant Accountant – Red Cedar Gathering Co. (Durango, CO)

Closing 4/12/19 – Monthly gas settlements on Aka and Red Cedar gas plants and systems. Responsibilities include performing allocations, settlements, analytical tasks, accounting journal entries, and reconciliations within the plant settlement system. This role also provides timely and accurate information to internal staff and management, and external contacts when required. Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Finance, or a related field and three year of work experience in natural gas plant accounting, oil and gas revenue accounting, or similar data manipulation

position is required. Must have strong computer skills and working knowledge of Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, Internet Explorer, Microsoft Outlook. Strong knowledge of accounting transactions related to gas processing plants is needed. Must have experience with Waterfield Energy plant settlement system or similar software. Must have strong mathematical skills and basic knowledge of accounting principles and procedures. Must have proven ability to maintain high degree of accuracy and attention to detail in work. Must have ability to work in time-sensitive environment and meet deadlines. Must have valid driver's license and be insurable under Red Cedar's vehicle insurance policy. Must pass criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

Production Accounting Technician I – Red Willow Production Co. (Ignacio, CO)

Closing 4/8/19 – Under the general direction of the Production Accounting Supervisor, provides basic support to assist with ensuring that timely, accurate production volumes for all operated and non-operated oil and gas properties are available in company operated software programs and databases. Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Business or related field; OR, an Associate Degree in Accounting, Business or related field and one year oil and gas experience in a relevant and appropriate data management position; OR, a High School diploma or equivalent and three years oil and gas experience in a relevant and appropriate data management position is required. Must have basic Microsoft Excel skills. Must have strong problem solving and troubleshooting skills. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the RWPC vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

Southern Ute Shared Services • Job announcements

Please visit our website at www.southernute.com/careers for full job details and to apply online.

Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

Southern Ute Growth Fund, Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO
Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.

Support Analyst II – SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Closing 4/5/19 – Configuration, installation, and support of the end-user computing environment including all desktop hardware, operating system, end user applications and responsible for production support of PeopleSoft, Kronos and other Shared Services applications for the end user/customer. Provide enterprise-wide applications support with emphasis on the functional view of production applications. Provides day-to-day end-user support related to PeopleSoft, Kronos, other Shared Services business productivity applications and end-user hardware. Minimum Qualifications Include: A high school diploma and four years relevant software, hardware or end-user support experience; OR an Associate Degree and two years relevant, software, hardware or end user support experience; OR a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science or Business/Finance; is required. Knowledge of Microsoft Productivity applications is required. Must have valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the vehicle insurance policy. Must pass pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check. Must Qualify for Southern Ute Gaming License, Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) background check and certification, Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) certification and any other licenses or certifications required or requested by Southern Ute Shared Services.

House for Sale

3 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, Cedar Point, Sagebrush Ave., Ignacio, CO. Asking price \$174,000. Living room has laminate wood floor, carpet in bedrooms, back yard fenced, one shed with electric hook up, sprinkler system works for front yard. Serious inquires only leave message 970-563-3161.

Agencies team up



Participants attended a number of field exercises in addition to the classroom sessions. These courses offer an opportunity to train and prepare firefighters during the off season.

The 2019 Four Corners Wildland Fire Academy was held in Ignacio, Colo. from Wednesday, March 20 to Wednesday, 27. Each year the weeklong training is held at a different location in the Four Corners region, this year's academy was hosted in partnership between the BIA Southern Ute Agency's Forestry/Fire Management and Los Pinos Fire District.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Firefighters attended an Ice Cream Social networking event at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility, Thursday, March 21 as part of their week-long training. James Owens, Los Pinos Fire District Deputy Fire Chief, and Howard Richards, Assistant Fire Management Officer for the BIA Southern Ute Agency catch up between trainings.



Southern Ute Forestry Fuels crewmember, Matt Archuleta (not pictured) guides firefighters in a water hose exercise, which simulated a moving truck related to the distance needed to suppress a ground fire.

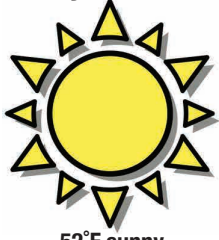


Southern Ute Forestry Technician Cameron Standing leads a team of trainees in a fire hose exercise outside of the BIA headquarters, Saturday, March 23.

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Your weekend forecast!

Friday, March 29



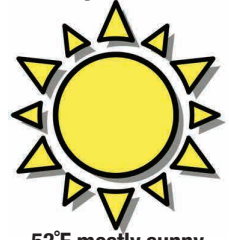
52°F sunny
Afternoon winds

Saturday, March 30



52°F sunny

Sunday, March 31



53°F mostly sunny

Weather forecasts collected from www.weather.gov



SWRY's first meet & greet



photos McKayla Lee/SU Drum

The Southwest Rainbow Youth (SWRY) hosted their first meet and greet event on Friday, March 15 in the Ignacio Community Library. SWRY invited all LGBTQ+ youth, parents and allies to come out. They held an open discussion about their future projects and had special guest, Jennifer Stucka-Benally from the Four Corners Rainbow Youth Center speak and facilitate the event. This event was open to the public and was a way for the founders to connect to the community.

Ryan Garcia of the Four Corners Alliance for Diversity shares his enthusiasm and his pledge of support while attending the Rainbow Youth's first meet and greet.



The Southern Ute Drum's Crossword Puzzle

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Across

- 1 Symbol of baldness
- 5 High ball
- 8 Low-expansion nickel/iron alloy
- 10 Singer Simone
- 11 Dry one?
- 13 "Hatikvah" is its nat'l anthem
- 14 In perfect order
- 15 Riff starter?
- 17 Lent a hand
- 20 Let the air out
- 22 Digs at U
- 23 "First thunder" annual event
- 25 One always on the sauce
- 26 100 square meters
- 27 Only penciled in at present
- 30 Bed wear
- 33 Briefly, IBM's "I"
- 34 The three-leaf variety was used for weaving
- 35 I don't understand, in texts
- 36 Cribbage markers

Down

- 1 Big Four US bank
- 2 Common bills
- 3 Getting too warm
- 4 Make lace
- 5 "--- Abner" (Capp comic strip)
- 6 Meet Romeo in scuffle again
- 7 Type of meal
- 9 Willy Wonka's creator
- 10 Nudity
- 12 Summit
- 16 25 Across might suffer from this problem
- 18 "Always", poetically
- 19 Bashful partner?
- 20 Computer message-sharing system
- 21 November meteor shower
- 24 Horseshoe Canyon, native American rock --- site
- 28 First-rate
- 29 Digital skill development centers
- 31 Sporty Golf
- 32 Drill sergeant's "one"

Answers for this crossword will appear in April 12 issue of the Drum.

Answers for crossword in March 15 issue of the Drum

Across: 1 Yea, 4 Or I, 7 Moll, 8 Penman, 12 Eyak, 13 Pacino, 14 Tomato plant, 16 Las, 17 Mar, 18 Assiniboine, 23 TLC, 24 Tin, 25 Toughened up, 31 Ladles, 32 Iota, 33 Ensure, 34 Dray, 35 MEX, 36 Aah
Down: 1 Yo-yo, 2 Elam, 3 Alkali, 4 Opposite sex, 5 Reap, 6 Incl, 7 Met, 9 Miami, 10 Annan, 11 Notre, 15 Tan, 18 Attle, 19 Sloan, 20 Scuds, 21 Bin, 22 Oneida, 26 Glum, 27 Here, 28 Dora, 29 Utah, 30 Pay