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TRIBAL HEALTH

# New alternative therapies being offered at SUHC

*Sound Therapy and Neurodynamic Breathwork offered*

By **Nenette McNamara,**  
**FNP-C**  
SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

Science is evolving and finding that there are several alternative therapies that help with physical health and mental health disorders. Two of these therapies are now being offered at the Southern Ute Health Center. These new offerings are Sound Therapy and Neurodynamic Breathwork. Nenette McNamara, FNP-C offers these therapies and has certifications and extensive training in both of these modalities.

Sound Therapy uses various instruments to improve physical and emotional health and well-being by using vibration and sound and balancing the nervous system. The instruments used include tuning forks, Tibetan singing bowls and drumming. The use of music, vibration, and sound has been studied extensively by researchers as a means of inducing positive emotions and subsequent relaxation and promoting a sense of wellbeing. The Earth and Universe have a vibration, when we are in tune, or aligned with this vibration, we have better physical and mental health. Everyday interference, that includes stress and worry, all affect how our nervous system functions. This dysfunction in our nervous system



Divine Windy Boy/SU Drum

Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, Nenette McNamara, practices Sound Therapy using Tibetan singing bowls on Tuesday, Aug. 9 at the Southern Ute Health Center. Sound Therapy and Neurodynamic Breathwork therapies are now offered at the Southern Ute Health Center. Sound Therapy uses various instruments to improve physical and emotional health and well-being by using vibration and sound to balance the nervous system.

can show up in other areas of our physical body such as constant stomach aches, feeling nervous, anxious, or depressed in addition to many other physical symptoms.

There is ongoing research on how sound and music can help with processing trauma-based emotions. Stress, caused by the pandemic, job loss, and everyday difficulties can cause anxiety or depression which can lead to physical symptoms. Perhaps you have experienced abuse, whether it be physical or emotional, in your past history. This abuse can lead to many physical and mental health difficulties. Often medication and counseling or therapy is used to help alleviate this stress and ad-

dress the underlying causes. Sound therapy can help with this process and provides added benefits that include better sleep, helping to calm the mind of constant thoughts and obtaining a sense of wellness. Sound therapy can be used in conjunction with counseling and medications and does not have harmful side effects. Sessions are often 60-75 minutes in length.

Breathwork is the use of breath and music to help with one's journey in inner exploration; we have our own 'inner guiding intelligence' that we can access. Our society and way of life today has dampened our access to this inner guid-

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Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Avid archer and Grounds Maintenance Division Head, Andrew Gallegos, sets up a practice shot to gauge target distance at the new SunUte archery range. The target range was recently relocated to the Multi-Purpose Facility Park, just south of its former location.

SUNUTE RECREATION

# Archery range relocated to improve safety, accessibility

*New location adjacent to Multi-Purpose Facility*

By **Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Archery has long played an important role in the Southern Ute community, from competitive shoots to recreational events tailored for all ages. Youth teams sign up each spring and fall for archery events, host-

ed in conjunction with the Southern Ute Tribal Fair or athletic events like the Tri-Ute Games. Avid hunters and archery enthusiasts while away the time on weekends and afternoons practicing their marksmanship. SunUte Recreation uses archery as a means of empowering youth, while

teaching them social skills and safety protocols on the shooting range.

While the location of the Tribe's archery range was centrally located near SunUte Park, the proximity to the Bear Trail has been a point of concern. SunUte

*Archery page 14*



Krista Richards/SU Drum

Tribal Planning Administrative Assistant, Roman Seibel observes the progress of the asphalt milling repair on Lodge Pole Way in the Cedar Point Subdivision on Tuesday, August 10. The road is set to be repaved by the end of August.

TRIBAL PLANNING

# Roads repaved in Cedar Point neighborhoods

*Tribal Planning leads construction project*

By **Fabian Martinez**  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Since early July, residents of the Cedar Point Subdivision have noticed significant changes to their daily commutes as heavy roadwork has taken place throughout the entirety of the neighborhood. The Cedar Point Housing Road Improvement Project is being led by the Tribal Planning Department and Project Coordinator, Mary Evening Star Eagle of the Southern Ute Tribe. The construction work is being completed by WCA Construction, LLC, an enterprise of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, based in Towaoc, Colo. This is the first full road improvement project to occur since the subdivision was established in the early 2000's with the only other addi-

tional work being the installation of speed tables in the mid-2010s.

The Cedar Point Housing Road Improvement Project aims to remove and replace sections in the roads in the subdivision that were surveyed as problem areas. The project was initially in the planning stages starting in 2016 with a design completed in 2017 by Russell Engineering & Planning of Durango, Colo., which has now merged with SEH Design Build.

The project was fully funded by 2020, when work was projected to take place, but the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic halted progress on construction. In 2021, the project resumed and was reevaluated and redesigned by SEH with a new survey conducted to find areas in the road-

ways that needed to be fixed or entirely replaced.

"We found several differences [in the roads] from what the engineers found in 2017," Tribal Planner Douglas McDonald said. "The roads had deteriorated even more, so the design needed to be upgraded." With the newly enhanced design, an estimated budget of about 2.5 million dollars was allocated for the project which will feature four types of repairs to the roads, while also addressing other issues to the roads and sidewalks.

The largest repair includes a Full Depth Reconstruction that will occur in about five to six areas in the subdivision. These areas were deemed as having an insufficient base, poor soils, or erosion from water

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## Ignacio celebrates Fiesta



Terence Whyte/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder, Eddie Box Jr. rides his motorcycle down Goddard Avenue in celebration of San Ignacio Fiesta, Saturday, July 30. Eddie and wife, Betty Box always participate in the San Ignacio Parade, handing out dollar coins to children along the parade route.

Southern Ute Veterans Association members, Howard Richards Sr., Bruce Valdez and Gordon Hammond, lead the annual San Ignacio Fiesta parade on Goddard Avenue in Ignacio.

See more San Ignacio Fiesta coverage on page 8.



Krista Richards/SU Drum





WATER RESOURCES DIVISION

Tribe focused on drought resiliency planning

By George Gavrielides  
SOUTHERN UTE WATER  
RESOURCES DIVISION

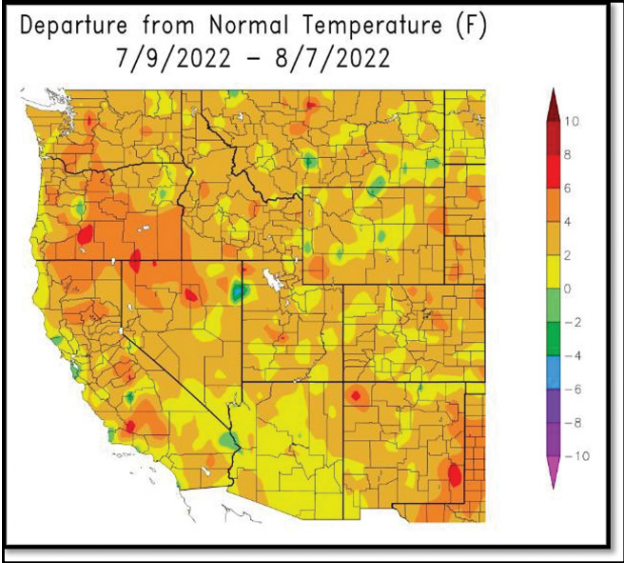
The Southern Ute Water Resources Division (WRD) has a Drought Management Plan (DMP) that was developed in May of 2019 as part of Drought Resiliency Planning for current and future droughts. The DMP describes actions that Water Resources Division and a Drought Task Force must take when certain drought triggers are met. The only current action is to update the Drought Task Force periodically about local drought conditions. Historically, WRD has sent updates about every two months. WRD decided to publish this drought update to keep everyone up to date on current drought conditions in our area.

Monsoon rains have been intense since the last drought update in June and the moisture has helped significantly improve local drought conditions. This update describes precipitation and temperature, changes in local drought conditions, and local forecast outlooks for this fall.

PRECIPITATION

Over the last two months, the rain gauge outside the Southern Ute Water Resources Division office has collected 6.25 inches of rain. Southwest Colorado has received above average precipitation over the last month. However, we've also had a month of slightly above average temperatures. This summer has been wetter and warmer than normal, but the rains have helped our region greatly.

Regional data shows current reservoir capacities in our watershed. Vallecito Reservoir is currently 56% full and still receiving substantial inflows from monsoon rains. The Pine River will more than likely have a full irrigation season. However, Lemon Reservoir is currently 39% full. At the beginning of the irri-



courtesy SU Water Resources Division

The 30-day departure from normal temperature throughout the western U.S.

gation season, Florida irrigators were told they would have a 50% supply and the season would end mid-July. But with the recent monsoonal rains, Florida irrigators have a 60% supply, and the season will likely end the week of August 15 unless the Florida Water Conservancy District (FWCD) determines they can extend the season longer. Florida irrigators may have a longer season but only time will tell.

DROUGHT CHANGES

The monsoon season has helped local drought conditions since the last drought update. Southwest Colorado drought conditions were slightly alleviated with the onset of monsoons. We're still in a drought, but the rains have helped a lot. And looking at the Southern Ute reservation specifically, drought has been alleviated since the last update, especially where most of the irrigation takes place in the central part of the reservation. Drought conditions are much better this year compared to last year, so this year's monsoons have been extremely helpful and much needed.

FORECASTS AND OUTLOOKS

As you may have noticed, the first week of Au-

gust was very wet and the rest of the month is forecasted to have above average precipitation. Data trends show August through October having slightly below average precipitation, but our area is on the edge of that forecast, so anything could happen.

The 1-month temperature outlook shows August having below average temperatures for our area, with September and October being warm. Regardless, expect August to be wetter and cooler than average, and expect the fall to be slightly drier and warmer than average.

However, even with our region forecasted to have a drier and warmer fall, the drought outlook shows our area improving in drought conditions. This just goes to show things can change even when outlooks don't look promising.

To sum up this drought update, this summer has had above average precipitation and temperatures which has improved local drought conditions, especially compared to last year. The Pine River will likely have a full irrigation season and the Florida will likely have the irrigation season ending in the next week or so. This fall will likely be slightly drier and warmer than usual, but drought conditions are forecasted to improve.

Many Moons Ago



Don Folsom/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

With the help of Jack Frost Jr., participants score out the elk target at the eighth annual Youth Archery Challenge, sponsored by the Southern Ute Police Department.

This photo was first published in the August 10, 2012, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Boxing Commission include (left to right) Mike Stancampiano. Bennett Thompson (Vice Chairman), Phillip Martinez, and Pete Gomez (Chairman); not pictured is Leon Mares (Secretary). This group is the administrative arm that oversees professional boxing events on the Southern Ute Reservation.

This photo was published in the August 9, 2002, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



Peggy Jay/SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Tribal Council members Evalyn Hudson, Vida Peabody, Leonard Burch and Howard Richards Sr. were joined by Angelina Vicenti, representing Junior Miss Southern Ute, for the parade.

This photo was published in the August 7, 1992, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

40 years ago

Linda Baker with the banner and trophy she won at the recent Miss Indian America Pageant in Sheridan, Wyo. She was the second runner up winner. This photo was published in the August 13, 1982, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
& RIVERON  
present the

# Updated Financial Plan Town Hall

The Financial Plan Update is a priority of Tribal Council and membership. RIVERON was selected to facilitate this important project. While in the beginning stages, leadership has directed RIVERON introduce their team and their project plans to the membership.

Tribal members are encouraged to attend in-person or via WebEx. For more information, please contact Ms. Lindsay J. Box, Tribal Council Communication Specialist at (970) 563.2313 or via email at lbox@southernute-nsn.gov

To pre-submit questions, please send via email to GenMtgQA@southernute-nsn.gov

**WebEx Event Registration**  
9 to 12 | <https://bit.ly/3SAVPKt>  
4 to 7 | <https://bit.ly/3BTW5hY>

## Two Meeting Options!

**Wed. Aug. 24**  
**@ SUGF Room 103**

<b>Morning</b> 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	<b>or</b>	<b>Evening</b> 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
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**Agenda**

- Welcome & Intros
- Current Financial Plan Overview
- Riveron Team Intro
- Updated Financial Plan Overview
- Feedback & Questions
- Wrap-up





# ATTENTION

Families and individuals are invited to add to the purse for the following Southern Ute 100th Annual Tribal Fair Rodeo events:

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|-----------------|------------------|
| Bareback        | Saddle Bronc     |
| Ranch Bronc     | Bull Riding      |
| Tie Down Riding | Steer Wrestling  |
| Team Roping     | Ladies Breakaway |
| Ladies Barrels  | Jr. Bull Riding  |
| Jr. Barrels     | Steer Riding     |

Families and individuals are welcome to sponsor one of the following events for the Southern Ute 100th Annual Tribal Fair:

- Painted Horse Contest
- Bareback Watermelon Race
- Stick Horse Rodeo

If interested, please contact Marvin Pinnecoose  
mpinnecoose@southernute-nsn.gov or 970-563-2988



Divine Windy Boy/SU Drum

Eight canvases painted by Southern Ute tribal member Issac Suina with the help of Janice Riley and Ashlynn Dicksen, are displayed on the Dancing Spirit Art Corner. The canvases were put on display in May of this year. The Art Corner is located on Goddard Ave. and Empire St., local artists and community members are also encouraged to share their artwork for display.

## DANCING SPIRIT

# Painting the town

By Divine Windy Boy  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center is dedicated to providing the community with programs that enhance creativity and fellowship; promoting education, appreciation, and enjoyment of the arts. Dancing Spirit offers ongoing art classes for children, adults, and families; they serve the community with programs that bring everyone together and lift everyone up. The Dancing Spirit Art Corner, on Goddard Ave. and Empire St., has recently been updated with eight canvases with the help of Janice Riley, Ashlynn Dicksen, and Southern Ute tribal member Issac Suina.

The Art Corner originated in 2010, but did not hold art up until April of 2021. Art began to fill up the corner in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as a way for community members to express themselves after a year in lockdown. Kasey Corria, member of the Dancing Spirit

Board of Directors, helped to update the corner in May of this year. "Fear was in the air, so it came to me one day at my loss and feeling mournful, let's do this art corner and they [community members] can do art installation on their own," Corria said. "It gave them a way to communicate things that were going on and it was really awesome, the art that went in there."

With the talents of artists Riley, Dicksen, and Suina the art corner has since been adorned with eight canvases depicting nature and young children.

The Art Corner is sponsored by Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center, and the community is more than welcome to share their artwork to be displayed, and they currently have another set of eight blank canvases ready to be painted. Dancing Spirit has an abundance of art materials needed to complete the canvases if anyone is interested. Artists can reach out to Kasey Corria to share any design ideas or to volunteer to complete the artwork.

"They can reach out to me if they have any ideas for the art corner, it is open to all," Corria said. "I challenge the youth to step up – this public art is an awesome opportunity for you to be able to make people think and make us scratch our heads."

Dancing Spirit also has an art co-op currently located at 695 Goddard Ave. in downtown Ignacio, Colo., the co-op is looking to represent the community with art from Native American and community artists. The co-op is operational every Thursday through Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., artists can rent a space for \$25 a month and work two-to-four-hour shifts at the co-op to avoid paying commissions that can be in the upwards of 60% after they create their art pieces. For more information on how to have your art displayed at either the Art Corner or the Dancing Spirit Co-Op please contact Dancing Spirit at 970-563-4600 or visit their website at dancingpiritgallery.org.

## Calling Native Artists! Artist Market and Juried Show

September 9-11, 2022  
Ignacio, Colorado  
Registration information at: [www.southernutemuseum.org](http://www.southernutemuseum.org)  
970.563.9583

WHITE MESA SLEEPING UTE DIABETES PROGRAM

# BEARDANCE WALK

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 3, 2022

REGISTRATION 7AM - 8AM | WHITE MESA RECREATION CENTER

WALK 8AM | START & FINISH AT WHITE MESA RECREATION CENTER

Event may change without notice due to Early Closure, Weather & Covid Restrictions  
-CDC Guidelines will be followed during this event  
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FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
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## The 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Ute Fair

**Exhibits**  
Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum Large Classroom

Wednesday, September 7, 2022  
Homemaking, Agriculture, Arts & Crafts

Thursday, September 8, 2022  
Baking & Livestock

**Fair Events**  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
September 8, 2022 to September 11, 2022

**Rodeo**  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
September 16, 2022 to September 17, 2022

**Stickgame Tournament**  
Sky Ute Event Center  
September 16, 2022 to September 18, 2022

**Artist Market**  
Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum  
September 9, 2022 to September 11, 2022





HEALTHY RECIPES

Summertime pasta salad

By Lisa Smith, RDN  
SHINING MOUNTAIN HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Serve as a side dish, bring to a BBQ, or enjoy a cup for lunch!

Lisa B. Smith, RDN is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist with the Southern Ute Shining Mountain Health and Wellness.



courtesy Homegrown NCSU

Summer Pasta Salad

- 12 oz whole wheat pasta (bowties, penne, rotini, etc.)
- 2 tomatoes (Roma or from your garden!), diced
- 1 yellow squash, cut bite-sized pieces
- 1 zucchini, cut bite sized pieces
- 1 broccoli crown, cut bite sized pieces
- ½ red onion, diced
- 15 oz can garbanzo beans (chickpeas) rinsed and drained
- 4 oz mozzarella pearls (quartered slices work well, too)
- ½ cup fresh parsley, chopped

Dressing

1. ½ cup olive oil
2. 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
3. 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
4. 1 teaspoon basil
5. 1 teaspoon oregano
6. 1 clove garlic, minced
7. ¾ teaspoon salt
8. ¼ teaspoon pepper

Directions

1. Cook pasta according to package directions.
2. Cut all vegetables as directed above.
3. Rinse and drain garbanzo beans.
4. In a large bowl, combine the vegetables (except parsley) and beans.
5. When pasta is done, rinse under cold water and place in refrigerator for 10 minutes.
6. Place all dressing ingredients in a jar with a tight-fitting lid and shake vigorously.
7. Combine cooled pasta with vegetable mixture, add mozzarella pearls and parsley.
8. Pour dressing over mixture, stir well to coat.
9. Serve or place in refrigerator for up to five days.

Servings: 8  
Serving size: 1 cup

TÙCHUPIKIVI SÙMUGUAVI

“Good Brain, Strong Heart”

COVID-19 vaccines for young children

By Sandra Beirne, MD  
SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

BACK TO SCHOOL

Though the temperature certainly still feels like summer, the shocking reality exists that school restarts later this month. Hopefully your summer has had some relaxation and ease and less of the school year’s busyness. While we should all make the most of summer’s goodness for as long as we can, making some gentle adjustments to prepare for school restarting can get the school year started in a good way for your child and family.

So many of the youth I saw this summer in the clinic told me they are staying up most nights until 2am, 3am, even 5am! Summer means late bedtimes for many of us as we enjoy the magic of warm summer nights, but when school starts, early nights are the key to your child getting enough sleep. For most people, switching their sleep schedule takes some time. Starting weeks before the first day of school, begin moving your child’s bedtime back a little each night so by the time that first day arrives, they will be able to fall asleep early enough to get the sleep their bodies and brains need to be their best at school.

The start of the new school year is a great time to set up schedules so that not only



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

sleep, but all the things that matter in your family have their scheduled time during the day. Help your child figure out what schedule works best for them and with your family when it comes to homework, rest, snacks, meals, exercise, etc. Setting it up from the beginning of the year can create routines so that your child creates healthy habits and hopefully complains a little less about doing their homework.

Speaking of homework, a new school year is a good time for us as parents and caregivers to check in with ourselves about our expectations for our kids around academics. One of the recommendations I hear often from experts is to focus on the process and the learning and less on the outcomes. It is so easy to just focus on grades, but the long-term goal is to help our kids be motivated from within to try their hardest and strive for their goals – not because of

outside validation. We can help them develop this by talking less about A’s and B’s and more about how they are learning to think and trying their hardest.

Lastly, the start of the school year is a time to help our kids with their mental health when at school. Talk about bullying and who to talk to if it occurs. Talk about resilience in the ups and downs of friendship relationships. Encourage them to identify at least one positive coping method for when things are stressful and a trusted adult they can go to when they need help.

I hope you and your family can fully enjoy these last beautiful days of summer and start out the new school year in a good way.

You can make an appointment for your child to be seen at the Southern Ute Health Clinic for back-to-school questions or anything else by calling 970-563-4581.

Aging gracefully



Divine Windy Boy/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder, Lynda D’Wolf hosted a small roundtable talk to discuss healthy aging on Wednesday, July 27 at the Multi-Purpose Facility. During the gathering elders shared natural remedies for illness or injury, shared stories, and encouraged each other to practice healthy habits. D’Wolf provided attendees with prepacked bags containing various herbs to be used in ceremonial practice or everyday use.

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ing intelligence, but we can all access it for self-healing and guidance. This is a great way to help with the processing of grief, trauma, and addiction. Trauma, regardless of the severity, can lead to not only physical symptoms but also addictions and stress on our mental health. By accessing our inner guidance intelligence, we can help process trauma, be in touch with our inner self and develop more clarity on our purpose in life.

There are some instances where we cannot do breathwork such as with certain physical illnesses. Conditions such as glaucoma, retinal disorder of the eye, schizophrenia or uncontrolled blood pressure are a couple of conditions where we would need to assess prior to undergoing the breathwork session. Controlled blood pressure is not a problem nor is diabetes a condition that would keep you from participating. In the jungles of Peru, the medicine men use ayahuasca to help one access their inner guiding intelligence, with breathwork you can do this without drugs. You will only process what you can handle. This means that whatever comes up in a session is what you can process and accept or handle at this time. Your inner guiding intelligence will not give you an emotion that you cannot handle. Unlike drugs, you can stop the breathwork process anytime you want



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by opening your eyes; it is that simple. All you must do is surrender to your inner guiding intelligence to help explore your inner being. The sessions take on average 1.5 to 2 hours.

At this time, appointments for sound therapy are scheduled for Thursday mornings. More appointment slots will be added as the demand increases. Breathwork ap-

pointments will be forthcoming. We will be sure to keep you informed as we roll out this service. To schedule an appointment please call Nenette McNamara at 970-563-2355 and leave a message or you can contact the Southern Ute Health Center and ask to leave a message for Nenette McNamara. We will get a call back to schedule an appointment.

Southern Ute Behavioral Health  
970.563.5700  
Mary Trujillo-Young & Jennifer Goodtracks  
M-F 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Colorado Crisis Services  
1.844.483.TALK(8255)  
or text "TALK" to 38255

Local 24-Hour  
Crisis Hotline  
970.247.5245

Crisis Text Line  
text "HOME"  
to 741741

National Suicide  
Prevention Hotline  
1.800.273.TALK (8255)

I'M LISTENING

FOSTER PARENTS  
NEEDED



The Southern Ute Division of Social Services is recruiting foster homes in Ignacio and nearby communities to help provide safe and stable family home care to children in need of protective services. Will you help?

CONTACT DSS TODAY!  
FOSTER CARE COORDINATOR KELLIE YAZZIE  
CALL/TEXT: Cell/Text: 970-749-7420  
Email: kyazzie@southernute-nsn.gov

SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER

After Hours Care Line: 970-287-1180

In the event of a health-related illness or emergency after hours, tribal members and SUHC patients may use the After Hours Care Line to speak with an on-call health provider to address your health-related questions.





PUBLIC HEALTH

Second bat tests positive for rabies in La Plata County

Staff report  
SAN JUAN BASIN PUBLIC HEALTH

A bat found northeast of Durango, Colo. earlier this week has tested positive for rabies. There was a human interaction with the bat, and this individual is receiving post-exposure prophylaxis to protect from developing rabies.

In Colorado, rabies occurs mainly in skunks and bats. Other mammals can be infected with rabies from bats and skunks. Domestic animals such as dogs, cats, cattle, and horses can become infected by being bitten by a rabid animal. Interaction between humans and wild animals, particularly bats, skunks, foxes, and raccoons, increases the risk of rabies exposure to pets and people. If you see wildlife that is acting unusual, call La Plata County Animal Protection at 970-385-2900 or SJBPH at 970-247-5702 immediately.

San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) urges residents to stay away from stray and wild animals, check pets' vaccination status, and take other precautions to avoid rabies. The vaccine can prevent companion animals from getting rabies from wildlife and possibly exposing your whole family to the disease.

Rabies is spread primarily through the bite of rabid animals. It is almost always fatal in humans once symptoms appear. People who have been bitten or

scratched by an unfamiliar animal should contact their health care provider immediately to reduce the risk of rabies.

**To avoid rabies**

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

bats/management.

- If a bat has been present in a room in which people have been sleeping, it is important that the bat is safely trapped and tested for rabies. If a bat cannot be tested or there are multiple bats in the home, post-exposure treatment of anyone living in the home is recommended. Please contact SJBPH for guidance on safe capture, testing of bats, and follow-up.

**Recognize sick wildlife**

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

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

PUBLIC HEALTH

La Plata County resident diagnosed, treated for monkeypox

Staff report  
SAN JUAN BASIN PUBLIC HEALTH

A La Plata County resident has been diagnosed with and treated for monkeypox, according to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Public health is investigating the case and completing contact tracing. Prior to the confirmation, San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) has been working to coordinate local resources for testing, treatment and vaccination to address the national public health emergency.

SJBPH has secured limited Jynneos vaccine from the national strategic reserve, allowing for timely distribution of the vaccine to individuals who have had close contact with someone who has a confirmed case of monkeypox. Due to shortages in national vaccine supply, SJBPH is not able to provide pre-exposure vaccination to high-risk individuals, though production has increased following the emergency declaration and additional supply is expected in the coming weeks.

To sign up to receive notifications from SJBPH about future vaccine availability, fill out this form: <https://tinyurl.com/mr4cskdz>

Monkeypox began spreading this spring in parts

of the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia. It is endemic in central and West Africa. It is spread between people through close contact with an infected person's sores, bumps or lesions or through prolonged face-to-face contact with someone who is sick. It can also spread through contact with the bed linens or clothing of someone who is sick.

Epidemiological data on recent cases suggest there is a heightened risk for men who have sex with other men, in particular those with new or multiple partners. Anyone can contract monkeypox regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, or other factors. The CDC has determined that the risk to the general public is low.

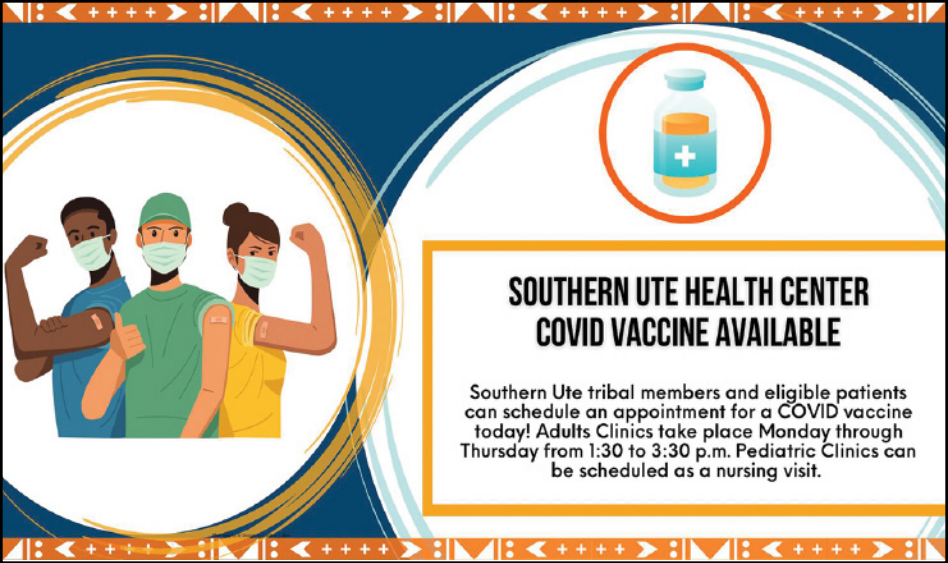
Early symptoms of monkeypox can include fever, headache, muscle aches, swollen lymph nodes, and exhaustion. Most people get a rash or skin bumps one to three days after they first start feeling sick. This rash usually starts on the face and then spreads to the arms and legs. Sometimes, the rash may start in the genital area. Some people don't feel any symptoms before they get a rash. Some people experience a rash that does not appear externally but can be very painful. Monkeypox can look like syphilis, herpes, blisters, or acne.

If you believe you may have been exposed or are experiencing symptoms, contact your health care provider for a medical evaluation and inquire about testing. Monkeypox is rarely fatal, but can make a person very sick, but most people recover fully within two to four weeks. In most cases, monkeypox will resolve on its own though there is effective treatment available. Contact your health care provider to learn about treatment options.

Individuals can help prevent the spread of monkeypox by avoiding close physical contact with individuals who have acquired monkeypox, wearing a high-quality mask if they will be spending time in close contact with someone experiencing symptoms of monkeypox, and contacting a health care provider as soon as possible if they experience symptoms.

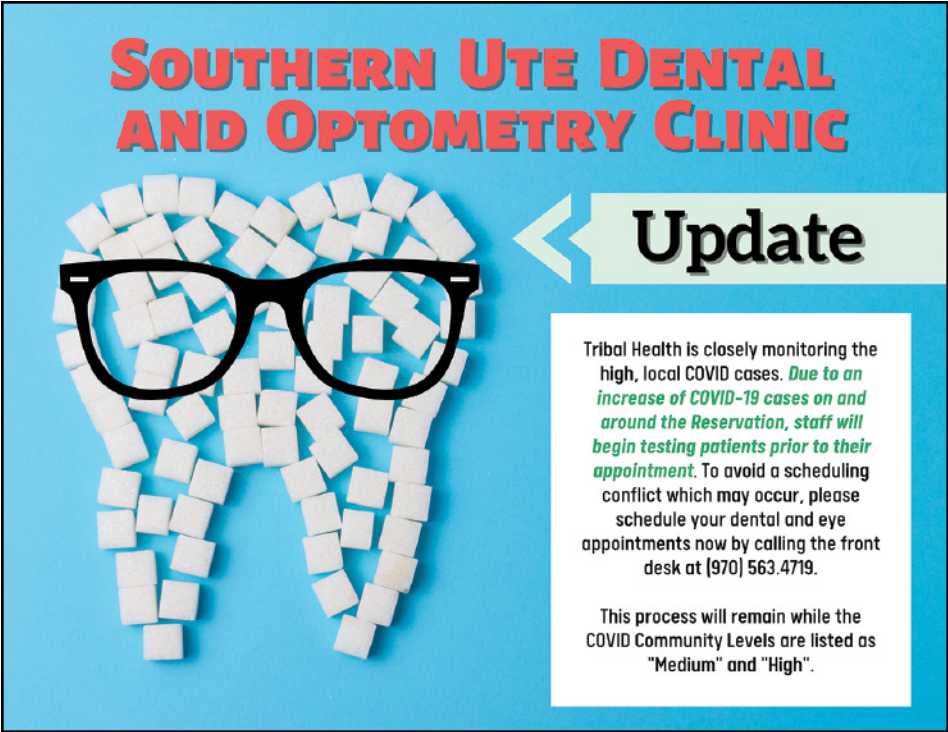
For more information, please visit <https://sjbpublichealth.org/monkeypox/>.

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



**SOUTHERN UTE HEALTH CENTER COVID VACCINE AVAILABLE**

Southern Ute tribal members and eligible patients can schedule an appointment for a COVID vaccine today! Adults Clinics take place Monday through Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Pediatric Clinics can be scheduled as a nursing visit.



**SOUTHERN UTE DENTAL AND OPTOMETRY CLINIC**

**Update**

Tribal Health is closely monitoring the high, local COVID cases. *Due to an increase of COVID-19 cases on and around the Reservation, staff will begin testing patients prior to their appointment.* To avoid a scheduling conflict which may occur, please schedule your dental and eye appointments now by calling the front desk at (970) 563.4719.

This process will remain while the COVID Community Levels are listed as "Medium" and "High".



**EARLY COLLEGE**  
PUEBLO COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOUTHWEST CAMPUS

**Tuition-Free College in High School**

**What is Concurrent Enrollment?**

Colorado's concurrent enrollment program enables students to take college courses while they are still in high school. Classes may take place on the college campus or be taught by college-certified teachers at the high school.

**Tuition is paid for by a student's school district, saving families thousands of dollars in education costs. In the 2018-19 school year, concurrent enrollment students on PCC's campuses saved an estimated \$2.3 million in tuition.**

Most concurrent enrollment credits earned at PCC are **guaranteed to transfer to any four-year public institution in Colorado.** This means if a student completes enough credits to earn an associate degree while still in high school, they need only two additional years, not four, to complete a bachelor's degree.

**Eligibility Criteria**

- Must be a high school student
- Must meet the eligibility requirements of your school district
- Must apply to PCC (complete your application at [pueblocc.edu](http://pueblocc.edu))
- Must have completed Concurrent Enrollment registration paperwork with PCC (online at [bit.ly/ECPPCC](http://bit.ly/ECPPCC))
- Student must apply for and access their College Opportunity Fund (COF) for all PCC classes

**Pueblo Southwest Community College**

**Contact us for more information.**  
Mancos 970.564.6201 | Durango 970.385.2020 | Bayfield 970.385.2098



**CREATE YOUR FUTURE**

**Become a CNA**

**PCC Southwest in Bayfield offers a Certified Nurse Aide certificate**

**Program begins August 22 at the PCC Southwest Bayfield site, 110 E. South St.**

Call for more info or to apply.  
**Bethany Powell**  
**970.385.2098**

**Pueblo Southwest Community College**

Reasonable accommodations will be provided upon request for persons with disabilities. To make a request, please notify the PCC Disability Resources Center at (719) 549-3446 or [Disability.Resources@pueblocc.edu](mailto:Disability.Resources@pueblocc.edu) at least five (5) working days before the event.









School Board hosts Council



photos Sunshine Whyte/SU Council Affairs

The Ignacio School District School Board hosted Tribal Council Tuesday, Aug. 2 for a quarterly meeting to discuss academic achievement of tribal students in the district. Also, on the agenda included summer collaboration and enrichment, Strategic Plan update, and Superintendent’s Report on the four-day school week and activity Fridays.

Tribal Council is working on a tribal truancy code for the upcoming school year. This aligns with the district’s attendance policy change. At the meeting, school administration asked for support of this policy; as attendance in school is key to academic success!



IGNACIO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bobcat Bulletin: Upcoming news and events

By Christopher W. deKay  
IGNACIO SCHOOL DISTRICT

I am excited and pleased to share with you upcoming news and events in the school district this year. Please make sure that you get your children registered for school as soon as possible (www.ignacioschools.org). In this way, each school will be able to communicate with you and prepare to best meet the needs of all children. We will begin to implement the changes as outlined by the Strategic Plan and continue to improve academic growth through high expectations. Together, we will engage, empower, and prepare all of our learners for the future!

It promises to be a momentous year as we move into the four-day school week. Please make sure to check the school calendar on the website. Each school will focus on increasing student engagement, as well as classrooms that have clear learning targets and successful learning outcomes. The school is working with local youth groups and businesses to provide activities and loss of learning support on 25 activity Fridays throughout the school year. The new schedule also provides staff with consistent professional development days.

There will be an open house for the elementary, middle and high school from 4:30-7 pm on Thursday, Aug. 18. Please take some time to bring your children into the respective school to meet staff and enjoy a variety of activities. Romero Street which runs in between the elementary and middle school, will be closed to accommodate



Chris W. deKay  
Superintendent  
Ignacio School District

food trucks and other activities. Parking will be available on the street and in the school parking lots.

School begins Monday, Aug. 22 at 7:50 a.m. for middle and high schools. Elementary will start at 8 a.m. Breakfast and lunch will be served in each building this year. Please keep in mind that you must fill out a free-and-reduced form if there is need for that support for your family. This year, meals will be charged to students eating in the cafeteria. Students who eat well-balanced meals have more focus and perform better in classes.

We ask for your support to ensure that students are well rested when they get to school. Research strongly suggests that electronics be removed from the bedroom of children between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. each night depending on the age level. In this way, youth will get a good night’s sleep and be ready for the school day. A docking station for cell phones/video games that is under the supervision of the parent or guardian overnight is recommended.

Attendance is of utmost importance this year. This

needs to be a community-wide effort. It is imperative that each child reach the district goal of a 93% attendance rate. Commitment to having both students and staff at school on Monday through Thursday is paramount to the amount of academic growth that is needed for our students. Please schedule appointments and plan family gatherings for the long weekend to the best of your ability. We are working on a letter in collaboration with Bayfield and Silverton to request that medical offices stay open on Fridays for the convenience of our communities. We will be working to schedule school sports and activities to take place on Friday and Saturday. This will ensure that active students and staff will be in class more as well. The Ignacio School District, in coordination with the Southern Ute Education Department, is revamping the attendance policy in an effort to improve attendance and ultimately the academic success of our youth.

There is much to be proud of in our schools and in this community. We look forward to implementing a new calendar, daily schedule, and improved interventions. As we work through the new year with renewed energy and expectation, I implore you to continue to work in a positive way with school staff and leaders. Together, we make this community a great place to live and raise our children.

Please access the Ignacio School District Website at www.ignacioschools.org for more information on the 2022-23 school calendar and the Strategic Plan.

Johnson-O’Malley School Supply Distribution

Ignacio School District

- Wednesday, August 17 and Thursday, August 18.
- Both days are from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Southern Ute Education Dept.

Please sign up your student(s) ahead of time for school supplies by calling or emailing the following information:

- Ignacio School
- Grade level for the 2022-2023 school year

To be eligible for school supplies, the student must be enrolled in the Bayfield or Ignacio School District k-12. If the student is not yet enrolled with the JOM program, please submit the following documentation:

- Copy of the student’s Tribal enrollment card or paperwork.

If you have further questions and to sign up, contact Ellen S. Baker by email [esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov) or call 970-563-0235.

Eligibility requirements for JOM Program

The program is open to all Native American students in the Ignacio and Bayfield School Districts K-12. The student must be enrolled member of a Federally recognized tribe or first descendant of one parent who is an enrolled member.

1. If the student is an enrolled member, they need to provide the following information to the Southern Ute Education JOM Office:
  - Enrollment Tribal ID card with photo and census number
  - If the student does not have an ID, they need to get one from their Vital Statics Office from the Tribe they are enrolled with.
2. If the student is first descendant of the Southern Ute Tribe or any other Federally recognized tribe, the following paperwork is needed:
  - A copy of parent Tribal ID or paperwork.
  - A copy of the child(ren)’s Birth Certificate.

<https://www.ignacioschools.org/en-US>



Ignacio School District

Together we will engage, empower, and prepare all of our learners for the future.

MPF Haunted House  
Volunteers Needed



Multi-Purpose Facility  
Planning Meeting  
Monday August 22, 2022  
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Dinner will be served



256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO  
Call - 970-563-2640 for more information or  
e-mail [multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov)



STORYTIME  
at Ignacio Community Library

Encouraging an early love of reading & literacy  
in our youngest patrons with  
stories, signing & dancing, crafts & more!



WEDNESDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

(970)563-9287 | [ignaciolibrary.org](http://ignaciolibrary.org) | 470 Goddard Ave.





# Celebrating the 122nd San Ignacio Fiesta



Terence Whyte/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder, Dedra White Eagle waves at onlookers lining Goddard Avenue for this year's San Ignacio Parade, Saturday, July 30.



Krista Richards/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal member, Yllana Howe throws candy to parade attendees. Howe was the 2019-2020 San Ignacio Fiesta Queen.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Celebrating their 50th high school reunion, classmates Ramona Eagle, Janie Herrera and Laura Pargin gathered in the Ignacio High School parking lot as they prepare for the San Ignacio Fiesta Parade.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Sandi Olguin and her granddaughter JazLynn'J Price create a tile at the Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center kids interactive project to take home. A fundraiser selling you-make-it windchimes and a baked goods sale helped raise funds for the Arts Center building.



Krista Richards/SU Drum

Betty Box hands out dollar coins to the children in attendance.

**The 122nd San Ignacio Fiesta celebration kicked off on Saturday, July 30, in Ignacio. "Let Peace Prevail" was this year's parade theme. Attendees were able to attend activities set up at Shoshone Park which included: kiddie pools, kids' yoga, community mural paintings and more. Farmers Fresh Grocery store hosted this year's cornhole tournament and a taco bar. St. Ignatius Church had their St. Ignatius of Loyola Mass for the community followed by a lunch that provided indoor and outdoor seating and entertainment, Sunday, July 31.**



Krista Richards/SU Drum

Father Cesar of the Saint Ignatius Church asked tribal elders, Russel Blackbird and Terry Knight Sr., to say a prayer in their native language during Sunday Mass.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Carolee, Kylie and Kayliana Maestas add paint to the mural that will be displayed in Ignacio. The location will be determined through a vote by attendees at the San Ignacio Fiesta in the Shoshone Town Park.

### San Ignacio Fiesta Results 2022

**RAFFLE**  
Grand Prize: \$500 Cash – Danny Bean  
2nd Prize: Apple Watch – Jeanette deKay  
3rd Prize: Pendleton Blanket – Eddie Box, Jr.  
4th Prize: \$300 Cash – Laura Medina  
5th Prize: Schwinn Exercise Bike – James Sanchez  
6th Prize: \$200 Cash – Chris Chavez  
7th Prize: Kitchen Package – Veronica Pinnecoose  
8th Prize: Outdoor Fire Pit – Avalyna Sanchez  
9th Prize: Sterling Silver Necklace – Peggy Duggan  
10th Prize: \$100 Seven Rivers – Stan & Stella Cox  
11th Prize: Cast Iron Dutch Oven – Tige Fiedor  
12th Prize: \$100 Cash – Ahna Young  
13th Prize: Lovey Mouse w/Cheese – Marie Valdez  
14th Prize: Bed Bath & Beyond – Michael Overright  
15th Prize: \$50 Cash – Mel Archuleta  
16th Prize: Wooden Bowls – Katie O'Hare  
17th Prize: \$50 Cash – Malina Casias  
18th Prize: Rocky Mtn. Chocolate Factory – Joyce Duran  
19th Prize: Danny's Space Rocket Salsa – K.B.  
20th Prize: \$25 Applebees – Melissa Bynum

**PARADE**  
Grand Prize: Bayfield Belles  
1st Children Walking: Ignacio Girls Basketball  
1st Royalty: San Ignacio Queen 2018 – Yllana Howe  
1st Political: Jack Turner for County Commissioner – Donation back to Church  
2nd Political: Shelli Shaw for House District 59  
3rd Political: La Plata County Democrats – Lisa Weber  
1st Commercial: Gallegos Concrete Co.  
2nd Commercial: Farmers Fresh – Donation back to Church  
1st Non-Commercial: San Juan Basin Shrine Club Tin Lizzie Unit  
2nd Non-Comm.: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – St. Ignatius Carmelitas  
3rd Non-Commercial: 1972 IHS Class Reunion  
1st Children Riding: Cash Rodriguez  
2nd Children Riding: Terrance Hight  
1st Civic/CommSvc: Native American Ministry – Dedra White Eagle  
2nd Civic/CommSvc: The Ignacio Creative District  
3rd Civic/CommSvc: Town of Ignacio – Clark Craig

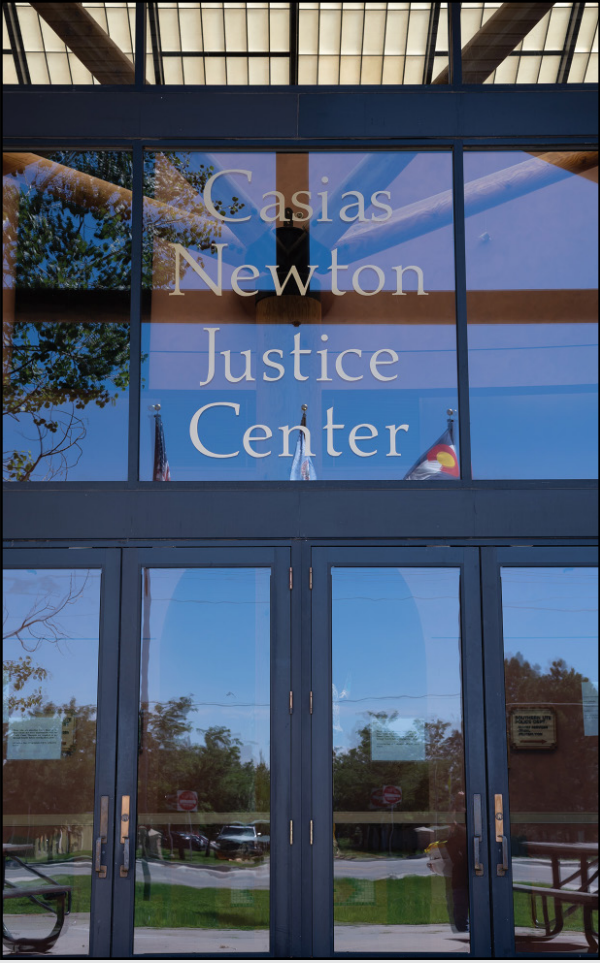


Krista Richards/SU Drum

Pictured left to right, Howard Richards Sr., Rod Grove and Bruce Valdez attend the Saint Ignatius Mass during the San Ignacio Fiesta weekend, Sunday, July 31.



## Casias Newton Justice Center



Krista Richards/SU Drum

The Casias Newton Justice Center, which was recently renamed, now has the written name added above the front entrance of the building. The text, applied on glass, was finalized on Thursday, Aug. 4. The new name recognizes two of the Tribe's most prominent judges, whose careers helped shape the Tribal Court; former Tribal Chairman and Chief Judge, Pearl Casias and the late Chief Judge Elaine Newton. Both women were recognized for their years of service on the bench in a ceremony during Law Enforcement Week, a formal dedication for the Justice Center will take place at a future date.

## ROADS REPAVED • FROM PAGE 1



Krista Richards/SU Drum

Members of the Southern Ute Tribal Planning Department and WCA Construction, LLC. look at the progress of the Full Depth Reconstruction repair at the intersection of Fry Bread Avenue and Arrow Street. The road has been stripped down to its foundation and is being replaced with new materials before being repaved.

over the years. Workers will replace the road by digging down almost 20 inches into the soil to create a stronger base with new materials and repave the road with asphalt. This will ensure the road will not degrade overtime and hold its existing structure. This phase is expected to be completed by mid-November.

Another repair occurring within the subdivision is a method called crack sealing which is used to repair cracks in moderately damaged roads with a "rubbery asphalt." This process occurred early within the project throughout the entire subdivision. McDonald explained cracks in asphalt allow for water and other elements to go into the crevasses and degrade the road even further.

In early August, another repair was incorporated into the project using a resurfacing technique called Mainline Asphalt Milling to the roads, Lodge Pole Way and Elk Street to resurface the existing asphalt that does not entirely need to be replaced. This work is being done through a subcontractor, Western Milling, LLC. of Grand Junction, Colo. with supervision by WCA Construction.

"Typically, the asphalt pavement is four inches thick. So, in the milling and repaving, they grind off the first top two inches of pavement and that leaves the bot-

tom two inches," McDonald explained. "Theoretically ... that's still in pretty good shape. They pave the top two inches to the same level." The repave of the roads will occur by late August.

The final repair in the project will be a chip seal where workers will lie down a sticky layer of asphalt and put a layer of gravel on top. "This is a cheaper way of repaving because it provides you with a new surface, but it doesn't require as much material," McDonald said. For most of the roads within the subdivision, this is all that will be required for improving the road.

Other improvements include addressing drainage issues on such roads like Rolling Thunder and Arrow Street where heavy rains create hazardous conditions. Some sidewalks were also improved by removing vegetation and trees that uproot the sidewalks and destroy the integrity of the foundation. Two new bus stops will also be constructed on Burning Cedar Avenue and one on Mountain Dew Circle and will be one of the final phases within the project.

The existing speed tables will remain in place for speed reduction through the neighborhood as part of the Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Work on the project will continue into the fall with many residents and tribal members looking forward

to its completion.

"As a [tribal] member, I am happy to see Cedar Point getting a facelift," Tribal Planning Administrative Assistant and Cedar Point resident, Roman Seibel said. "It feels like we are putting value back into Cedar Point. I feel like we should give it the facelift it needs to give the appreciation back to the tribal members [that live there.]"

For Tribal Planning Project Coordinator, Mary Evening Star Eagle, this road improvement project allows for the Tribal Planning Department to showcase what exactly it does for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. On a personal level, it helps her apply her knowledge through her previous training to help improve the quality of life for the tribal membership, while also keeping the membership informed on projects within the department.

"We deserve to live in beautiful neighborhoods," Eagle said. "We have the ability to apply these funds to have these maintenances done. I want to make the neighborhoods nice."

The Cedar Point Housing Road Improvement Project is expected to be completed by Wednesday, Nov. 16, with standard work hours from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Severe weather patterns may impact the schedule and projected work dates on the project.

## Rhyme schemes, radio things



photos Robert L Ortiz/SU Drum

Dream Warriors, Jessa Calderon and Tall Paul conducted a workshop hosted by KSUT Tribal Radio. Topics the Dream Warriors discussed were basic and complex rhyme schemes, storytelling exercises, song structure, how to count bars in an instrumental, music terminology, performance strategies, techniques and principals, recording and more. The two-day workshop was held at the Eddie Box Jr. Media Center, Wednesday, Aug. 3 through Friday, Aug. 5. Dream Warrior, Jessa Calderon works with Derek Sage (Recording and Production) as they record lyrics provided by Dani Ashike-Borum. Sage came to KSUT through the Southern Ute Education Department's Youth Employment Program (YEP) who employ youth with various tribal entities, working a real job with hands-on training and developing real world employment skills. Ambrose Valdez was also at KSUT through the YEP program.



KSUT once again invited the Dream Warriors to inspire the youth of the community by showing them how to express themselves through music. Tall Paul and Jessa Calderon of the Dream Warriors discuss adding lyrics to a beat.

Dream Warrior, Jessa Calderon assists Dani Ashike-Borum in the KSUT Tribal Radio's Production Room, as they work on adding lyrics to the song they created.

## MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY AUGUST SIP, CHAT & CHEW



**Friday August 19, 2022  
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

**Short Presentation by:  
So. Ute Tribal Health Department**

**The Dinner is open to members of the 3 Ute Tribes,  
and their families, all ages are welcome**

**MPF will provide food**

**Door Prize donations and side dishes are welcome**

**Multi-Purpose Facility 256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO  
Call for more information 970-563-2640**



## Multi-Purpose Facility UFO's (UnFinished Object) Workshop



**Tuesday & Thursday August 23 & 25, 2022  
10:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
or  
5:30PM - 7:30PM**

**Questions or to sign-up call  
970-563-2641**



**256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO  
Call the MPF to reserve your space - 563-2640 or  
e-mail [multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov)**

## OFFICE CLOSURE

Southern Ute Tribal Administrative Offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, 2022 in observance of Labor Day. Offices will resume normal business hours Tuesday, Sept. 6.





# Tribe hosts Upper Colorado River Commission



Southern Ute Tribal Council attended a historical meeting, Wednesday, Aug. 3 with the Upper Colorado River Commission (UCRC). The meeting is the first in the history of the UCRC, and the Upper Colorado River Basin. This historical occasion brought together the three Ute Tribes, the Jicarilla Apache Nation and Navajo Nation. Also in attendance were UCRC members and state representatives from Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

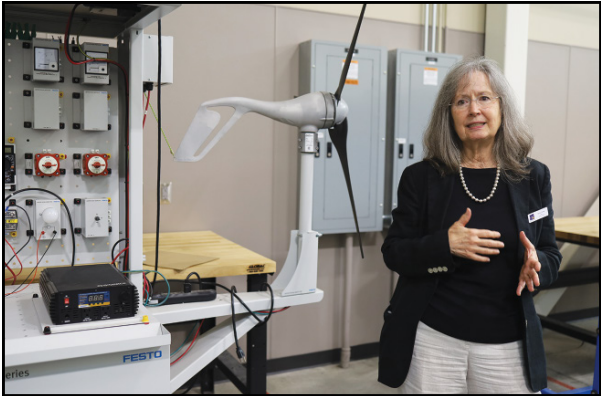
## Exploring energy at SJC



photos Lindsay Box/SU Council Affairs

The San Juan College School of Energy welcomed Tribal Council to tour the facility and learn more about the programs that are available to students, Friday, Aug 5. The school also hosts numerous educational events throughout the year that provides students the hands on experience for career preparation.

Approximately 36% students are Native American, and San Juan College overall student population is approximately 11,000. For the last few years, the school held the Tribal Energy Management Seminar Series which was a five-session week-long seminar. This specific program will shift to an associate degree for the upcoming year.



The attendees enjoyed an evening dinner and discussion followed by a half day meeting aimed to strengthen collaboration between the Commission and tribal nations in the Upper Colorado River Basin. Lorelei Cloud and Shaun Chapoose at the conference.

Photos by Lindsay Box  
Southern Ute Council Affairs



The current mega drought conditions, unseasonably low winter precipitation, and city growth throughout the Colorado River Basin has placed significant strain on water resources. Both the upper and lower basin tribes have, until recently, been excluded from the table as water related matters are discussed. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, as well as other tribal nations, holds historical water rights and are an essential part of the conversation. Tribal Water Attorney Lisa Yellow Eagle meets with commission members.



**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
Contact Information

Tribal members are welcome and encouraged to contact any Tribal Council Member regarding tribal information. Tribal Council Members are available for individual meetings, both in-person and virtually. To arrange a meeting, please contact Mrs. Sunshine Whyte at (970) 563.2319 or via email at [swhyte@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:swhyte@southernute-nsn.gov)

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Photo Credit | Jenny Wade Shockley, Southern Ute Drum



**VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS**  
With Council Member  
+++ Lorelei Cloud +++

Tribal Council Member, Lorelei Cloud, will host virtual Office Hours the last Wednesday of every month.

**August 31, 2022**  
**4:30 to 6:00 p.m.**

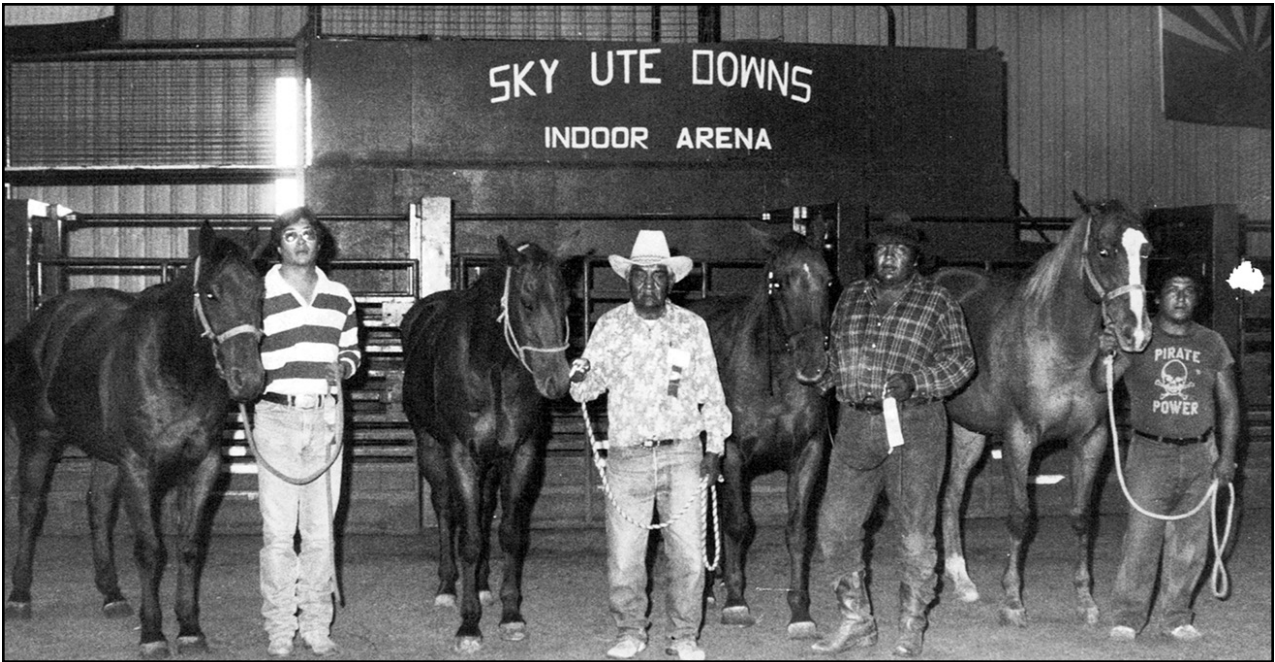
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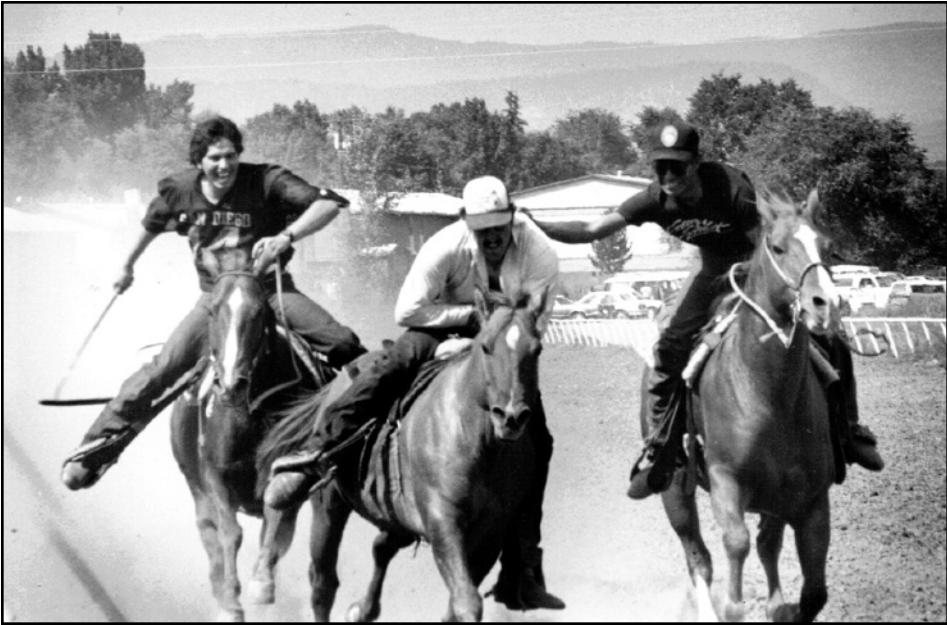




# Southern Ute Tribal Fair Rodeo & Horsemanship



1983 Horsemanship Winners: Southern Ute tribal member Robert Jefferson was the big winner of in the Gelding 4 years and older category at the “Horsing Around” event held at the Sky Ute Downs on Saturday, Sept. 16, 1983. Second and third places were awarded to Fritz Box.



1987 Horsemanship: Three participants of the Chicken Pull contest race against one another and the clock to see who comes out victorious at the “Horsing Around” events held on the Sky Ute Downs Racetrack on Saturday, Sept. 12, 1987.

**Photos Courtesy**  
The Southern Ute Drum Archives

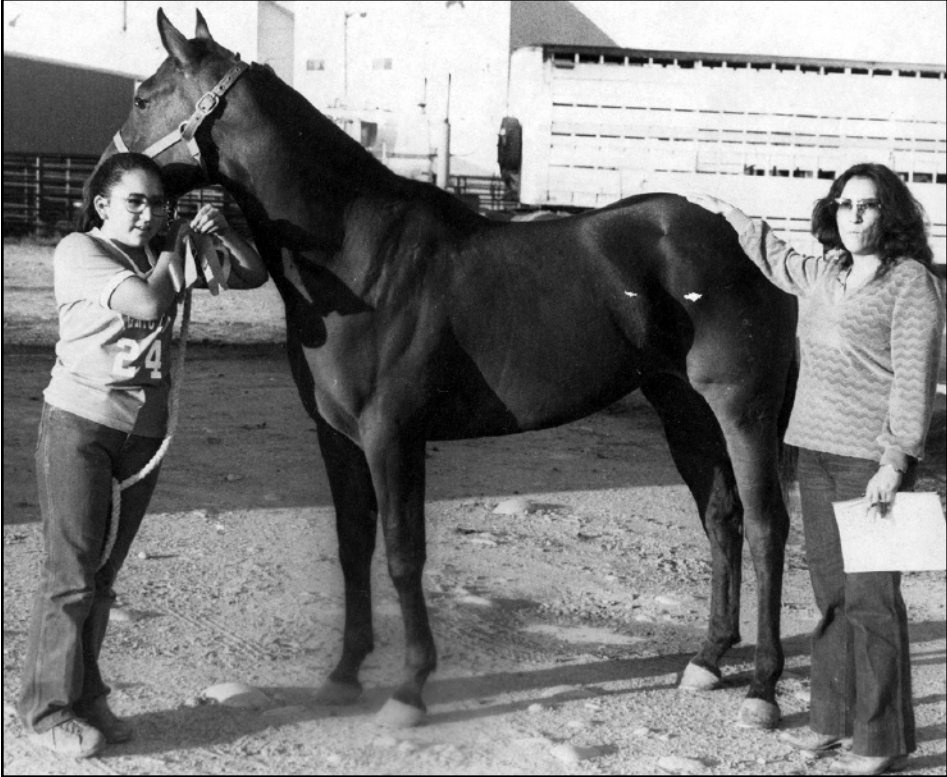
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has been an equestrian Indigenous nation since the introduction of horses into the Southwest. As with many reservations, horses were traded, raided, bought, and sold by the Utes early on. A vast majority of our reservation land is comprised of forest and agricultural land. We are very proud to have some of the finest farmers and ranchers in the region residing right here in Ignacio.

This edition of The Southern Ute Drum newspaper celebrates our Ute heritage and the history of horsemanship over the years. The 100th annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair will highlight a two-day rodeo from Friday, Sept. 16 through Saturday, Sept. 17. As with all our cultural events, attendance and participation only makes us stronger.

— Marvin Pinnecoose, Southern Ute Cultural Department



1960 Rodeo: Rodeo participants kick off the 1960 Tribal Fair Rodeo with a small Color Guard.



1982 Livestock: Tina and Elberta Velasquez stand with their Grand Champion winner of the Horse Show division.



1987 Horse Contest Winners: Participants of the “Horsing Around Events” show off their prized horses on Saturday, Sept. 12, 1987.



1960 Rodeo: Members of the community were treated with a show at the 1960 Tribal Fair Rodeo featuring horse races, bronc riding, and calf wrangling.





The Southern Ute Powwow Committee will be selling the remainder of t-shirts to the public. The Southern Ute Powwow Committee wants to remind everyone to do your part to stay safe and healthy through this pandemic.

**PURCHASE PRICE  
\$20 EACH**



**SOUTHERN UTE  
POW WOW  
COMMITTEE**

If you have any questions please contact:

Mikki Naranjo - 970-563-2441

Rochelle Aguilar - 970-563-2990

## SPECIALS REQUEST Southern Ute Fair Powwow

**September 9,10,11, 2022**

Anyone requesting a special during the Southern Ute Fair Powwow, on September 9, 10 or 11, 2022, must submit in writing two (2) weeks in advance to the Southern Ute Powwow Committee. Specify the date and time, include a phone number and submit to the Committee's Secretary Rochelle Aguilar at PO Box 737 #16, Ignacio, CO 81137 or you can email to: [soutepowwow@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:soutepowwow@southernute-nsn.gov). Should you have any questions please call 970-563-2990.



**SOUTHERN UTE  
POW WOW  
COMMITTEE**

Thank you,  
Rochelle Aguilar,  
Secretary,  
Powwow Committee

## SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL PRESERVATION DEPARTMENT PRESENTS SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL FAIR RODEO



SU DRUM McKayla Lee

**\$11,000  
Added Purse**

Sky Ute Fairground, Ignacio, CO 81137

September 16-17, 2022-7 PM Each Night  
SLACK September 17- 9 am

**NO stock fees for  
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payback**

Entry Fee  
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**Added Attraction  
Mutton Busting**  
Open to first 12 individuals who  
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**OPEN RODEO**  
Not a sanctioned event

Event	Entry Fee	Added
Bareback	\$100.00	\$1,000
Saddle Bronc	\$100.00	\$1,000
Ranch Bronc	\$100.00	\$1,000
Bull Riding	\$100.00	\$2,000
Tie Down Roping	\$100.00	\$1,000
Steer Wrestling	\$100.00	\$1,000
Team Roping (x2)	\$100.00	\$1,250
Ladies Breakaway	\$100.00	\$1,000
Barrels	\$100.00	\$1,000
Jr. Bull Riding	\$60.00	\$250
Jr. Barrels	\$60.00	\$250
Steer Riding	\$40.00	\$250



For more information contact:  
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## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

### Royalty Pageant & Crowning



August 27, 2022  
At 3:00 pm  
Multi-Purpose Facility

#### Royalty Categories:

Miss Southern Ute

Ages: 16-25

Jr. Miss Southern Ute

Ages: 10-15

Little Miss Southern Ute

Ages: 5-9

Southern Ute Brave

Ages: 5-15

Applications are available at  
Cultural Preservation Department.  
Monday, August 1, 2022

**Deadline to return**  
**Monday, August 22, 2022**  
**COB 5 p.m.**

## 62nd ANNUAL SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL FAIR POWWOW

**SEPTEMBER 9, 10, & 11, 2022**  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds  
200 East CO 151 - Ignacio, CO

#### DRUM CONTEST

1st Place—\$16,000  
2nd Place—\$13,000  
3rd Place—\$10,000  
4th Place—\$8,000  
5th Place—\$6,000  
6th Place—\$4,000  
7th Place—\$2,000  
8th Place—\$2,000  
9th Place—\$1,000

#### SPECIALS

Men's "Old Style" All Around  
Fri - Traditional  
Sat - Fancy  
Sun - Grass  
Women's "Old Style" All Around  
Fri - Traditional  
Sat - Fancy  
Sun - Jingle  
War Bonnet (35+)  
Red Dress (All Ages)



#### POWWOW COMMITTEE

Chairman- Mikki Naranjo—970.317.1740  
Vice-Chairman—Tara Vigil—970.563.2667  
Treasurer: Dona Frost—970.553.9291  
Secretary: Rochelle Aguilar—970.759.1722  
Members: Jalisa Paul, Brandi Raines, and  
Edward Box III, Heather White Thunder

#### POWWOW & GOURD DANCE TIMES

Grand Entry  
Fri. 7 PM  
Sat. 1 PM & 7 PM  
Sun. 1 PM

Gourd Dance  
Fri. 5 PM—6:30 PM  
Sat. 11:00 AM—12:30 PM & 5 PM—6:30 PM  
Sun. 11:00 AM—12:30 PM

#### CONTEST CATEGORIES

Golden Age: (60+) Men & Women  
Senior Men: (35-59) Fancy, Grass, Chicken, Northern Traditional & Southern Straight  
Senior Women: (35-59) Fancy Shawl, Jingle, Northern & Southern Cloth, Southern & Northern Buckskin  
Junior Men: (18-34) Fancy, Grass, Chicken, Northern Traditional, Southern Straight  
Junior Women: (18-34) Fancy Shawl, Jingle, Northern & Southern Cloth, Southern & Northern Buckskin  
Teen Boys: (13-17) Fancy, Grass, Northern & Southern Traditional  
Teen Girls: (13-17) Fancy Shawl, Jingle, Northern & Southern Traditional  
Junior Boys: (6-12) Fancy, Grass, Traditional  
Junior Girls: (6-12) Fancy, Jingle Traditional

#### VENDOR INFORMATION

Arts/Craft: Edward Box III — (702) 305-0790  
Food: JD Brunson — (970) 759-5794

#### POWWOW REGISTRATION

Fri—5 PM to 7 PM  
Sat—Closes at 1 PM

## POWWOW HEAD STAFF

**Northern MC - Bart Powaukee (Utah)**

**Southern MC - Erny Zah (New Mexico)**

**Northern Host Drum - The Descendants (North Dakota)**

**Southern Host Drum - Blazing Bear (Oklahoma)**

**Drum Judge - Ignacio Colorow (Utah)**

**Arena Director - Marty Pinnecoos (Colorado)**

**Head Gourd Dancers - Jack Frost Jr (Colorado) &**

**Afrem Wall (Colorado)**

**Head Man/Woman - Picked Daily**

The Southern Ute Powwow Committee and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries, theft, or food borne illness. Alcohol, drugs, and weapons are prohibited.

## Southern Ute Tribal Fair

# STICKGAME TOURNAMENT

September 16-18, 2022  
Sky Ute Casino Events Center

#### 2-Man Stickgame Tournament

Entry Fee: \$50

Registration: 4 p.m. -6 p.m.

**Not Indian Time**

Single Elimination

#### Prizes

1st: \$1000

2nd: \$700

3rd: \$300

#### Main Stickgame Tournament

Entry Fee: \$150

Registration: 11:30 a.m. -2 p.m.

**Not Indian Time**

Double Elimination

#### Prizes

1st: \$5000

2nd: \$4000

3rd: \$3000

4th: \$2000

#### 3-Man Stickgame Tournament

Entry Fee: \$100

Registration: 12:00 p.m. -2 p.m.

**Not Indian Time**

Double Elimination

#### Prizes

1st: \$1500

2nd: \$900

3rd: \$600

Consolation Bracket

\$1000.00

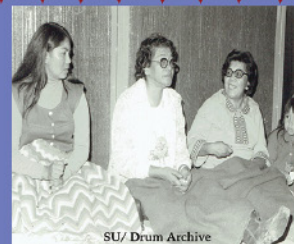
Teams that loses their first two games automatically enter the consolation bracket

## BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be held responsible for injuries, accidents, theft, or underfunded travel during this community event.

Hotel Information:  
Sky Ute Casino Resort  
14324 Hwy 172 North  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
(970)563.7777

For information contact:  
Handgame Superintendent,  
Mike Santistevan at  
(970)422.1625



SU/ Drum Archive





Bidding adieu to Morterud



photos Divine Windy Boy/SU Drum

SunUte Director Robin Duffy-Wirth gives Marie Morterud a hug before gifting her with a present from the SunUte Community Center staff, thanking Morterud for her years of dedicated service on Friday, July 29 held in the Hall of Warriors.



Cultural Education Coordinator, Crystal Rizzo gives a gift from the Cultural Preservation Staff to Marie Morterud during her retirement party.

Tribal Council member, Dr. Stacey Oberly shares fond memories of retiree Marie Morterud to attendees. Tribal employees, and longtime coworkers gathered to say farewell to Morterud after 14 years of dedicated service to the Grounds Maintenance Division.



Marvin Pinnecoose/Special to the Drum

Rain is a good thing during this time of year. Overcast skies provide shade, lower temperatures, and hopefully bring much needed rain to our area. We need at least seven to 10 days of clear skies in order to harvest hay, so windows of opportunity are unpredictable during the monsoon seasons of summer.

AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES

That Farm Life: Shared experiences to benefit the beginning farmer

Bad weather

By Marvin Pinnecoose  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

The Eye of the Beholder

In nature, there are things that happen without the interference of people. Hence the concept of “natural occurrences.” Take forest fires for example. Forest fires are crucial to the health of the forest. Getting a forest fire to start without the aid of mankind may be tricky and the only way I can think of that happening is through lightning strikes. Once the fire is ignited, it tears through the forest quickly and is fueled by dry fuels such as dead branches, dried grass, undergrowth, and trees. Sometimes fire can spread faster than wild-life (and humans) can run, and we have seen instances of entire fire crews falling to fast moving fire. Nature can be ruthless, but ruthless as it is, it is also very necessary. Forest fires clean the forest floor and make space for future growth. The ash adds nutrients to the soil even though it also creates erosion through loosened dirt and depleted root growth. The forest becomes thinned out from competing trees and when all is said and done, life goes on.

When humans encroach into the wild to expand civilization, we unintentionally take on the role of a stew-



Marvin Pinnecoose/Special to the Drum

As a farmer, I look forward to plenty of snowfall. Our lakes and rivers are drastically in need of replenishing their water tables. Snow is an inconvenience of travel and productivity during the winter, but we have seen quite a few dry winters in recent years.

ard of the land that we are building on or residing. If we deem that forest fires shall not happen, then it is our responsibility to take efforts to “do the job” that would have occurred naturally. If we want healthy soil, vegetation, and favorable conditions to grow agriculture or raise livestock, we need to roll our sleeves up and do what it takes for the long haul. We need to get rid of dead branches, clean under trees, control erosion, and such things. As we strive to mold and shape the land, we praise the progress and curse things that hamper our efforts. Weather is one of the things that we wish would benefit us at our convenience. We become upset when it decides to do its own thing and we call it “bad weather”. Truth

be told, there is no such thing as good weather or bad weather. There is just your attitude toward it.

Perspective

In the last article “Water Part II”, I was trying to illustrate the current situation of drought and how many cattle ranches and livestock businesses are liquidating stock because they already foresee that they will not be able to feed larger herds. Tough decisions are being made and at best, to reemphasize the nature of agriculture, this is a business of hope. Now that we have had a nice downpour of water, I imagine that there are still going to be critics of whatever weather happens to occur. We still have plenty of hay farmers who are waiting to harvest first cut and now that we have had rain, we need to wait for the fields to dry out before we can put tractors on them. I guess if you have access to irrigation, then one would just hope for clear skies most of the spring, summer, and fall because we can control hydration to the plants, but we need the clear skies to harvest. If a person does not have irrigation, then they welcome the rain much more often. Regardless of what part of the spectrum we are on, we must come to the realization that we cannot control the weather. I can’t remember where I read a passage of a person talking about weather and how it could react to us if we think of it like a personality. Like other animals and things with consciousness, there would be an expected response from our words and attitude. The person in the passage says that if you call it Bad Weather enough times, it will think that you don’t want things like rain, wind, and snow.



Marvin Pinnecoose/Special to the Drum

During light rain, I keep my irrigation settings rotating. Rain is a welcome sight, and I don’t take it for granted. During times of excess water accumulation, I tend to shut off my irrigation to allow the fields to absorb the rainfall and dry out a little. Too much water invites Foxtail and Cat tail. Both of these are not good for quality hay production.



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August Quilt Class



Tuesday August 30  
&  
Thursday September 1, 2022  
10:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
Call 970-563-2641 for the supply list  
(Class is limited to 6)



256 Ute Road, Ignacio CO  
Call the MPF to reserve your space - 563-2640 or  
e-mail [multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:multipurpose@southernute-nsn.gov)





BOBCATS VOLLEYBALL

Ignacio Volleyball wants re-run of '21

Team prepping for road-heavy slate early



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio Volleyball head coach Shasta Pontine (right) cracks a pre-match joke with assistant/JV coach Cindy Valdez inside IHS Gymnasium during the Fall 2021 season. The two will return to guide the postseason-minded Volleycats in 2022.

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Having raised the proverbial bar higher during the Fall 2021 season than any Ignacio Volleyball squad had in roughly a generation, the returning 'Cats will be eager to keep it there in '22. "They're coming off a 'high,'" second-year head coach Shasta Pontine said, alluding to IHS' march to last fall's CHSAA Class 2A State Championships held in Colorado Springs, "and hopefully they can continue with ... building the Ignacio program. That's what's exciting. And I'm really looking forward to it, you know?"

Having already seen the Volleycats (19-8 overall in '21) begin sharpening their skills at two team camps this summer, long before practices were to officially begin Monday, August 8, Pontine indicated she'd already seen much of the potential last season's squad presented – and will again rely upon this season – to succeed.

"Adams State (Universi-

ty's camp) was ... just about kind of getting back into it, remembering that 'Oh yeah, we know how to play volleyball,'" she recalled. "The first couple days were rough, but the third day we came together and played well."

"Then Fort Lewis College's was good. We lost only to Portales (17-9, NMAA Class 4A State qualifier in '21) and Farmington (12-11, fourth place in NMAA District 2-5A), and I didn't even have a full 'varsity' team – we filled it in with players who played JV last year – but it was good."

"And then we had the Fort Lewis coaches come to Ignacio and do a one-day camp with some of the players," Pontine noted. "That wasn't very many – it was, like, six players – so it was very one-on-one."

Definitely a plus, considering that vacancies left by graduated standouts Alexis Pontine and Lexy Young need filling.

"We're going to have to replace a big outside and a big right-side ... and we'll

probably have to find a new libero," said Pontine, to be assisted this fall by returning junior-varsity coach Cindy Valdez plus new C-team coach Breana Talamante-Benavidez. "Key positions ... but I don't know; it just depends on who shows up Monday (8/8), you know?"

"Everything changes, and we'll see what personnel we have ... to go forward. See who we have, teach them what we can teach them, and do the best we can!"

Following a tune-up at 3A Pagosa Springs' annual Pirate 4 Corners Scrimmages on Saturday, August 13, IHS will begin competition Tuesday, August 23, at 3A Montezuma-Cortez, then reverse course eastward to non-

league 2A Del Norte on the 25th. 2A/1A San Juan Basin League work – in which the 'Cats went 8-0 against their 2A-level rivals last season – then gets underway on the 30th with a trip to Mancos.

As of press time for the 8/12 print edition of the Drum, Ignacio's schedule shows the 'Cats as not having a home match until SJB play – in the form of Ridgway--commandeers IHS Gymnasium on Friday, Sept. 16. But by then the crew will likely have already gotten a great glimpse of the postseason they'll hope to again reach.

"We got invited to the West Grand tournament (in Kremmling) over Labor Day weekend," Pontine said, "and we also got invited to the Denver Christian tournament. What I heard was that it's just teams that made State last year who got invited! So we're going to that one on the tenth of September."

"I haven't seen the schedule; I just got kind of a list (of teams) when we said we'd go," she continued. "And there was Holyoke and Meeker, Denver Christian, Sedgwick County ... I heard Hoehne also got invited, but I don't think they're going because their schedule was full by the time they got invited. So it'll be a good tournament."

Champion of a 3A/2A/1A Mile High League last fall, DCHS finished 20-8 overall after going 1-2 at State. Rul-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Flanked by teammates Alexis Pontine (15) and Trinity Strohl (9), Ignacio's Grace Gonzales (10) celebrates success during last season's road match at Dolores. And while Pontine has graduated, both Gonzales and Strohl can return in 2022 as seniors.

er of the 2A/1A Lower Platte, SC ended up 25-3 after a four-game win over fellow northeasterners Holyoke (23-8) in the State Championship, while Western Slope champ Meeker, a Final Four participant inside The Broadmoor World Arena, went 26-3.

At present, the updated field also includes 2A MHLers Littleton Front Range Christian (11-11 overall in 2021), 2A

Southern Peaks member Sanford (14-10), and now-2A/1A Union Pacific inclusion Strasburg (14-10, 3-7 3A Patriot last season).

"The rest is just kind of 'our' schedule," said Pontine. "I mean, we'll play Cortez, Pagosa, we added Sargent again; but then the rest (of our matches) are just league. And I'm excited; it'll be awesome."

ARCHERY RANGE • FROM PAGE 1



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Temporary signage – outlining basic safety guidelines get posted by SunUte Technician Chris Howlett, who works under Building Maintenance, Wednesday, Aug 10.

staff and the Tribe's Property and Facilities team resolved the issue by relocating the target range just south of its former location, adjacent to the Pine River bordering the Multi-Purpose Facility Park.

"I had some funding for safety, this is a collaborative effort ... Grounds Maintenance did it," SunUte Director Robin Duffy-Wirth said. "To find the right place, I got together with DNR, SUPD, the Wildlife Advisory Board. I know nothing about archery, so the idea was to bring the best people together to find the best place."

SunUte got the blessing from Elise Redd with the Multi-Purpose Facility and the tribal land assignment owner Daniel Weaver, whose property is across the river, directly behind the new archery range location.

"We still have a little work to do in terms of dressing it up," Grounds Maintenance Division Head, Andrew Gallegos emphasized. "It's better than what it was. The goal is to improve it as we go. Depending on the style of the shoot, maybe [we accommodate] 9-10 archers [in a row] ... we can go even wider. We could do a long-distance shoot here."

"You'll always get better at shooting, by shooting around others," he said, "There are the die-hards, but plenty more that just come out to shoot – just to enjoy it and get some exercise."

The SunUte archery range is already open to the public for use in its new location – open to the community. The first official events are scheduled for early September to coincide with the Southern Ute Tribal Fair.

# GET 2 GAMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE!

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Celebrate National Bowling Day at Rolling Thunder Lanes at Sky Ute Casino Resort. When you buy one game you will get another game FREE!! Offer valid for Saturday, August 13 from Noon until 10PM.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> | NOON UNTIL 10PM**

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DISCLAIMER: Must purchase one game at regular price to receive a free game. Games are charged per person. Shoe rental is not included. Sky Ute Casino Resort reserves the right to change or cancel this promotion at any time without prior notice.





THAT FARM LIFE • FROM PAGE 13



Marvin Pinnecoose/Special to the Drum

During the last two weeks of July and most of August, it appears that rain is possible almost every single day. This makes it tough to commit to cut hay as it takes four to five days of clear sky to dry and bale a good crop.

It will not want to visit you because you speak to it with a mean tone and so it begins to avoid you. In its absence, we begin to wonder, “why doesn’t it ever rain like it used to?” Something to consider, I guess.

Dancing in the Rain

I’ve learned to balance my tasking between things that need to be done inside and outside. Irrigation settings still need to be changed every morning before work and every evening after work. Cleaning, cutting weeds, and outside

chores will take up most of whatever leftover time there is in daylight. In the summer this is usually from 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. In the winter, you will get very little outside time if you have a full-time job. It will be dark when you go to work and the sun will be setting as you drive home. I try to stack up all my inside jobs as things to do in the winter when it’s dark outside, but I still have three or four hours before going to bed. Having a workshop would be great. I could service all my small engines, build new projects, and clean up

all farm tools and equipment. During these summer months, I tend to accumulate quick inside projects in the barn in the event of rain or heavy wind. I can retreat to the barn to knock out a few things and still feel like I haven’t lost out on productivity; I have merely shifted my tasks. All these projects will need to be done anyway. Paul Gaugin once said, “Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” Just like money, save plenty of tasks for rainy days and let’s be thankful that beautiful weather is also diverse.

FIRE MANAGEMENT

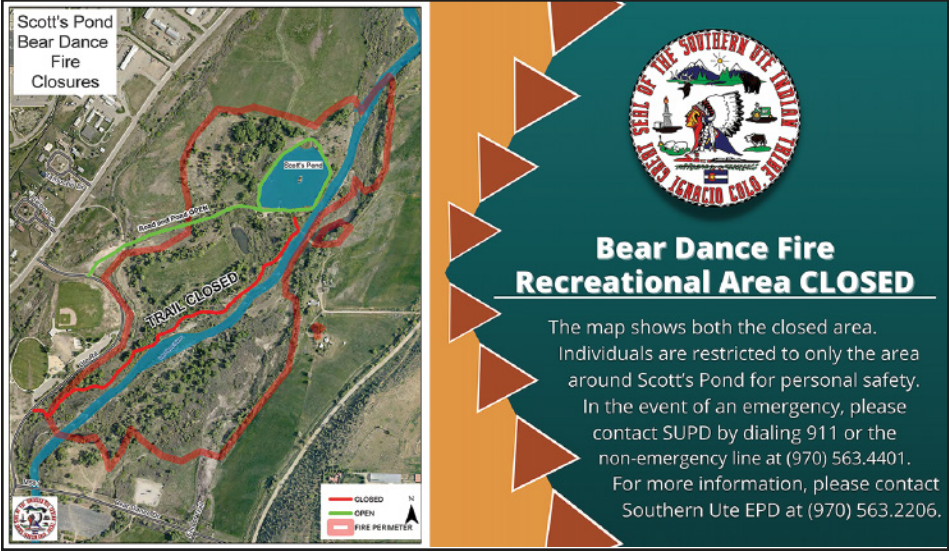
Southern Ute Reservation Rescinds Stage I Fire Restrictions

By Howard Richards Jr.  
SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY

Due to recent rains and moderating fuel conditions, Stage I Fire Restrictions have been rescinded for all trust lands throughout the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Everyone on reservation land is still asked to

be cautious and use common sense with fire, as conditions may dry out and Fire Restrictions may again be implemented. Since May, Southern Ute Agency Fire Management has responded to approximately 30 fires on the reservation with the largest being the 89-acre Bear Dance Fire.

Firefighters were able to keep all other fires under 11 acres with no injuries or accidents. For more information regarding Fire Restrictions, please contact Southern Ute Agency Fire Management at 970-563-4571. Restrictions will be rescinded at 6 a.m., Monday, Aug. 8, 2022.



In The Southern Ute Tribal Court  
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**NOTICE OF PROBATE**  
**In the Estate Of,**  
**William Lloyd Richards Jr., Deceased**  
**Case No.: 2022-0065-CV-PR**  
Notice: 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 **SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 at 10:30 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 28th of July, 2022  
Marlene Price, Deputy Court Clerk

**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE**  
**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2022-0071-CV-NC**  
**Chispas Root, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Chispas Root filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Xispas Root. As of July 12, 2022 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Chispas Root name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Xispas Root.  
Dated this 12th day of July, 2022.  
Scott Moore, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

**NOTICE OF PROBATE**  
**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2022-0085-CV-PR**  
**Jordan Joshua Rivas, Deceased**  
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Dated this 28th of June, 2022.  
Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

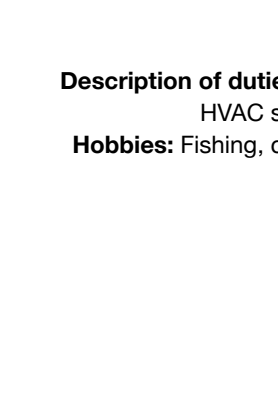
**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE**  
**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
**Case No.: 2022-0084-CV-NC**  
**Shivon Tia Herrera, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Shivon Tia Herrera has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Shivon Tia Young. Any person desiring 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 **AUGUST 15, 2022**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.  
Dated this 14th day of July, 2022.  
**BY THE COURT,**  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

**NOTICE OF PROBATE**  
**In the Estate Of,**  
**Case No.: 2022-0083-CV-PR**  
**Marie Angela Gunn, 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 **AUGUST 9, 2022 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 28th of June, 2022.  
Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

NEW EMPLOYEES



**Cassandra Tsosie**  
**Job title:** Dental Assistant  
**Description of duties:** Dental assistants perform a number of functions within a clinic. For example, dental assistants typically help with front office work, such as scheduling appointments and updating patient dental records. Also, dental assistants perform back-office work, such as preparing exam rooms, sterilizing tools and equipment, taking x-rays, and helping dentists with procedures such as fillings, crowns, extractions, root canals, Implants etc  
**Hobbies:** I enjoy hiking, running, volleyball, basketball, and spending time with my family.  
**Family:** I have 2 kids; Caitlyn and Alex Yazzie. Husband of 19 years, Elton Yazzie.  
**Tribe:** Navajo  
**Additional Comments:** I’ve been in the dental field for about 10 years of that I spent 5 and a half years specializing in Dental Implants and Full Mouth Reconstruction, along with Extractions. So far working here has been great and I hope to be a great team member in the Dental Department.



**Pat Esgar**  
**Job title:** HVAC Technician  
**Description of duties:** Repair and maintenance of HVAC systems around tribal campus.  
**Hobbies:** Fishing, camping and outdoor cooking.



Drum Deadline  
Next issue  
Aug. 24  
Early Deadline  
Aug. 18  
Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: jshockley@southernute-nsn.gov

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## CEDAR POINT HOUSING ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



**TWO-WEEK SCHEDULE  
(Aug. 12 – Aug. 26, 2022)**



Work being performed by: WCA Construction, LLC.  
Work being performed for: SUIT

Total project duration – June 2022 through November 16, 2022  
**Standard work days/hours – 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.**

### FDR (FULL DEPTH REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT)

**Work Scope:** Full Depth Removal and Replacement of select problem areas within the roadway. Also, install flow fill protective cap over top gas lines within FDR areas.

**A) Location:** North end of Rolling Thunder Ave. over to Intersection of Arrow St. with Fry Bread Ave. FDR work continues along the north end of Rolling Thunder.  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** (see map) – Road Closure from Intersection of Lodge Pole Way/Rolling Thunder Avenue north to Rolling Thunder Avenue/Arrow Street intersection, then east to Fry Bread Avenue/Arrow Street Intersection. **This section of roadway will be closed to thru traffic and will remained closed throughout the length of the project for staging purposes.**

**Dates of Impact: July 27 – November 16, 2022**

**B) Location:** Work at the intersection of Arrow St. and Fry Bread Ave. will be performed in half the intersection at a time.  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** (see map) – Close half of the intersection at a time.

**Dates of Impact: August 3 – August 19, 2022**

**C) Location:** Work on Lodge Pole Way between Burning Cedar Ave. and Sagebrush Ave.  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** (see map) – Road Closure on Lodge Pole Way between Burning Cedar Ave. and Sagebrush Ave.

**Dates of Impact: August 3 – August 17, 2022 (paving dates below)**

**D) Location:** Shadow Spirit – West  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** (see map) – Close half the roadway at a time.

**Dates of impact: August 15 – August 26, 2022**

### ASPHALT MILLING OF ROADWAYS

**Work Scope:** Mill 2-inches of asphalt from surface of select roadways with large milling machine. Afterwards, mill 2-inches of asphalt adjacent to curb & gutter, manholes, water valves, and other utilities.

**A) Location:** Rolling Thunder from property line at CR110/318 up to Rolling Thunder/Elk Street intersection.  
**B) Location:** Elk Street from Rolling Thunder/Elk Street intersection up to Sage Brush/Elk Street intersection.  
**C) Location:** Lodge Pole Way from property line at CR110/318 to Burning Cedar Ave.  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** “Single Lane” Closure (1/2 roadway at a time) with alternating lanes of traffic as needed.

**Dates of Impact: August 8 – August 13, 2022 (Note – Saturday work)**

### PREP-WORK AND ASPHALT PATCHWORK/PAVING

**Work Scope:** Prepare the top road base (fine grade and compact) section followed by placement/compaction of hot asphalt patchwork.

**a. Location:** FDR – Lodge Pole Way  
**b. Location:** FDR area along North end of Rolling Thunder.  
**c. Location:** FDR – Arrow Street/Fry Bread Intersection.  
**d. Mill/Overlay:** Rolling Thunder from property line at CR110/318 to Rolling Thunder/Elk Street intersection.  
**e. Mill/Overlay:** Elk Street from Rolling Thunder/Elk Street intersection to Sage Brush/Elk Street intersection.  
**f. Mill/Overlay:** Lodge Pole Way from property line at CR110/318 to Burning Cedar Ave.  
**Traffic Control Impacts:** Single Lane Closure (1/2 roadway at a time) with alternating lanes of traffic as needed.

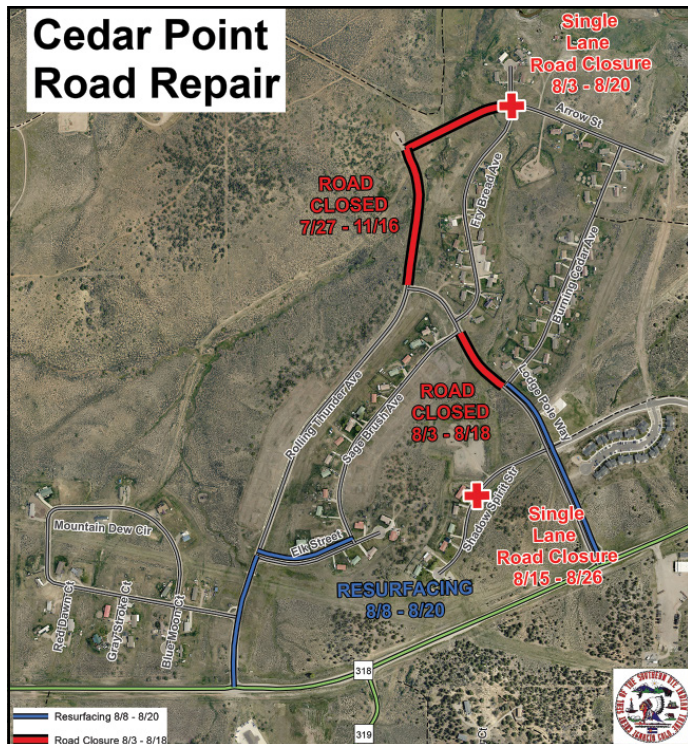
**Dates of Impact: August 10 – August 20, 2022**

**(Note – crews will be working on Saturday 8-13-22 and Saturday 8-20-22)**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**What is needed of Residents:** Please be sure to keep vehicles, trash cans, toys, pets, and any other objects off of the roadways within the areas mentioned above throughout the dates of impact. Also, please keep sprinklers and other water from draining onto the specified street/sidewalk areas. Please note that schedules can, and do change depending upon actual field conditions, unforeseen conditions, weather, etc. **Recent, severe thunderstorms have setback the schedule on the project.** Thank you for your patience and cooperation throughout the road repair work.

**If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mary Evening Star Eagle, Project Coordinator Southern Ute Tribal Planning at 970-563-2270**



## Request for Bids Catering and Cleaning Staff for Tribal Fair Powwow

The Southern Ute Powwow Committee is requesting bids for the Southern Ute Fair Powwow on Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 2022.

### CATERING

Catering for 30 people, Sept. 10 and Sept. 11, 2022.

- SATURDAY MORNING: Brunch Beginning 10 am – 12 pm.
- SATURDAY EVENING: Dinner Beginning 5 pm – 7 pm.
- SUNDAY MORNING: Brunch Beginning 10 am – 12 pm.
- SUNDAY EVENING: Dinner Beginning 5 pm – 7 pm.

Please provide a menu for each day. The Southern Ute Powwow Committee will provide the drinks and paper products.

### CLEANING CREW

Trash pickup and cleaning of Indoor Arena. A schedule will be given at the beginning of the Friday evening session.

- Sept. 9, 2022 Check-in time: 4 pm  
Cleaning Crew; should consist of (3) cleaning staff.

Please submit bids to Rochelle Aguilar, Secretary, Southern Ute Powwow Committee, P.O. Box 737 #16, Ignacio, CO 81137 or [soutepowwow@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:soutepowwow@southernute-nsn.gov)

**Should you have any questions, please contact Rochelle Aguilar at 970-563-2990.**



# Save the Date

## Growth Fund General Meeting

Thursday, September 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Sky Ute Casino Resort Event Center

[WebEx Event Registration](#)  
forthcoming

**A QR Code will also be  
provided for quick registration!**

970.563.5000

P.O. Box 367, Ignacio, Colo. 81137

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

# THANK YOU!



“I ride for the locals!”  
— JACK TURNER

### ➔ Much Gratitude

Thank you to the 1,203 citizens of La Plata County for signing our petition to place me on the November ballot to be your Commissioner

### ➔ Positive Attitude

I was nominated by the people, not a political party. And I will listen and serve you without obligation or favor to any political party or special interest.

### ➔ Working Together

Let's make November 8, 2022 a historic vote for La Plata County. I hope to earn your vote. Visit [ElectJackTurner.com](http://ElectJackTurner.com) to find out how to support Independent, nonpartisan thinking in La Plata County.

**Candidate Petition Verified – July 25, 2022**  
**La Plata County Clerk and Recorder**

# JACK TURNER

**Independent  
Candidate**  
La Plata County Commissioner

[electjackturner.com](http://electjackturner.com)

Paid by Elect Jack Turner Committee





## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION (2) COUNCIL MEMBER SEATS

The Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2022 General Election according to the Constitution and Election Code.

General Election -	Friday, November 04, 2022 - 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
Residency Deadline -	Saturday, August 06, 2022
Statement of Intention Deadline -	Monday, September 05, 2022, by 5:00 P.M.
Election Board Decision Regarding Eligibility Deadline -	Tuesday, September 20, 2022
Notice of Election -	Wednesday, October 05, 2022
Voter Registration Deadline -	Wednesday, October 26, 2022, by 5:00 P.M.
Absentee Ballot Request Deadline -	Wednesday, October 26, 2022, by 5:00 P.M.
Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline -	Thursday, November 03, 2022, by 5:00 P.M.

THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT 285 LAKIN ST. IGNACIO, CO  
Contact the Election Board at (970) 563-0100 ext. 2303/2305/2729  
Off-Reservation Tribal members phone 1-800-772-1236 ext. 2303  
Email is [election@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:election@southernute-nsn.gov)



## Southern Ute Election Board Office Hours

**The Election Board will resume normal business hours Monday-Friday, 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. starting in August.**

**Thank you and please remain safe.**



285 Lakin Street, P.O. Box 737 MS#32, Ignacio, CO 81137, (970) 563-2303 or 2305, [election@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:election@southernute-nsn.gov)

## Colorado Department of Public Safety Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Director

The Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS) is currently hiring for the Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Director. The position will be the "face" of the Department to Tribal and American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) partners. Problem solving, identifying and implementing solutions to improve communications and interactions between the Department and Tribal and AI/AN partners is a critical component of the job. This position is dedicated to working and communicating directly with the Tribes and AI/AN communities across the state, and maintaining a consistent presence in such communities to develop and enhance partnerships with Tribal law enforcement and communities. The Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives is statutorily charged with serving as a liaison on behalf of the Indigenous community on issues related to missing or murdered Indigenous relatives, supporting the Advisory Board, and communicating with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation on homicide or missing persons investigations involving Indigenous victims, where appropriate, and providing assistance to families of victims. The office will establish a community volunteer advisory board to identify and advise the office on various issues of concern. The office will collaborate with the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; federally recognized Tribes; state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies; and Indigenous-led organizations. For more information and application, please visit this link: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/colorado/jobs/3654878/office-of-liaison-for-missing-and-murdered-indigenous-relatives-director>

## Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission Vacancy

**Tribal Appointed Member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado  
Environmental Commission**

**Closing Date:** 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time on Sept. 12, 2022

**Vacancy Description:** The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking applicants to fill one Commission member vacancy on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and State of Colorado Environmental Commission. The selected applicant would serve a three-year appointment to the Commission.

**Commission Purpose:** Determining and prescribing air quality rules and regulations that should apply on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation; and Reviewing appealable administrative actions; Any other duties necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

**Summary of Commission Duties:** Conduct public hearings pertaining to adoption of rules and regulations for the Reservation Air Program or review of appealable administrative actions, and issue subsequent orders. Determining which administrative actions are appealable to the Commission. Review and approve the long-term plan of the Reservation Air Program. Facilitate relationships between agency liaisons and representatives from the EPA, State, County and Tribe. Approve and adopt fees for permits and other regulatory activities conducted by the Tribe. Ensure consistency and adherence to applicable standards and resolve disputes involving third parties. Request administrative or clerical assistance from tribal staff when necessary to issue orders and conduct Commission business; and Review emission inventories developed by the Tribe and State

**Preferred Commission Member Qualifications:** Knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order; Knowledge of Federal, State and Tribal air quality regulations; Strong ethics and integrity; Ability to identify conflicts of interest; Knowledge of environmental issues affecting the Reservation; Able to attend regular Commission and stakeholder meetings; and Cooperative and able to work as a team player.

**Commission Member Appointment Terms and Conditions:** Commission members are appointed by the Tribal Council. Commission members serve for three-year appointment terms and are not subject to term limits. Commission meetings are generally held twice per year, but more frequent meetings are possible. Stakeholder meetings occur on an as-needed basis and may require Commission participation. Meetings are to be held in person or on virtual meeting platforms. Failure to attend two consecutive Commission or Stakeholder meetings or demonstrated unethical conduct may result in appointment removal by Tribal Council. Compensation is \$100.00 per half-day meeting for Commission members who are not employees of the Tribe. If employed by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, a short letter or email from the employee's supervisor approving of appointment to the Commission is required.

**Meeting Location:** Justice & Regulatory Administration Building, EPD Large Conference Room, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, CO 81137 or Virtual Meeting Platform

**How to Apply:** Send letter of interest to: email to: [airquality@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:airquality@southernute-nsn.gov) or by mail to (must be postmarked by the closing date): Air Quality Program Office, PO Box 737 MS# 84, Ignacio, CO 81137

**For Questions about the Commission Vacancy or Environmental Commission:** Contact Air Quality Program Manager, Danny Powers at [dpowers@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:dpowers@southernute-nsn.gov) or 970-563-2265 or Visit the Environmental Commission Website at <https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/justice-and-regulatory/epd/air-quality/env-commission/>

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards, Committees and Comissions Vacancies

### SO. UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS NEEDED FOR WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD

Closing 9/2/22 – The Tribe is seeking enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to fill TWO seats on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. The 8-member Board works closely with the Wildlife Division on planning and recommending actions related to tribal hunting and fishing programs. Board members not already employed by the Tribe receive \$20 per hour of meeting attendance. Meetings are held roughly on a quarterly basis throughout the year, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. Interested Tribal Members must submit a brief letter of interest that includes a description of the applicant's knowledge and experience with wildlife, hunting, or fishing, on and off of the Southern Ute Reservation. In addition, as a condition of appointment to the Board, applicants must submit a standard job application through the Tribe's Human Resources Department, as well as agree to a State of Colorado background check. Please submit letters to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, please contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130. Letters of interest will be accepted through Friday, Sept. 2, 2022.

### ETHICS COMMISSION

Open Until Filled – The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill ONE vacancy for "Member-At-Large" and One vacancy 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. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

### GAMING COMMISSION

The Southern Ute Gaming Commission is seeking 2 Full time and 1 Alternate positions for specified terms, must be Southern Ute Tribal Members. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations: Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age. Applicants must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation. Applicants must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures. Applicants must

have the ability to observe restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality. Applicants must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and Applicants must undergo a background investigation. Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office – Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letter of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office. Positions are open until filled. If you think you might be interested, please contact the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

### JOHNSON O'MALLEY COMMITTEE

Open until filled – JOM has TWO (2) vacant seats that need filling. If you are interested, please submit a letter to Ellen Baker at the Southern Ute Education Dept. or if you have any question you can contact her at 970-563-0235. Email: [esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov). Requirements: Two-year term; Meet once a month as a committee; You must have a student(s) attending Ignacio and/or Bayfield School District K-12 (enrolled in JOM program); Write a letter of interest on why you would like to be a part of the committee; and What changes do you want to see in order to help our JOM students?

### TERO COMMISSION

The Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) is accepting letters of interest for two (2) commissioners; A person with Tribal Regulatory knowledge and experience and; Southern Ute Tribal member at-large to serve on the Tribal Employment Rights Commission which are compensated positions. Southern Ute tribal member/Applicants must have the following requirements: Tribal Regulatory Knowledge and Experience; Does not own or operate a certified Indian Owned Business; Experience or expertise in administrative hearing procedures; Eighteen (18) years of age or older; Good character; Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and confidentiality. TRIBAL MEMBER AT-LARGE: Not currently employed by the Tribal Government or the Growth Fund; Does not own or operate a certified Indian Owned Business; Experience or expertise in administrative hearing procedures; Eighteen (18) years of age or older; Good character; Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and confidentiality. Submit your Letter of Interest to the TERO Division or send letter to TERO Division, P.O. Box 737, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, CO 81137. If you have any questions, please call TERO, at 970-563-0117 or 970-563-0100 ext. 2291. TERO is located in the J&R Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way, (north of the Tribal Court building).



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



### Board of Directors Vacancy

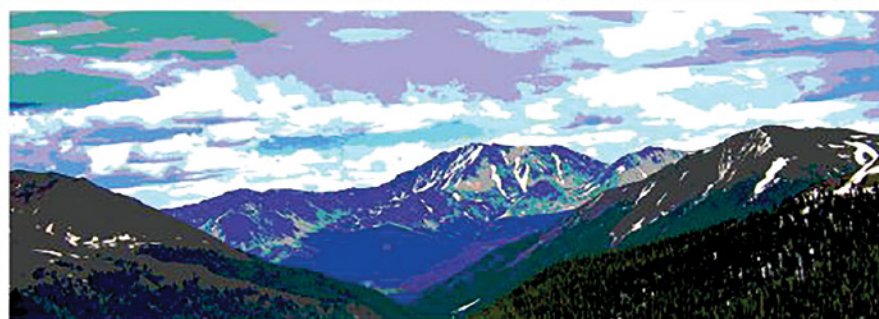


Our Board of Directors is seeking to fill a vacancy. **MUST** be a **SUIT Tribal Member**

The Board Members meet 2 times a month (Regular Board meeting and subcommittee meeting)

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

For more information, contact Bruce LeClaire, CEO  
970.563.2694 or [bleclair@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:bleclair@southernute-nsn.gov)



**KSUT**  
public radio  
Serve Your Community

### Board Member Wanted

KSUT seeks an individual to fill the open  
**Southern Ute Tribal Member seat**  
on the Board of Directors.

### Did you know...

The Southern Ute Tribe was one of the earliest pioneers of Native American radio? When KSUT signed on for the first time on June 14, 1976, it was one of only eight tribal stations in the country.

### Interested?

Please submit a letter of interest to KSUT Executive Director, Tami Graham at [tami@ksut.org](mailto:tami@ksut.org) or mail to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. This seat will be open until filled.





Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Job announcements

Visit the the tribe's website at [www.southernute-nsn.gov/jobs](http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/jobs) for complete job descriptions. If you need help filling out an online application, please come the Human Resources 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

Grounds Maintenance Worker

Closes 8/17/22 – Performs daily grounds maintenance and repair of the Tribal grounds and buildings. Pay grade N6; Pay starts at \$13.47/hour.

Internal Auditor

Closes 8/12/22 – Under general supervision, performs internal auditing procedures for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of moderate difficulty involving a variety of auditing tasks that include, but are not limited to, assessing risk, and identifying control deficiencies, unnecessary spending, and inefficient operations. In order to gain experience in the practical application of program auditing and government accounting, duties assigned are to familiarize employee with the more complex auditing work found at the next higher level; performs related work as assigned. Reports to the Director of Internal Audit and other internal audit personnel as assigned. Pay grade E16; Pay starts at \$67,244.15/year.

Optometric Assistant

Closes 8/18/22 – Under dentist supervision, in the Southern Ute Optometry Clinic, providing chair side optometry assistance, administrative and records duties, Optos, Lensometry, FDT, Tonometry, OCT, and Dilation of patients. Pay grade N11; Pay starts at \$19.93/hour.

Physician

Closes 8/18/22 – Providing comprehensive medical services, primary care, and public health services to local beneficiaries of the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC).

Receptionist – Part-time

Closes 8/26/22 – Performs reception duties for the Southern Ute Tribal organization, including, but not limited to, operation of the telephone switchboard, greeting visitors, providing information about the Tribal government, and referring callers or visitors to the appropriate office for assistance. Performs clerical duties for the Tribal Information Services Director and other Departmental Divisions as needed, including mail processing and distribution. Pay grade N5; Starts at \$12.54/hour.

Small Business Spec. Trainee (Southern Ute Members Only)

Closes 8/26/22 – A trainee position for a Southern Ute Tribal Member. Under general direction of the Economic Development Manager, will learn how to develop, plan, organize and implement economic development functions from conception to completion, involving incentive programs related to Tribal Member small business development. Will learn how to promote the small business and economic development interests of the Tribe. The length of this program is designed to last two (2) years but may be extended or reduced based on circumstances. Position will start at 20% below the entry level for a grade N12 and receive quarterly evaluations and pay increases. Upon successful completion of the training curriculum, the incumbent will assume the Small Business Specialist position.

Wildlife Resource Division Head

Closes 8/19/22 – Development and administration of the Wildlife Resource Management Division for fish and wildlife management and conservation on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Pay grade E17; Pay starts at \$75,321.13/year.

Boys & Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Assists in the implementation, planning, and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade N4; Pay starts at \$12.32/hour.

Clinical Supervisor

Open Until Filled – A senior level position that provides Clinical Supervision to staff Caseworkers 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 E16; Pay starts at \$67,244.15/year.

Community Resource Officer

Open Until Filled – 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 Dept. and the community. Pay grade N7; Pay starts at \$14.48/hour.

Construction Services Repairman

Open Until Filled – Assists in home repair to Tribal Home Rehab Programs, Elders Maintenance Program, Tribal Member and Elderly/Handicapped Emergency Repair, and Tribal Rental Units. Pay grade N7; Pay starts at \$14.48/hour.

Custodian

Open Until Filled – Daily cleaning of Southern Ute Indian Tribe Buildings and offices. Pay grade N5; Pay starts at \$12.54/hour and includes a \$500 sign-on bonus.

Dispatcher Trainee (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – A trainee position for a Southern Ute Tribal member interested in a career in Law Enforcement with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. While in the trainee status, the employee participates and engages in in-house training and work activities specifically designed and chosen to train and indoctrinate the individual to work an emergency communications dispatch center. Work is performed under the guidance of an experienced dispatcher. The length of this program is designed to last one (1) year but may be extended or reduced based on circumstances. Upon successful completion of training curriculum, incumbent will assume the Elementary Teacher position. Pay grade E12; Pay starts at \$45,236.26/year.

tended or reduced based on circumstances. Upon successful completion of training curriculum requirements, incumbent will assume the Dispatcher position. This position will start at 20% below entry level for a grade N10 and be subject to quarterly evaluations and pay increases.

Elementary Teacher

Open Until Filled – A professional teaching position with the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA). Uses the Montessori philosophy to provide Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students with a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of the child. Communicate effectively with parents/guardians about their child's progress in each domain area. Pay grade E12; Pay starts at \$45,236.26/year.

Elementary Teacher Trainee (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – Trainee position developed for a Southern Ute Tribal member interested in a career in teaching with the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. Uses the Montessori philosophy to provide Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students with a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of the child. Communicate effectively with parents/guardians about their child's progress in each domain area. The length of this program is designed to last three (3) years but may be extended or reduced based on circumstances. Will start at 20% below entry level for a grade N11 and be subject to annual evaluations and pay increases. Upon successful completion of the training requirements, incumbent will assume the Elementary Teacher position.

Farm Heavy Equipment Operator Trainee (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – Under general supervision of the Field Supervisor provides routine maintenance and safe operation of farm equipment in carrying out tasks and work orders related to custom farming for the Agriculture Division. Pay grade N9; Pay starts at \$16.88/hour.

Group Exercise Instructor (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Provides group exercise instruction and fitness activities to members of the Sun Ute Community Center, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade N8; Pay starts at \$15.61/hour.

Lake Capote Recreation Assistant

Open Until Filled – 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 N7; Pay starts at \$14.48/hour.

Lifeguard (Full-time and Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade N5; Pay starts at \$12.54/hour and includes a \$200 sign-on bonus.

Patrol Officer I

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 N12; Pay starts at \$21.75/hour.

Patrol Officer II

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 N13; Pay starts at \$23.81/hour.

Public Education Elementary Teacher

Open Until Filled – A professional teaching position with the Southern Ute Indian Public Education Department. A teacher in this position teaches/tutors Southern Ute students or Johnson O'Malley Program students in the Ignacio Elementary School and develops an afterschool program to strengthen academic skills throughout the school year. The teacher also designs and implements summer enrichment programs, performing student instruction and supervision, managing the programs and reviewing their success. Successful applicant will support established curriculum/management and is expected to work in different subject areas and classrooms as determined by the Director and building principal. The intent of this teaching position is to assist students in the educational process thereby increasing their potential for success. Based on a regular work year (261 days) with approved leaves and vacations available during periods of the year that do not require student contact. Pay grade E11; Pay starts at \$41,456.65/year.

Social Services Division Head

Open Until Filled – Day-to-day operation and management of the Southern Ute Tribal Social Services Division, in accordance with the guidelines (fiscal, philosophical, and programmatic) established and approved by the Tribal Council. Manages programs and services including child/adult welfare protective services, family group, and individual therapy, BIA General Assistance, Low Income Energy Assistance Program, Title IV B – Foster Care Program, Colorado State Human Services and related Programs and Contract/Grants. Pay grade E17; Pay starts at \$75,321.13/year.

Southern Ute Growth Fund • Job announcements

Please visit our website at [www.sugf.com/jobs.asp](http://www.sugf.com/jobs.asp) for full job details and to apply online. Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check. Southern Ute Growth Fund, Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-4777.

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

Closing 8/15/22 – Under the direction of the Accounts Payable Supervisor, provides accounts payable and accounting support to the Red Willow Production Accounting Department.

Gas Measurement Technician Trainee – Red Cedar Gathering (Durango, CO)

Closing 8/19/22 – This four-year trainee program is designed to provide training, mentoring and on the job experience in order to learn and be responsible for the completion of daily operational and technical assessment of all gas measurement related activities and work tasks.

Ignacio School District – Job announcements

Application/Information: 970-563-0500 ext. 221  
Information, job descriptions and application can be found at: [www.ignacioschools.org](http://www.ignacioschools.org)

OPENINGS FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

Positions are open until filled unless otherwise noted

- Reading/Language Arts Interventionist
- Elementary Teacher
- High School Gifted and Talented Teacher
- Middle School Science Teacher
- Bus Driver
- Permanent Substitutes
- Secondary Math Teacher
- High School Cross Country Assistant Coach
- High School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach
- Substitute Bus Drivers
- Substitute Cooks

- Substitute Custodian
- Substitute Teachers

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Ignacio School District is looking for passionate teachers and staff who are interested in working in a multi-cultural community to ensure that all students reach their potential for college and career. Become a part of this wonderful Bobcat Family who cares about education in this close-knit rural community.

SoCoCAA Job Opportunities

Apply on-line at [www.sococaa.org](http://www.sococaa.org) or call 970-563-4517 for more information.

- Addiction Specialist – Peaceful Spirit, Starting: \$25/hr.
- Clerical/Dispatch – Road Runner Transit, \$13.39/hr. DOE
- Dial-A-Ride Driver – Road Runner Transit, \$18.25/hr.
- ICB Operator – Road Runner Transit, \$20.50/hr.
- Monitoring Technician – Peaceful Spirit, \$12.56/hr.
- Project Venture Program Coordinator – Youth Services, \$15/hr.
- Substitute Teacher – \$13/hr.

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Swimming Instructor (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Under supervision of Aquatics Manager, instructs American Red Cross individual and group swimming lessons at the SunUte aquatics facility. Preparation of class, instruction of individuals, break down of equipment, and all documentation associated with SunUte individual swimming lessons and the American Red Cross. Pay grade N7; Pay starts at \$14.48/hour.

TEAM Worker (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – The TEAM program is an opportunity for enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members to find temporary employment within the various departments of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This is for both part-time and full-time temporary positions.

TERO Worker

Open Until Filled – Under the supervision of the TERO office. It is an opportunity for enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members and other local Native Americans to find temporary employment within the various departments of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This is for both part-time and full-time temporary positions.

Tribal Apprenticeship Program (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – The Southern Ute Tribe is accepting applications for SUIT Tribal Members interested in pursuing their career interests through the Apprenticeship Program. The purpose of the program is to build a career foundation for SUIT members to pursue further educational goals or career development.

Apprentices may be placed within Permanent Fund departments or divisions dependent on career interests, educational level and/or length of prior relevant and appropriate work experience. After your application is submitted, you will receive an email asking for detailed information about your career interests. The Apprentice Committee will review applications and assess what options may be available for applicants.

Tribal Ranger

Open Until Filled – Under the general supervision of Tribal Ranger Sergeant and Ranger Captain, assures compliance of all Tribal Natural Resource Codes, Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Policies. Pay grade N12; Pay starts at \$21.75/hour.

Umpire/Referee (Part-time)

Open Until Filled – Maintains rules and regulations on the playing field and courts during SunUte Recreation Department sporting events. Pay grade N7; the position starts at \$14.48/hour and includes a \$200 sign-on bonus.

Ute Language Teacher (Part-time w/benefits) (Southern Ute Members Only)

Open Until Filled – Assisting the Curriculum Specialist in teaching the Ute language to the students, staff, and parents of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA). Employees will be trained to write the Ute language using the Charney system by the Curriculum Specialist. Pay grade E12; Pay starts at \$27,141.75/year.



# JOIN OUR TEAM!

## Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy provides a strong educational foundation to preserve and share the Southern Ute Indian culture within a Montessori environment. We strive to provide an environment that creates future tribal leaders and world leaders who appreciate and support their culture, family, and lifelong learning.

### Current Vacancies

<b>Elementary Teacher</b>	<b>Ute Language Teacher</b>	<b>Teacher Aide</b>
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### How to Apply

1. Go to <https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/careers/>
2. Click on "Careers" in header
3. Click "Careers Portal - SU Tribal Government" link
4. Click on "Current Jobs"
5. Click on the desired job
5. Click on "Apply for Job" & complete application

### Questions?

The posting will explain the job duties and requirements. For additional information, please contact Human Resources at (970) 563.4750 or the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy at (970) 563.0253.

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Southern Ute Public Opinion Survey

Here is your opportunity to have a say in substance use services and facilities for your community. All participants will have the opportunity to win one of eight \$20 gift cards! We are currently searching for participants to complete a survey. All responses will be kept confidential. Southern Ute Tribe has teamed up with Kauffman & Associates, Inc. for the survey and to provide recommendations on next steps for substance use services and facilities within the Southern Ute Tribal community. Participants must identify as Native American; be adults (18 years +); live on the reservation or receive services from the tribe. The survey is available through the QR codes on posters displayed at the casino and clinic, electronically through a link, and also by hard copy at the Southern Ute Health Center. The results of the survey will be shared with the Southern Ute tribal community at the upcoming community meetings KAI will be facilitating in mid-August. We look forward to hearing from you!

Link: [https://kaidxm.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_4TNfHroWdBhITNs](https://kaidxm.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4TNfHroWdBhITNs)



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
Substance Abuse Prevention  
Community Meetings

Your participation is valued. \*Meal provided!

Southern Ute Tribe has teamed up with Kauffman & Associates, Inc. to provide recommendations on next steps for substance use services and facilities within the Southern Ute Tribal community. Surveys have been distributed via hard copy at the health clinic; by QR code on flyers and posters, as well as online.

Community meetings will be held to discuss findings, insights, validate/confirm key takeaways; and identify additional priorities, needs, challenges, and opportunities. Meetings will be held in-person as well as virtually. Childcare not provided.

Location:  
Southern Ute Museum- 503 Ouray Dr., Ignacio, CO 81137

Schedule:  
August 16<sup>th</sup> 12:30pm-2:00pm  
Link: <https://bit.ly/3zNfjJw>  
August 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-7:00pm  
Link: <https://bit.ly/3PbFSm>  
August 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-7:00pm  
Link: <https://bit.ly/3zLwTHK>



\*Meal available 15 minutes prior to start of meeting  
We look forward to seeing you there!

Sky Ute Casino Resort • Job announcements

Visit our website at [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com) to view job openings and apply online.  
Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137  
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.

Audio Video Technician (Full-time)

Set-up, breakdown, support, and repairs of all AV equipment within hotel rooms, equipment rooms, conference rooms and special events by the direction of the AV Lead System Engineer. Will interface directly with customers, both internal and external, on a daily basis. Maintaining a professional appearance to clients and wearing the appropriate uniform at all times.

\*Bingo Staff (Part-time)

Servicing guests during Bingo games including selling additional special games and pull tabs, instructing customers in Bingo play, calling Bingo games, beverage service and other duties promoting guest satisfaction and play. Verifying winning Bingo cards and making payouts accordingly.

Bowling and Rec. Counter Clerk (Full-time)

Greeting guests in a friendly manner, informs guests of center services, promotions, and prices. Rents, sells, or issues sporting equipment and supplies such as bowling shoes and golf balls. Operating the cash register, computer, and equipment in the bowling alley. Properly assigns guests to lanes, monitors activity to ensure adherence to rules and safety procedures, keeps track of open play lanes, and handles telephone inquiries.

Cafe Cashier (Full-time)

Providing friendly and courteous service to all guests in a fast paced work environment. Tasks include taking guests food orders, accurately totaling food and beverage purchases and collecting payments.

\*Cage Staff (Full-time)

Providing fast, accurate, and friendly service to all internal and external customers while providing full compliance with all regulatory controls. Exchanges cash, coins, checks, and Tito tickets for all gaming customers, performs functions for Slot and Pit areas as required, reconciles impress back at the end of shift.

\*Casino Housekeeping Staff (Full-time)

Duties consist of cleaning all public areas including Casino floor, public restrooms, restaurant, lobby, offices and employee break rooms.

\*Count Team Staff (Full-time)

Retrieves, counts, and calculates the daily revenue produced by the Gaming Revenue Departments. Pulls the containers and counts or verifies the funds according to the regulatory requirements and procedures set by the Southern Ute Division of Gaming's Internal Control Minimum Procedures and the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Event Staff (Full-time and On-call)

The Banquet Event Staff's primary responsibilities include assisting in set-up, serving, tear down, clean-up, and re-set of events in all Banquet areas. Will act as a guest service representative at Banquets and related events.

Facilities Staff (Full-time)

Operation of equipment, environmental condition and appearance of the facility and grounds. Responsible for the cleanliness, maintenance and repair of the facility, equipment, and building. Assists in repair and maintenance of equipment within the facility. Cleanliness of kitchen areas and equipment, facility equipment, carpets, building and grounds. Shuttles Hotel guests to and from the airport as needed.

\*Facilities Supervisor (Full-time)

Reports to the Facilities Manager and was established for the purpose/s of supervising individual shifts to include facility and deep cleaning staff within the maintenance department. Coordinating all repair and alterations of the property including the exterior and grounds and to work in conjunction with facility technicians.

\*Must be 21 years or older to apply.

\*Facilities Tech (Full-time)

Electrical and mechanical functions, operations of equipment, environmental controls and conditions, and the structural integrity and appearance of the facility and grounds. Works as part of a team to ensure smooth operations of the facility, equipment and building by providing maintenance support, troubleshooting and repair, preventative maintenance on commercial heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.

Front Desk Staff (Full-time)

Providing quality guest services that include reservations, registration and check-out, PBX operations, mail and message service for hotel guests. Responds to telephone and in person inquiries regarding reservations, hotel information and guest concerns. Assistance with guests include but is not limited to: luggage assistance, directions/maps, driving guests to/from the airport.

Line Cook (Full-time)

Works under direct supervision of the Lead Cook. Preparation of the menu and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality and freshness.

Kitchen Utility Steward (Full-time)

Kitchen Stewards will perform multiple tasks and duties within the entire kitchen as instructed by Food and Beverage Management and/or Supervisor. Washing dishes, cleaning facilities and cooking in a number of capacities.

\*Multi Games Pit Boss (On-call)

Supervision of all multi-games tables and staff as directed by the Table Games Manager. Ensures that guests are provided with a professional, friendly and courteous gaming experience while adhering to all appropriate gaming regulations.

\*Night Auditor (Full-time)

Provides outstanding customer service to internal and external customers and promotes the Casino Hotel. Answering phones, assisting guests with questions regarding Casino services, taking reservations and charging for services.

\*Security Officer (Full-time)

Safeguarding the assets of the Sky Ute Casino Resort and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. Guest and employee safety on property.

\*Sports Book Ticket Writer (Full-time)

Providing outstanding guest service while writing and paying Sportsbook tickets and providing information to guests. Collecting bets, cards, or tickets from players and ensuring that all bets are placed before the game begins. Verifying tickets and paying out winning tickets.

\*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.

\*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. Maintains video/audio surveillance of Table Games, Cashier's Cage, Slot Machines, Count, sort and money rooms, vault, entrances, outdoor grounds, parking lots, stairs, and more.

\*Surveillance Video Technician (Full-time)

Installing, repairing, and performing preventative maintenance on all surveillance CCTV cameras, recording devices, upgraded equipment, and related wiring on property. Technical troubleshooting using basin electronic testing equipment.

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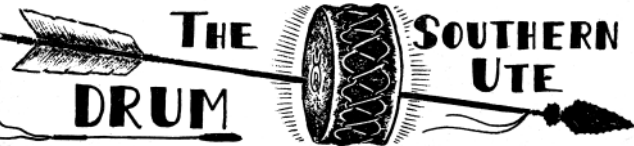
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When: Friday, August 12th

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: TBK Bank  
351 Bayfield Center Drive  
Bayfield, CO 81122

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Tribal Broadband Modernization Project Update

CO HWY 172 & THREE SPRINGS BOULEVARD FIBER CONSTRUCTION JULY 27 THROUGH SEPT. 27, 2022

MAP 1 OF NORTHWEST SECTION

MAP 2 OF NORTHWEST SECTION

IMPACTS TO TRAVEL BETWEEN JULY 27 - SEPT. 27, 2022

Traffic lanes will be narrowed along US Hwy 172 beginning in the Town of Ignacio traveling northbound to US Hwy 160. Motorists will be required to reduce speeds and travel safely around the construction taking place on the shoulder. Motorists are also urged to watch for workers and equipment along the roadway.

SLOW DOWN

ELIMINATE DISTRACTIONS

DRIVE WITH CAUTION



## FLY FISHING

# Articulation makes a good fly

By Don Oliver  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

One of the definitions of the word articulate, according to my Webster's Dictionary, is "to give clear and effective utterance." That was the one I always thought was correct. However, according to Webster, articulate also means "to unite by or as if by means of a joint." What the latter definition means, to those of us that fish, it is the joining of two artificial baits with a flexible joint. In my world of fly fishing, it means one fly tied in two segments closely attached to each other.

What prompted this sudden use of a dictionary? I recently read an article in Fly Fusion Magazine titled "Out of Joint" by Frank Brassard. The article was about fly fishing with articulated flies. Articulated crank baits have been around for a long time. Long enough for me to remember using them when I was a youngster casting them at bass and pike. The articulation gives the crank baits a very real-life movement pattern as it is reeled in. These baits are available in both top-water and subsurface styles. Articulated flies are fairly new to the world of fly fishing, and most are tied to look like streamers. The articulated flies can have one or two hooks. If there is one hook it is located in the trailing



part of the fly. If there are two hooks there is one in each part. The trailing joint is designed to look like the tail end of what you are trying to imitate. The possibilities are many, such as: mice, worms, snakes, or streamers. As a side note, if you are using an articulated fly with two hooks make sure local regulations allow for that.

After I read the article, I checked my fly bins to see if I had any articulated flies. Sure enough, I did. However, the ones I had were big and heavily weighted. On the chance they would not work in the small pond by my house I tied up an articulated Woolly Bugger and San Juan Worm, both with two hooks. Unlike the two flies Brassard showed in his article, Tommy Lynch's Drunk and Disorderly and Kelly Galloup's Sex Dungeon, which looked fairly complicated to tie, my choices were quick and easy to tie.

Armed with my new flies

I headed out to test them. Sure enough the flies from my bin were not acceptable to the fish in the pond. While they followed the big flies they would not strike them. So, I switched to the patterns I had tied. It didn't take long before the fish in the pond, primarily perch, attacked them. I found the fish would eat the trailing segment of the Woolly Bugger pattern. The San Juan Worm was eaten in its entirety. I couldn't figure the eating pattern out, but I didn't care. The articulated flies were working.

As I was standing on a dock, I could pull the flies by the dock and watch their action. It was obvious the articulated patterns looked more realistic as they moved through the water. This creates a new problem for me. I am a dedicated dry fly fisherman, and only use Woolly Buggers if I need to feed my family or I am behind in some ongoing bet. Do I now learn to tie Drunk and Disorderlys plus Sex Dugeons along with mice and snake patterns? I know trout and bass eat mice, and I once saw a tarpon destroy a snake. Or do I stay in my comfort zone using only dry flies?

For me, and I hope you, the answer is obvious, I am going to do some experimenting with articulation. Feeding my family and winning a bet may have just become easier.

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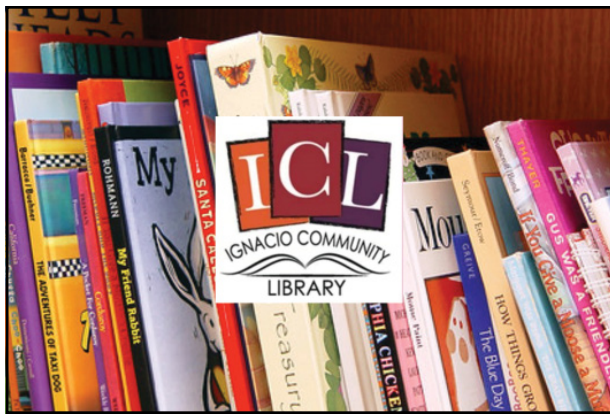
# Armchair traveling

By Marcia R. Vining  
IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Cruises, road trips, theme parks, camping, boating, and hiking! Does this sound like the best of summer? Have you dreamed of the places you would like to go? Have a travel bucket list?

Travel has been in the news so much throughout the pandemic and even more recently as gas prices have risen, and airlines have struggled with staffing and costs, it's helped me consider where I would go and what I'd like to see. It occurred to me that we all have the opportunity to be travelers; armchair travelers.

Armchair traveling can help us to learn about a place we might want to go, or a place we already have plans to visit. It can open new horizons for us and our family members. It's a great way to show our children a world beyond our own, with different traditions, foods and clothing, and architecture as well as different geography and animal and plant life. It can be informative to see how



courtesy Ignacio Community Library

other people live, compare the differences and recognize the similarities.

Viewing videos of places we've already visited is also an enjoyable way to relive wonderful memories, and can foster a discussion with our family and friends about where we've been and what we did and saw there. We can foster a sense of adventure and interest in the world around us as we share our stories, answer questions and encourage curiosity to bloom. Sharing our past travels with those who didn't know us, or our children and grandchildren can be a lovely conversation starter as well.

In the past the library purchased items that our

patrons requested relating to upcoming travel and adventures and so we have materials on exotic locations such as Machu Picchu and the Galapagos, and the more familiar destinations such as Crow Canyon, nearby National Parks and so much more. Whether in video or in print format we have the materials to help you travel without leaving your house.

Maybe, as the end of summer draws nearer, and kids return to school, the library can help extend the feeling of vacation days, travel and the excitement of new places. Stop by and see what we have to offer about the places you dream of going.

## Seniors share breakfast



photos Divine Windy Boy/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal elder, Luana Herrera and Tribal Council member Linda Baker share in light conversation before the Senior Breakfast on Wednesday, Aug. 3 at the Multi-Purpose Facility. Tribal and community elders came together to enjoy each other's company. The elders were served a wide variety of breakfast items including biscuits and gravy, breakfast bombs, eggs, bacon, sausage, and fruit cups.

Facilities Op Manager, Elise Redd greets attendees of the Senior Breakfast held on Wednesday, Aug. 3 at the Multipurpose Facility. Redd also shared upcoming MPF event information with the elders before helping serve attendees breakfast.



## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Your weekend forecast!

Friday, August 12



Mostly cloudy 74°F  
Showers & thunderstorms 30%

Saturday, August 13



Mostly sunny 86°F  
Showers & thunderstorms 30%

Sunday, August 14

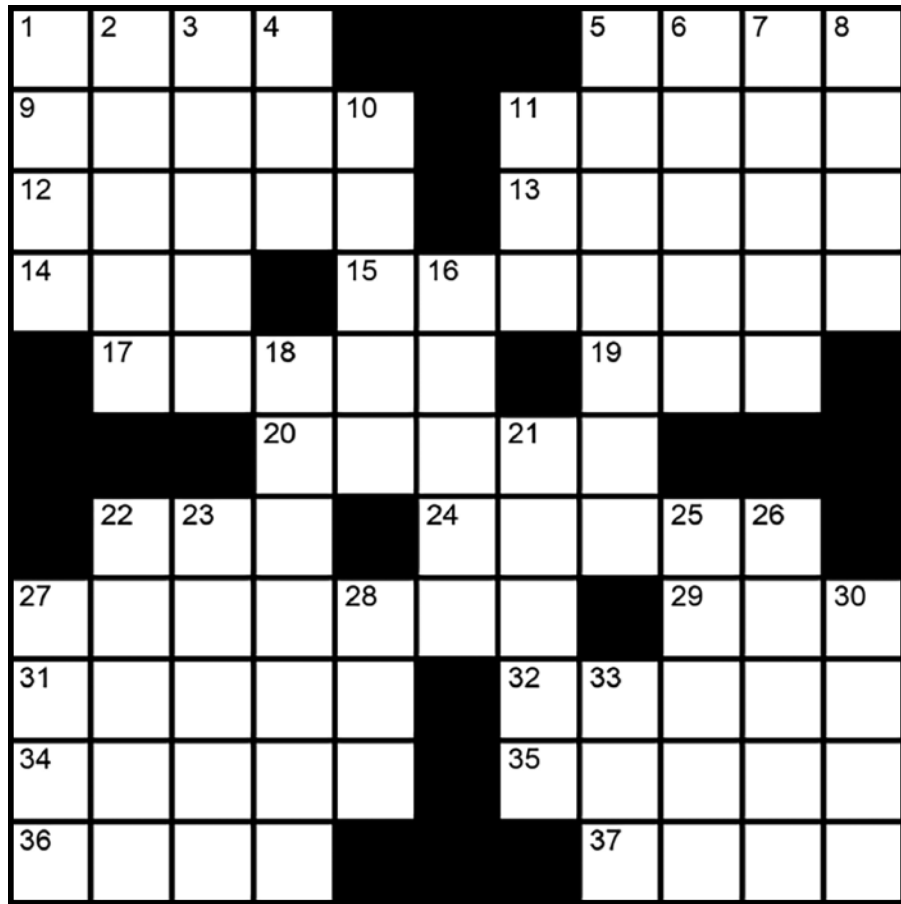


Mostly sunny 87°F

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



## The Southern Ute Drum's Crossword Puzzle



### Across

- 1 Big flop
- 5 Fraternal organization
- 9 Hilarious
- 11 --- Valley Indian Reservation, CA
- 12 Title chameleon in a 2011 film
- 13 Creator
- 14 Sandwich order
- 15 The Seneca, "Keepers of the --- Door"
- 17 Bulgarian capital
- 19 "Lady Marmalade" singer
- 20 Cany ---, 19th century Mouache chief
- 22 Prefix meaning "halfway"
- 24 Pen talk
- 27 Surface preparation process
- 29 Young louse
- 31 Road ---, Australian multi-trailer big-rig
- 32 Dodge
- 34 Eyed lewdly
- 35 Gads about
- 36 Animal fur
- 37 Takes the plunge

### Down

- 1 Fishhook feature
- 2 Verbal examinations
- 3 Sort out Tom in Alaskan native American town
- 4 Swampy area
- 5 Song of the Volga ---
- 6 Calaboose
- 7 Such as Bizet's "Carmen"
- 8 Make
- 10 Namely, in legalese
- 11 Captain Bligh's ship, --- Bounty
- 16 Cherokee Rachel Caroline ---, first native American PhD
- 18 It produces temporary losers
- 21 Hybrid feline
- 22 Southern Ute Treasurer
- 23 Everything considered
- 25 Cad
- 26 Took a position
- 27 "---! In the Name of Love" (Supremes song)
- 28 Where to find Gary
- 30 "The rain is ---, the fire's Joe ..." (Frederick Loewe)
- 33 Assert emphatically

Answers for this crossword will appear in August 24 issue of the Drum.

### Answers for July 29, 2021 Crossword Puzzle

**Across:** 1 Iona, 5 Camp, 9 STOL, 10 Areas, 12 Pomo, 13 Pintle, 15 Seen, 16 Akutan, 17 Sica, 19 Okd, 20 Spoor, 23 Runes, 25 Cog, 26 Omak, 28 In lane, 30 Alda, 34 Ocelot, 35 Sour, 36 Argue, 37 Elim, 38 SATs, 39 Sass.

**Down:** 1 ISPs, 2 Otoe, 3 Nome, 4 Alonso, 5 Capac, 6 Arikara, 7 Menu, 8 Patton, 11 Slake, 14 Ends, 18 Iron out, 20 Scio, 21 Ponca, 22 Ogler, 24 Ukases, 27 Metes, 29 Alga, 31 Lola, 32 DULs, 33 Arms.