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SPOTLIGHT ON...

Natural Resources

The Drum continues its exploration of the tribe's Department of Natural Resources in its second of the four-issue series. In this issue, with summer quickly approaching, we take a look at some of the issues affecting the land their impact on local wildlife.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

A feral horse moves through the sagebrush, rejoining a herd known to frequent the grazing areas on the eastern side of Southern Ute Reservation. Feral horses continue to put pressure on resources already made scarce by drought conditions, feeding themselves year round. Grazing areas for cattle and wildlife such as deer and elk suffer as a result.

Tribe seeks to lure feral horses from reservation

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Range Division is working to remove feral horses from rangeland and wildlife habitat along the eastern side of Southern Ute Reservation lands.

The division is using a contract company, the New Mexico-based Mt Taylor Mustangs, which uses a unique approach that relies

on a bait system to lure the horses into captivity.

IMPACT OF FERAL HORSES

Horse problems on Southern Ute rangelands started around 2001 with just a dozen feral horses, said Range Division Head Jason Mietchen. Unclaimed, these horses bear no ownership brands and possess no real market val-

ue, he said.

Over time, the population of horses turned loose has begun compounding — not just on Southern Ute lands, but across the West, he said.

"[It creates a] huge impact to tribal lands," Mietchen said, adding that the animals will graze year round when left unchecked.

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Tribe, town unite to address mosquito problems

By Beth Satistevan
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

Summertime is approaching, when we start spending more time outside.

This season around the Southern Ute Reservation usually entices us to try some kind of outdoor activity — hiking, biking, fishing, softball, or taking in some Little League games. Whatever the activity might be, there's one thing they all have in common: mosquitos.

Today, we have more concerns with mosquitos than we ever did 20 years ago, the most prominent and dangerous being airborne illnesses, such as West Nile virus.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Town of Ignacio have signed an agreement to share costs on a contract with Colorado Mosquito Control Inc. for the next three years to control the mosquito population on and around the reservation and the town.

Colorado Mosquito Control utilizes a technique called "integrated pest management." According to the agreement, it's "a process consisting of the balanced

use of cultural, biological, and least-toxic chemical procedures that are environmentally compatible and economically feasible to reduce pest populations to a tolerable level."

To control pests 40 or 50 years ago, farmers and pest control services in urban and agricultural areas leaned heavily on chemical insecticides. It resulted in great success in managing human insect-borne diseases and a remarkable increase in food production worldwide.

However, the industry's heavy reliance on chemicals has incited concerns about the effect of the chemicals on people and the environment. These concerns have led to a shift in the philosophy of pest control and the technique of integrated pest management.

Developments over the past 30 years in mosquito control have allowed the Southern Ute Tribe and the town to implement integrated pest management. The pest-management technique uses computer database technologies, digital aerial photography and geographic information systems (GIS), along with public education and a combination of other

scientific applications. The process uses chemical insecticides only when absolutely necessary as a last resort.

All activities performed as part of the Southern Ute Reservation/Town of Ignacio Mosquito Control Program are consistent with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Department of Agriculture and American Mosquito Control Association recommendations.

To make the program work, the experts first assess the distribution, density and species makeup of the target mosquito population. Definition of the risk to humans and equine populations is essential to the success of the program.

One major tool in mosquito control is the CDC light trap. Developed in the 1960s, the trap has been a standard tool for monitoring mosquito population, density and species makeup for approximately 30 years. By luring the female to the device with a CO2 vapor, the trap draws her into a collection bag alive, illuminating mosquito migration

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YOUTH IN MOTION

Chimney Rock tour promotes healthy lifestyles

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Representatives from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service, and Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council gathered at the base of Chimney Rock National Monument on Wednesday, May 1 to welcome a busload of Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students as part of the national Let's Move! in Indian Country initiative.

"The reason we are doing this is for you," said Susan Johnson, regional tribal relations program manager for the Department of Agriculture, addressing the youth.

The group, aided by interpretive guides, took a full tour of the archeological site, culminating on the high ridge with breathtaking views of the prominent twin towers.

"It's important that we show some respect for those who walked here before us," Southern Ute Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. said during his welcome remarks.

"I was quite honored when President Obama worked with local folks here [to designate this site]," said Butch Blazer, U.S. Department of Agriculture deputy under secretary for natural resources and environment. "It's you [children] that are going to keep this place special. ... I am honored to be here with you today."

Jodi Gillette, Obama's senior policy advisor for Native American affairs and a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, said Michelle Obama — who has spearheaded the Let's Move! campaign — wants to reduce and



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Taking in the expansive view, Southwest Conservation Corps representatives and U.S. Forest Service officials stand with Jodi Gillette, Obama's senior policy advisor for Native American affairs, on the ridgeline leading up to Chimney Rock's archeological sites, remnants of the ancestral Puebloans who once made this area their home.

eventually eliminate obesity.

The Chimney Rock event marked the second anniversary of the federal initiative.

"It's been an amazing experience," Gillette said of her time working for the White House. "I am really pleased to serve the president and the people around him. ... There is a lot of support for Indian Country and an effort to make better relations with sovereign nations."

Following the tour, Southwest Conservation Corps representatives Aaron Lowden,

Chas Robles and Dakota Lorenzo from Acama Pueblo and Laguna Pueblo prepared a traditional Native American meal of stew and oven bread for lunch.

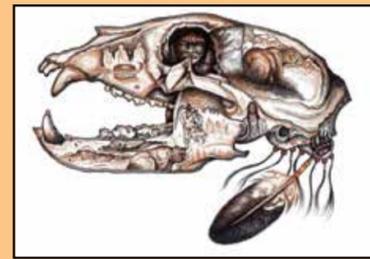
Later in the afternoon, the visiting dignitaries met with the Tribal Council. Gillette said due to its work toward self-determination, the Southern Utes have "a reputation for being a partner with the national government."

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Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 24 – 27

Schedule of events



BEAR DANCE KICK-OFF LUNCHEON

Friday, May 24: 12 noon, Bear Dance Grounds

Bear Dance luncheon info, Culture Department: 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

BEAR DANCE

May 24-27: 10 a.m., Bear Dance Grounds

Chief: Matthew Box, second chiefs: Jake Ryder & John Chavarillo.

Bear Dance info, Culture Department: 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

UTE NATIONS DAY

Friday, May 24: 8:30 – 9:45 a.m., Bear Dance Grounds (south east corner)

Ute Nations Day info, Culture Department: 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

BEAR DANCE POWWOW

Friday, May 24 & Saturday, May 25:

Grand Entry times: Friday, 7 p.m., Saturday, 1 p.m. & 7 p.m., Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Arena

Powwow info: Edward Box III 970-779-8940. Arts & Crafts vendors: 970-749-2416.

BEAR DANCE HAND GAME TOURNAMENT

Saturday, May 25: 1 p.m., Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall

(\$100 entry fee). Hand Game info, Culture Department: 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Monday, May 27: 10 a.m., Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park

Day of Remembrance info: Rod Grove 970-563-0100 ext. 2338.

SUNUTE COMMUNITY CENTER – FREE ADMISSION

Friday, May 24 to Monday, May 27

All Bear Dance participants and spectators or family and friends of the dancers have FREE entrance. SunUte info: 970-563-0214.

SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM – FREE ADMISSION

Saturday, May 25 & Sunday, 26

Free admission into the museum. Culture Department: 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.



COUNCIL CORNER

Executive Office takes steps to improve customer service

By Beth Santistevan
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Southern Ute Executive Office is taking steps to improve customer service for the tribal membership with the consent of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr.

With the tribe's Permanent Fund boasting a hefty 17 departments reporting to the Executive Office and a few directors reporting directly to the chairman, the workload can prove to be very overwhelming — even for two executive officers, Steve R. Herrera Sr. and Amy Barry. The Southern Ute tribal membership is hovering around 1,485, with approximately two-thirds living on or near the reservation.

While the majority of the needs come from local members, the administration must not forget about those tribal members who live off the reservation. Under Newton's administration, the Executive Office has made a change never before done in the history of the Permanent Fund: splitting the departmental supervisory duties between the two executive officers.

The departments in which the director reports to the chairman are still under signatory authority from the Executive Office.

According to the Executive Office, tribal members have been concerned they aren't receiving the services they're entitled to and the customer service from the departments sometimes disappoints.

"We want to make sure we're providing top-notch service to the membership and can speak to the expenditures of the Permanent Fund," Barry said.

Services have grown in recent years, and tribal mem-

bers are asking questions about access to certain services and policies.

"We have authority to make decisions a little quicker since we've divided the departments," Herrera said. "We have the same philosophy, and we have the ability to meet one-on-one and provide better feedback in a timely manner. Then we can answer membership questions more efficiently."

In August 2012, a survey was sent to 75 employees asking for feedback on the first-year performance of the Executive Office. Human Resource Generalist Michael Brennan suggested the survey because the Executive Office was new and wanted to improve the lines of communication with departments.

"The results were very candid, and the managers felt that what the Executive Office was doing was good, and they wanted more: more interaction and face time," Brennan said.

The Executive Office took a look at the comments and brainstormed ways to become more accessible to employees while still keeping tribal members' customer service needs at the top of their priority list.

"Dividing the departments like this gives us more time to spend with departments, which gives us a chance to dive deeper into the services provided to the membership," Barry said.

Some survey feedback said directors and staff were often confused about which executive officer to go to with their departmental issues because both were dealing with the same issues.

"The Executive Office responded by providing a go-to person and more individualized attention for every department," Brennan said.

Herrera said one thing

hasn't been consistent in past years: the chain of command. According to Herrera, the chain of command is something the Executive Office has tried to gain control of since Newton was elected.

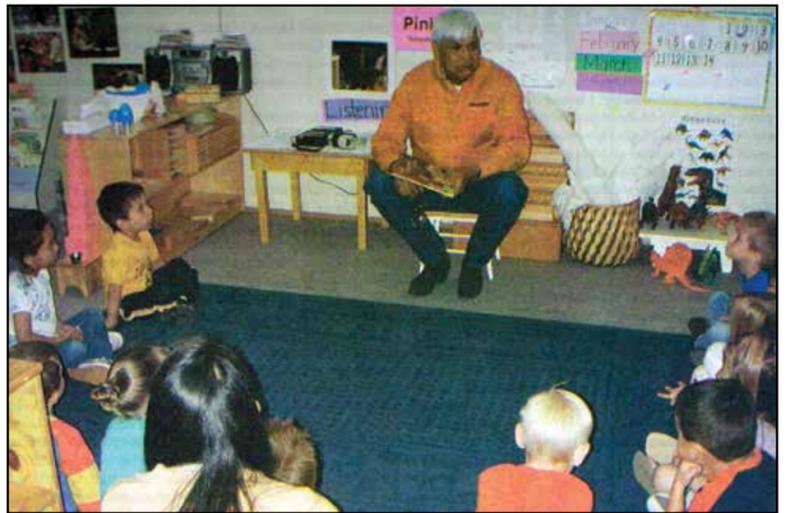
"We've worked with council during our Thursday work sessions to support the chain of command by directing community members or staff members to discuss and document concerns with their direct supervisors," he said. "We have worked with Human Resources to ensure when we get a personnel concern, they are working with the department through the proper chain of command rather than going over managers' heads. We have indicated to directors and division heads that we want to continue that way, and any employee who wants to circumvent that process will be subject to appropriate policies and procedures."

One of the most positive things this change has brought to the organization is an increase in employee morale.

"We have to be seen. It's not enough to communicate through email. Employees want to show us what is being done and how they do their job. They also want to show us what a good job they're doing," Herrera said. "They don't want to see us just for complaints."

Every department has developed goals and objectives based on the seven guiding principles developed by the Tribal Council. Within those goals, each director, division head and staff member has their own goals and objectives that reflect the departments' mission statements.

"All of these things are going to reflect the priority list provided to the administration through the leadership," Barry said.



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Southern Ute tribal chairman Howard D. Richards Sr. paid a visit to Classroom 5 at Southern Ute Montessori Head Start on the morning of Wednesday, May 14, 2003. The children not only shared some of their educational projects with the chairman, they also heard him read from the storybook "The Day the Grandfathers Danced," a children's narrative about a Bear Dance at the base of Sleeping Ute Mountain near Towaoc, Colo.

This photo first appeared in the May 16, 2003, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Robert Baker/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

1993 Ignacio High School graduates at the Southern Ute Tribal Banquet. Top row (left to right): Sheila Ryder, Lisa Nail, Sarah Hudson, Alberta Bison, Jogenia Red and Michelle Jefferson. Middle row: Alfreda Armstrong, Sky Dawn Baker, Marie Joy, Tricia Olguin, Lori Vadez and Faren Burch. Bottom row: Spencer Olguin, Alden Weaver and Johnson Taylor.

This photo first appeared in the May 14, 1993, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

A youth group performs for a Southern Ute Montessori Head Start graduation.

This photo first appeared in the May 20, 1983, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

NEWS IN BRIEF

IGNACIO PARENTS ARE ORGANIZING

The La Plata Family Coalition invites you to join them for the Ignacio parent leaders network. Supporting parents as leaders in our families and leaders in our community. Get together with other Ignacio parents and allies to talk about what's happening in our community. Create partnerships and take action on issue impacting the health and well being of Ignacio Families, earn money and leadership experience. Meetings are held every third Friday at the Patio restaurant in Ignacio. The next meeting is Friday, May 17 from 12 to 1:30 p.m. For more information call 970-385-4747.

ROAD RUNNER, IGNACIO TO AZTEC SCHEDULE CHANGE

Road Runner Transit, a program division of Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. (SUCAP) is announcing a change in the Ignacio to Aztec Route, effective Monday, May 13. Run #3, which originally departed Ignacio at 12 p.m., will now depart at 2 p.m. The returning portion of the trip, which departed Aztec at 1:14 p.m., will now depart Aztec at 3:14 p.m. All other routes will remain the same. The changes reduce the operational cost of the route. They also make it easier for Durango riders traveling to Aztec to make the transfer in Ignacio with less wait time. Riders from Durango are asked to notify the driver that they are in route to Aztec. Fares have not changes. The one-way fare between Ignacio and Aztec is \$3.00. Discount passes are available. For further information, please contact SUCAP's website www.sucap.org/roadrunner or call 970-563-4545.

SOFTBALL FIELDS AVAILABLE

The softball fields by the Multi-purpose Facility are available free of charge for use by tribal members. Reserve a field by calling the SunUte front desk. There is a

\$20-per-hour fee to use the lights. The gates remain locked when the fields are not reserved to prevent unauthorized use and preserve the quality of the fields.

AGRICULTURE LAND MANAGERS

The Water Quality Program for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is now accepting applications for the 2013 Cost-share Program. The Cost-share Program is aimed at land managers living within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on the Animas, Florida and Pine watersheds who are interested in implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) for more efficient irrigation and/or riparian protection/improvements. The majority of costs are covered by the tribe through conservation agreements in which BMPs such as surface gated pipe, underground pipe and inlet structures, or riparian fencing are implemented. Such BMPs limit return flows from irrigated land and restore/protect critical riparian zones, thus decreasing erosion and other pollutants into our local watersheds. Call project coordinator Pete Nylander at 970-563-0135 for more information.

FREE BISON MEAT AVAILABLE TO TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

Bison meat notice to tribal members

As the popularity of the Tribe's bison meat program has increased, the Division of Wildlife has run into difficulty providing the types and quantities of bison meat that our clients want, when they want it. The Program's objective is to supply meat fairly and equitably to as many Tribal Members as possible. Our challenge, however, is in matching the limited supply of meat with the growing demand from the membership. With this in mind, we have developed some simple guidelines for distribution, as follows:

1. Tribal Member clients interested in bison meat must come to the Division of Wildlife Office in the Annex building (Rm. 125) to sign for and pick up meat.
2. The distribution of meat will be a maximum of 10 lbs. per month per Tribal Member household. The distribution is intended only for the Tribal Member and his/her family members who reside in the same household.
3. To ensure the satisfaction of the maximum number of clients, the Division will use its discretion with the amount of preferred cuts distributed per client. In general, the meat cut most readily available is burger, either in patties or 2 lb. chubs. The cuts that are always limited in supply are roasts, steaks, and stew meat.
4. The Division will accept requests for specialty cuts, such as heart, tongue, liver, and oxtail. These cuts generally are not available at the time of request, and the client will be notified when delivery is received from the butcher.

The Division of Wildlife will continue striving to satisfy our Tribal Member clients who utilize the bison meat distribution program. We appreciate your patience and understanding of our limitations.

If you are not satisfied with any aspect of the service you receive, or if you have suggestions on how we can improve this service, please let us know!



Sharing Bear Dance customs



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

On Thursday May, 9, John Chavarillo and Tyson Thompson gave students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy a introduction to the ways of Bear Dance, inviting a few of the boys to sit in and sing a couple of Bear Dance songs.

Southern Ute elder Georgia McKinley line dances with students and teachers, giving the young students a taste of Bear Dance tradition.



Women shine during art show



photos Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal member Arlene Millich explains some of the art on display at the Spirit of Women Art Show at the Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center in downtown Ignacio on Friday, May 3. The show featured artwork by several tribal members, including elder Annabelle Eagle. The artwork will be on display through May 30.



Tribal member Nathan Strong Elk plays a traditional tune on a flute during the art show, which also featured artisan foods and a variety of performances.

A pair of beaded moccasins were among the artwork on display.

CULTURAL UPDATE

SEEKING BEAR DANCE FEAST VOLUNTEERS

The Culture Department is seeking volunteers for the upcoming Bear Dance Feast, which will be held Monday May 27. Need: Fry bread makers; stew cook and servers. Please contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator if you are interested at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

BEAR DANCE VENDORS NOTICE

Vendor's space for the Southern Ute Bear Dance are available at a first-come first-serve. Please contact Darlene Frost at 970-563-0100 ext. 3620.

SEEKING SUPERINTENDENTS FOR TRIBAL FAIR

The Southern Ute Culture department is seeking superintendents during the Southern Ute Tribal Fair for the Fry Bread Contest; Baby Contest and Fair Exhibits. Please contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator if you are interested at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

CULTURAL DEPT. MAY EVENTS

The following are spring events hosted by the Southern Ute Cultural Department (at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum unless otherwise noted). Meals or snacks and beverages are provided at each class. Call 970-563-0100 ext. 3620 to sign up; classes fill fast.

5/24: Ute Nation Day & Bear Dance Kickoff Lunch. Bear Dance Grounds.

5/24, 25: Bear Dance Powwow. Sky Ute Fairgrounds.

5/25: Bear Dance Hand Game Tournament. Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall.

5/24-27: Southern Ute Bear Dance. Bear Dance Grounds. Chief Matthew Box.

Additionally, join us every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to work on craft projects. Space will be provided in the small classroom. Please bring your supplies to work on your projects.

For additional Bear Dance information contact the Culture Department at 970-563-0100 3624.

Sunshine Cloud Smith

Youth Advisory Committee

Open to all Southern Ute enrolled tribal youth ages 13-19

Please send your letter of intent to the following address:

SCSYAC, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137

Uma Nu Apaghapapi Ustii?

Would you and your family like to learn to speak Ute?

This is an introductory class geared to children and adults who wish to learn the Ute language. We encourage you to come and become acquainted with an important element of our culture, our language.

Call the Culture Department at 970-563-0100.

SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE



Contest Pow Wow

May 24 & 25th 2013

Sky Ute Fair Grounds

Grand Entries: Friday 7DM

Saturday 1DM and 7DM

HEAD STAFF:

POWOW MC:

DRUM JUDGE:

ARENA DIRECTOR:

HOST NORTHERN DRUM:

HOST SOUTHERN DRUM:

HEAD GOURD DANCER:

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For More Information: Edward Box III 970-779-8940

Vendor Info : Inside Pow Wow 970-749-2416 Outside 970-563-5541

e-mail us: powwow@southernute-nsn.gov

Southern Ute BEAR DANCE

May 24 - 27, 2013

Chief: Matthew Box

2nd Chiefs: Jake Ryder & John Chavarillo

Bear Dancing starts: 10:30 a.m.

Bear Dance Feast: May 27, 12 noon

Bear Dance Grounds, Ignacio, CO

For information call 970-563-0100 ext. 3624

No short dresses or baggy pants while dancing.

Phone photos or videos and recording are not allowed, except by members of Ute Tribes. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be held responsible for accidents, injuries or theft. The Pine River is restricted.





KIDNEY CORNER

Diabetes and the kidney

By Dr. Mark Saddler
DURANGO NEPHROLOGY
ASSOCIATES

In recent editions of the Kidney Corner, we have been discussing some of the causes of chronic kidney disease.

For the last couple of weeks, we have been dealing with the subject of hypertension, or high blood pressure, as a cause of decreased kidney function.

The most common cause of kidney disease in the United States is diabetes mellitus (usually just referred to as "diabetes"). This disease is caused by an inadequate amount of, or decreased sensitivity to, insulin, a hormone produced in the pancreas. The result is high blood glucose levels.

Type I diabetes, which typically presents at a young age, is caused by a failure of the pancreas to produce insulin and requires insulin administration from the time of the initial diagnosis.

Type II diabetes, which typically presents in later life, is caused by a failure of the body to respond appropriately to insulin. Both types of diabetes tend to occur in families; Type II diabetes also has a strong association with being overweight. In fact, many overweight patients who develop



is useful for alerting patients to the possibility of glucose levels that are too low, which can also be dangerous.

In addition, a blood test done every few months called "Hemoglobin A1c" is very useful, since it gives an estimate of the average blood glucose over the last three months.

Diabetes affects the filtering parts of the kidneys — the glomeruli — by causing microscopic scars. The first sign of diabetes affecting the kidney is the appearance of a protein called albumin in the urine. Keeping this urinary protein down to low levels is important and can be done both by tight glucose control and by the use of specific blood pressure medications called ACE inhibitors, or ARBs.

Screening for albumin in the urine is done for all diabetic patients so the earliest evidence of kidney involvement by diabetes can be detected and treated. Unfortunately, as with many causes of kidney disease, once the kidneys start to be affected by diabetes, the chronic kidney disease can be hard to stop. But ACE/ARB medications, in combination with good glucose control and weight loss when appropriate, can be very effective in slowing down the progression.

diabetes can control their glucose simply by losing weight and exercising.

If this is not successful, the decreased insulin sensitivity can be treated initially with oral medications but may later require the administration of insulin as well.

Diabetes can cause complications in most of the organ systems of the body, including the eyes, kidneys, blood vessels, heart and nerves. The good news is that all of these complications can be prevented or delayed by good control of glucose levels.

Maintaining this control can require considerable motivation and dedication. Glucose levels can be checked at home with a glucometer, a machine that tests the glucose level in a drop of blood from the finger or arm. Home glucose testing not only detects high glucose levels, but also

Council members learn CPR



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Robin Duffy-Wirth (center), fitness manager at the SunUte Community Center, instructs members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and their staff on lifesaving CPR techniques during a training in the Leonard C. Burch Building on Wednesday, May 1.

Tribal member-Exclusive Fitness Incentive April winners



18 years and up
Crystal Ivey



3rd grade - High School
Randy Herrera

Both participants won a \$100 gift card to Sports Authority.

For information on how to win;

Call SunUte at 970-563-0214 and ask for the trainer's desk or stop by to talk to a trainer.

Elders Services trips for month of May

May

- 17: Farmington shopping trip - Van will be leaving at 9 a.m.
- 19: Elder Luncheon - at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum.
- 22: Wild Horse Casino trip to Dulce, NM - Van will be leaving at 8:30 a.m.
- 23: Durango shopping trip - Van will be leaving at 9:30 a.m.

All trips will need to have four or more Tribal elders, handicapped or disabled members to attend any of these trips. All trips are subject to change without prior notice.

If you have any questions please call the Elders office at 970-563-0156



Saturday May 18th **Reg: 900 am**
Start: 945 am

JUST MOVE IT
 2013 • Dine Nation
 21st Annual Family Fun Runs & Walks

Ignacio - SunUte Multipurpose Field

Sponsored By:
Shining Mountain Diabetes Program
 Contact Amber Doughty for more information
 970.563.0100 ext. 2344

Come out and join us by walking or running,
 every NEW participant earns a FREE JMI tshirt

Tribal goods for sale



Blue Taza mug (16 oz.) — \$5.89



Blue baseball hat — \$4.29



Gold tribal pen with seal — \$18.15



Burnt orange Sydney tumbler (13 oz.) — \$8.95

The Southern Ute Permanent Fund supply room has a number of items featuring the tribal seal available for sale to tribal members. The Drum will be featuring some of these items over the next four issues. For more information, call 970-563-0100.



HEALTH UPDATE

FOSTER CARE/KINSHIP TRAINING, RECRUITMENT & LICENSING

The Southern Ute Social Services Division is seeking Foster Care/Kinship families within the Southern Ute Tribe and other Native American families who are interested providing a home for a youth that is in need of placement. A foster care parent is not a lifetime commitment to a child, but a commitment to be meaningful to a child's life. Be the one to make a difference in a child's life by providing a positive environment and safe place for our Tribal children when they are faced with life challenges. Being a foster family means helping families overcome their challenges and move toward reunification for family. Remember our children are our future generation, if we as foster parents can support children and their families we have made a difference in their lives. Contact Kathryn Jacket, Foster Care Coordinator at 970-563-0209 ext. 2328, Southern Ute Indian Division of Social Services, 116 Capote Drive, Ignacio, Colorado 81137.

PREVENT COLON CANCER

All Native Americans are two times more likely to be diagnosed with late stage Colon rectal cancer than early stage Colon rectal cancer. Finding and removing polyps before they progress to cancer

can prevent Colon cancer. The American Cancer Society suggest adults, age 50 or older get one of these tests: A fecal occult blood test (FOBT- a stool test) every year, or Colonoscopy every 10 years. Call the Southern Ute Health Center to discuss what screening test is best for you. Funding programs available: Medicare, Medicaid and most insurance companies pay for colon cancer screening. You may be able to have a free colon test through the Colorado Colorectal Screening Program. Please contact Susan Turner, at the Southern Ute Health Center 970-563-4581 ext. 2363 to see if you qualify! Appointments for Colonoscopy will be at Digestive Health Center in Durango, Colo.

HOST A MAMMOGRAM PARTY

All Tribal and or Native American women are eligible to participate. Medical insurance is required at the time of your appointments. Invite two friends and I will schedule a mammogram appointment at Mercy Hospital for your party - women 50 and above, or if recommended by your provider for an earlier screening. Health Services will provide transportation and lunch - Digs Restaurant in the Three Springs area. For more information call Gloria Casias-Mounts, Community Health Representative Health Service Division at 970-563-0154 ext. 2347.



Walking together for healthier nations

Diabetes is the No. 1 health concern in Indian Country. On Friday, April 10 the Southern Ute, Northern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribes joined forces with the Navajo Nation to battle diabetes and other health issues by walking together to the Four Corners Monument.



The U.S. flags bookend the different flags of the Ute and the Dine tribes as they walk together into the Four Corners Monument to end the Walking Together for Healthier Nations event.



Catching Eagle sings a flag song as the Ute Mountain Ute Color Guard raises the colors at dawn prior to the walk.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



Southern Ute veteran Dewitte Baker carries the Southern Ute tribal flag to lead the group. Ute Mountain Ute Chairman Gary Hayes and Councilman Manual Heart also participated in the walk.



Southern Ute elder Roy O'John and wife Vera approach the first rest stop after 3 miles.



Brandon Johnson walks with Henry Sun Eagle of the Shining Mountain Diabetes Program.



The group from Aneth Utah walked 19 miles to join the Colorado group for lunch at the junction of Highways 162 and 160.

2013 Southern Ute Bear Dance

Hand Game Tournament

Saturday May 25
1 PM
Sky Ute Fair Grounds

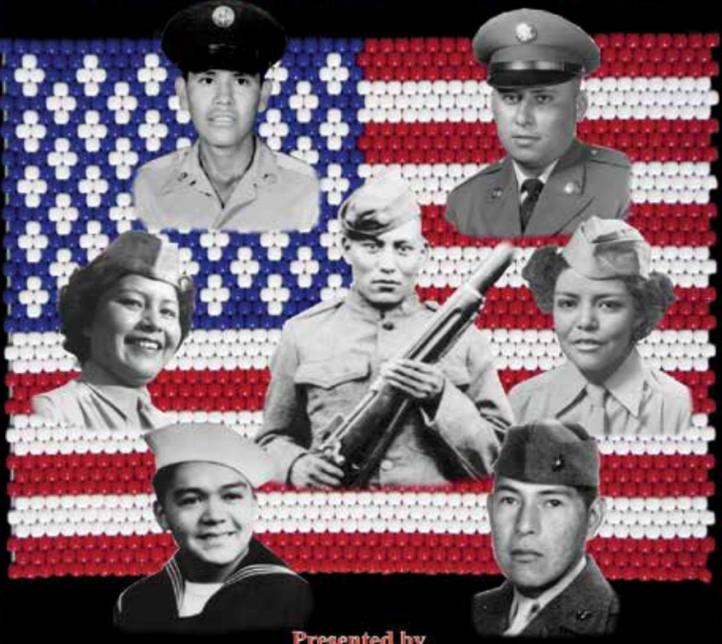
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May 27, 2013

Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park
10am





Discovering science at academy



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Sarah Margoles of the Durango Discovery Museum experiments with buoyancy with the Upper Elementary class at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy.



Sarah Margoles tests the students' buoyancy designs with 4-inch-square pieces of foil to see how many pennies their designs can hold. A record was set by Reynelda Martinez with 49 pennies.

Hannah Hendrey of the Durango Discovery Museum demonstrates light, colors and objects by having the Primary students cut shapes and place them on an overhead projector to demonstrate how light creates shapes and shadows.

Students share new knowledge

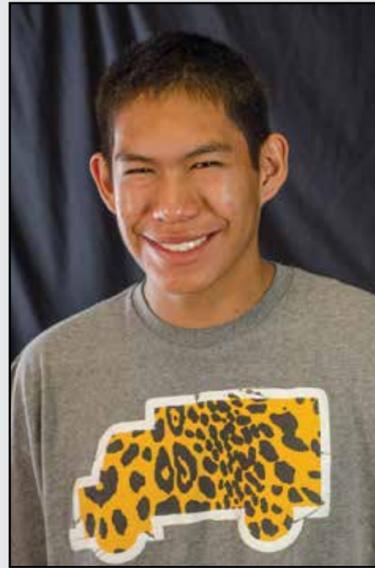


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Students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy created displays on everything from dinosaur fossils to famous scientists for the school's annual Knowledge Night, which took place Thursday, May 2.

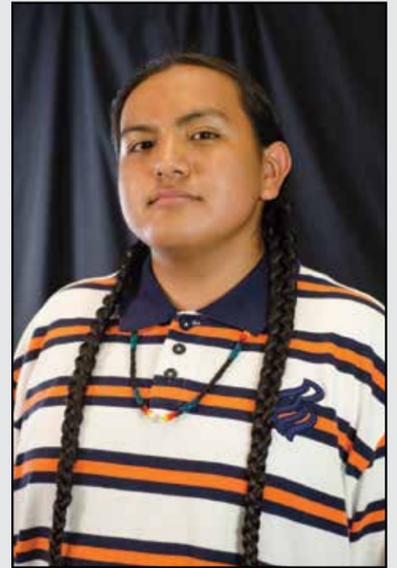
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The Southern Ute Education Department and staff introduced a special recognition program last year, the program for the young and the talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools. The staff will recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview.



STAIS HARLAN

My name is Stais Harlan. I attend Ignacio High School, where I am a junior. My favorite subject in school is math. My family is Sage Remington, Annabelle Eagle, Norman Harlan III, Ramona Eagle and Bernadine Tso. I like to long board, play hockey and run track. In addition, I want to be a business manager when I grow up.



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

RYLAN HERRERA

My name is Rylan Herrera. I attend Ignacio Jr. High School, where I am in 8th grade. My favorite subjects in school are Math, Science and P.E. I like participating in P.E. My parents are Natalie Richards and the late, Richard Herrera. In addition, I want to go to college and maybe work for SUPD when I grow up. I want to work for my tribe and be a positive role model after high school.

I have been chosen as the Southern Ute Tribal Student of the month for the month of May, because I work hard on my assignments and I'm a positive role model for my classmates.

Comments: Rylan was selected by the Ignacio Jr. High teachers because he is known for his respectful attitude towards adults and students. "People like to be around him because he is calm and positive and funny too!"

Ignacio Centennial Celebration logo contest

Design an original piece of work to be used in advertising for our town's Centennial Celebration in September 2013. Be a part of Celebrating Ignacio's 100th Birthday! If you have any questions, please contact: Alison DeKay at 970-563-4315. All entries are due to the Ignacio Town Hall by Friday, May 24.

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EDUCATION UPDATE

SENIOR BANQUET TO HONOR GRADUATING SENIORS

To all the Southern Ute Tribal students that are currently 2013 graduating Seniors, call or email Ellen S. Baker at 970-563-0237 ext. 2793 or email esbaker@southernute.nsn.gov to let her know so an invitation will be send out to you. The Southern Ute Education Department will be holding a banquet to honor the 2013 graduating senior's students.

HIGHER ED. SCHOLARSHIPS

Southern Ute tribal high school seniors and returning students: Deadline is July 1. Only completed applications will be considered. If you need assistance or have questions in completing an application, contact the Education Department at 970-563-0237 or 330 Burns Ave. in Ignacio.

ADULT OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM, TAKING APPLICATIONS

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is now accepting applications on a first-come-first-served basis. There are 15 scholarships available at this time. The scholarships are for tribal members who are interested in attending a vocational training school (non-profit) or a junior college with a certificate program. In order for students to attend any school, it has to be an accredited and approved by the Council of Higher Education Accreditation. There is no deadline for the certificate program, since some vocational training schools are year round. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, call Luana Herrera at 970-563-0237.

GED TEST DATES

The Department of Education announces the GED test dates for the upcoming months: June 7, and July 12. The test is held at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953. Computer based GED testing is available through Pearson Vue Testing. Register, pay and schedule at www.GEDcomputer.com. The test must be taken at The Southern Ute Education Center. Call 970-759-1953 for details. **The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will expire and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.** Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 ext. 2784 or 970-749-1953 for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is accepting applications for tribal members who are interested in working for six months as an intern. Call Luana Herrera at the Southern Ute Education Department at 970-563-0237.

Save the Dates!

June 10-14: Youth in Action Summer Trip: Ages 9-12, Crow Canyon (2-4)days
Leadership Trip ages 13-18 Crow Canyon (week long summer camp)

June 17-21: SYIAP: Grades k-1: Weekly activities

June: 24-28: SYIAP: grades 2-4 Weekly activities

July 8-12: SYIAP: Boys, grades 3-5: Weekly activities

July 22-26: SYIAP: Girls, grades 3-5: Weekly activities
Grades 7-12 Explore Colorado Trip, Western State University

July 29-31: SYIAP: Boys & Girls, grades k-6: STEM trip, Los Alamos National Laboratory

Aug. 4-7: SYIAP: Tri-Ute Leadership Conference: ages 13-19, 4 day trip, Orem Utah

Aug 17: Native American Parent Conference: Fort Lewis College



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Attention Southern Ute Tribal Members

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Join us for lots of summer action and fun through our Summer Youth in Action Program (SYIAP), Leadership, and Exploring Colorado. Look for Drum ads and mailings as these events get closer.





IHS BASEBALL

Even in loss, Bobcats baffle Bulldogs

IHS a tough out at districts

By Joel Priest

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

In a game featuring no-quit pitching, smart small-ball hitting and timely fielding, the Hotchkiss Bulldogs beat the Ignacio Bobcats 3-0 in the second quarterfinal of the 2A-District 2 Baseball Tournament.

Pitchers Iasac Pena of IHS and Devan Rupe of HHS each went the distance, two HHS runs came via fielder's-choice groundouts, and IHS centerfielder Clayton Jefferson flagged down three potentially-damaging flies during the game.

"We knew nobody really expected us to do anything. We knew we were tough," said designated hitter Antonio Torres at the close of the Bobcats' 3-15 season. "From the beginning of the season ... [it] felt like we had a chance to do a lot more."

"These kids just wowed me today," head coach Lupe Huerta said. "I tell them 'You're much more capable than what we've been playing,' and today they did it. I was very proud of them."

Retiring 12 of the final 13 batters he faced in order, Pena finished his six-inning complete-game decision with nine strikeouts against just one base-on-balls. He allowed just three hits, with only three-hole Russ Evans' first-inning single driving in a run, and four fly balls to the outfield.

"It was just make-it-or-break-it," Pena said. "We either had to play hard and get a win, or go home. Just trying to make every play like it's my last play."

"Only four out there's pretty good!" leftfielder Joe Herrera said. "It's kind of boring at the same time, but you've got to give credit to your pitcher if he's going to pitch that good of a game!"

Nine-hole Cole Carvill and leadoff stick Devan Rupe (who scored on Evans' knock) each singled to start the hosts' third and were brought in, respectively, by a Hank Edwards grounder to IHS shortstop Tucker Ward and an Evans worm-burner speared by diving IHS second baseman Anthony Manzanares.

"We were feeling good



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio pitcher Iasac Pena shrugs contently and confidently as Hotchkiss' annoyed Tye Bayles (15) discards his helmet after being retired to end the first inning of the teams' 2A-District 2 Tournament quarterfinal game May 10 at Delta Middle School. Hotchkiss, descending a classification this year, had been a 3A Final Four team as recently as 2011.

from the start," Herrera said. "And our defense, I thought, was pretty much unstoppable. We just couldn't get the bats around; that's pretty much what stopped us."

Herrera, Ignacio's lead-off man, was in the on-deck circle when Rupe (W; CG, 7 IP, 3 H, 3 BB, 2 HB, 11 K) fanned Torres (0-2, BB) to end the fast-moving battle. One of the Bulldogs' supporting arms — freshman ace Cesar Gonzalez started at short, with boss Jason Yantzer holding him in reserve for a possible championship-game start — Rupe's big break came in the visitors' sixth.

Pena and Manzanares each singled to start, and Bo Ward took a pitch to the helmet to pack the sacks with no outs. Tucker Ward then lashed a liner to the right side, but directly at second baseman Evans, who made the squeeze, then fired across to third baseman Brayden Wilson to double off Pena.

Rupe then froze Bobcat six-hole hitter Adison Jones on a called strike to complete his escape. "There was a lot of pressure on me, because we didn't know what to expect out of Ignacio," he said after posting the first shutout of the Cats this spring. "They were better than everyone thought."

Manzanares went 2-for-3, and Pena was 1-2 with a walk to lead IHS, while Rupe was 1-3 with two runs scored and Evans 1-3 with two RBI for Hotchkiss. Carvill was 1-2 with his aforementioned run.

"We didn't adjust well to

slower pitching," said Rupe, comparing IHS to Western Slope League opposition. "If we'd have adjusted we would have been a little better. But it was on us; we didn't adjust."

"Knowing that everybody's looking at us like we're the underdogs ... they don't know what we're capable of," Pena said. "It's good coming out and showing them how the real Bobcats play."

"It was nice to have everybody ... at 100 percent," Torres said. "Next year we've got everybody back except one senior, Andy [Guire, third baseman]. ... [We'll] be a tough team next year."

AFTERMATH

Following a semifinal win over Nucla, Hotchkiss fell 11-1 to neighboring rivals Paonia in the next day's finale, dropping them to 15-7 overall while the Eagles improved to 16-5. But as the surviving teams from D-2, both will play this weekend beginning the State Championship Series.

Hotchkiss was awarded its 16-seed, and will play May 18 against No. 1 Rye (18-1) in Region I on Hobbs Field at the Pueblo-based Runyon Complex. Paonia drew the No. 5 and will open in Region II at Niwot High School against 12-seed Holyoke (18-3), with the winners from both contests then playing again at 3 p.m. for the right to advance to Championship Weekend — May 25 at All-Star Park in Lakewood.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

The Ignacio girls' soccer roster will have plenty of spaces to fill in 2014 with the loss of the Class of '13. Standing (left to right) after their April 30 Senior Day match at home: Mary Kate Adams, Breana Talamante-Benavidez, Aly Troup and Nicole Williams. Crouching: ShaRay Rock, Angel Paul, Destinee Lucero and Kayla Knipp.

IHS SOCCER

Soccer's rebuild for '14 begins

By Joel Priest

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Almost on cue after watching his sizable senior class saluted at halftime, Oscar Cosio kept an eye on the clouds as they reduced the sunshine over IHS Field to a gray, ghostly glow.

"Knowing we had eight seniors ... they knew that was it for them," he said after Ignacio's April 30 season finale. "It was kind of a somber feeling, you know?"

Dried from the thank-you of a team-administered water dousing he received after a 4-nil loss to the eventual 3A Southwestern League champions, Cosio looked back at the match — and his first season in charge of the program — in a positive light.

"We kept Bayfield to four goals, which was impressive for us. We did well defensively," he said. "I was proud of my girls, the way they kept themselves together."

Freshman Maddy Duran put BHS ahead in the third

minute, but IHS (0-12, 0-12 SWL) then buckled down and played one of their finest stretches of soccer, holding the Lady Wolverines scoreless for nearly half an hour. Sophomore Meaghan Mooney finally broke through the Lady Bobcats to mark in the 30th, and junior Effie Nistler followed suit in the 34th to stake Bayfield to a 3-0 halftime lead.

Bayfield senior Lindsey Reinmuth netted in the 47th what would be the final goal, as Ignacio withstood a closing barrage designed to get junior midfield sparkplug Sonja Fleming a score. Goalkeeper Nicole Williams, one of the class of 2013, finished with a media-counted 30 total stops.

Senior Aly Troup put the locals' only first-half shot on BHS goalie Charlene Hammit, as well as the Lady Bobcats' best second-half try on replacement Andrea Lahoz.

After IHS took the kickoff following Reinmuth's strike and quickly worked

the ball upfield, senior Kayla Knipp was instructed to put into play the only corner Ignacio would gain.

Though unable to get the ball as deep as she probably wanted, Knipp did boot it close enough for Troup to fight for it and take possession. Shooting low from point-blank range in the 49th, Troup unfortunately found Lahoz waiting on that same plane and the attempt was denied, along with the subsequent rebound after the keeper's initial grip never truly tightened.

But a resulting roar arose from the bleachers that Troup, Williams, Knipp, Destinee Lucero, Angel Paul, Mary Kate Adams, Breana Talamante-Benavidez, and ShaRay Rock will never forget.

Bayfield, Telluride and Alamosa — the SWL's 1-2-3 placers — earned berths into the 3A State Tournament but were all eliminated May 10, the bracket's first afternoon.

EXPLORERS CLUB YARD SALE

SATURDAY, MAY 30

Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a huge yard sale in their parking lot. You can rent space for \$15 all the profits you receive from your sales are yours. Start cleaning out your closets, sheds, basements, and storage units.

If you would like to reserve a space call Deb Otten at 970-563-0675 ext. 345.

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IHS TRACK

Track season hits home stretch

By Joel Priest

Special to the Drum

As if the split-second world of track-and-field wasn't complicated enough, CHSAA's message to fans visiting its website on Monday indicated the waters surrounding the 2013 State Track-and-Field Championships had gotten muddier.

"Due to some coaches not following the process correctly in creating an account and entering their athletes into the MaxPreps state qualifier platform, CHSAA has now had to postpone the posting of qualifiers for the 2013 State Track Meet. This decision was made in fairness to the athletes who may be impacted, rather than proceeding and posting an incomplete entry list. With the help of coaches we hope to have this posted by Monday afternoon."

Results from all league-

championship meets were to have been submitted by 6 p.m. Sunday for final rankings/seedings going into the May 16-18 Championships at Jeffco Stadium in Lakewood. Once revised, there were Ignacio Bobcats still on the list.

State-bound Michelle Simmons placed ninth overall in the 200-meter dash in GJ, running a 26.87, and in the 4x100 relay (53.67) placed 15th — third among San Juan Basin League teams — to lead the Lady Cats, along with the 800-meter medley relay (1:58.63; 12th overall, second in league). Simmons also tied for eighth in the high jump (4-foot-10), while Ellie Seibel also earned IHS some points with her 18th-place 4-foot-8.

Chrystianne Valdez cleared 6-foot-10 in the pole vault — her specialty for State — to take 14th overall, and

Jayce Stricherz was 17th, but also scored team points with her 6-foot-4.

The Bobcat boys were led by Wyatt Hayes' 14th-place overall finish (53.50) in the 400, which was good enough to win the SJBL title, and the 4x1 was 13th in 46.74 — but also best in league. Klayson Smith was second among leaguers in the high jump, but his 6-foot hop also tied him for seventh overall — as did his 11-foot-1 pole vault, which did lead the SJBL. Austin Haire tied for 13th in the event, but earned Ignacio team points with his 10-foot-1.

Each of them fellows, as well as the relay, will be in the mix at State.

Haire and Kelton Richmond finished 44th and 45th overall in the discus, at 103-foot-7 and 103-foot-1, respectively. Richmond (35th, 37-foot-6.5) and Blaine Mickey (50th, 35-foot-6) were also top-50 in the shot

put, with Richmond making the State field in the discipline.

Late Monday, unofficial qualifiers were named, with Ignacio to be represented individually by Simmons (fourth 200m, eighth high jump), Smith (fourth high jump, sixth pole vault), Hayes (12th 400m, 18th long jump), Valdez (15th pole vault), Haire (17th pole vault), Sky Cotton (18th long jump), Richmond (18th discus), Nick Herrera (21st high jump) and Ellie Seibel (24th high jump).

Relays making the cut — at least as it appeared by the Drum's deadline — are the girls' 4x100 (14th; Simmons/Cotton/Dynesha Drake/Da'Shona Lloyd) and 800m medley (12th; Cotton/Lloyd/Simmons/Cloe Seibel), and the boys' 4x1 (17th) and 4x2 (16th) quartet of Hayes/Mike Perez/Haire Mickey/Charles Rohde.

WESTERN SLOPE BOYS' TEAM STANDINGS (2A/1A SJBL TEAM):

1. Eagle Valley 232, 2. Coal Ridge 195, 3. Grand Junction 191, 4. Hotchkiss 127, 5. Cedaredge 123, 6. Telluride 119, 7. Palisade 109, 8. Durango 105, 9. Glenwood Springs 104, 10. Fruita Monument 104, 11. Gunnison 100, 12. Basalt 99, 13. Paonia 95, 14. Rifle 87, 15. Montrose 74, 16. Battle Mountain 70, 17. Rangely 66, 18. Delta 65, 19. Moffat County 59, 20. Meeker 56, 21. Grand Valley 51, 22. West Grand 46, T-23. G.J. Central/North Park 32, 25. Montezuma-Cortez 29, 26. Olathe 28, 27. **IGNACIO 27**, 28. Vail Christian 24, 29. Mancos 23, 30. Ouray 21, T-31. Roaring Fork/Soroco/Hayden/Dolores 15, T-35. Summit/Plateau Valley 14, 37. Steamboat Springs 9, 38. Aspen 7, 39. Dove Creek 5, T-40. De Beque/Nucla 0.

WESTERN SLOPE GIRLS' TEAM STANDINGS (2A/1A SJBL TEAM):

1. Battle Mountain 192, 2. Cedaredge 187, 3. Paonia 161, 4. Durango 160, 5. Eagle Valley 145, 6. Fruita Monument 139, 7. Gunnison 129, 8. Grand Junction 122, 9. Glenwood Springs 114, 10. Moffat County 113, 11. Hotchkiss 111, 12. Delta 105, 13. Dolores 104, 14. Coal Ridge 94, 15. Palisade 78, 16. Montrose 62, 17. Telluride 59, 18. Meeker 57, 19. Dove Creek 51, T-20. Rifle/Montezuma-Cortez/Vail Christian 48, 23. Olathe 36, T-24. Summit/Aspen 34, 26. Roaring Fork 31, T-27. Grand Valley/IGNACIO/Soroco/Basalt 30, 31 .G.J. Central 26, 32. West Grand 20, T-33. Plateau Valley/Ouray 12, 35. Hayden 11, 36. Rangely 10, 37. North Park 8, 38. Nucla 6, 39. Steamboat Springs 4, T-40. De Beque/Mancos 0.



NATURAL RESOURCES

Fencing project breathes new life into tribal rangelands

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

The Beef/Alamo fencing project, which will span 22,000 feet across the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, began in April 2013 and is slated for completion by the end of June.

The tribally funded project, awarded to Crossfire LLC, will replace existing fence line that bisects the Beef and Alamo Canyon range units.

The new fence line will help the tribe's Range Division manage livestock within tribal range units, said Bill Gwinn, project manager.

The existing fence dates back to the 1960s. What remains of the original fence is in disrepair and is often overgrown, Gwinn said.

"It's important so that we can establish a sound grazing rotation up there," said Range Division Head Jason Mietchen. "The surest way to get a sustainable system is to rotate — indefinitely."

Overgrazed range units



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The new fenceline cuts a more direct line through rocky, forested areas. Reinforced sections will help to deter livestock. The project is scheduled for completion by the end of June.

lead to environmental degradation, Gwinn said. Native grasses cut too close to the surface are less likely to recover, leaving an opening for more opportunistic species, such as cheatgrass, knapweed, Canada thistle and fillaree, he said.

The invasive weeds are

often passed over by grazing animals. Left to flourish, they proliferate across once-healthy rangelands, replacing more desirable grass and "browse" species such as shrubs, sagebrush and bitterbrush, he added.

Jason Cole, crew foreman for the Crossfire fencing team, said extra care was taken in constructing and reinforcing fenced areas around flood zones and stock tanks — sections where the structure is likely to endure greater pressure.

The new fence line will cut a more direct line through rocky, forested areas. A right-of-way is cleared on either side of the fence, useful for long-term maintenance, Gwinn said. The right-of-way is also often adopted by wildlife as a natural access corridor, he said.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

An aging fenceline skirts a section of the Aztec Freeway. Built almost half a century ago, livestock and wildlife have managed to bowl over many sections, pushing against the loose wire in search of greener pasture.



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An employee of Crossfire LLC works to put the finishing touches on a robust section of fenceline near Alamo Canyon.



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Project manager Bill Gwinn holds a small yellow flower known as yellow alyssum, a non-native weed that can grow in disturbed or overgrazed areas. While rangelands may look green from a distance, the quality of the vegetation for grazing purposes can be deceiving.

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That creates a trickle-down effect on tribal members, who need the land for their own livestock to graze. Grazing leases are allocated to tribal members for their livestock — mostly cattle — and then managed by the Range Division to ensure sustainability.

Horses consume much of the native and introduced grasses, along with other shrub and tree species, prior to the arrival of tribal members' livestock — typically around June 1 of each year — and compete with wildlife, such as elk and deer herds native to the area.

"The reservation acts as an important winter range for deer and elk. Having good forage on reserve [is important]," Southern Ute Wildlife Biologist Aran Johnson said. "Year-round grazing depletes winter range resources."

The presence of the feral horses leads to a "general habitat degradation," Johnson said.

"If the forage resources are overused to such an extent, the landscape really suffers," he said. "[It causes] everything from increased erosion [to] increased weed infestation."

Some evidence suggests horses will even show territorial behavior, pushing wildlife out of their preferred grazing areas and further disrupting the ability to forage, Johnson said.

"[Horses] hang out in riparian areas. In terms of natural resources, [these areas are] high value, crucial to ecosystem health for their biodiversity," Mietchen said.

Once the damage is done, it's almost impossible to restore the natural vegetation, which is healthy for the ecosystem and desirable for grazing, Mietchen said. Drought magnifies the problem, he added.

MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

There are approximately 120 to 130 horses moving freely between private, tribal and U.S. Forest Service lands on the east side of reservation, said Southern Ute Range Technician Doug Krueger, citing numbers provided by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management during its annual game count in February (See The Southern Ute Drum's coverage in the Feb. 8 issue).

"The tribe, membership and Range have realized this is a problem," Mietchen said. The proposed solution lies with Mt Taylor Mustangs. Owner Dan Elkins is an experienced bait trapper who believes in an approach that requires "minimal human contact."

"[Elkins] comes highly recommended from the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management," Mietchen said. "This is the route the tribe has chosen for cultural reasons." Horses have no natural



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Lena Atencio (left), director of the Southern Ute Department of Natural Resources, chats with tribal elder Elwood Kent following a blessing near the site where the department is working to round up feral horses.

predators in the area, Krueger said. Mountain lions, which are capable of taking down a horse, tend to prey on the plentiful deer, which make for an easier meal.

Krueger said feral horses can be protective and even dangerous when confronted. "The tribe is working to lessen the impact," Mietchen said. "Pretty much every tribe in the West has a feral horse problem."

The Jicarilla Apache Nation, the Carson National Forest, Bureau of Land Management lands, and the San Juan National Forest all share property boundaries with the tribe.

"Working to get them off, and keep them off — which ties into the 2013 Archuleta Mesa State Line Fencing project — is our goal," Mietchen said. "Horses, once captured, are turned over to tribe's animal control officials."

The horses are held for 10 days, undergoing a brand

inspection pursuant to tribal code, then sold to preauthorized buyers, who will likely repurpose the animals, according to Sgt. Jake Candelaria of the Southern Ute

Tribal Rangers and Animal Control Program.

Mietchen said the tribe will likely continue this type of work annually if successful.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Scattered sagebrush dots the rangeland on the east side of the Southern Ute Reservation. Grazing pressure from feral horses adds to the environmental degradation that results once native plant species are over-consumed, leaving the barren soil more susceptible to unwanted, inedible species, which are more opportunistic in times of drought.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Feral horses show their aggressive side while milling around for food. While the horses consume much of the range resources, their overall health is not on par with their domestic counterparts once turned loose to fend for themselves.



Exploring Chimney Rock

Embarking on a daylong field trip, representatives from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service, and Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council came together at Chimney Rock National Monument on Wednesday, May 1 to join students from Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy as part of the national Let's Move! in Indian Country initiative, a get-fit program spearheaded by First Lady Michelle Obama.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Taking a break to talk about the site, students and teachers stop midway along the hike toward the twin rock formations.



Students explore the various archeological sites throughout the Chimney Rock area.



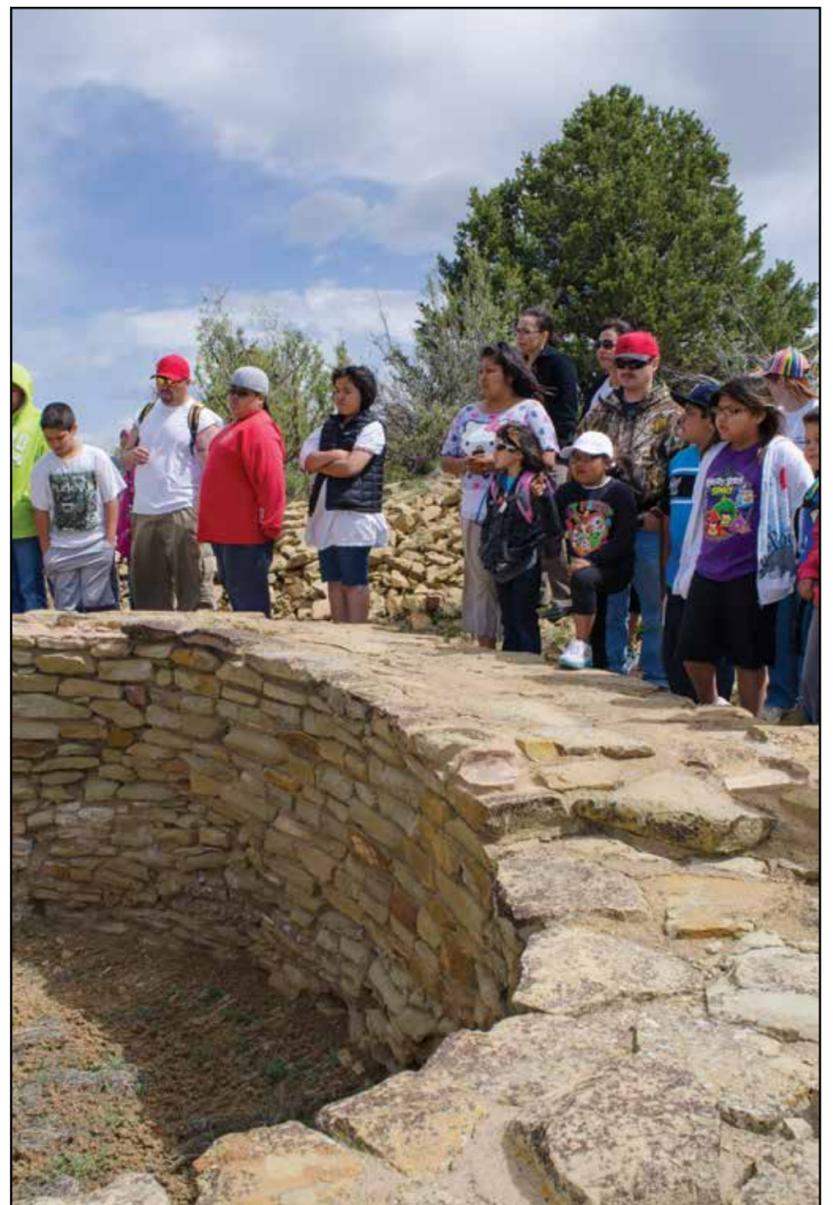
Jodi Gillette, Obama's senior policy advisor for Native American affairs and a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, gave opening remarks before young students and visiting dignitaries on Wednesday, May 1 at the recently designated Chimney Rock National Monument.



Kaycee Jefferson (right), along with her mom Tristian Benally, who points out landmarks on the distant horizon, were among the student group that reached the uppermost Chimney Rock sites.



Standing together to commemorate the event (left to right): Jodi Gillette, Obama's senior policy advisor for Native American affairs; Southern Ute Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr.; and Butch Blazer, U.S. Department of Agriculture deputy under secretary for natural resources and environment.



Students, teachers and family stand together as an interpretive guide gives some historical context on one of the many kivas unearthed throughout the Pueblo site.



Following the tour, Southwest Conservation Corps representatives Aaron Lowden, Chas Robles and Dakota Lorenzo from Acama Pueblo and Laguna Pueblo prepared a traditional Native American meal of stew and oven bread for lunch, served under the shade of ponderosa pines. The meal was the culmination of the day's cultural activities, further promoting a healthy lifestyle.



MEMORIAL DAY

A salute to our Southern Ute troops

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Utes have always defended their homeland — whether against threats foreign or domestic, whether with firearms or by more traditional means.

“As Native people way back, the warriors were highly respected,” said Rod Grove, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s veterans service officer. “We should try to keep that alive and try to teach the younger kids that these people did what they had to do.”

To that end, the tribe will host its annual Day of Remembrance at 10 a.m. on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27. The event will begin at the Southern Ute Veterans Park.

Grove said veterans should be remembered for the service they rendered. Each of the 153 tribal members to have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, according to the Southern Ute Veterans Association, sacrificed much to serve their tribe and country.

“They took that challenge in order to step up and make sure our freedom stays in tact for the next generation,” Grove said. “Each generation has done that. ... We were willing to put ourselves in harm’s way so that our people did not have to be disturbed.”

That was true even during World War I, when six

Southern Ute tribal members served despite not being declared U.S. citizens until six years after the war ended.

“A lot of people don’t understand why Native Americans joined,” Grove said. “Our grandparents, parents, brothers, sisters, children — whatever — are buried in this country, in this soil, and it was ours. And we still think that way.”

Grove said his own experience as a young man in Vietnam left an indelible impression on him.

“I was drafted. The war was going on. I knew I was going to be sent to Vietnam. ... From the day I got my orders, my chances of coming home were 50-50,” he said. “I had no idea what a third-world country was like, especially at war, at what I saw was something I had never imagined.”

Even after a year spent half-way across the world, there were still costs associated with wartime service when he came home, Grove said.

“You get on that plane and you think it’s over. It’s not. You have what the white man calls PTSD [post-traumatic stress disorder] now. You don’t know what’s wrong with you, because you’ve gone through this traumatic experience as a kid and all of a sudden you have to deal with death every day. You’re scared,” he said.

Grove said he came home to a world that had changed

in his absence. But “time kind of stands still in the service,” he said, leaving him and other returning veterans at a loss for how to resume normal life.

“People say ‘Well, it’s over; forget about it.’ You can’t forget about it, because you were a part of that time,” he said. “It never ends. To those in really heated combat, it will stay with you for the rest of your life. ... Sounds will always startle you. ... It’s never ending.”

That’s not to say veterans can’t eventually make peace, Grove said. He said several decades removed from the war, he has again found balance in life — but he will never forget, and he now spends his days helping other veterans access the services and care they need.

“Agent Orange is another deal that you thought you got away with, and now it’s catching up to you in the 50s and 60s,” he said of the chemical herbicide that has caused long-term health problems for troops exposed in Vietnam.

Grove said he encourages people to observe Memorial Day to learn more about the men and women who fought to preserve a high quality of life.

“Growing up, I never understood,” he said. “I always wondered why certain people [veterans] would come to the house and they were treated a little differently.”

Today, he understands.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum archive

The Southern Ute Veterans Association honors men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces with a Day of Remembrance ceremony and procession on Memorial Day 2012. This year’s Day of Remembrance will be Monday, May 27, beginning at 10 a.m. The ceremonies will begin at the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park in Ignacio, proceed to the Bear Dance Bridge, overlooking the Pine River, and continue to the Ouray Cemetery.

WORLD WAR I ERA



† Frank S. Baker



† Julius Cloud

WORLD WAR I VETERANS

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- † James S. Baker
- † Andrew Frost
- † Andrew Richards
- † John Washington

† Denotes deceased veteran

WORLD WAR II ERA



† Carl Baker



† Cassimero Baker



† Eugene S. Baker



† Albert Box



† David B. Box



† Edward B. Box



† Annie W. Bettine



† Anthony C. Burch



† Manual H. Casias



† Graves S. Gunn



† Alden Naranjo Sr.



† Frank B. Pena



† Claude R. Price



† Albert Redd



† Sunshine N. Cloud Smith



† John S. Taylor



† Morgan Thompson



† Joseph P. Tree

WORLD WAR II VETERANS

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- † John Baker Sr.
- † Randolph Baker
- † Billy Bean
- † Frank Bean
- † Dorothy B. Box
- † Fritz B. Box
- † Allen N. Carel
- † Paul Eaton
- † Billy B. Frost
- † Joseph M. Ortiz
- † Jose E. Head
- † Domingo Paul

- † Melvin Redd
- † Maurice L. Sage Sr.
- † Juan J. Silva
- † Charles T. Spencer
- † McKean Taylor
- † William S. Thompson
- † John T. Valdez
- † Wilbur K. Washington
- † William Bean

† Denotes deceased veteran



† Faustine H. Tucson



† Woodrow Williams



† Andrew S. Williams



KOREAN CONFLICT ERA



Austin Box



† Phillip G. Box



Russell Box Sr.



† Leonard C. Burch



Marvin E. Cook



Raymond Frost Sr.



† Vincent H. Grove



Orville Hood



Leroy T. Pinnecoose



Stanley Pinnecoose



Bryan Rock



Arthur Weaver

KOREAN CONFLICT VETERANS



† Clifford Weaver

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- † Clem E. Baker
- † Floyd Box
- † Rhodes Box
- † Herman Brown
- † Julius E. Cloud
- Neil Buck Cloud
- † Richard Cuthair
- † Harold J. Groves
- James M. Jefferson
- † Marcus Lopez
- Antonio Monte
- † Martha B. Myore
- † Darrell D. Newton

- † Gilbert Newton
- Roger Newton
- † Fernando H. Rael
- † Ivan Redd Sr.
- Donald W. Rock
- † Ray Sage Sr.
- † Johnson B. Taylor
- Gilbert Washington Sr.
- † Larry Weaver
- † Lawrence S. Weaver

† Denotes deceased veteran

VIETNAM ERA



Randy J. Baker Sr.



Ronnie C. Baker



Dennis E. Burch



† Clifford C. Cook



Roderick L. Grove



† Roger E. Price

VIETNAM VETERANS



Howard D. Richards Sr.



† Vincent Silva Jr.



† Don E. Howe

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- David J. Baker
- Ernest B. Baker
- John E. Baker Jr.
- † Teddy Baker
- † Clyde Box
- Edward Box Jr.
- † Everett B. Burch
- † Vernest Carl
- † Roger S. Cloud
- Clement J. Frost
- Ray C. Frost

- † Elwood Howe
- † Jeffery L. Jefferson
- Harley Joy Sr.
- † Norman Kuebler
- Adlen B. Naranjo Jr.
- † Eugene A. Naranjo
- Roland D. W. Norris
- † Harold Silva
- † Maurice L. Sage Jr.
- † Gene A. Thompson
- † Raymond Valdez
- Tim Watts

- † Dudley L. Weaver
- † Eric Weaver
- Arthur J. Weaver Jr.
- Dennis O. Washington
- Gilbert Washington Jr.
- John B. Washington
- Sanford Washington
- † Glenn Williams

† Denotes deceased veteran

PRESENT ERA



Dewitte J. Baker



† Dewayne Baker



Raymond A. Baker



James E. Price Jr.



† Jeffery Price



Alden Weaver

PRESENT ERA VETERANS



Andrew J. TwoCrow

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- Mary C. Carrol
- Kathy L. Chavez
- Jack M. Frost
- Raymond Frost Jr.
- Vernon S. Frost
- Raymond W. Kuebler
- Drake J. Monte
- William J. Monte
- David R. Rael
- Toni Rael
- Ronald W. Rock

- Zachary Rock
- † Charles Santistevan
- Mark Torres
- Wendell B. Valdez
- † Eldred A. Vigil Jr.
- Elroy A. Vigil
- Rubin K. Vigil
- Rudley Weaver
- Wilfred Weaver Jr.

† Denotes deceased veteran

The Southern Ute Drum would like to thank all of our military men and women, past and present, for their service.



TECH TIPS

Web browsing privacy 101

By Dana Kopf
SU MANAGEMENT
INFORMATION SERVICES DEPT.

If you post online to Internet forums or social media websites, your privacy is at risk.

Advertisers like to track your every move, and Facebook automatically makes your photos public. Is this what you really want? If not, read on.

WHAT IS A BROWSER, ANYWAY?

Before we can discuss tools to enhance privacy, I'll provide a brief background on web browsers and terminology. A web browser is simply a software application used to visit websites.

Many people use the default browser provided with their operating system, such as Internet Explorer on Windows (which appears on your desktop as a blue "e" icon) or Safari on Mac or iPad (which uses a compass icon). Alternative browsers can be downloaded and installed for free, including Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox.

All browsers store a certain amount of history about the websites you visit — including addresses, files and images — in a "cache" on your computer, and can also store login credentials or other data in a small file called a "cookie." History, cache and cookies are convenient methods to make it quicker to visit, load and log in to your favorite websites; however, they also make it possible for advertisers to build a picture of your hobbies and web activities.

There are a few simple steps you can take to protect your privacy no matter which web browser you use. Your browser will have a few settings you should become familiar with. Internet Explorer, for example, has

an icon in the upper-right corner of the window that looks like a cog. If you click on this, you should see a dropdown menu, with one of the choices being "Internet Options." From there you can delete cache, cookies and history, and also select a setting that will do this automatically every time you quit the browser.

Safari has similar options under preferences.

ADVANCED PROTECTION

If you want to go a little further, you may wish to install one of the alternative web browsers I mentioned. Both of these browsers include options to install add-ons called "Extensions." I like to install an extension called Adblock Plus, which obviously blocks most ads, but also limits what information advertisers can collect about you. If you want to support certain websites, you can turn off ad blocking for just those sites.

Another extension specifically made to enhance privacy is called Ghostery. Ghostery tells you exactly

which sites are trying to track you. It can block them all or only the ones you choose.

FACEBOOK

One particular website worth addressing is Facebook. If you have an account, you will definitely want to modify your privacy settings.

Look for the cog icon in the upper right corner and then select "Privacy Settings." You should change the settings for "Who can see my stuff" and "Who can look me up" to "Friends only." You should also turn off search engines linking to your timeline.

Next, look for "Timeline and Tagging Settings" in the left menu. Change all of these to "Friends only." You can also click the "View As" link to see what your timeline looks like to the public. If there are still photos showing that you don't want to be public, you should delete them.

The web is a fantastic resource for shopping, planning events and connecting with friends and family, but you need to take an active role in your privacy. Otherwise it's like living in a glass house.

Tips for secure web browsing

- Always keep your browser up to date. You can usually find out which version you have, or if there are any updates, by looking for the "About" menu.
- Disable unneeded plug-ins and toolbars. Extra plug-ins and toolbars can slow down your browser and pose a security risk. These include Active-X and Java. Search the web for how to do this for your particular browser.
- Use complex passwords and different passwords for different websites. Long passwords, which include a variety of symbols, numbers, and upper- and lowercase characters, are best.
- Avoid using public computers to log in to any website. Sometimes these computers have been compromised with a virus that can collect your credentials.
- Make sure your wireless Internet at home is encrypted using WPA security and requires a complex password.

For more information, call the MIS Department at 970-563-0128.

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If you live in a CenturyLink service area, please call 1-855-954-6546 or visit centurylink.com/lifeline with questions or to request an application for the Lifeline program.

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SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

Loaned artifacts to return to Colo. Springs June 2

By Beth Lamberson
SU CULTURAL CENTER
& MUSEUM

Visitors have until Sunday, June 2, to view 12 loaned objects representing unique personal items from the turn of the century at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum in Ignacio.

Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center staff will retrieve the collection on June 3. Museum Executive Director Nathan Strong Elk singled out a tobacco bag with attached case and glass beads from the late 1800s as a favorite.

"The pipe is our sacred connection and tobacco our most powerful medicine," he said. "This piece shows respect and a relationship to something in the past that is vital and used in our culture today."

Museum staffers contacted the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center about the potential loan in spring 2010. Following a year of contract negotiations, selection of specific items and



courtesy Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum
Man's beaded vest from 1900.

conservation assessments, the items have been a part of the main gallery at the museum for the past two years.

Of note are a war shield from the mid-to-late 1800s, a woman's buckskin dress with beadwork from 1890, and a saddlebag from between 1880 and 1900.

One object, a man's vest from 1900, is on special loan from Colorado College. Two cradleboards, a vest, moccasins and other bags round out the loaned collection.

The Colorado Springs FAC acquired these objects over the course of approximately 60 years, some as donations and others purchased by the museum.



courtesy Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum
Beaded rifle case.

NORTHERN UTE TRIBE

Howell, Small, Ignacio sworn in as Ute Tribe committee members

Staff report
NORTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

The Ute Indian Tribe welcomed Gordon Howell, Tony Small and Bruce Ignacio as new Business Committee members on Wednesday, April 8.

Howell will represent the Whiteriver Band, Small the Uncompahgre Band, and Ignacio the Uintah Band. Johnna Blackhair, superintendent of the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs' Uintah & Ouray Agency, conducted the swearing-in ceremony.

The new members will each serve a four-year term. After the bringing in of the colors and songs by Red Spirit Drum Group, Chief Judge Paul Tsosie swore the new members into office. The six committee mem-

bers then elected among themselves a chairman and vice chairman.

Incumbent Ron Wopsock and Howell each received nominations to be chairman. The council's secret vote resulted in a tie, with three votes for each man. A second vote yielded the same results.

The Business Committee then went into its chambers to elect the chairman and vice chairman.

After a short, while it was read that the new chairman would be Howell and the vice chairman would be Wopsock. The committee issued a statement saying the election was show of cooperation of working together as a new Business Committee.

The chairman and vice chairman will hold their

positions for two years, until the next election for the three other Business Committee members' seats: Wopsock, Uintah Band; Phillip Chimburas, Whiteriver Band; and Stewart Pike, Uncompahgre Band.

Pendleton blankets were presented to two of the outgoing Business Committee members who were present and to the new members.

The terms of three former Business Committee representatives ended after the swearing in: Frances Poowegup, Whiteriver Band; Richard Jenks Jr., Uncompahgre Band; and Irene Cuch, Uintah Band.

After the ceremony, the audience lined up to congratulate and shake hands with the new Business Committee.

Department of Natural Resources
Open House June 19
Meal Provided Multi - Purpose Center
11 AM - 2 PM

Mark Your Calendars & Please Join Us!

DNR is excited to announce we will be holding an Open House for Tribal Members to come meet with Department Representatives.

We will have booths set up for each DNR Division (Agriculture, Lands, Forestry, Wildlife, Range, Water Resources & GIS) with information on programs, their availability and Special Projects.

See You There!!



COMMUNITY GREETINGS

MY MOTHER'S LOVE

My mother's love is unconditional
I listened quietly as you told my little sister
bed time stories
And I believed that our imagination can
create dreams
I sat and observed when you were tutoring
my little sister for hours
And I realized in order to succeed time and
practice is required
I saw you bend down on one knee and
express your love with your kind words
When my sister fell and cried
I then realized you will always be there for us,

Believe in us, guide us and catch us when
we fall
As a mother you have made difficult decisions
to improve our lives
With your love, you have taught me to dream
and believe that life has no boundaries and
never to settle for less

*Thank you for everything,
Happy Mother's Day
Serena Shoshone Fournier
Raehanna Crystal Fournier
Kierra Alexis Fournier*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY DAUGHTER – SERENA FOURNIER

Fifteen years ago my life changed for the
better
All of my dreams and goals in life were now
for two
Throughout life we traveled the world
together
We have seen stars in the middle of the
ocean
We have seen the bluest waters and the
highest mountains
I always thought I was the teacher but you
have taught me to treasure life
Fifteen years ago God blessed me with a gift

I pray that you live to always be humble,
grateful and thankful
Greet each day with a smile and be willing to
accept life's challenge
Appreciate what life has to offer you live each
day as if it was your last
Remember to never give up and don't waste
a moment on regret or loss
In life there will be times of sadness and
moments of greatness
But if you have any doubt or fear look beside
you
I will always be here

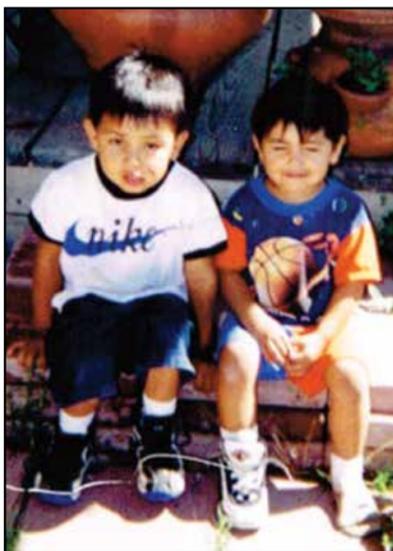
*You mom,
Rolalynn Tiznado*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOSH & JALEN

We would like to wish our two boys a Happy
Birthday.
To Joshua Herrera who turned 17 on May
5, and to Jalen Estes who will turn 18 on
May 22, we look at these pictures of you
both when you were little and think how
handsome you both have become.
But no matter how old you get you'll always
be my little boys. We love you both so very
much.
May God watch over you both and lead you

in the right path but no matter what we'll
always be here for you.

*Love always,
Your Mom Renelda, Dad Spencer,
Brother Staffon and Sister Briana*



EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

BEAR DANCE PRESENTATION

Mr. Edward Box III, Bertha Box, Mr. Tyson
Thompson, and Mr. Jonathan Chavarillo
On Wednesday, May 8, the Southern Ute
Police Department participated in a depart-
mental staff Bear Dance workshop coordi-
nated by Mrs. Estelle Jimenez. The purpose
of this workshop was to help our department
learn more about the customs and history
behind the Bear Dance. The history of Bear
Dance was presented by Mr. Edward Box III.
At the end of the workshop Mr. Box showed
a film that described the significance/import-
ance of what Bear Dance meant to several
Southern Ute Tribal members. We also had
Mr. Tyson Thompson and Mr. Jonathan Cha-
varillo demonstrate some of the Bear Dance
Songs while Ms. Bertha Box and Ms. Jer-
rika Rarick demonstrated the dance; a few
of the officers participated in the dance as
well. Team building games, guest speakers,
singers and dancers, and new insight into
the Southern Ute Culture was enjoyed by the
SUPD staff.



standing of the Southern Ute Bear Dance
culture.

Special thanks also go to Estelle's daugh-
ter Jerrika, Mrs. Laurie Monte-Watts, Mr.
Edward Box III, Jonathan, Tyson and Bertha.
Acknowledgements also go out to Ms. Keta
Torres and Ms. Augusta Burch for their hard
work in hosting and organizing this work-
shop for the SUPD department.

We would also like to thank a few orga-
nizations and restaurants for their generous
donations that were given as door prizes: Sky
Ute Casino and Resort, SunUte Community
Center, Patio, KD's, Smoken Moe's, El Ami-
go and 270 North.

Southern Ute Police Department

We would like to thank Estelle for her hard
work and self-initiative to give our depart-
ment the opportunity to participate in an
event where we could enhance our under-

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"Right In Your Backyard."
Located on the Southern Ute Reservation, the SunUte Community Center provides optimal community recreation, fitness and community service. This 50,000 square foot facility hosts a number of amenities from cutting edge fitness equipment, classes, and sports play to community events and educational services. Our main objectives at the SunUte Community Center are SAFETY and CUSTOMER SERVICE.
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BRUNOT RARE GAME PERMITS

THE SOUTHERN UTE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT WILL BE ACCEPTING BRUNOT RARE GAME APPLICATIONS THE MONTH OF MAY. THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD IN JUNE.

AVAILABLE PERMITS

2 BIGHORN SHEEP
2 MOUNTAIN GOAT
1 MOOSE

Attention Tribal Hunters: Annual Brunot Area Rare Game Permitting Lottery

Included with Brunot Area hunting available to Southern Ute Tribal hunters is the opportunity to pursue rare big game, including **Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat**. Due to the rarity of these animals within the Brunot Area, only a limited number of permits will be available each year through an application and random draw process administered by the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. Tribal hunters may apply to receive a permit during the month of May only, and drawings and notifications will be made in June.

THE WINDOW FOR SUBMITTING A 2013 RARE GAME PERMIT APPLICATION IS:
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 through FRIDAY, MAY 31

Applications must be signed by the applicant and received by hand-delivery or postmarked during the application window.

Please note that if you apply but are not drawn for a permit in a given year, you will receive a "bonus point" toward drawings for that hunt type in the future. The more bonus points you accrue, the better your chances are at being drawn.

Applications are available free-of-charge to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members only. Applications must be obtained and submitted through the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, contact the Division at 970-563-0130.

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May 24

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May 17, 2013



Do you have a problem horse, trailer loading problems, catching issues? Do you need a colt started or restarted?



For eight weeks Rhett Fincher, a gifted, talented and skilled horse developer will be in Ignacio beginning June 1. Rhett Fincher has had over 20,000 hours on horse back, studied with Pat Parelli for over two years and has been in the racing industry for over 30 years!

If you are interested in giving your horse a great experience in over coming his challenges or want him to set up for success in your relationship. Call us right away to get your time secured, call Theresa Fincher at 763-234-6210.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Asbestos remediation of three abandoned houses

OWNER:
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Environmental Programs Division
P.O. Box 737
151 CR 517
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0135
Contact: Bob Kilian

Separate sealed bids to provide environmental consulting services for asbestos remediation of three EPA Brownfields abandoned housing sites located in La Plata County will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at the Environmental Programs Division located in the J&R Administration Building at 151 County Road 517 in Ignacio, CO 81137 until June 25, 2013. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2013 at 10 a.m. in the J&R Administration Building. A site visit will follow the meeting.

The Request for Proposals may be picked up at the Environmental Programs Division Building during the hours of 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday – Friday or you may contact Bob Kilian at 970-563-0135 ext. 2248; or bkilian@southernute-nsn.gov. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO code has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. A bid preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned businesses must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. 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 Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Tribal member purchase of manufactured home

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 is requesting the submittal of responses from Tribal members to the RFP for the purchase of a manufactured home. The home description consists of the following:

- **Year & make: 2001 Schult Manufactured Home**
- **Square Footage: 28' x 66' (1848 sq.ft.).**
- **Size: Six bedrooms, living room, kitchen, laundry, two baths.**

The following criterion applies to sale of the home:
1. The home will be sold as is with no implied warranties.
2. The selected proposer will be responsible for complete teardown, removal, transport and re-set up of the home (approximate cost within a 5-mile radius is \$10,000).
3. The selected proposer will have 30-days to remove the home from the premises.
An Open House will occur at 221 Capote Dr. on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. 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 2 p.m. MDT, Tuesday, June 4, 2013. For more information contact the Construction & Project Management Department at 970-563-0138.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS General contractor services for Southern Ute residential roads speed hump installations and road repair

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 is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for a General Contractor to submit proposals for the installation of speed humps on SUIT residential roads and road failure repair.

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 2 p.m. MDT, Monday, June 3, 2013. There will be a MANDATORY pre-bid conference

on May 22, 2013, 2:00 pm. at 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, Co., Construction and Project Management office.

Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. For information on 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.

SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM Research Committee members

The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum in coordination with Fielding Graduate University. Interested tribal members and community member input is needed for an educational leadership and change research committee. SUCCM has approved of the director to work on this project involving "participatory action research." The committee will meet at the beginning

and the end of the study. Membership on the committee is voluntary and will be for approximately 18-24 months. The committee will evaluate SUCCM and discuss ideas that will help the museum be sustainable to preserve Ute traditions, history and cultural education programs. Please submit a letter of intent in person to SUCCM or by mail to P.O. Box 737, #95, Ignacio, CO 81137.

In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2013-0005-CV-NC
Ayona Maria Hight, Civil Subject
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Notice is hereby given that Ayona Maria Hight filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Ayana Maria Hight. As of April 1, 2013 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Ayona Maria Hight name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Ayana Maria Hight.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2013.
In the Southern Ute Tribal Court
Tasha Herrera, Court Clerk

In the Legal Name Change of,
Case No.: 2013-0028-CV-NC
Isiah Athen Tucson, Civil Subject
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Notice is hereby given that Isiah Athen Tucson filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Isaiah Andreas Valdez. As of May 6, 2013 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Isiah Athen Tucson name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Isaiah Andreas Valdez.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2013.
In the Southern Ute Tribal Court
Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

**SunUte Community Center
Special Hours**

In observance of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Bear Dance and Memorial Day weekend, SunUte will have the following hours:

Friday, May 24 - 6:00am to 5:00pm
Saturday, May 25 - 8:00am to 5:00pm
Sunday, May 26 - 8:00am to 5:00pm
Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day): 8:00am-5:00pm
No Active Kid Care on May 27.
No Group Exercise Classes on May 27.

For more information, please feel free to call us at 970-563-0214 or visit our website at www.SunUte.com.

*\$4.00 Wristband Weekend.
*All Bear Dance participants and spectators or family and friends of the dancers have FREE entrance from Friday to Monday.

SUNUTE UPDATE

"To expand and improve the quality of life for the Southern Ute tribal members and surrounding communities by stimulating social, physical, emotional, mental, cultural, and spiritual growth through recreational activities."



TRI-UTE GAMES 2013

Events dates to be announced. Looking for athletes and coaches for the upcoming Tri-Ute Games. Games will be held here in Ignacio this summer. Sports: Basketball, volleyball, golf, archery, bowling, swimming, cross-country, ultimate warrior (triathlon), skateboard and hand game. Open to enrolled tribal members and tribal descendants, ages 9 to 18. The purpose of the games is to come together so our children can get to know each other better and to foster friendship between the Northern Ute, Southern Ute, and the Ute Mountain Ute tribes. For more information please contact the SunUte Recreation at 970-563-0214.

SUNUTE POOL ARE CLOSED

The SunUte pool are will be closed from Saturday, May 18 through Wednesday, May 22 for floor repair. SunUte will re-open at 6 a.m. on Thursday, May 23. We apologize for the inconvenience. For more information call Lisa Allen, Aquatics coordinator at SunUte, 970-563-0214 ext. 2653

TRIPLE WIN PROGRAM

Southern Ute tribal members: Enter to win a gift card every month for the next 12 months. You can enter the raffle if you work out in the gym or pool, participate in noon ball, or attend group exercise classes. Ages 10 and up. Tickets can be redeemed at the trainers' desk.

Summer Swim Lessons 2013

First Session Begins June 3rd! Registration begins May 3rd!

We are offering two-week sessions starting June 3rd. Registration will begin May 3rd. Classes will be 40 minutes long on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A two-week session is \$40. SUIT Enrolled Tribal Members are free. Maximum of 6 children per class. Minimum age is 4 years old. Provided in cooperation with the American Red Cross Learn To Swim program.

Sessions:

- Session I- June 3rd-June 14th • Session II-June 17th-June 28th
- *Session III-July 8th-July 19th • Session IV-August 5th-August 16th
- *Session III will meet on Tuesday 16th instead of Monday 15th due to the Sundance Ceremony.

Levels:

- Level I-**Objective: Comfort...introduction to water. Submerge face, kicking, bobbing, floating, introduction to front crawl and back crawl.
- Level II-**Objective- Stroke Development- front crawl, back crawl, breaststroke, elementary backstroke. Must be able to swim unassisted 5 feet to enter this class.
- Level III-** Objective: Skills building- Deep water treading, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, butterfly, flip turns, diving, rotary breathing. Must be able to swim completely unassisted 15 yards to enter this class.

Parent/Tot Class- Objective: Only offered during session I at 9:00am. This class is for children ages 6 months to 3 years. Parents or guardian will have fun in the water with their children exploring water, games and safety.

Times:

9:00-9:40AM, 9:45-10:25AM & 10:30-11:10AM (Level I, II & III)

For more information call
Lisa Allen/Aquatics Coordinator at (970) 563-0214



SUIT: Due to overswimming and safety concerns the pool will be closed during summer time swim lessons from 9:00-11:15 AM on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. We will remain open for adults to use the sauna and hot tub. One lane will also be available for adult lap swim.

Advertise in the Drum!

Call or email today for more info!
970-563-0118 • sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov



Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
Tribal member employment preference, must pass pre-employment drug test & criminal history.

Engineer II – Aka Energy

Closing date 5/17/13
Durango, CO – Works under the supervision of a Senior Engineer and the Vice President of Engineering & Development to complete engineering duties in support of the safe, reliable and efficient construction and operation of natural gas pipelines, compressor stations and gas plants for Aka Energy Group, LLC. Assists in evaluation of new business opportunities.

Financial Analyst – Red Willow Production

Closing date 5/20/13
Ignacio, CO – Assists in monitoring and managing Red Willow's capital investments, cash flow and operating results by gathering and analyzing financial and business data. Assists in preparing and monitoring the annual budget and assists in preparation and analysis of monthly forecasts. Assists in monitoring loan covenants and ensuring compliance with those covenants.

General Accountant – SU Growth Fund

Closing date 5/22/13
Durango, CO – Provides general accounting support, to include reconciliation of selected General Ledger accounts on a periodic basis. Responsible for the reconciliation of bank statements to the General Ledger and providing support for monitoring ongoing cash activity. Supports the monthly close process. Responsible for fixed asset capitalization and management. Provides support to Growth Fund Controller's group as required.

Health & Safety Compliance Specialist II – SECMG

Closing date 5/28/13
Durango, CO – Develops, coordinates, and ensures compliance with Process Safety Management (PSM), Chemical Accident Prevention Programs (RMP), Pipeline and Motor Carrier Safety for Growth Fund (GF) business enterprises.

Business Development Geologist – Red Willow Production

Closing date 5/31/13
Ignacio, CO – Planning and implementing technical evaluation of Business Development projects requiring the application of advanced geologic and geophysical interpretation skills. Responsible for working both independently and leading teams and junior geologic staff to evaluate internal assets, third party assets and other viable oil and gas exploration/exploitation plays resulting in the discovery of new oil and gas reserves.

PeopleSoft FSCM Senior Developer – Southern Ute Shared Services

Closing date 5/31/13
Ignacio, CO – Development and production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain Management applications, providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft technical support and consultation. This position will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain applications with emphasis on the impact, implications, and the functional/technical benefit of enhancements, as well as the design and implementation of customizations and fixes to the production system.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

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

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact information on file. P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137

Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

Heavy Equipment Operator

Closing date 5/23/13
Provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out project assignments for the Construction Services Division. Pay grade 17: \$17.22 /hour.

(2) Forest Technicians

Closing date 5/23/13
The Forest Technician 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. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

Chief of Police

Open until filled
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking its next Chief of Police. The Chief leads law enforcement on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, managing a current staff of 13 full-time Patrol Officers, a Lieutenant, 3 Sergeants, a Criminal Investigator, Detective, two Community Resource Officers and a 24-hour dispatch staff. The Mission of the Southern Ute Police Department is to uphold the constitutional sovereignty and the customs of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to protect life and property and to promote and preserve peace within the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. This contracted position will be hired in accordance with the Tribe's Native American hiring preferences in its Tribal Employment Rights Code.

Chief Medical Officer

Open until filled
This is a full time position responsible for organizing and supervising the work of Southern Ute Health Center Clinical programs to ensure that effective clinical services are provided and quality standards are met. This position will provide day-to-day oversight and coordination of all clinical providers and overall leadership of the Clinical department to ensure compliance with all appropriate policies, regulations and accreditation standards. Position will require providing both direct patient care services as well as all required administrative services within the department with a split of approximately half of the time being allotted to each clinical and administrative duties.

(2) Farm Equipment Operators (Temporary)

Open until filled
This position is under the general supervision of the Farm Field Supervisor and provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out the project assignments for the Agriculture Division. Temporary, seasonal assignment at pay grade 16: \$15.63/hour.

Police Lieutenant

Open until filled
Under general supervision of the Chief of Police coordinates the efforts of the officers and dispatchers to achieve the objectives of the police department. Serves as acting Police Chief in the absence of the Police Chief. Pay grade 22: \$60,320/annually.

Summer Youth Workers

Open until filled
Southern Ute tribal members only. Under general supervision of the Youth Employment Program Coordinator, Youth Employment Program Aide or Tribal Department Directors, Division Heads or Managers, performs job duties as directed and participates in activities provided within the SUIT Education Youth Employment Program. Pay grade 10: \$9/hour for first year workers, \$9.50/hour for workers returning to the program.

TEAM Jobs Program (Temporary)

Southern Ute tribal members only. The TEAM JOBS positions are temporary assignments that are filled as needed from the current pool of applicants. The rate of pay is set at the minimum pay for the assignment, but not less than \$10.82/hour.

Youth in Natural Resources Crew Member (Temporary)

Open until filled
Southern Ute tribal members only. This is a 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 Crew Members 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. Pay grade 11: \$10/hour. Work season runs from June to August.

Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Human Resources Department: 970-563-1311 • Fax: 970-563-1419
P.O. Box 340 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • Office Hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Indian Preference Employer • Apply online: www.skyutecasino.com • *21 years or older

*Banquet Coordinator

Closing date 5/20/13

Banquet Production Cook

Closing date 5/20/13

*Banquet Staff

Closing date 5/17/13

*Bartender

Closing date 5/17/13

Kitchen Utility Steward

Closing date 5/20/13

Line Cook-Rolling Thunder

Closing date 5/20/13

*Housekeeping Staff

Closing date 5/17/13

*Crap Dealer

Closing date 5/17/13

*Multi-Games Dealer

Closing date 5/20/13

Ignacio School District – Job announcements

Application/Information: 970-563-0500 ext. 221

Job descriptions and application can be found at: www.ignacio.k12.co.us
Ignacio School District is accepting applications for the 2013-2014 school year

Elementary Counselor

Closing date 5/30/13

Fifth Grade Math Teacher

Closing date 5/30/13

IGNACIO COMMUNITY LIBRARY Library Director

Position open Library Director for small, well used library in vibrant, diverse area. Requires MLS or MLIS. For full job description, qualifications and contact information, see <http://ignacio.colibraries.org>

SUCAP

Board of directors mandatory board election

Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. will be holding its biennial elections June 4; we are looking for community members who are interested in running for a seat under Category II on our Board of Directors.

Category II – those elected by the community at large, will fill 6 vacant seats. This is a two-year term.

If you have an interest in human services, non-profit organizations or like to be involved in new and exciting initiatives impacting your community – here's your chance!
The SUCAP Board of Directors meets once

a month and committees meet approximately every quarter. You must be 18 years old and reside within the Ignacio School District (11JT) and Southern Ute Indian reservation.

All nominations will be followed up by our office. The deadline for nominations is May 10. Please contact Naomi Russell if you are interested or know of someone who might be at 970-563-4517 or nrussell@sucap.org

Need not be registered to vote in La Plata County. This election is not sanctioned by voting laws in the state of Colorado, need only be 18 and reside within our service boundaries.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Gaming Commission vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking two (2) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Gaming Commission for a three (3) year term. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations:

- Be at least twenty-one years of age;
- Possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation;
- Have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures;
- Have the ability to observe restrictions

concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality;

- Submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and
- Undergo a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office – Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2013. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS Two at-large commission members

NOTICE is hereby given that the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) is soliciting candidates for two At-Large Commissioner positions (volunteer) for three year terms starting in July 2013 – June 2016. Please send electronic copies of:

- 1.) Cover Letter of Interest
- 2.) Resume

Letters of interest and resumes must be submitted to Ernest.House@state.co.us by 5 pm on Friday, May 17, 2013 or earlier. If you do not have email access or require accommodations, please contact our office at 303-866-2087. CCIA At-Large members are voting members of the Colorado Commission

of Indian Affairs who serve three year terms starting from July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016. CCIA meets quarterly throughout the year and travel costs for At-Large members are covered by the CCIA. If you would like further information regarding the At-Large memberships or have any questions, please contact 303-866-5470. The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe will host the next CCIA Quarterly Commission meeting in Towaoc, Colorado on May 31, 2013. Applicants are welcome to attend the meeting at their own expense, but are not required. Applicants will be notified of results after the May 31, 2013 CCIA Quarterly Commission meeting.

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, seven 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.

For Rent

Mobile home for rent, 24 Mountain Dew Circle (Cedar Point West subdivision). 3 BD/RM, 2 Bath, Wood flooring/add-on. Fenced front yard. No smokers! Pets negotiable. Must be enrolled Southern Ute tribal member. \$850 a month, \$850 deposit + \$850 last month's payment. 3 References, pay own utilities. Open on June 1, 2013.
For more information call 970-317-1950 or 970-317-1951

For Sale

500 Gallon water tank, \$500.
Trailer, \$500.
Call 970-317-5372

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Tribal member Wildlife Advisory Board vacancy

The Southern Ute Tribal Council and Wildlife Division are presently seeking interested enrolled SUIT members wishing to fill two (2) vacant seats on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. This 8-member Board, first established by the Council in 2005, works closely with the Wildlife Division and Rangers in planning, reviewing, and recommending various actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs for the Reservation and the

Brunot Area. Board members who are not already employed by the Tribe are compensated at an hourly rate for meeting participation. Meetings are held several times throughout the year, and a commitment to participate in all meetings is expected. Those Tribal Members interested in serving on the Board must submit a letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. For more information, please contact the Division at 970-563-0130.

FREE HOME RADON TESTING

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs is offering FREE home radon testing for Tribal members.

Priority to Elders and those with infants in their homes.

Call
Peter Dietrich at 970-563-0135 ext. 2238 for more information.

Do you have Questions about your Indian Mineral Ownership or Royalties?

Department of the Interior
Oil and Gas Royalty
Question and Answer Sessions

Wednesday, June 5, 2013

BIA - Southern Ute Agency
8:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Southern Ute Senior Center
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

You are invited to come and have your mineral ownership or royalty questions answered regardless of where your allotment is located. Please bring any documents you would like to discuss.

For more information, contact John Roach at the Office of the Special Trustee at 970-563-1013 or Tom Piccirilli of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue at 800-982-3226.



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and La Plata County Board of County Commissioners (left to right): Councilman Alex Cloud, Councilman Aaron V. Torres, Vice Chairman James M. Olguin, Council Lady Pathimi Goodtracks, Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr., Commissioner Bobby Lieb Jr., Council Lady Ramona Y. Eagle, Commissioner Gwen Lachelt and Commissioner Julie Westendorff.

TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tribe, county nearing agreement on county roads

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council met on Friday, May 3 with the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners to welcome its new members and review the groups' progress toward a global agreement regarding rights-of-way for county roads on tribal lands.

"It's important that we continue this government-to-government relationship that we have with the county," Newton said. "We need to walk hand-in-hand down some of these roads for the betterment of our people."

For more than a decade, the county and tribe have been working toward a meeting of the minds on how to treat county roads that cross reservation lands. Meeting with the council in its chambers in Ignacio were Commissioner Bobby

Lieb Jr. and newcomers Gwen Lachelt and Julie Westendorff, a former tribal prosecutor for the Southern Ute Tribal Court.

In the past, such agreements were made on a road-by-road basis. In many cases — particularly among older roads, which could have been around for half a century or longer — documentation that grants the county a right-of-way is incomplete, insufficient or just plain missing, said Southern Ute Legal Department Director Monte Mills.

That's led to questions about the status of some roads and, by extension, of whether the county should be maintaining them.

A global agreement would define the county's rights-of-way for existing roads, superseding earlier agreements and bringing all covered roads under the same set of rules, Mills said.

Sam W. Maynes, an attorney with the tribe's general counsel, Maynes, Bradford, Shipp & Sheftel, said the agreement is "on the verge" of completion. Both sides are hammering out details, and the agreement must then be authorized by the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, which issues rights-of-way on trust lands on behalf of the tribe.

Lieb called a finalized agreement "honestly our highest priority ... for this year."

"I'd like to suggest when this thing gets done, we'll all throw a party," he said.

Tribal Attorney Lorelyn Hall said the agreement could be the first of its kind in Indian Country. Council Lady Pathimi Goodtracks said that would reflect well on the county.

"When we do these collaborations ... La Plata County will be known as being a leader," she said.

Lightning-struck tree felled



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

On Saturday, May 4, a tree was felled and summarily removed from the northeast corner of the Southern Ute Veterans Park. Tyson Thompson was the sawyer assigned with the task of dropping and sectioning the tree.



Members of the Southern Ute Veterans Association gave the tree a blessing in the traditional way before the felling took place. Larry Tucker gave the blessing, referencing the direction of the sun as it sets to the west and rises to the east.

The tall pine had been struck by lightning years ago and posed a risk in the highly trafficked area.

PEST CONTROL • FROM PAGE 1

patterns and identifying possible new larval sources.

The key to success for pest management is to identify mosquito larvae and eliminate them from growing into adults. But migratory mosquitoes will move into the area from outside boundaries, and the only alternative to control is to "fog."

The use of ultra-low-volume formulated insecticides gives only temporary relief and is not recommended as a cost-effective approach. The adult mosquito management portion of the program consists of two phases, harborage site adulticiding and general adulticiding.

Harborage areas can be

cool, humid spots where adult mosquitos gather for sunny, dry periods during daylight hours before taking feeding flights at dusk. Some types of mosquitos with short flight ranges may be permanent residents of these harborages, while others might only stop at the harborages for a short time during migration.

Residual and non-residual treatments are procedures to control such infestation. Residual treatment not only gives immediate control of existing adult mosquitos, but will prevent reinfestation of the area and adjacent areas. It's typically done using powered backpacks or ATV-mounted sprayers.

Residual treatment offers the advantage of reduced infestation over non-residual treatment.

The agreement with the tribe and the town extends through 2015, and while Colorado Mosquito Control must observe and comply with all applicable federal, state, local and tribal laws, there are ways that you can help reduce the infestation of mosquitos in the area.

For more information on how you can help, visit www.mosquitocontrol.lifetips.com. If you have questions about where CMC will be administering treatments on or around the reservation, call the Southern Ute Range Division at 970-563-0100.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Friday, May 17



Sunny 75°F

Saturday, May 18



Chance T-storms 69°F

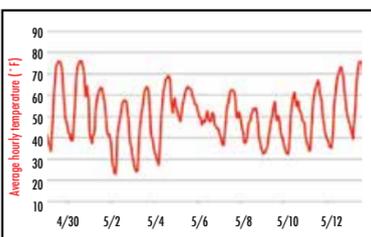
Sunday, May 19



Mostly sunny 68°F

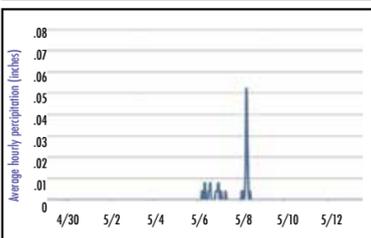


Weather data for April 29 – May 13



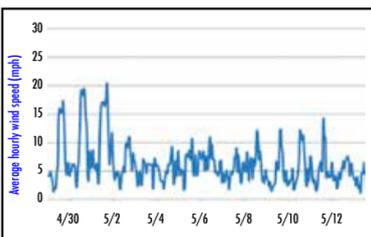
Temperature

High	76.1°
Low	22.9°
Average	50.5°
Average last year	52.9°



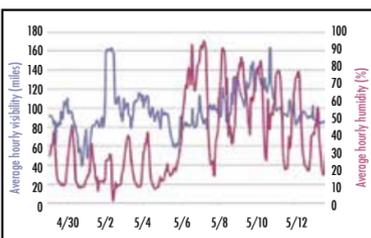
Precipitation

Total	0.176"
Total last year	0.896"



Wind speed

Average	6.2
Minimum	1.2
Maximum	20.4



Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	97.5
Average humidity	38.4%

Air quality

Good



Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

2013 LAKE CAPOTE RECREATION AREA SCHEDULE & FEES

398 HWY 151
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
www.lakecapote.com



Phone #: (970) 883-2273

LAKE CAPOTE OPERATING SCHEDULE

Opening Day: April 11th, 2013

April 11th through May 5th
(Thursday through Sunday)

May 9th through September 8th
facility is open 24/7.

September 12th through October 6th
(Thursday to Sunday)

Closing Day: October 6th, 2013

Lake Capote is regularly stocked with rainbow trout, brown trout, largemouth bass and catfish.
(Fishing Bag Limit: 3 trout, 1 catfish, 1 largemouth bass. All fish 16" or larger are catch and release only)

Southern Ute Tribal Members receive discounted rates, elders & youth fish for free.

- Night Fishing when advertised
- More food items & fishing supplies available at Bait Shop
- 2013 Fishing Derby \$2,000 of tagged fish in lake.
1st Prize: \$500
2nd Prize: \$300

2013 Lake Capote Permit Fees

Adult Fishing: \$10
Tribal Member Adult Fishing: \$4
Youth (12 and under) Fishing: \$4
Tribal Member Youth Fishing: FREE
Derby Permit: \$20
Tent Site: \$13
Tribal Member Tent Site: Free
RV Site (elec. & water): \$20
Tribal Member RV Site: \$10
Day Use (1st ½ hour free): \$3

(Call for group rates, weekly rates also available)