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photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

## Bear Dancing Up North

## Mamakwanika: A Ute Tradition

by **Oolcu Buckskin**  
Special to the Drum

As the sun starts shining more and the weather starts to warm up, you may hear people talking more and more of the Bear Dance. People, young and old, speak those common questions, "Are you going to Bear Dance?" "Did you finish making your shawl or ribbon shirt?" The Southern Ute Bear Dance has commenced for Memorial Day weekend and what better way to add to the tradition than to share some of the origin stories of the Bear Dance.

Although some of the stories compiled for this issue differ slightly, the stories share common traits that tell of the traditional dance and etiquette given to the Ute people generations ago. Several resources were used, showing the variations for the stories:

*Southern Ute Bear Dance shared by Neil Buck Cloud*

Long long time ago there were two brothers that always went hunting and they would always follow their same route going to their same spot high up in the mountains where they could see all around. They could see all the bears down below sunning themselves in the sunlight. One of the brother was looking down would say to the other brother, "Some day I'm going to be down there with that she-bear," and the other brother said, "That's impossible, the bear is a wild animal." And the first brother said, "I will be there."

Each day after that the first brother kept on talking about being with the bear, but the second brother never thought anything of his brother's story or what he was saying.

Until one day the first brother said, "Now is the time that you will go home alone and tell our families and tell the Ute people that I have stayed with the she-bear back in the mountains." The second brother said, "Those Utes will punish me, put me through torture because they will think I have killed my own brother," he said, "I don't want to go home to do that." But the first brother

said, "You will do it because you are my brother, my own flesh, you will do it for me." But the second brother said, "No, I am not going home by myself." He kept saying no. The first brother said, "No, now move, go on!" And the second brother went little ways then stopped, looked at his brother again. Again the first brother said, "Go on, go on!" The second brother kept going a little further and finally the first brother got mad and said, "Go home!"

The second brother moved on and thought to himself, "My brother is mad at me now." He gradually moved slowly and further and further away. All the way home he was mixed up in his thoughts. He thought about what the punishment was going to be until he reached home. The first people he saw were Utes, and one came toward him. And when he stopped the Ute man asked him, "Where's your brother?" and the second brother said, "He's back in the mountains with the she-bear." The Ute man said, "You killed your own brother!" and he turned around and shouted, "This man killed his own brother!" The second brother said, "No, no, he's back in the mountains with the she-bear."

Pretty soon the other Utes gathered, and they started questioning him about his brother and finally his family arrived and said the same thing about killing his brother. Nobody would believe him. One of them said they would keep them in a confinement. The brother told them if they didn't believe him, he would lead them back to the corral and stop on the highest point of the cave and call his brother's name so they could see him in person. But the Utes and his relatives didn't believe him. And even though he was begging them, they put him in the teepee. They sealed off the entrance and they put a guard at the entrance so he would not escape.

He waited in this teepee for three days, and finally somebody said, "Now is the time you have to prove to us that you are telling the truth." And the second brother said, "Yes gladly." The second brother went out and went toward the direction of the cave

and he went very slowly. Everybody else was talking to themselves, which made them lost and confused. The second brother kept going to the cave, and finally he reached the high point where the first brother said for him to stop. The other Utes stopped along with him, and at that point he remembered what to say that his brother had told him to do. The second brother hollered the first brother's name, and he called out again. After a while the first brother came out. When he came out everybody was surprised to see him well and alive. But they were all startled to see the first brother with fur.

In three days the first brother had grown some fur on his body. At that point everybody was shocked. The first brother said, "My brother did not kill me," he said to the people, "he has been telling you the truth and you all did not believe him but here I am." He said to them. But they were all startled at seeing all the fur that had grown in three days, and they thought that it was impossible. This shocked them for punishing the second brother and they felt guilty for the whole mixed up feelings. The first brother said, "This has what's been going on between me and the she-bear. My brother does not understand that I have been communicating with this she-bear, and I have agreed to be her mate, and you all probably don't understand, and the she-bear says for all of you to go home and wait until next spring. In her gratitude, she is going to give you a dance that will be your tradition. And you all will go home and build a corral next spring and we will show up there and show you the dance that she is talking about. I will ask her more on how you shall do the dance." So the Utes turned around and walked back to their homes, but yet they were all puzzled about the events that happened. Even the brother was all mixed up at some point, but he was still happy for his brother. The Utes decided they couldn't punish the second brother for killing his brother.

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A good dust filled the air in Fort Duchesne, Utah during the spring celebration of Northern Ute Bear Dance. The Dance was held on the Fort Duchesne Bear Dance grounds and lasted four days, with song and dance continuing well into the evenings. Bear Dance Chiefs Antonio Kanip, Reffel Kanip, Alloin Myore and Albert Cornpeach dressed to impress and kept spirits high while still managing to Bear Dance between songs. Henry Howe, regulated dancers with a sharp eye and a long willow stick filling his role as the "Cat Man" for this years Bear Dance. On the final evening of this spring ritual, singers won, when an exhausted dancer fell in mid dance signaling the end of this year's Bear Dance. Representatives from the Fort Duchesne community, all three Ute Tribes and many more joined together for the weekend to stir the air, in the spring celebration of Bear Dance! The Northern Ute Tribe, Ute bulletin Staff and Bear Dance Chiefs were very generous in giving the Southern Ute Drum full access to cover/photograph the events surrounding Northern Ute Bear Dance. The Celebrations were held from May 8-11, 2009.

## Northern Utes Welcome New Council

by **Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
Drum Reporter/Photographer

Inauguration for the Northern Ute Indian Tribe's new Tribal Council members coincided with the annual Bear Dance Celebration held in Fort Duchesne, Utah. The ceremony, held Monday morning, May 11, 2009, was on the final day of the four-day celebration.

Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council were present for the swearing in, and offered their support for the newly elected government. Every member present from each council was invited to speak, giving remarks of solidarity and partnership with the Northern Ute Tribe.

Elected council members whom took the Oath of Office included Irene Cuch, Frances Poowegup, and Richard Jenks Jr. Outgoing Council member Ron Groves of the Northern Ute's honored the Southern Ute Indian Tribe by stating that they are looking to the Southern Ute's as a model, for making sound investments as well as effective cooperation with outside entities. Later he emphasized the importance of council working to profit upon opportunities that will ultimately benefit the people, ensuring that the membership is served before any individual.

Chairman Curtis Cesspooch hopes that the "Ute Tribes will stick together when dealing with issues" in order to form a unified front that will ultimately have a stronger voice when dealing with issues of sovereignty and be will more efficient and timely.

Irene Cutch gave thanks to those who elected her and to all



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

*Chairman Curtis Cesspooch gives the Opening Remarks during the beginning of the Northern Ute Inauguration Ceremonies held Monday, May 11, 2009 in Fort Duchesne, Utah.*

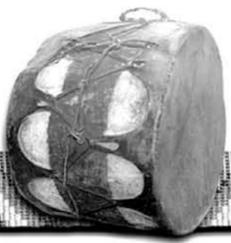
three Tribes for working together, and the further development of an "Idea Exchange" between Tribes. She states that they will be working with the Venture Board to pursue oil and gas or "green" alternatives. "The Obama presidency gives an opportunity for Tribes to grow and develop, we must take action to best benefit from this," said Irene. She also touched on the need for improved housing for Elders with a need to do away with overcrowded & substandard living conditions that may exist.

Newly elected Vice-Chair, Frances Poowegup, gave opening remarks in the Ute language and stated "We did not get here by ourselves, and we must come together as one Ute tribe in order to address energy for we are moving together into an uncertain future!" She also touched on a scholarship fund that was privately donated and will soon be made available to graduates. Richard Jenks Jr. took to the

podium with the words "I intend to focus on what's ahead for the tribal membership, our sovereignty, and the youth; I take this office ready to listen." Richard closed his remarks by giving thanks.

Curtis Cesspooch, Chairman of the Ute Business Committee, emphasized the importance of "protecting groundwater quality over immediate development" and addressed the issue of bringing in more "Tribal Employees" and sourcing out less work as contract labor in the long term. Emphasizing the responsibility of caring for the earth as well as the importance of truly becoming a modern 21st century First Nation, Phillip Chimburas expects that the Tribes resources may become green, and hopes to see the Ute Tribes harness solar and wind energy as the demand for these resources rises.

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# SUEPA Continue Ignacio Creek Restoration With Student Assistance



photos Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

Katherine Holgate, Water Quality Specialist for the Southern Indian Tribe explains to the Fort Lewis students what to look for in charting the characteristics of Ignacio Creek. The students were providing important data of the creek such as width, depth, flow rate and measurements, while earning credits in their respective degree. Pictured far left is Water Quality Tech Intern, Jerome Benard.

by Katherine Holgate  
Water Quality Specialist  
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Environmental program Department in cooperation with the Fort Lewis College, are working together to improve the surrounding lands of Ignacio Creek. The combined efforts are in hopes of rehabilitating a section of land that has been an on-going project of the

Tribe's for 2 years. Katherine "Kate" Holgate, Water Quality Specialist recruited the college students in an effort to gain important data, and for the students earning their degrees in respective environmental/sciences, so-to-speak, they gather information pertaining to water flow, depth, speed, contour of the creek, and using surveillance equipment, gather measurements and chart in detail, an over-head map, as well as profile of the creek.

What follows is a more detailed description of the Rock Creek Project provided to the Drum by Kate Holgate.

The Tribe's Nonpoint Source program (\$319 of the Clean Water Act) has been funded by USEPA for 13 years. The Los Pinos Watershed is the "priority watershed" because it is the most impacted from nonpoint source of pollution: specifically agricultural and from hydromodi-

fication (the regulation of the Pine River from Vallecito reservoir and the series of canals and ditches that distribute irrigation water across the valley). Nonpoint source pollution comes from many diffuse sources and is caused by rainfall or snowmelt moving over and through the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, and even our underground sources of drinking water. These pollutants include:

- Excess fertilizers, herbicides, and insecticides from agricultural lands and residential areas;
- Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals from urban runoff and energy production;
- Sediment from improperly managed construction sites, crop and forest lands, and eroding streambanks;
- Salt from irrigation practices and acid drainage from abandoned mines;
- Bacteria and nutrients from livestock, pet wastes, and faulty septic systems;
- Atmospheric deposition and hydromodification are also sources of nonpoint source pollution.
- Nonpoint source pollution is the leading remaining cause of water quality problems in the

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# Forest Service Seeking Nominations For Resource Advisory Committee

Media Release  
Durango, CO

The U.S. Forest Service and local counties are seeking citizens, elected officials and special interest group representatives in southwestern Colorado to apply for membership on the San Juan National Forest Resource Advisory Committee (RAC).

The RAC will represent a wide range of interests to support the San Juan National Forest and participating counties in reviewing and evaluating projects submitted under the Secure Rural Schools Act in compliance with Title II of the Act. Eligible counties will receive an annual allocation of funds over the next four years for projects that create local employment opportunities maintaining or improving public lands infrastructure and resources. The RAC will recommend which projects to fund and coordinate with agencies and county officials. Projects will be located in Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata and Montezuma counties.

RAC members will serve four-year terms upon appointment by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Members will serve without compensation, but can be reimbursed for travel expenses. Members must be Colorado residents, preferably living in one of the counties served by the RAC. Meetings will be held at least once and up to four times a year. The RAC will consist of 15 members representing the three categories below. Applicants may apply in more than one category. The U.S. Secretary of Agriculture will make appointments based on the applications received, striving to appoint members who have demonstrated the ability to work collaboratively with others of different viewpoints.

- Category One:**
- Organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups
  - Developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle, commercial recreation
  - Energy/mineral development
  - Commercial or recreational fishing
  - Commercial timber industry
  - Federal grazing permit holders or land use permit holders within the RAC area
- Category Two:**
- Nationally recognized environmental organizations

- Regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations
  - Dispersed recreation
  - Archaeological and historical interests
  - Nationally or regionally recognized wild horse or burro groups, wildlife or hunting organizations or watershed associations.
- Category Three:**
- State-elected office holders
  - County or local elected officials
  - American Indian tribal representatives from tribes within or adjacent to RAC areas
  - School officials or teachers
  - Citizens representing the affected public at large

Citizens interested in applying for RAC membership can retrieve an application form and background check form on-line at: [www.fs.fed.us/r2/sanjuan/news/2009/rac](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/sanjuan/news/2009/rac). Applications should be submitted by June 15, 2009 at San Juan Public Lands Center, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301 ATTN: Bill Dunkelberger. Applications must contain original signatures and complete information. For more information, contact Ann Bond, (970) 385-1219, [abond@fs.fed.us](mailto:abond@fs.fed.us)

# Express Your Opinions



Top Left: Asst. Gabriela Garcia, Veronica Gonzales, Shelsey Lagerstrom, Chasity Bean, and Lacy Hoselton. Bottom Left: Skyla Ruybal, Destaney Reynolds, Coach Naomi Russell. Front: Elco Garcia Jr.

## Wildcats Thanks

Ignacio Wildcats Girls basketball team competed in the Mid America Youth Basketball tournament May 8-10, 2009. We played a total of five games and placed fourth in the 3rd/4th grade division.

Our team would like to thank Kip Koso/SunUte for the healthy snacks, Johnny Valdez, SUIT Executive Officer and Muz Pinnecoose, Director of Property & Facilities for their aid in the use of a Tribal van, Paul Davalos for his donation of water to the team and SUCAP for their support.

Most of all thanks to all the team mom's - they spent Mother's Day traveling back from Albuquerque. Our girls had

fun, played hard, and gained important exposure to some tough competition. They are a great bunch of girls!

Sincerely,  
Coaches: Naomi Russell, Amber Hillis and Gabriela Garcia

## Turkey Hunters!

To all Tribal/non-tribal turkey hunters, I'm Jason M. Analla, I'm requesting for turkey feathers for my religious purposes. If any Tribal or non-tribal members could donate feathers they will be used in a good way. Contact me at (970) 563-0272. Mon.-Fri., 8 am - 5 pm

Thank you,  
Jason Analla

## Appreciation

"Sincere Appreciation from the family of Shonie Baker" We would like to say "Thanks" to all the family many relatives & friends of our son & grandson that gave their blessings on the passing of our loved one.

To the different agencies and their staff for their support & help medically during the last months. To Ryan & his staff from Hood Mortuary, Pastor Winlock & Wife, Waci-ci Trading Co., Lorelei Cloud Whitey, The Rollin' Thunder Boys, Barney Baker & family, Southern Ute Housing staff, Sky Ute Resort & Casino.

"Special Appreciation" to his Aunties Connie Baker, Teri Box, Cousins: Doreen & Amber Baker, My husband Roy for his their support throughout this hard time, helping with funeral arrangements & Special luncheon. Apologizes goes out to any agencies & friends we have forgot to mention.

So on behalf of our son & grandson "Shon", many, many Thanks for being there for us.

Vera O'John, Mother  
Pawline Armenta "Granny"  
Clifford & Sarah Baker,  
Grandparents

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# NEW EMPLOYEES

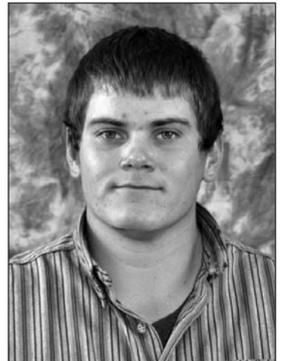


## Starla D. Taylor

Job Title: Purchasing Tech  
Description of Duties: Little bit of everything. Always looking for better prices.  
Hobbies: Hiking, Traveling, Softball, Camping, and Socializing  
Family: Two Daughters and Husband  
Tribe: Choctaw OK/Mississippi  
Additional Comments: College Degree BA in Business Information Management

## Peter J. Nylander

Job Title: Water Quality Technician  
Description of Duties: Test and monitor water quality on Tribal Lands  
Hobbies: Hunting, Fishing, Camping



## Erich Fowler

Job Title: Water Resource Technician  
Description of Duties: Water Resource Division staff assistance.  
Hobbies: Mountaineering, backpacking, photography.



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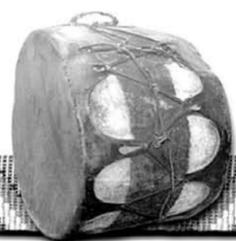
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## Tribal Update

### Agriculture Division/Custom Farm Silent Auction

Please be advised that the Southern Ute Agriculture Division/Custom Farm has some old farm equipment that is not being used. Only Tribal members will be eligible for the silent auction. Please stop by, look the items over, and place your bids. This auction will be open for 2 weeks following the publication of this ad in the Drum. You will be notified by phone or mail if your bid has been accepted. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (970) 563-0220. Thank you, Jim Smith, Division Head.

### The Sky Ute Casino Resort Call For Native American Dancers

The Sky Ute Casino Resort is requesting interested Native American dancers to performance for the "Contact Amerique" bus-tour group, originating in Paris, traveling from Canada and visiting the Southwest. Three tour bus stop-over, at The Sky Ute Casino Resort, will arrive early evening, on May 30th, June 11th and June 18th. CFO Mikii Roubideaux will team up with other Casino department heads, to officially welcome the first bus group. Interested dancers can contact, Sales (Group Tours) Coordinator, Barbara Bustillos Cogswell, at (970) 563-1758 or email [barbara.cogswell@skyutecasino.com](mailto:barbara.cogswell@skyutecasino.com)

### Pro Rough Stock Riders – What It Takes Tour 2009

Sky Ute Event Center in Ignacio, CO on May 22 and 23, 2009. Doors open at 6p.m. Event Starts at 7p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person at the door. Entries are \$200 per person. \$500 added money. For more information or to enter call (719) 580-5644. [www.proroughstockriders.com](http://www.proroughstockriders.com). [www.myspace.com/proroughstockriders](http://www.myspace.com/proroughstockriders). Don't Miss It!

### SunUte Offers Free Access To Bear Dance Participants/Vendors

SunUte will be hosting the Tribe's Annual Bear Dance PowWow on Friday, May 22nd- Saturday, May 23rd. The basketball courts will be closed at 1pm Friday through Saturday evening for this event. The fitness, group ex, and pool area will remain open during normal business hours. Participants, spectators and vendors of the Bear Dance will be allowed free access for the weekend (May 22nd- May 25th) to use the fitness center, pool and showers. In order to receive free access, SunUte will need to have the person sign and listen to a written and verbal liability at the front desk. Once this is done, the person will receive a wristband that will need to be worn the entire weekend. In addition, SunUte will charge \$4.00 for the entire weekend (May 22nd- May 25th) for any visitors not associated with the Bear Dance activities. For more details, please contact the front desk. To all current SunUte Members/Daily Users: Due to this event, all members and daily users will need to wear a wristband to access the fitness, group ex and pool area. This will allow our SunUte staff to identify all people who have signed and listened to the written and verbal liability and have paid to access these areas. Your understanding is greatly appreciated. Memorial Day Hours (May 25th) for SunUte will be 8am- 5pm. Pool will close at 4:30 pm.

### United Blood Services

United Blood Services will be holding a drawing for a Harley Davidson 883. Anyone donating blood at any Four Corners location between May 13 and June 15, 2009, will be eligible to win the bike or many other prizes. Other prizes include: \$100 Gas Card; Overnight stays at B&Bs or Hotels; Airline Tickets; Railroad Passes and much more. The bike will be on display at our Bodo Park location at 146 Sawyer Drive, from May 18 to May 30. Please come by and see it!!! Call 800-863-4524 to sign up to donate. Must be 18 to win bike; 17 to win other prizes.

### The Road Runner Will NOT Be Running On Memorial Day

The Road Runner will be running on Saturday, May 23 and Monday, May 25 due to the memorial Day holiday. We will resume normal service on Tuesday, May 26, 2009. For more information call Road Runner Transit at (970) 563-4545 or (970) 749-0223. The Road Runner is a Public Transit service provided by Southern Ute Community Action Programs. Enjoy your holiday from all of the Road Runner.

### Southern Ute Head Start Accepting Enrollment Applications

The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start in Ignacio, is now accepting applications for Fall 2009 enrollment. Haed Start serves children 3-5 years old, including children with Special Needs. There is no charge to qualifying families, regardless of income. \*Our service are for recruitment has expanded, please read the following description carefully. We are now taking applications in the Bayfield area, BUT only inclusive to the following area: West to county Road 509; South of Highway 160 and East to County Road 526/523. For an application or more information call or stop by the Center. Contact Sue Velasquez, Brandi Archuleta or Sam Harrison at (970) 563-4566.

### Come Out & Vote For Your SUCAP Board Of Directors!!!!!!

The SUCAP Board of Directors Election will be held Teusday, June 2, 2009 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. There will be six (6) vacant seats in Category II - Elected by the Community At Large. Light refreshments will be served. Voters must be residents of the Southern Ute Reservation and/or the 11JT School District and 18 years of age or older. Voting will take place at SUCAP Central Administration, 285 Lakin Street (970) 563-4517. The following community members are running for a Two-Year Term;

In alphabetical order: Lena Atencio; Kasey Correia; Sue C. Herrera; Tracy Mickey; Craig Reinhart; Laura Sanchez; Gina Schulz; Kathleen Sitton.

## Southern Ute Bear Dance Weekend Events

**Southern Ute Bear Dance**  
 May 22-25, 2009  
 Bear Dance Grounds  
 Info: (970) 563-0100/0199

**Southern Ute Bear Dance Feast**  
 May 25, 2009  
 Bear Dance Grounds  
 Info: (970) 563-0100/0199

**Southern Ute Bear Dance PowWow**  
 May 22 & 23, 2009  
 SunUte Community Center  
 Info: (970) 563-0100 Ext. 2460 or (970) 764-7056

**Los Pinos Spring Classic Softball Tourney**  
 May 23 & 24, 2009  
 Silva Fields, Ute Road  
 Info: (970) 563-0214

**Day Of Remembrance**  
 (Formerly Walk Of the Warriors)  
 May 25, 2009, 10:00 am  
 Veterans Memorial Park  
 Info: (970) 563-0100 Ext. 2338

**Tribal Offices Will Be Closed**  
 Monday, May 25, 2009  
 In Observance of Memorial Day

# StarWheels

Horoscopes by "The Starlady"

### ♊ GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY GEMINI!** Hope you're not in a big rush to go somewhere because the month gets off to a lazy beginning. MERCURY your ruling planet is currently traveling through the "wait and see" area of your chart until the 13th. But don't let that discourage you from completing your unfinished projects. Tie up loose ends before moving on to other ventures. Twins. The second half of the month may be more to your liking.

### ♋ CANCER (June 22-July 22)

PLUTO in your opposite sign of CAPRICORN has you at odds with those closest to your heart. Let go of old patterns regarding relationships. Moon Kids. There's a revival going on now that is sure to steer you in a positive direction with affairs of the heart. A New Moon on the 22nd in your sign signifies a bright beginning to a brand new cycle. Go with the flow Moon Kids.

### ♌ LEO (July 23-August 22)

VENUS and MARS in the money sign of TAURUS encourage your professional goals and enhance your finances. Long held plans to enhance the bank account fall into place easily as material resources are drawn to you like a magnet. LEOS always feel more empowered with a little extra cash in their pocket. Make it a point this month to tighten frivolous spending, and stabilize your financial habits.

### ♍ VIRGO (August 23-September 23)

The SUN is currently at its highest point in your chart VIRGO, and brilliantly shines its light on your talents this month. For VIRGOS in the work force your expert knack for detail may lead to greatly improved business techniques earning you the recognition you deserve. SATURN'S presence in your sign may instill a more serious work ethic. Not that you really need one VIRGO.

### ♎ LIBRA (September 24-October 23)

Your wallet may have been looking kind of skimpy lately. The month ahead may suit you better. VENUS your planetary ruler joins forces with lively MARS to revive financial opportunities. Family members, or partners graciously offer sound budgeting advice, or other solutions to a current predicament. The best route to take is to be sensible with your money LIBRA. Avoid letting it slip through your fingers.

### ♏ SCORPIO (October 24-November 22)

No doubt your day to day activities have been intense SCORPIO. Pluto's current influence in your chart practically forces you to maintain the status quo in your daily routine. But this month the accent is also on finances. Fortunately June's planetary pattern favors opportunities for you to boost your income. Yours is one of the most determined signs in the Zodiac. You can accomplish whatever you set your mind to.

### ♐ SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21)

Relationships and marriage take priority as the SUN and MERCURY in your opposite sign of GEMINI illuminate the area of partnerships. Best not to promise more than you can deliver this month. JUPITER'S broad influence knows no bounds and you may end up taking on too much. Travel plans are subject to change after the 15th. Avoid impulsive decisions SAGITTARIUS. Think first, act second.

### ♑ CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20)

Currently PLUTO the power planet is in your sign for an extended stay. The good news is that it is supplying you with much needed motivation for your self-improvement projects, and other creative endeavors. However, even a conscientious CAPRICORN needs a little R&R once in awhile, and one of those R's stands for romance. Thanks to VENUS and MARS a substantial relationship may be in the works for single CAPRICORNS.

### ♒ AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19)

A change in finances seems likely this month when the planets shift into other areas of your chart. More than likely you may be able to see with more clarity what needs to be done to fulfill your goals. A favorable alliance of planets practically assure a successful outcome to your personal endeavors. JUPITER'S continued influence in your sign draws positive circumstances into your life.

### ♓ PISCES (February 20-March 20)

More than likely you'll be caught up in domestic affairs, family issues, and property related interests as the month begins. Preserve the harmony in all communications this month. VENUS and MARS in compatible TAURUS help clear away the obstacles that may have been standing your way. After the 13th household affairs become the main focal point. Ideas are plentiful then, so stay focused PISCES.

### ♈ ARIES (March 21-April 20)

The pace of your daily life perks up this month Rams as the combined energy of MERCURY and the SUN rejuvenate the communication area of your chart. Phone calls, and conversations may yield lucrative opportunities to further your objectives. Welcomed financial increases may add additional stability to your lifestyle. Just be sure to pay attention to spending habits. To top it all off giant JUPITER invigorates your hopes, wishes, and dreams.

### ♉ TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You know of course that yours is the money sign, and if that's not enough your ruling planet VENUS slips into your sign on the 6th and attracts some of that green stuff your way. Because VENUS will be in your sign all month it may be wise to pay attention to personal habits and actions. Sidestep the temptation to overindulge your sweet tooth, that and too much comfort food can lead to expansion...yours. Instead go shopping!

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## Mamakwanika: A Ute Tradition • from page 1

When the Ute people got home, they went about their business. The next spring, they built a corral in a circular form out of cedar and they waited. And finally one of the Utes said, "Here they come." And they all turned to look, and they saw the woman walking upright coming very slow toward them. The first brother and her were holding hands and they came in the entrance right through the center. The she-bear was facing west and the first brother was facing east and they began to move back and forth. And the first brother said, "This is to show in the spring, when the bear is hibernating in the mountains, he or she doesn't know when spring is here until the first sound of thunder, which startles the bear from his or her hibernation. The bear gets up and charges the nearest tree and hits it with his or her chest and bounces back and charges again, and goes back and forth," the brother said, "This back and forth motion represents that bear's movement in the spring after he's startled."

The first brother said, "You Utes live parallel to the bear's habitat by going out every summer picking berries and storing it for the winter's supply, whereas the bear eats the berries and stores it in her body for the next winter's hibernation." He said, "By this quick movement, you will also limber up your joints. all the kids don't move as much because the kids are in a little space inside of a teepee but the grown-ups, when they go after the wood for the teepee fire, they have little bit more movement than the kids." And therefore we say that the kids need to dance to limber up their movement.

This dance also represents the coming of the warmth and the freedom to roam all over the country.

The first brother said, "This will be a joyful dance because the warmth is here, because the she-bear is grateful that you have given me to her. This dance will be ladies choice she said, but you're not suppose to dance with your own husband or relative. And for that reason, it is ladies choice dance, for the woman can dance with any man she chooses to be her dancing partner. The man can dance with any woman that chooses him." That tradition is still the same today. The first brother said, "That's the way it will be, and the song that I am going to sing for you I made while I was waiting in the cave with the bear." And he sang the song that he made for the people, then he stopped and said, "Now you will do the same and look at some incident among yourselves and make that into a beardance."

The first brother said, "Your instrument will be a stick, but you will notch these sticks and get another stick and rub it and put this stick on rawhide and move this back and forth and this will represent the growling of the bear, and to that you will sing."

Today we use corrugated tin and that is suppose to represent the growling of the bear.

To keep order in the Beardance, you will need a Catman. And today it is the job of the Catman to keep order that everything goes smoothly.

~The End~

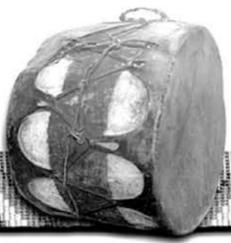
All other variations of the origins of the Beardance talk of two brothers who went hunting and came across a bear. The bear was said to be standing upright, clawing on a tree and moving in a back and forth movement. Another version tells of the bear scratching his

back against a tree. It is said that one brother went off to hunt while the other brother stayed behind to watch the bear. And then the bear taught him to perform the dance he was doing and the mysterious song that went with the dance. One version of the origin tells that the bear was grateful for the brothers letting him live. The bear asked the brother to go back and teach the people the gift the bear had given him. The bear said to perform the dance so the people could show their respect and draw strength from the bear's spirit.

The Beardance is celebrated every spring around late May or June, and it is a traditional dance of the Ute people. This tradition dates back to the 15th century and it is the only dance that the Utes originated. It is said that when the first thunder of the spring season was heard, it was time for the Beardance. Some elders say that this was usually around the middle of March. It is said that the singers were ready to sing their songs they had practiced or dreamt about during the winter months. The purpose of the Beardance is for courtship and to celebrate the arrival of spring. This is also an opportunity for the people to unite and celebrate after a long winter.

Traditionally it was the men who usually prepare the Beardance corral and any other functions connected with Beardance. The women's role was to prepare the family's clothes that they were to wear during the dance.

*Editors Note: The Bear Dance story composed here was primarily taken from the Bear Dance DVD made for the Southern Ute Cultural Preservation Department, with permission granted for its use.*



## Of Four Corners Interest

### Ladies Camp Offered to Improve Mountain Bike Skills

Sarah Tescher and Elke Brutsaert have teamed up with Cindy Dahlberg and Durango Mountain Bike Camp to offer an expanded selection of clinics for women. I have attached an image and bio for both Sarah and Tescher, they have been very active in mountain biking. There will be a series of clinics, the first clinic started on Saturday - April 25th. 10% of all proceeds from the clinics will be given to local charities, including Mercy Medical Center-Breast Care Center, Women's Resource Center, DEVO and Fort Lewis College Cycling team. \$50 per clinic or \$225 for the series. For reservation please visit [www.durangomountainbikecamp.com](http://www.durangomountainbikecamp.com). Sarah Tescher (970) 779-8480, Elke Brutsaert (970) 749-2946, Cindy Dahlberg (970) 385-0411.

**Clinic #3:** Saturday June 13th, Two separate clinics—one for beginners and one for more advanced riders. 9:00a.m. - 1:00. Meeting location to be announced. Groups: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

**Clinic #4:** 2 clinics, Saturday, July 11th, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Meeting location to be announced. Groups: Intermediate and Advanced.

**Clinic #5:** Saturday, August 22nd, 9:00 - 1:00p.m. Location to be announced. Groups: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

### Dolores Rotary Club's 2 Mile/5K Fun Run

June 6, 2009, Dolores Rotary Club is sponsoring its 2 mile and 5K fun run. Race proceeds go to support Rotary International's goal of eradicating polio in our world! The run is in conjunction with the Annual Dolores River Days Festival. Medals will be awarded for first and second place finishes in six different categories plus the Club will pay \$100 to the fastest individual breaking the 5K run record. Race pre-registration will take place at the Dolores Town Hall and Dolores General Store or on-line at [www.doloresrotary.org](http://www.doloresrotary.org). Race day registration will take place at 11th and Central Ave from 7-7:45 a.m. Dolores Rotary Club's website at [www.doloresrotary.org](http://www.doloresrotary.org).

### Back Country Horsemen Team Up with USFS

Four Corners Back Country Horsemen and the U.S. Forest Service present three clinics for horsemen in June.

**June 8-12:** Mountain Horsemanship, at Stone Peak Ranch in Ignacio: Master skills to stay safe riding in the mountains. Use your own horse. \$235/BCH members, \$275 others (USFS free)

**June 13:** Low Impact Stock Use and Camping, at Vallecito Ranger Station in Bayfield (Free to BCH members and USFS; all others, \$10. Demonstrations and hands-on practice on demonstration livestock

June 15-19: Five Day Packing Skills Intensive Training, at Vallecito Ranger Station in Bayfield. USFS free; \$150 all others. Master various packing methods, low-impact stock use skills and more. Use USFS pack string for practice. Spaces are available in all clinics. For information, costs and requirements, Elizabeth Testa (970) 259-1581, Don Kelly (970) 769-6342, (June 13 clinic only) Margie Coates (970) 903-7846.

### Mountain Studies Institute: Moving Mountains Education Series

2009 Moving Mountains Education Series: MSI is pleased to release the schedule for the 2009 Moving Mountains Educations Series. We will be hosting seminars, field trips, and workshops in Silverton and Durango throughout the summer months. Topics will range from climate change and snow melt to wildlife and wildflowers. Visit the MSI website for a complete schedule. The schedule will be updated as seminars are added. Most presentations are offered at no cost.

The schedule is available in on the web at [www.mountainstudies.org](http://www.mountainstudies.org) under "Education". Contact: Aaron Kimple, [kimple\\_a@fortlewis.edu](mailto:kimple_a@fortlewis.edu), (970) 247-7071.

### La Plata Electric Association To Conduct Pole Inspections

To help ensure safety and reliability of electricity transmission, La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) will conduct power pole inspections in various areas of La Plata and Archuleta counties beginning in mid-May 2009, and continue through the summer until complete. Inspections, which involve hand digging beside each pole, boring two test holes in the pole and performing a complete visual inspection of poles and associated lines and hardware, may require access through backyards and fenced areas. Every effort will be made to avoid inconveniencing property owners. LPEA customers with additional questions or concerns are urged to call Roland Pack, (970) 382-7183 or Ben Cordova, (970) 382-3534. Sundance Power Pole Inspections has been contracted by LPEA to inspect poles in the following areas:

•**Ignacio** - from County Road 521, east to Navajo Lake; from Highway 151, south to the State Line and north to County Roads 334, 330, 975, 973 and 988.

•**Pagosa Springs** - CR 600 to William Creek; County Road 633 / F.S. Road 635, Pagosa Peak Estates.

•**Durango** - Everett Street, Highway 160/550 south to Eagle Block; Saw Mill Road, CR 213 to 10,000 block.

•**Transmission lines** - CR 307; Anna Road; CR 314; CR 509 and east to CR 523.

### Volunteer Pine Ridge Reservation & Explore Badlands National Park

Teens age 13-17 are invited to spend June 7-19 on a South Dakota adventure, where they'll help Lakota people on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation restore important buffalo habitat, listen to elders tell ancient stories, volunteer for other service projects and later hike and explore Badlands National Park. Fort Collins-based Educo Leadership Adventures, which has offered safe, fun outdoor-adventure programs around the world for 24 years, is offering the 13-day adventure into South Dakota as part of its 2009 program lineup. Educo creates ridiculously fun outdoor adventures that challenge kids to step outside their comfort zone, connect with new and unexpected friends and discover their sense of self and innate leadership. During the June 7-19 trip, participants will work with the Lakota people to restore land where younger tribe members learn about their traditional heritage. The teens also will volunteer for other local service projects, learn the remarkable history of the land, listen to ancient stories passed down through generations and learn native ways of the Lakota people. Then for two days, participants will hike, backpack and explore the multitude of landscapes at Badlands National Park. Cost for the 13-day trip is \$1,300, which includes all food, equipment, lodging and transportation from Fort Collins, Colo., to destinations in South Dakota. Camperships (financial aid) are available. To register (970) 494-0785 or [www.educoadventures.org](http://www.educoadventures.org).

## Many Moons Ago

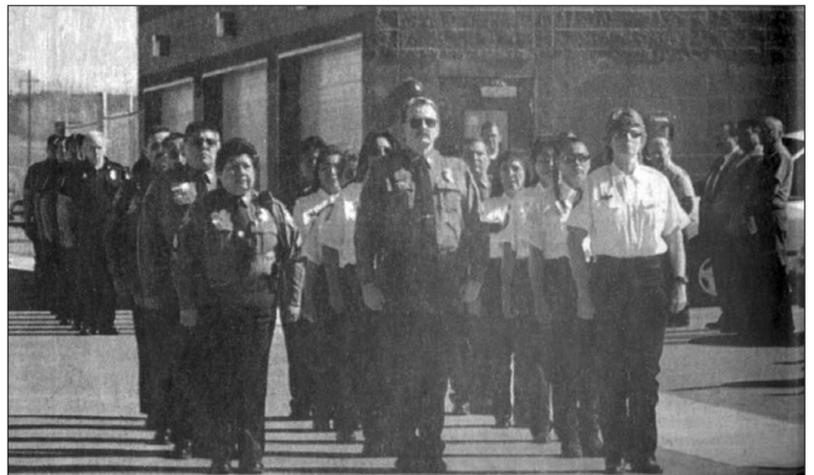


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### 10 years ago...

The Fourth Annual Southern Ute Law Enforcement and Judicial Appreciation Day was held the morning of May 19th at the SUIT Judicial Complex.

This photo was published in the May 21th, 1999 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



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### 20 years ago...

Southern Ute Students to participate in the History Day National competition on June 7, 1989 in Washington, D.C; Robert Howe, Amelia Howe, Marvin Pinnecoose, Conrad Thompson and Erica Howe.

This photo was published in the May 26, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



photo Archives/DRUM

### 30 years ago...

Pictured are more senior citizens who are Allen Watts and Ada Kent, taken at a rest stop between Phoenix and Flagstaff.

This photo was published in the May 28th, 1979 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

## PowWow Trails

### Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 22-23, 2009

Sun Ute Community Center, 390 Mouache Cr. • Ignacio, CO

Phone: (970) 764-7056 Corliss M. Taylor

Email: [corlisst@yahoo.com](mailto:corlisst@yahoo.com)

### UCLA PowWow

May 23, 2009

UCLA North Athletic Field • Los Angeles, CA

Phone: (310) 206-7513 UCLA Pow Wow Committee 2009

Email: [powwow@ucla.edu](mailto:powwow@ucla.edu)

Web: [www.geocities.com/uclapowwow](http://www.geocities.com/uclapowwow)

### 2009 Four Bears PowWow

May 28-31, 2009

Four Bears Casino • Four Bears, ND

Phone: Kathy Dye (701) 421-8545

Vonie Jo Alberts (701) 421-0601

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Email: [anpaoduta@nacaschool.org](mailto:anpaoduta@nacaschool.org)

Web: [www.nacaschool.org](http://www.nacaschool.org)

### Yellowfish Descendants Southern Contest

May 23, 2009

Comanche Community Center • Apache, OK

### NCIPA 10th Annual Contest Pow-wow

June 1-2, 2009

Phone: (405) 721-0928 Edward Yellowfish

Email: [ncipa@fortnet.org](mailto:ncipa@fortnet.org)

Web: [www.fortnet.org/PowWow/](http://www.fortnet.org/PowWow/)

## Northern Utes Welcome New Council • from page 1

was honored with gifts from both Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute representatives. "Ute leaders have to make difficult choices as our sovereignty continues to change," said Southern Ute Councilwomen Ramona Eagle on the topic of leadership. Her comments were followed up by Councilwoman

Barbara Scott-Rarick who spoke of the strength that exists when the Utes come together as one voice! Councilman Alex Cloud and Southern Ute Tribal Council Representatives gave thanks and congratulations to the newly elected council and the Northern Ute Tribe for their hospitality. The Bear Dance Celebration

festivities lasted four days and included two days of Powwow and four days of Bear Dancing. There was also a Bear Dance Feast, hand game tournament, softball tournament and a wellness walk held in Fort Duchesne, Utah.



## SUIMA Fishing Club At Capote



On Monday, May 11, 2009, the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's "Fishing Club" enjoyed Lake Capote and all it has to offer, during their last fishing trip of the school year. The students enjoyed a good half-day of fishing, partnering-up with Councilman, Steve Herrera, Sr., and Human Resources Director, Brian Sheffield on the boats to further their chances of hookin' the "Big One".

photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

## Bear Dance Workshop



Southern Ute Tribal employees, students and community members alike were all encouraged to attend the Bear Dance Workshop on Wednesday, May 20th, 2009. The workshop was held in the Sky Ute Casino Resort Conference Room. The purpose of the workshop was to educate participants on the history and etiquette of the Bear Dance and the traditions surrounding this ceremony. Songs were sung in order to bring participants on to the floor to practice the steps required for Bear Dancing. The history and traditions were explained by Bear Dance Chief Matthew J. Box. An introduction to the traditions and etiquette of the Southern Ute Bear Dance was orated by Tribal Elder Anabelle Eagle. Eagle stated the importance of sticking to the traditional dance steps and attire, she also emphasized the important role that the Bear Dance has always played in the courtship of men and women. The workshop gained strong attendance from the Ignacio community, Southern Ute Royalty and Academy students all of whom participated in the dance.



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Some basic rules of Bear Dance etiquette include: This is a woman's choice dance, if you are in the Bear Dance arena, you will be expected to dance when asked. The asking is done with the flick of a shawl. Dress appropriately, for men this means pants, preferably a button down shirt. Women must wear shoes appropriate to perform the difficult dance steps, and a long dress is important. The shawl is a must for women, both young and old. Falling in the arena during a dance will signal an immediate blessing, and can end the Bear Dance ceremony according to tradition. Outside photography or recording is prohibited, unless otherwise regulated by the Bear Dance Chief. Possession of drugs, alcohol and knives are strictly forbidden on Bear Dance grounds. Bear Dancing should end by sunset according to tradition.



# SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE CONTEST POW WOW

May 22 & 23, 2009 • Sun Ute Community Center • Ignacio, Colorado

### CONTEST CATEGORIES

Registration: Friday, 5 pm,  
Closes Saturday, 2 pm

**Gourd Dance**  
Friday: 5 pm - 7 pm  
Saturday: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Grand Entry**  
Friday: 7 pm  
Saturday: 1 pm & 7 pm

**Adults (18-49)**  
Fancy Shawl  
Grass Dance  
Jingle Dress  
Northern Traditional  
Southern Traditional

**Teen Boys & Girls (12-17)**  
Fancy  
Grass Dance  
Jingle Dress  
Traditional

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Grass Dance  
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Traditional

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Pow-Wow Committee Treasurer, 970-563-4744

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**Host Drums**  
Southern Mountain Intertribal, So. Drum  
Woodstock, Northern Drum

**Head Man**  
Francis L. Sherwood - Aurora, CO

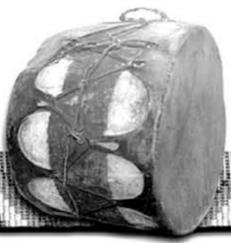
**Head Lady**  
Dustina Abrahamson - Ft. Hall, ID

**Arena Director**  
Novie Smith - Lakewood, CO

**Drum Judge**  
Lakota Clairmont, Lakewood, CO

**Color Guard**  
Southern Ute Veterans Association

The POW WOW Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries, theft or divorces. Alcohol & Drugs not permitted!  
For Further Information Contact Corliss Taylor at 970-764-7056 • Cindy Winder at 970-563-0100, Ext. 2301



# Healthy Perspectives: "High Blood Pressure"

by Dr. Matthew Clark, MD  
Southern Ute Health Clinic



High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, is among the leading chronic illnesses in the United States. High blood pressure, along with diabetes, smoking, and high cholesterol, is a leading risk factor for cardiovascular disease, which can lead to heart attack and stroke.

High blood pressure has sometimes been called the silent killer due to the fact that it often produces few or no symptoms early in its course. For this reason, regular blood pressure screening is recommended at least yearly (more often in patients with other heart risk factors) for adolescents and adults.

To understand the effects of high blood pressure, it is helpful to understand a little about the function of the cardiovascular system. The heart is basically a muscular pump that squeezes to pump blood through the body. The blood leaves the heart and travels through a system of tubes known as arteries carrying nutrient-rich blood. After the nutrients are removed, the blood passively returns to the heart via the

veins.

The pressure of the blood in the arteries is controlled both by the tone of the muscular artery walls and also by the force of the heart pump. The blood pressure is often recorded as two numbers with the upper number (systolic blood pressure) representing the pressure in the arteries during a heart contraction and the lower number (diastolic blood pressure) representing the pressure in the arteries when the heart relaxes.

High blood pressure can cause damage to the lining of the arteries, resulting in the buildup of plaques. Over time these plaques may gradually block the arteries or rupture open causing a heart attack or stroke. High blood

pressure also can cause damage to the small blood vessels of the eyes and kidney. High blood pressure is the second leading cause of acquired kidney failure in the United States (behind diabetes mellitus).

Risk factors for high blood pressure include a positive family history, sedentary lifestyle, excess intake of sodium in the diet, and overweight. The risk of high blood pressure can be reduced through weight management, regular aerobic physical activity (at least 30 minutes daily) such as walking or swimming, and through the reduction of salt intake.

Salt is a preservative found in many foodstuffs including canned goods, pre-prepared meals, and packaged foods. The package label will indicate the amount of sodium contained in the food expressed in the number of milligrams per serving. Sodium intake should not exceed 2000 milligrams daily for an adult.

Persons with high blood pressure should consult with their doctor about treatment options. If you have seen your doctor in a while, you might consider a visit to have your blood pressure checked.

# The Kidney Corner: "Chronic Kidney Disease"

by Dr. Mark Saddler, MD  
Durango Nephrology Associates

As discussed in some of our previous articles, the kidneys are responsible for filtering the blood to make urine, eliminating waste products from the body. Where do these waste products come from?

Some are derived from food. An example is potassium, an electrolyte present in many fruits and other foods. Diets high in potassium are generally healthy for people without kidney disease and are recommended to lower the risk of developing high blood pressure. However, if potassium accumulates in the body, for example due to excessive intake in patients with kidney disease, it can be very dangerous. Healthy kidneys are extremely efficient at removing excess potassium, usually keeping the concentration in the blood very steady.

Protein, another important constituent of a healthy diet, is broken down to various products which can also be dangerous if allowed to accumulate in the blood. Breakdown products of

proteins come from our diet or from turnover of the cells from our own bodies. These nitrogen-containing chemicals are thought to be some of the main culprits causing patients with chronic kidney disease to feel sick. The kidneys also remove many drugs and poisons from our blood.

When they work correctly, the kidneys are astoundingly efficient in removing all of these harmful substances. They filter 150 litres (about 40 gallons) of blood every day to achieve this feat. Not bad for a couple of organs each only the size of your fist!

Unfortunately, kidney disease is all too common; about 1 in 9 adults in the US have chronic kidney disease, decreasing the effectiveness of this toxin-removing system. The most common causes of kidney disease are diabetes and hypertension.

What happens when kidney function starts to decline? Initially, there are typically no symptoms. A decrease in kidney function down to as low as 30 per cent might allow a person to continue feeling quite well. Many people therefore develop quite severe

degrees of kidney disease without realizing it. So it's worth having your kidney function checked if you have any risk factors for kidney disease. We recommend screening for kidney disease in any person with diabetes, high blood pressure or a family history of kidney disease. The screening typically involves a blood and urine test and measurement of blood pressure. Many other medical conditions raise the risk of kidney disease; your doctor can tell you if you should be screened.

More severe kidney disease can cause many symptoms including weakness, fatigue, nausea, wasting, shortness of breath, itching etc. In the final stages of kidney disease, dialysis or transplantation becomes necessary to preserve life.

Fortunately, if kidney disease is detected early, there are very effective treatments which can slow down the decline in kidney function. It can be difficult to keep taking medicine to prevent a disease which isn't causing any symptoms at the time, but the long-term results of improved kidney function are well worth it.

## "Just Move It" In Ignacio



"Just Move It" is a Nation Wide Campaign to get American and Alaskan Natives together in their communities to get

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#### May Schedule Of Events

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Friday, May 29:  
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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

### SUMMER '09 INFORMATION

- Regular Summer Program: June 8 - August 19
- Extended Summer Program: Aug 20-Sept 3.
- Monday- Friday, 9-5pm @ SunUte. (Opens 7:30am)
- Must be ages 6-13 at time of attending.
- Tribal Member participants: \$10/year.
- Non-Tribal Member Participants: \$10/yearly membership PLUS required \$5/summer week.
- Scholarships available to support fees.
- Teen Leader positions available for ages 13-18.
- Must attend Open Registration to be eligible for summer program (current Club members included).
- Club Information Line: 563.4753

### OPEN REGISTRATION @ THE SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER

Tuesday, May 19 @ 6pm

Wednesday, May 20 @ noon

Tuesday, May 26 @ 6pm

Wednesday, May 27 @ noon

Saturday, May 30, 9am-noon (drop-in)

Saturday, June 6, 9am-noon (drop-in)

\*Must attend one Open Registration Meeting. Space is limited and for first registered Summer Club members.

### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Club is looking for community volunteers to help coordinator and/or implement the following programs: A Walking Club, Native Beading, Outdoor Skills or any other enriching class for youth to learn from. Contact Gina @ 563.0214.



## B&G Club Youth Of The Month

Shelsey Marie Lagerstrom



Hi! My name is Shelsey Marie Lagerstrom. My mother 'mis-spelled' my name, so it wouldn't be the same as my cousin Chelsea Elizabeth. I go to Ignacio Elementary School, and I am in third grade. I was born in the old hospital in Durango, CO. My mother is Maria Archuleta, and she was born in Durango, CO. My dad is Curtis Lagerstrom, and was born in Albuquerque, NM. He was raised in Portland, Oregon. He came down to this area with my great Uncle and Aunt, Uncle Archie and Aunt Gregg. My ancestors from my dad's side are Swedish-Norwegian, and from my mom's side are from Spain. I live nearby, Tiffany, CO. I am more like my mom, because I am a talker. I talk a lot, like my Aunt Karlyn.

My favorite sport is basketball and my favorite team is the Wildcats. The Wildcats is the team I play on. I like to swim, so

much so that my mom says "Your like a fish, you never want to get out of the water." My favorite foods are vegetables, fruit, and Chinese food. My favorite things to eat are salads, hot chili and pasta. I love to watch George Lopez on TV.

Boys and Girls Club is more fun than my daycare center, because there are too many babies there. I love to swim and rock climb in Boys and Girls Club. I am new in the BGC Leadership Council. I

have been in the BGC classes like Healthy Eats cooking class, Arts and Crafts, and Photography. I am excited to be the BGC Youth of the Month. I feel recognized for receiving this honor. I try to follow this teaching, "Do unto others, as you want done to yourself."

With that in mind, Shelsey has shown she is truly a leader in BGC, with her dynamic help in running the BGC kid survey, which Leadership Council is organizing.

## SUIMA Visits The Drum



Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students, under the instruction of Shawna Steffler, paid a professional visit to the Southern Ute Drum Production Room on Thursday May 14, 2009. The small group of students was given an overview of the production process from photograph to archive. Photographer Jeremy Wade Shockley explained the differences between traditional darkroom photography techniques and the modern "digital" workflow. Student portraits were taken on the spot to demonstrate the editing process as well as camera/flash techniques. The student were then assigned a small layout, design project using recycled Drum Newspapers for content. The students were encouraged to pursue photography, design and writing, perhaps even applying for yearbook and newspaper positions in school.

photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

## Bikin' Rodeo Style



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Southern Ute Montessori Academy Students and SUPD teamed up for Bike Rodeo last week. The event was geared towards bicycle safety and traffic laws; Don Folsom led the instruction course. SUIMA Students provided their own bicycles, helmets were provided, and a preset course was set using traffic signs and obstacles. Juliette Garlick and her fellow students hit the quarter mile track to warm up before taking on the obstacle course.

## Skills for Living & Learning



is accepting applications for the following summer & fall programs: Space is limited for these programs: call now to ensure your child a place.

### Reading, Writing and Rhythm Summer Program 2009

Academic and enrichment activities for children 3 through 12 years, with special attention to those children with developmental and academic challenges due to sensory processing disorder, ADD, AD/HD, ASD and other developmental and learning challenges. Sessions are Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm from June 2 to July 30 (except for the week of July 4) and include art, drama, music, physical and academic activities, occupational therapy and outdoor play. Call 884-3259 for registration information

### Piedra Learning Community School Year 2009-10

An alternative learning program for students ages 5 through 9 years to provide an effective, supportive and caring environment with small class size, individual learning programs, hands on learning, music, art and physical activities, occupational therapy support for children with challenges in sensory processing, coordination, visual perception, attention, behavior modulation due to learning disabilities, ADD, AD/HD, ASD and other challenges. Call 884-3259 for information

Occupational therapy is available for children during the 2009-10 school year in these two programs-----

**P.L.A.Y.** (Play & Learning Activities for Young children) a twice weekly play group for preschool age children who need support in reaching developmental milestones.

**S.K.I.L.L.S.** (School Kids In Listening & Learning Sessions) a weekly after school group for elementary age children with sensory processing disorder, ADD, AD/HD, ASD and other learning and developmental challenges.

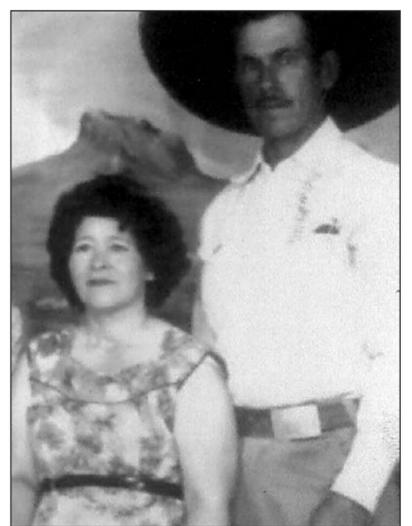
Medicaid and most insurances accepted – call 884-3259 for information

## In Remembrance From The Lucero Family



**John Lucero**

April 18, 1924 - March 7, 2005



**Macadonia Lucero**

Sept. 12, 1922 - May 3, 2009

## Southern Ute Tribal Members

Thinking About College?

The Southern Ute Higher Education Department will be holding informational meetings each month, at the Higher Education Building, about our Post Secondary Educational Scholarships.

Meeting Dates:

June 3rd, 5:30 pm - 7 pm • June 17th, 5:30 pm - 7 pm

Please call the Higher Education Department to reserve a spot on one of the dates (970) 563-0237. Refreshments Will Be Served!



# Congratulations, All Tribal Graduates, Class of 2009



**Ronan Atson**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Genevieve Baker**  
Santa Clara High School  
Oxnard, California



**Jasmine Bluehouse**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



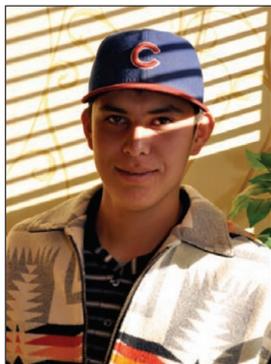
**Tiffany Bluehouse**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Natalie Bravo**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Paula Cox**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Loren Doughty**  
Durango High School  
Durango, Colorado



**Taylor Riley**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Windy Rock**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Thomas Romero**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Nalani Thompson**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



**Abel Velasquez**  
Ignacio High School  
Ignacio, Colorado



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**Not Pictured, but not forgotten:**  
*Tasha Herrera, Ignacio High School, Ignacio, Colorado*  
*India Sage, Ignacio High School, Ignacio, Colorado*  
*Morgan Bentley, Durango High School, Durango, Colorado*  
*Jacob Garlick, Durango High School, Durango, Colorado*  
*Kimberly Rivas, Pagosa Springs High School, Pagosa Springs, Colorado*  
*Desiree Lucero, Nicolet High School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin*

## Southern Ute Public Education Annual Senior Recognition Banquet



Southern Ute Public Education hosted the Annual Senior Recognition on May 15, 2009 at the Double Tree Ballroom in Durango, CO. Graduating seniors, family members, educational staff and Southern Ute Tribal Council, along with guests made up the dinner party. The Rolling Thunder Thunder Boyz drum group (top, left) kicked off the event with an honor song; Byron Frost gave the opening prayer. Guest speaker, LeAndra Bitsie, gave a heartfelt and passionate speech about personal choices and cultural pride. Individual speeches, gifts and a first class meal rounded out the evening. Tribal Council members (pictured from left) Alex Cloud, Ramona Eagle, Steve Herrera, and Jim Newton Jr. congratulate graduating senior Jasmine Bluehouse (top, right). Juvie Jones and Edwin McCaw, Superintendent and President of the Ignacio School District enjoy student remarks (left).

89TH ANNUAL  
**SOUTHERN UTE**  
TRIBAL FAIR & POWWOW  
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2009

SKY UTE EVENT CENTER (200 HWY 151)  
SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN RESERVATION • IGNACIO, CO

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TRIBAL FAIR POWWOW COMMITTEE: (970) 563-0100 EXT 2301/2460

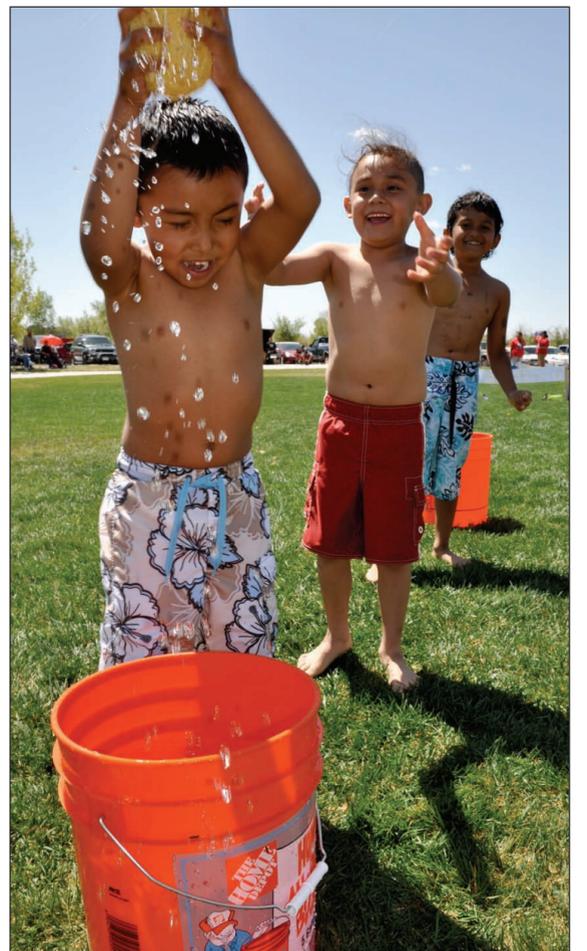
OTHER EVENTS HOSTED BY THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

<b>SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE</b> MAY 22-25, 2009 BEAR DANCE GROUNDS BEAR DANCING BEAR DANCE INFO: (970) 563-0100/0199 VENDOR INFO: (970) 563-0156	<b>SU BEAR DANCE POWWOW</b> MAY 22-23, 2009 SUN UTE COMMUNITY CENTER CONTEST POWWOW POWWOW INFO: (970) 563-0100 EXT 2301 POWWOW VENDOR INFO: (970) 563-4744
<b>SKY UTE CASINO POWWOW</b> JUNE 12-14, 2009 SKY UTE CASINO RESORT EVENTS CENTER CONTEST POWWOW CROWNING MISS INDIAN COLORADO CASINO POWWOW INFO: (970) 563-1755/1400 VENDOR INFO: (970) 564-1759/1760	<b>SOUTHERN UTE "49" POWWOW</b> OCTOBER 24, 2009 LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED SOCIAL POWWOW HAND DRUM CONTEST "49" POWWOW INFO: (970) 563-4741 VENDOR INFO: (979) 563-4741

**SU VETERAN'S MEMORIAL POWWOW**  
NOVEMBER 7, 2009  
SKY UTE CASINO RESORT EVENTS CENTER  
GOURD DANCING, POWWOW  
VETERANS POWWOW INFO: (970) 769-3395, (970) 563-0100 EXT 2338

THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL HEADQUARTERS ARE LOCATED IN IGNACIO, IN SOUTHWESTERN COLORADO, JUST 30 MINUTES SOUTHEAST OF DURANGO, COLORADO  
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What signifies the ending of another school year for the average pre-junior high student? Field Day of course!!! It's a chance to get out and get some fresh air, shake the cobwebs loose and stretch some muscles that have been used to sitting in a desk all school year. For the students of the (SUIMA) Southern Ute Indian Academy and the students of the Ignacio School district, grades 1-6, they surely enjoyed the warm sunny skies! Academy students enjoyed a Pirate-themed day, full of water activities, including "swabbing the deck", "water relay", "walking the plank" and "cannonball launch" Ignacio students navigated obstacle courses of hoops, bales of hay and tires. Other events also included a gunny-sack race and the ol' egg-on-a-spoon relay.



### 120th Annual Ute Mountain Ute Beardance Celebration

**May 29 - 31 & June 1, 2009**



**Friday, May 29, 2009**  
*Beardance Celebrations Begin . . .*

**PowWow - Grand Entry - 7 pm**  
Information: 970-570-9531  
Booth Rental: 970-564-5661  
Rental Deadline: May 27, 2009 - 1 pm

**Saturday, May 30, 2009**  
*Beardance all day . . .*

**Beardance Run - Sponsor, Whiteskunk Family**  
Pre-Registration: [www.beardancerun.com](http://www.beardancerun.com)  
Registration & Run: 7 am  
Entry fee: \$15.00  
Information: 505-899-2336

**Saturday, May 30, 2009 (continued)**

**Softball Tournament**  
Start: 8 am  
Entry fee: \$200.00  
Information: 970-564-5360

**Mud Bog**  
Start: 8 am + Parade  
Location: Mile 24.5/201 UMU Farm Road  
Entry Fees: Stock: \$25.00; Mod: \$30.00  
Super: \$40.00  
Admission Fees: Adult \$8.00 Kids \$5.00  
Information: 970-565-2081

**Parade - 10 am**  
Line up: Recreation Building 9:45 am  
Contact: 970-564-5731

**Handgames - Handgame Tent**  
Registration: 1:00 pm  
Games: 2:30 pm  
Entry fee: \$150.00 team (2-5 players)

**T-Shirt Shop - Handgame Tent**  
Open: 1:00 pm

**PowWow - Grand Entry 1 pm & 7 pm**  
Information: 970-570-9531

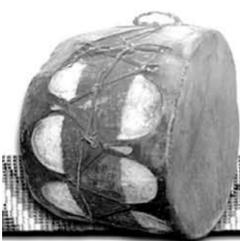
**Sunday, May 31, 2009**  
*Beardance all day . . .*

**Softball Tournament - Finals**  
Start: 8 am  
Information: 970-564-5360

**Monday, June 1, 2009**  
*Beardance all day . . . Feast Day*

**BEARDANCE CHIEFS:**  
Terry Knight Sr., John Wing,  
Thomas House Sr., Ira Cuthair,  
Boyd Lopez, Carl Cuthair Sr.

No Solicitors, No Alcohol,  
No Drugs Allowed  
NOT Responsible for Accidents,  
Thefts, Injuries or DIVORCES



## Girls' Track Reaches Last Junction

by Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

How could a classified-second ad read?

Lady Bobcats seeking a few good young women for 2010 [at the least].

Of course, 'few' preferably means 'many,' but few would be better than none.

And any will help IHS stand a better chance of rebuilding into a girls' track-and-field power. Previous experience welcomed, but all applicants will receive on-the-job training and lots of it. Positions open ASAP, see Coach Herrera for details.

Simply put, Ignacio's gutsy trio of 2009—all of whom can return for at least two more seasons—can't do it all by themselves, try as they might. And have. For sophomores Santana Rodriguez and Katelyn Siverson, along with post-soccer signups

Carly Barborinas, the season came to its end at the Class 2A-Region IV Championships in Grand Junction, May 8-9.

But all three had possible state berths in their minds.

Sivers came closest to locking up a spot inside Jeffco Stadium with a fourth-place finish in the pole vault, needing fewer tries to clear 7'0" than Christina Pantle of North Park [Walden]. Seven-six would have gotten her the third and final state transfer placing, and NPHS' Matti Irvine ended up winning the event at 8'0".

Sivers also attempted the 100-meter dash, but finished 12th in the heat races (14.70 seconds) and did not make the finals. She was, however, just 0.2 from making the finals of the 200, running tenth (30.12) in the prelims.

Rodriguez did make a final field, qualifying for the 100. She finished seventh in 14.29. She also took a top-ten in the high

jump, as her 4'4" fell in a three-way tie for ninth. She also came in 14th in the long jump with a best of 13'9.5".

Barborinas, a freshman, also fell in her bid to crack the 100's final race, coming in 15th in the prelims (15.01 seconds), and tied Paonia's Kelly Stewart for 15th (31.43) in the 200 prelims. Her best result inside Stocker Stadium was a 14th in the 1,600-meter run, with a time of 6:49.24. PHS' Johanna Reed won in 5:25.73, and went on to place second in Lakewood between Nederland sisters Kelley (5:19.14) and Kat (5:23.71) Robinson—crossing only 0.37 before the latter.

PHS—the regional's designated hosts—won the team title in GJ with 107.5 points, well clear of West Grand [Kremmling], who totaled 66. Crested Butte Community School was third with 61, and Ignacio came in 16th with a hard-earned seven points.

## 'Cats Hit Crowded Track In Lakewood

by Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Strictly by its soloists, Ignacio's three-for-three performance was solid.

Three qualifiers, three placers at the three-day 2009 Colorado State Track-and-Field Championships this past weekend.

But on a team basis, the trio (and one relay team) simply weren't enough for the Bobcats to battle the expanded—CHSAA includes 1A schools in with the 2A's for t-and-f—field gathered inside Jefferson County Stadium. All told, IHS finished even with Plateau Valley [Collbran] for 48th place overall, and teams all the way down to Dove Creek and Woodlin [Woodrow] earned points for their causes.

Ignacio and the Cowboys each totaled nine, the Bulldogs and Mustangs left Lakewood tied for 70th with a point per squad, while the Wray Eagles amassed a winning 109. Limon (102) and Akron (88) followed in the combined [boys' and girls' totals], with Holyoke (79) bringing fifth place back to their far northeastern nook.

Paonia (87) prevented an Eastern Plains top-five sweep with their fourth-place showing, but following HHS' Dragons were Wiggins (55.33), Rocky Ford (54), and Hoehne (53). Hayden (49) brought ninth place back to the northwest, but Miami-Yoder (49) took a half-share with them back east to the tiny town of Rush.

Going by gender, Wray defeated Mi-Yo for the 2A boys' title, 68-49, while Akron outdid Limon for the girls' laurels, 80-67.5. Ignacio's and PV's points were all gained on the boys' side, leaving them tied for 26th in that department.

For two IHS athletes it was their final prep action period, and both worked their way to the podium, although not as high up as any and every competitor

would like. Senior Abel Velasquez, amidst the event's buzz directed towards Buena Vista's Mason Finley, captured fifth in the 2A discus on Friday with a peak throw of 128'11". Norwood's Stryker Lane took first with 154'4", five inches better than Matt Watwood of Soroco [Oak Creek].

Eads junior Garrett Smith was third (137'2"), and Meeker junior Johnny Wix was fourth (136'0"). Finley won the 3A title with an all-class, meet-record heave of 214'1".

Senior Raudel Lucero also earned two team points Friday for Ignacio with his eighth-place finish in the pole vault, though his height of 10'6" tied him with sixth-place Al Silva of West Grand [Kremmling] and seventh-placer Ricky Gamblin, also from WGHS. Idalia's Luke Terrell topped 2A with a best of 13'3", nine inches higher than Volves teammate Logan Ramseier.

David Kelly of Limon and Jonny Ornelas of Sedgwick County [Julesburg] tied for third, as both cleared the bar at 12 feet, but could go no higher.

Finally, there was Oakley Hayes. Coming off a preliminary/finals sweep of the 400-meter dash at the 2A-Region IV Championships in Grand Junction two weeks ago, expectations were no doubt running higher [or faster?] for the IHS junior than they'd been all season.

Hayes' heat race—the second wave—at state produced a fourth-place time of 51.80 seconds, an improvement on his initial 5-seed status, and a spot in the finals. It was also a tenth of a second faster than his winning pass inside Stocker Stadium.

However in Saturday's medal race, Wray senior Jake Beckman laid down a 49.92—which would have landed him third in Class 4A and seventh in 5A—run, setting an almost too-terrid pace. Evangelical Christian Academy [Colo. Springs] junior Nick Bennett booked a 50.21 for sec-

ond, and Holyoke junior Kyle Carper ran 51.01 for third. Hayes' 52.17 was good for eighth.

The Bobcats' 4x400 relay (Hayes, Ethan Pearson, Shane Brooks, Chance Wyatt) was unable to survive Thursday's brutal prelims, finishing 14th out of 15 foursomes in a time of 3:41.50. Wray went on to win the event in 3:26.16, clinching the boys' championship at that point.

REGIONALS ROUND-UP: The Ignacio boys finished fourth at the May 8-9 meet in Grand Junction with 56 points, trailing Hayden (58), runners-up Dolores (75), and champions Paonia (106). And in addition to those who turned in state-worthy efforts, several more competed for, but came up short in their quest to compete at Jeffco.

Place-winners were: Hayes in the 200-meter dash (fifth, 24.55), Wyatt in the open 400 (seventh, 54.78), Velasquez in the discus (third, 133'1") and shot (sixth, 44'4"), Brooks in the discus (fourth, 131'0"), Alex Herrera in the shot (fifth, 44'9.5"), Dusty Mangus in the pole vault (sixth, 9'6"), and Lucero in the pole vault (second, 10'6").

The 4x200-meter relay took fourth with a 1:38.05, while the 4x4 was third (3:38.32).

Brenden Ruybal (2:42.86) and Antonio Thompson (2:47.65) were 15th and 17th, respectively, in the 800-meter run, sandwiching Meeker's Cameron Glasscock (2:44.38). Brooks tied for 11th in the high jump (5'4"), but fell in the 400 prelims (14th, 56.54).

Ruybal was also 16th in the 300-meter hurdle prelims, clocking 51.04. Wyatt and Russell Hubert tried the 100-meter dash, but fell in the heat races, taking 19th and 21st, respectively in times of 12.68 and 12.94 seconds. Hubert was also 29th in the 200-meter prelims (26.37), Jay Black was 31st in the 100 prelims (13.45), and Diamond Morgan was 40th in the 200 prelims (27.66).

## Rams' Boss To Teach Area V-Ballers

by Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

If you're a high school volleyball player, you probably want to look into this.

Always able to make do with more in-state recruits than out, Colorado State head coach Tom Hilbert—tenth among active NCAA Division I coaches in career winning percentage at .761—will be running an all-skills camp June 4-5 at Bayfield High School.

The camp, with a \$100 fee, is open to all in grades 9-12 but is limited to just 56 players, so all interested must inquire about availability as quickly as possible.

BHS head coach Kelley Rifilato is the primary contact, but Ignacio's omni-volleyball-present Terene Foutz (769-0219, or e-mail at coacht4u2@aol.com) will likely also have the 411.

With seven former Centennial State prep on its 2008 roster, State went 23-7 overall last fall, upping Hilbert's career record to 481-151 overall, and 307-79 with the Rams since his 1997 arrival. CSU also made the NCAA Tournament for the 14th straight season—the twelfth time with Hilbert at the helm—and extended their two-year unbeaten home record to 30-0. In fact, only 21 of Hilbert's losses have come inside Moby Arena, where his percentage is an amazing .891.

State came in 24th in the final Bison/AVCA Division I Coaches' Top 25 Poll, after falling in Gainesville to eventual #10 Florida in the Big Dance's second round.

Simply put, Hilbert knows volleyball, and knows volleyball in Colorado. And I wrote 'probably' above, but I meant 'definitely.' You definitely want to look into this.

IN ADDITION: BHS has extended an invitation to all mid-school, high-school, and post-school spikers to partake in a women's doubles tournament, June 6 on the Wolverine Country Stadium field. Last year's event drew in 86 players, and Rifilato hopes to see the 2009 edition grow larger.

### Youth Volleyball Summer Camp 2009 SunUte Community Center

CAMP I: Incoming 7th and 8th Grade Girls • June 30 - July 2, 2009, 12:00 - 5:00 pm  
CAMP II: Incoming 4th - 6th Grade Girls • July 7 - July 9, 2009, 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Deadline To Register: June 26, 2009 • Entry Fee: \$35.00 per child, Registration starts May 13, 2009.  
Four Corners Volleyball Coach Terene Foutz and Ignacio Junior High Assistant Coach, Jenn Sirios will be running the program.  
Space is limited! Bring your swimming suit, a healthy snack, knee pads and tennis shoes. Sign up at SunUte Front Desk. For more information contact Jennifer Sirios (970) 563-0214.

### SunUte Memorial Day Hours for Monday, May 25, 2009, Will be 8am- 5pm. Pool will close at 4:30 pm.

### SUNUTE AGE REQUIREMENTS RULES?

SunUte would like to remind all parents/kids to help SunUte Staff this summer by following the Age Requirements of the building:

#### AGES 13 AND OVER

May be unaccompanied in the facility

#### AGES 8 TO 12 YEARS

May be unaccompanied by an adult in the POOL & GYM ONLY.  
They must be accompanied in all other areas (including locker rooms) by an adult.

#### AGES 7 AND UNDER

MUST be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

The term "responsible adult" may include individuals 16 years and older with SunUte management approval.

WE APPRECIATE THE HELP AND HOPE EVERYONE HAS A FUN AND SAFE SUMMER!

### PLANNING A SMALL BIRTHDAY PARTY?

For the month of June, July and August SunUte Community Center will only have one room (Capote Room) available for rent due to summer programming needs.  
One room will hold comfortably 35- 45 people with tables and chairs.

The cost of renting the one room is \$15/hour (tribal/community rate).  
For the price of the room SunUte will provide the following:

- 1/2 hour set up time before event
- Room will be set up according to your instruction
- Kitchen access only if you need to warm up or store food items
- 1/2 hour after event time for clean up

Renter is responsible for the following:

- Cleaning up room & disposing of trash in trash can
- Wiping down tables and chairs
- Vacuuming floors

Call us at 563-0214 or stop by if you have further questions!

## 7TH ANNUAL SKY UTE CASINO CONTEST POW-WOW

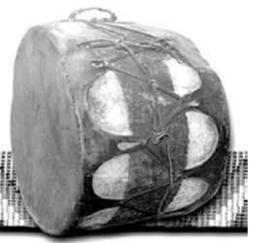
**DANCING INTO THE FUTURE  
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IGNACIO, CO

**JUNE 12-14, 2009**  
POW-WOW CONTEST OVER \$50,000  
HAND GAME \$20,000

<b>HOST:</b> M.C.: Bart Powauke N. DRUM: Blacklodge, Whiteswan, WA S. Drum: Youngbird, Pawnee, OK Arena Dir.: Marty Pinnecoose, Seattle, WA Drum Judge: Bruce LaClaire, Durango, CO Head Gourd Dancer: Andrew Frost, Ignacio CO Head Gourd Drum: TBD	<b>CONTEST:</b> Golden Age: Men & Womens 18-55 Men & Women N & S Traditional Jingle, Fancy 13-17 Teen Boys & Girls Contest 7-12 Jr. Boys & Girls Contest
<b>SPECIAL CONTESTS:</b> Fathers Day Traditional & Fancy Adult Men & Women Switch Teen Switch *Memorial Golden Age Southern Buckskin	

Pow-Wow Info: Molly Cotton 970-563-1755 / Mikki Roubideaux 970-563-1400  
Vendor: Dustin Weaver 970-563-1759 / Shannon Brown 970-563-1760  
Registration: Bobbie Briscoe 970-563-1393  
Hand Game: Mike Santistevan 970-563-0255  
Hotel Reservations: 970-563-7777 / 1800-876-7017  
Website: www.skyutecasino.com  
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## Crisis Leadership Seminar



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

A Crisis Leadership and Decision Making for Elected Officials Seminar was held on May 14, 2009 in the Bonnie Kent Room of the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The seminar was a joint presentation by Sam Gonzales and Jim McClung under the banner of Homeland Security, funded by the DHS/FEMA. Representatives from La Plata County, City of Durango, Bayfield, Ignacio and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe were all present. The presentation touched on: planning for effective disaster response, leadership and decision-making during a crisis, and complex, multi-jurisdictional coordination. These points were driven home by citing failures and communication breakdowns in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, followed by a slideshow of events resulting from the disaster. This seminar resulted in the creation of an action plan charting steps to improve emergency preparedness while strengthening the efforts of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in emergency response.

## Red Willow Doin' Their Part



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

An adopted stretch of highway sits between Oxford and Ignacio Colorado, under the banner of Red Willow. Twice a year Red Willow employees take a day out of their normal routine, and hit the road with trash bags and leather gloves. The clean up is done in conjunction with Colorado's DOT, who provides safety gear and is responsible for collection of bagged trash. With blue skies, warm weather, and plenty of work to do, these volunteers broke into separate groups and cleaned trash from fences, grassland and waterways along both sides of the county road. Pictured at left, Jerald Nez cleans a fence line; Billy Schultheiss pulls a plastic tarp from the cattaill (above) while Jerald and Andy Young fill another trash bag. The Red Willow Highway Clean Up took place on the morning of Thursday, May 7, 2009. Enjoy the view and please help to keep our highways and public lands litter free for future generations!

## ... As Well As The Community



photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

During Clean Up Week in Ignacio, residents of Cedar Point and Ignacio Peak divisions were hard at work on Saturday, May 9, 2009 to clean up the accumulative trash and debris in their respective areas. The Southern Ute Community Resources Division, headed by Resource Officers, Don Folsom and Gail Pena assisted with the clean up. Pictured here Cynthia Buckskin, Ignacio peak resident scouers the sagebrush for trash, which then gets bagged and then loaded in trucks and trailers for disposal.

## Ignacio Creek Restoration • from page 2

country and can have harmful effects on drinking water supplies, recreation, fisheries, and wildlife.

### Background

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Nonpoint Source Program has addressed sources of nonpoint source pollution through streambank restoration and the agricultural Cost Share program. The Cost Share program is a 95-5% cost share to fund projects focused on increasing irrigation efficiency through the conversion of flood irrigation to gated pipe, side roll sprinklers, pivot irrigation, and closed pipe delivery systems. These projects reduce water loss from run-off and seepage and give the operator more control of water, which reduces the amount of water needed to achieve production goals. In addition, riparian fencing, grazing management, off-channel livestock water developments, catchment ponds, green belts, stream bank stabilization and integrated resource management help to enhance overall watershed health. A total of 457 acres in the Los Pinos Watershed are currently under BMPs implementation through the Cost-share Program, all of which have been funded through the \$319 competitive funding opportunity.

The WQP has successfully completed eight stream bank stabilization projects within the Los Pinos sub-watershed since 1999 utilizing \$319 funds. Six of the eight projects were performed on the Rock Creek watershed (including Ignacio Creek, a tributary of Rock Creek), completing approximately three miles of restoration. All the project sites were negatively impacted by high return flow irrigation and degraded riparian zones which led to

bank erosion, increased temperature, and loss of aquatic habitat. Construction of grade control structures, root wads, deflectors, bank stabilization, exclusion fencing and re-vegetation with native trees, shrubs and grasses are beginning to reduce the negative impacts of improper land management. Improvements on Rock Creek include habitat creation for aquatic and terrestrial species, increased capacity for stream processes, and native tree, shrub, and perennial grass establishment. Monitored improvements suggest an increase in macroinvertebrate diversity, higher dissolved oxygen levels, and lower temperatures and turbidity.

### Education and Outreach

The WQP has just recently begun collaborating with Fort Lewis College to coordinate

Internships and also on Tuesday May 12 educating the Stream Ecology class of Biology majors on how to do Stream Assessments for stream classifications based on Dave Rosgen's approach. Rosgen's approach to river classification is based upon comparing a stable stretch of a river or stream that has similar characteristics to an unstable stretch or river or stream. The reference or stable reach is then used in the design of restoration to the unstable reach. The stream assessment was conducted on a reach of Ignacio Creek (SW of CR 314) that was restored in April 2008. The data will be used to compare to the data previously collected. The WQP taught how to do cross section analysis, longitudinal profile, and pebble counts.

## SUIT TRIBAL MEMBERS & TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAMS RECEIVE 50% OFF WHITEWATER RIVER TRIP FEES

(Discount price dependent on companies listed fees)

If interested contacted the following companies for details or the Tribe's Division of Wildlife, ask for Josh: (970) 563-0130, ext 2412

### Mild 2 Wild

(970) 247-4789 or www.mild2wildrafting.com

### Mountain Waters

800-748-2507 www.durangorafting.com

### Outlaw River Tours

(970) 259-1800 or www.outlawtours.com

### Durango RiverTrippers

(970) 259-0289

### Durangers (fly fishing guides)

(970) 385-4081

## Happy Birthdays!



### Larenz W.

It seems like yesterday you were born and when you were just in your diapers, and know look at you, a handsome young boy, Happy Belated 7th Birthday, We are very happy for you.

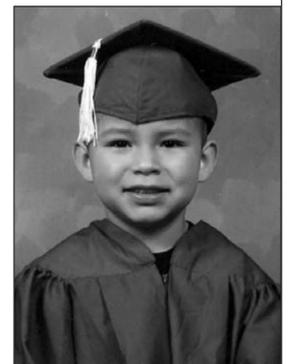
Love, Harlan's



### "Happy Birthday Bernadine"

Omg, you are getting old, I am 13 years old now and I bet you are three times of my age, Ha ha ha, I love you mommy, You enjoy your day!

With lots of love, your son, Stais H.



### "Happy Birthday EZ!"

I just want to wish a very Happy 5th Birthday to Ezekiel Jordan Howell on April 26th! I can't believe you are already gonna be 5! Where has the time gone! It seems like just yesterday I was sitting here doing this same thing for your 5th Birthday! And here we are a whole year later and you have changed so much! You are growing up to fast for me son! You are quite anxious to learn and want to know about everything and you ask a million questions! I am so glad that you want to learn! You are keeping me and everyone around you busy! I'm so proud of you son, and I want you to know I love you so much! I hope that you have the best day ever and enjoy being with everyone that loves and cares about you! And I hope you get everything you want! Happy birthday baby! I love you!

Love Always, Momma

### Happy Belated Birthday Wah-tu-see

Hope your Cinco De Mayo Celebration was mucho gusto, and you celebrated it in a good way. It's good to know your outside, enjoying what life has to offer. Continue your good ways and the Creator will Bless you for your efforts.

From the entire Red Family!





Memorial

Tahgum-soo-we-knee why-koo spiku-up (12)

May 22, 2009



# MEMORIAL DAY 2009

## DAY OF REMEMBRANCE



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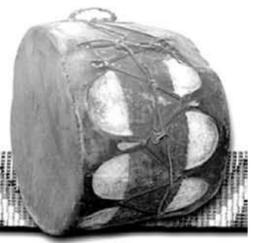
**The Southern Ute Veterans Association**  
in cooperation with  
**The Southern Ute Indian Tribe**

**Memorial Day: Monday, May 25, 2009**  
**Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park - 10am**

May 22, 2009

Payne-knee pu-ah-gut (13)

Bear Dance



# SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE

**MAY 22-25, 2009**

**BEAR DANCE GROUNDS - IGNACIO, CO**

**BLESSING OF THE GROUNDS**

**MAY 22 (10:30AM)**

**BEAR DANCE FEAST, MAY 25**

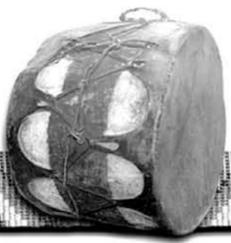
**BEAR DANCE CHIEF - MATTHEW BOX**

**BEAR DANCE SUB-CHIEF - JAKE RYDER**

**BEAR DANCE INFO: (970) 563-0199 • VENDOR INFO: (970) 563-0156**



**WOMEN MUST BE IN A DRESS WHILE BEAR DANCING. NO PHOTOGRAPHY OR RECORDING OF THE BEAR DANCE OF ANY KIND! (EXCEPT BY UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS). THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, INJURIES OR THEFT. BY ORDER OF THE SOUTHERN UTE POLICE DEPARTMENT - THE PINE RIVER IS RESTRICTED.**



## Request For Proposal (RFP)

**MOBILE STORAGE SHELVING  
SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM**

**OWNER:**  
*Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
Construction & Project Management Dept.  
P.O. Box 737  
116 Mouache Drive  
Ignacio, Colorado 81137  
970-563-0138*

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe requests proposals from vendors to provide mobile storage shelving for the new Cultural Center & Museum.

Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 3:30 PM MDT, Thursday, June 25, 2009. Submittals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Marquita Gonzales for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or [mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us).

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. A bid preference of 5% will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned companies must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. The TERO will certify any Native American owned business after filing the appropriate documents. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at (970) 563-0117.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Sky Ute Casino Resort, 14324 Hwy. 172, Ignacio, Colorado, has applied for a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council will consider the issuances of a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License on June 3, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. in the Tribal Council Chambers, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, CO.

Written comments may be sent to:  
Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
Department of Justice & Regulatory  
Office of Tax & Liquor  
P.O. Box 737 MS#10  
Ignacio, CO 81137

Any questions regarding this application may be directed to Ms. Janelle Doughty, Director of Justice & Regulatory, at (970) 563-0292.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING, COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 24-6-402, C.R.S., that the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs will conduct a public meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2009 in Towaoc, Colorado.

The meeting will be held at the Ute Mountain Ute Casino/Conference Center, 3 Weeminuche Drive at Yellow Jacket, Towaoc, Colorado 81334. For directions and parking instructions, please contact: (970) 565-8800.

For further information, including a copy of the agenda, please contact Ernest House, Jr., Executive Secretary of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs at (303) 866-3027 or [Ernest.House@state.co.us](mailto:Ernest.House@state.co.us).

**Educators of Ignacio  
Appreciation  
Open House**

Tierra Group would like to honor Ignacio's Educators and say thank-you for your hard work and dedication. Please join us on May 20th at 3:30pm at 506 Tranquilo Court, Ignacio, Colorado.

**Directions:**  
From Hwy. 172 in Ignacio turn west onto Becker St., left onto Romero Drive.

Receive a "goodie bag" as a token of our appreciation.  
Food and Beverages

Please R.S.V.P. by May 13th by calling 259-4571 or email [sotoole@tierrallc.com](mailto:sotoole@tierrallc.com).

970.259.4571 tierrallc.com

### Local Graduations

#### Ignacio High School Graduation

May 23, 2009, 10:00 am  
Ignacio High School  
Info: (970) 563-0515

#### Ignacio Head Start Graduation

May 29, 2009, 4:00 pm  
Ignacio Head Start Gym  
Info: (970) 563-4566

*The Drum Staff Would Like To Congratulate All Graduates of 2009!*

### Home Chore Program In Ignacio

Serving eligible residents 55 years and older within the Ignacio School District, SUCAP Senior Center has begun a Home Chore Program performing safety checks within your home, install grab bars if feasible, check/install smoke or carbon monoxide alarms, and minor home repairs.

Information please call  
Kathy (970) 563-4561

### CenturyTel offers telephone assistance to individuals living on Tribal Lands

Consumers living on a federally-recognized tribal land may qualify for assistance programs that discount initial telephone installation and basic monthly residential service. CenturyTel is spreading the word about the programs so tribal residents who participate in federal or state assistance programs may apply for the phone discounts.

The assistance programs, known as Link-Up and Enhanced Tribal Lifeline, are available to qualifying tribal residents and vary from state to state, depending on whether the state has its own Lifeline program. Link-Up support for tribal lands provides a discount on the initial installation of a traditional, wireline telephone for a primary residence. The Enhanced Tribal Lifeline Assistance program enables participants to receive basic monthly telephone service, depending on current rates, at their primary residence for as little as one dollar a month.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline discounts of up to \$35 per month on basic monthly telephone service and up to \$70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the following programs: Medicaid, food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Head Start, Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF), Tribal National School Lunch Program, and Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, or have a household annual gross income at or below 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

Individuals living in a CenturyTel service area should call 800-201-4099 and ask for Tribal Lifeline or visit [www.centurytel.com/lifeline](http://www.centurytel.com/lifeline) to inquire about eligibility. Residents living outside of the CenturyTel service area should contact their local phone company for more information.

**CENTURYTEL** personal touch ■ advanced communications  
lifeline NON-SAU [www.centurytel.com](http://www.centurytel.com)

### TRIBAL OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009

IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY, NORMAL OFFICE HOURS ON TUES., MAY 26.

### IN THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COURT OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE • ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION

**IN PROBATE NO. 08-174-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **ELDRED ALVIN VIGIL, JR.**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009 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 14th day of APRIL, 2009.  
**KELLY HERRERA, Deputy Court Clerk**

**IN PROBATE NO. 09-058-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **CLIFTON JOSEPH GREANY**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **FRIDAY, MAY 29 2009 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 day of APRIL, 2009.  
**TRENNIE R. BURCH, Deputy Court Clerk**

**IN PROBATE NO. 08-191-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **DAVID BENT BOX**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **MONDAY, MAY 29, 2009 AT 10:00 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 7th day of APRIL, 2009.  
**TRENNIE R. BURCH, Deputy Court Clerk**

**IN PROBATE NO. 09-0180-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **HAROLD JEROME GROVE, JR.**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009 AT 10:00 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 13th day of MARCH, 2009.  
**DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk**

**IN PROBATE NO. 09-014-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **NAOMI RED**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009 AT 10:00 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 5th day of MAY, 2009.  
**DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk**

**IN PROBATE NO. 09-086-PR**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: **SHONIE SPRING BAKER**, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE 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 **THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009 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 20th day of MAY, 2009.  
**KELLY HERRERA, Deputy Court Clerk**

See [SkyUteCasino.com](http://SkyUteCasino.com) for all gaming promotions & entertainment information!

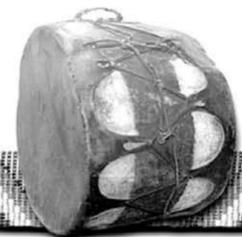
# BONUS PENNY JACKPOTS

**Thursday - Sunday from 4 - 10 p.m.**

Customers who win a locked jackpot of \$199 or below on specified penny machines could have their jackpot doubled! Winning customers will spin the wheel and could win \$100, \$200, \$500, or have their jackpot doubled!

Visit the Club Sky Ute Player's Center for more information and complete rules. Management reserves the right to change or cancel this promotion at any time without prior notice. Winner must be present to win. Any locked jackpot \$199 or below.

14324 Hwy 172 N. Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-7777  
[www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com)



**SOUTHERN UTE GROWTH FUND - POSITIONS**

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • PO Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • (970) 563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com

*Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.*

**Director of Executive and Construction**  
Closing Date 5/26/09 - Red Cedar Gathering Co. Providing safe execution and construction management, cost control, schedule control, coordination with engineering and operations on all major projects, pipeline systems, compression facilities and processing plants.

**Office Clerk**  
Closing Date 5/26/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Cortez, CO. Providing general clerical duties and support to include answering the telephone, greeting visitors, document management and storage, both hard and soft copy, and typing of correspondence.

**Office Clerk**  
Closing Date 5/26/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Farmington, NM. Providing general clerical duties and support to include answering the telephone, greeting visitors, document management and storage, both hard and soft copy, and typing of correspondence.

**Concrete Mixer Truck Driver**  
Closing Date 5/27/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, CO. Delivering concrete/gravel products from the batch plant/gravel pit to customers, as well as performing daily maintenance checks and minor repairs on concrete mixer/dump truck.

**Concrete Mixer Truck Driver**  
Closing Date 5/27/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Farmington, NM. Delivering concrete/gravel products from the batch plant/gravel pit to customers, as well as performing daily maintenance checks and minor repairs on concrete mixer/dump truck.

**Heavy Equipment & Crusher Operator**  
Closing Date 5/27/09 - Gallup Sand & Gravel Routine maintenance and safe operation of the crushing plant, to include the jaw crusher, cone crusher, screen deck, generator set and associated conveyor belts and other heavy equipment.

**Support Analyst**  
Closing Date 5/27/09 - So. Ute Shared Services Production support of PeopleSoft, Kronos and other Shared Services applications for the end

user/customer. Provide enterprise-wide applications support with emphasis on the functional view of the production applications. Provides day-to-day support related to the PeopleSoft, Kronos and other Shared Services applications.

**Pre-cast Concrete Operation Foreman**  
Closing Date 5/28/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Farmington, NM. Day-to-day pre-cast concrete manufacturing operations, ensuring compliance with safety rules, regulations and company policies and procedures, and supervision of pre-cast truck drivers, operators and laborers.

**Mechanic/Serviceman**  
Closing Date 5/28/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, CO. Will provide maintenance of equipment and support of the Redi-mix, crushing, and asphalt operation.

**Mechanic/Serviceman**  
Closing Date 5/28/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Farmington, NM. Provide maintenance of equipment and support of the Redi-mix, crushing, and asphalt operation.

**Foreman Crusher Operations**  
Closing Date 5/29/09 - Sky Ute Sand & Gravel Durango, CO. Day-to-day operations of the crusher(s) to include meeting production goals, inspecting and maintaining the plants and gravel pit operating area per designated maintenance schedules, ensuring compliance with environmental, health and safety permits, plans, rules, regulations and company policies, and, for the supervision of all mine/crusher personnel.

**Health and Safety Compliance Specialist**  
Closing Date 6/1/09 - GF Regulatory Compliance (SECMG) Program and standard operating procedure development and review, conducting health and safety inspections and audits, conducting noise, dust, and atmospheric monitoring, managing and tracking compliance tasks, conducting PSM/RMP audits and facilitating training. Provides health and safety services to the oil and gas, sand and gravel, utilities, land development and construction industries.

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - POSITIONS**

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 Phone: (970) 563-0100 • Fax: (970) 563-0396

\*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

**CHR (Elders Services)**  
Closes 5/26/09 - Providing assistance in the coordination and development of activities for elderly and physically or mentally handicapped Tribal members. Performs community health representative duties to include patient transport and monitoring, conducting classes, and providing community education on Tribal health issues.

**Construction Crew Leader**  
Closes 6/1/09 - Supervises assigned construction repairmen, provides repairs to eligible clients homes.

**Administrative Assistant (Housing)**  
Closes 6/3/09 - Performs administrative support for the Housing Department, including secretarial duties, receptionist, clerical and information system support, including office records management services.

**Dialysis Driver**  
Closing Date 6/3/09 - Provides transportation and other needed services for Southern Ute Tribal member Health Services clients.

**Housing Project Administrator**  
Closes 6/3/09 - Works under the supervision of the Director of Housing to coordinate all functions and activities related to construction projects, providing oversight to projects through completion.

**Forest Technician**  
Closes 6/10/09 - Incumbent is under general supervision of the Forester, represents the Forestry Division in a positive professional manner while assisting in the implementation and coordination of multiple and varied forestry projects.

**YNR Crew Member (4 Positions)**  
Temporary summer position for Southern Ute tribal member high school students who are 16 years of age or older. Although Southern Ute Tribal members receive hiring preference, other individuals enrolled in other federally recognized tribes or decedents of Southern Ute Tribal members will also be considered based upon availability. YNR Crewmembers are assembled into a 4 man crew that reports directly to the YNR crew leader. The YNR crew performs a variety of functions associated with environmental education and various disciplines of natural resource management.

**Financial Literacy Program Trainer**  
Open Until Filled - Trainer position for an Enrolled Tribal Member or local Native American to conduct classes for the Financial Literacy Program for Tribal Members. The goal of the Financial Literacy Program is to enhance the knowledge of Tribal Members in day to day financial decisions including banking, utilization of credit and investing.

**Gaming Investigator II**  
Open Until Filled - Under general supervision of the Investigator III, incumbent regulates and controls Class II and Class III gaming on the Southern Ute Reservation.

**Patrol Officer**  
Open Until Filled - Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community.

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe Job Hotline • (970) 563-4777**

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week! The job hotline lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly. \* Applications for Temporary Employment are accepted at the Human Resources Department on an on-going basis. Applications are kept on file for 6 months.

**TERO**

Tribal Employment Rights Office

TERO Office • PO Box 737 #34, 116 Mouache Dr., Ignacio, CO, 81137  
Phone: (970) 563-0117 or 563-0100 Ext. 2294 • Fax: (970) 563-4824

**Plant Engineer**  
Position Location: South of Durango, CO  
With minimal supervision, plans, develops and coordinates engineering projects for algae Pilot Production facility. Provides general engineering support for facility and assists operations and maintenance activities. Provide system engineering and technical support to maximize plant reliability, efficiency, safety, and regulatory compliance. Provide technical expertise and assistance in general engineering and maintenance processes. Manage projects such as (but not limited to) wastewater treatment facilities, pump stations, and lift stations. Work with technical staff to create and implement standard preventive and corrective maintenance procedures. Back up the Plant Manager in that person's absence.

**Plant Manager**  
Position Location: Durango, CO  
This position is responsible for performing a number of operations involved in producing microalgae and ensuring process and product quality. Check various parameters of algae production systems by conducting field analysis via spectroscopy. Gather data from reactors and manage routine data collection.

**Solix BioFuels Company Background**

The Solix vision is to unlock the complex secrets of one of the simplest organisms on earth, microalgae, to create a commercially viable biofuel that will play a vital role in solving climate change and petroleum scarcity. Becoming a member of the Solix team includes the ability to be self-motivated, a team player, possess excellent communication skills, and have the ability to adapt to the fast paced environment of a rapidly growing company. Solix Biofuels offers a very competitive compensation package, including an attractive benefit package (health, dental, and vision insurance, 401k, and paid time off).

TERO is currently taking applications for the new museum construction. If you have any skills in electrical or construction please apply at TERO. You will need to bring a photo ID, social security card and TRIBAL ID or CIB with you.

We are also in need of flaggers, electricians, heavy equipment operators, CDL truck drivers, archaeologist, archaeologist technicians, gas field technicians and rafting guides. There are not any current closing dates for these positions. All applicants must contact TERO to apply and for more information.

tion. Report on collected data. Make batch recipes and harvest algae. Perform dewatering operations and operate centrifuge and other equipment involved in algae harvest. Make adjustments to control and feed equipment. Monitor inventory levels of supplies and orders replacement parts and supplies. May assist technicians in diagnosing equipment and system issues and related repairs.

**Research Associate**  
Position Location: Coyote Gulch Pilot Site  
Solix Biofuels is currently searching for a Research Associate to join their dynamic team at the Durango, Colorado pilot plant location. Becoming a member of the Solix team requires the ability to be self-motivated, a team player, possess excellent communication skills, and have the ability to adapt to the fast paced environment of a rapidly growing company. Assist senior biologist in quality assurance program of large scale production site. Assist senior biologist in daily operations of the analytical laboratory. Run daily sampling operations, biological assays, and data collection for QC program. Assist in outside production operations along with other operation team members as necessary.

**For Sale**

**Entertainment Cntr.** 2-piece, holds 64" flatscreen TV. \$550.

**Stereo System:** 2-Memphis 12" Subs., 1000w Power Reference Memphis 1 Channel Amp. 4-Kicker 6x9 speakers, Embroidered, ported Memphis box, Pioneer P3600 deck. Rated in Top 5 "Loudest System" in Durango. Must sell ASAP! Call for price.  
**(970) 779-8306 or 563-0395**

**House For Rent**

2 bdrm, 1 bath, 2 miles from Navajo State Park in Arboles. House has great lake view. \$1200 a month. 1st & last months rent + security deposit due at signing. 6 month or 1 year lease available.  
**Call Jenny (970) 769-0294.**

**Advertise In The Southern Ute Drum Classifieds • Business Cards Employment • For Sale**

**Wanted To Buy • Display Ads**  
**(970) 563-0118 • 356 Ouray Dr., Ignacio, CO**  
**[sudrum@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:sudrum@southern-ute.nsn.us)**

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Vacancy**

Open Until Filled - The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has ONE vacancy for an Alternate on the Election Board. All Board Members must be registered Tribal voters and must reside on Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The selected individual cannot be a Tribal Council Member, a candidate for the Tribal Council, and must not have been convicted of a Felony. Also applicants must not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. This is a paid committee. All interested Tribal Members, who would like to serve on this committee, are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department located in the Leonard C. Burch Building.

**SUCAP**

Southern Ute Community Action Program  
Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • (970) 563-4517  
Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices.

**Family Health Coordinator**  
SUCAP Early/Head Start - Open Until Filled  
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