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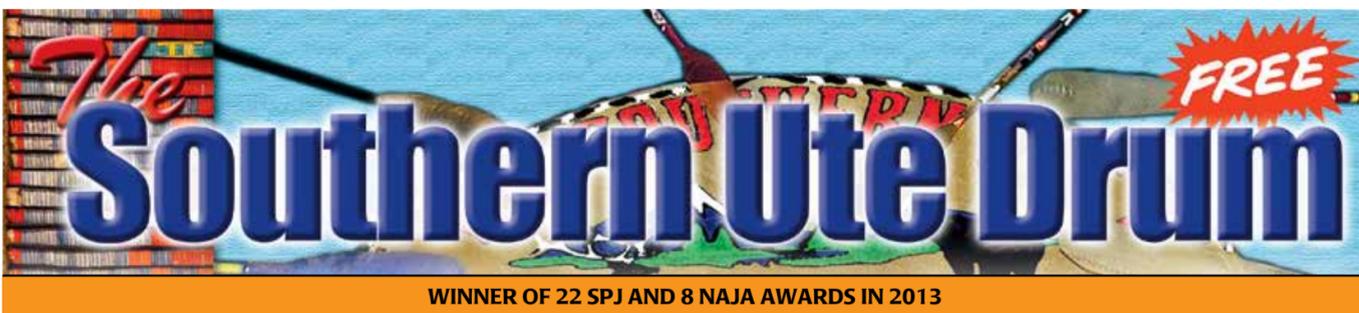
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GROWTH FUND

Tribe opens new hotel in Oceanside, Calif.

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Just a block from one of the longest piers on the Pacific coast, there's a gleaming new edifice overlooking the beach in Oceanside, Calif.: a hotel owned by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Tribal and town leaders cut the ribbon Tuesday, Feb. 11 on the new SpringHill Suites by Marriott, a custom six-story, 149-room facility that boasts a rooftop pool, a hip seafood restaurant, and rooms 30 percent bigger than the industry average. Representing the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council at the opening were Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. and Councilman Alex S. Cloud.

"This is a great opportunity for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, a great opportunity for the City of Oceanside to prosper," Newton said. "I want to thank Growth Fund Properties for the hard work that they do."

The Ignacio-based drum group Yellow Jacket Singers kicked off the ceremony, which took place outside the hotel's front entrance, with a pair of songs. Cloud said the music was an appropriate way to bring the hotel to life.

"The drum is the heartbeat of what we say is life. It's coming alive today," Cloud said.

The property was developed by GF Properties Group, the tribe's real estate arm. Asset Manager Brian Mulvany, who works in the company's Denver office, supervised the project. Mulvany said one of his favorite touches is a "living wall" near the entrance, a giant work of art composed of local plants set in an array of irrigated panels.

Connected to the hotel is the Hello Betty Fish House, a Baja-style seafood restaurant that serves dishes including fish tacos and margaritas. Though the tribe frequently partners with



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The SpringHill Suites by Marriott in Oceanside, Calif., opened Tuesday, Feb. 11 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by several Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council members and Growth Fund employees. The hotel and its connected restaurant, the Hello Betty Fish House, are 100-percent owned by the tribe.

others on real estate projects, on this one it owns 100 percent of both the hotel and the restaurant, said Patrick Vaughn, president and COO of GF Properties.

The tribe has developed or purchased various properties across the country, including condos, office buildings and industrial space, but this is its first hotel project, he said.

"The Southern Ute Indian Tribe invests for the long term," Vaughn said.

To facilitate its first foray into the hospitality business, Southern Ute Growth Fund Operating Director Bob Zahradnik said the tribe sought out partners with expertise. That was a big reason for pursuing a Marriott franchise, he said, because the company has the best reservations system in the business. The tribe also contracted with Denver-based Sage Hospitality to run the hotel and its subsidiary, Sage Restaurant Group, to run the restaurant, he said.

"We are certainly honored to be a part of this great project," said Walter Isenberg, CEO of Sage Hospitality. "The hotel was built with

Thank you to the tribe, the Tribal Council, for being involved in Oceanside. We're happy to have you here in our town.

— Oceanside Mayor Jim Wood

our environment in mind. We are going to be LEED silver certified. ... None of this would be possible without GF Properties."

The hotel sits on land the tribe purchased in 2005 that includes four adjacent city blocks. The tribe hopes to develop that space in the coming years into a combination of apartments and an open public area, Vaughn said.

"We're not going to be here today and gone tomorrow," he said.

For his part, Oceanside Mayor Jim Wood — who was

joined at the ceremony by the city's manager, fire chief, police chief and council members — said he was grateful for the tribe's efforts to stimulate development in the area located approximately 30 miles north of San Diego.

"Thank you to the tribe, the Tribal Council, for being involved in Oceanside," he said. "We're happy to have you here in our town."

Cloud later gave Wood a tobacco gift as a gesture of goodwill.

"I can go back and tell [tribal members] how beautiful this place is and invite them to come over here," he said.

When tribal members do visit, they might be surprised to find familiar artwork hanging in the hotel: In among the series of images of coastal life are three prints of Southern Ute regalia from the archives of The Southern Ute Drum.

"The Tribal Council felt that it was important that we contribute a piece of their heritage," Vaughn said.

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See more photos of the new hotel in Oceanside.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Eddie Box Jr. (center) poses with family, friends and staffers of KSUT Public Radio outside the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chambers on Tuesday, Feb. 11. KSUT is in the process of opening a new building, the Eddie Box Media Center, which will be the future headquarters of the radio station. The center will provide newer broadcast equipment and accessible media services for the community.

TRIBAL MEDIA

KSUT honors Eddie Box, Jr with new building name

By Damon Toledo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

KSUT Public Radio announced on Tuesday, Feb. 11 it will honor one of its longtime friends, Southern Ute elder Eddie Box Sr., with the name of its forthcoming building.

The Eddie Box Media Center will be the radio station's new home following a fundraising campaign to renovate the existing structure, just south of the tribal campus on the east side of State Road 172. Box, currently the information services manager for the tribe's Department of Natural Resources, has a long history with the station, including 37 years of service on its board — 28 of those as president.

Steve Williams, current president of the KSUT board and director of the tribe's Property & Facilities Department, commented on the decision during an event in the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chambers in which the council made the honor official with a resolution.

"We wanted to do something great," Williams said. "We have been working on gathering support for building a new facility. Who better to name it after than

one of our most prominent members that has supported the station for years?"

Family and friends gathered inside the Council Chambers to congratulate Box. Box expressed thanks to everyone in attendance.

"This is surprising," Box said. "I appreciate this and will continue to do what I can. I love music, all types. ... That's where my heart has been."

Bruce Campbell, KSUT's development director, gave details on the progress of the building in an interview.

"In 2010, we identified the move into a new building as a top priority for our five-year strategic plan," Campbell said. "It'll house the operations for KSUT Public Radio for the foreseeable future. It will include adequate and modern broadcast equipment, production facilities, and an indoor-outdoor performance space that is capable of hosting, broadcasting, and recording drum groups and non-Native artists."

As the project proceeds, KSUT is still looking for donations to make the building ready.

"Currently, KSUT is seeking major gifts and large do-

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Celebrating with dance



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Cabin Fever Gourd Dance and Powwow, sponsored by the Four Corners Gourd Dance Society, brought many dancers and spectators out of their houses to celebrate in dance. Veronica Gallegos from the Malemute Nation in Alaska poses with Amber Doughty, Miss Southern Ute, and Avaleena Nanaeto, Northern Colorado Intertribal Powwow Association Princess.

More photos on page 12.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Tribe launches Facebook page

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Starting today, the official Facebook page of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is up and running.

Tribal members and the general public are invited to search for and "like" the page to begin receiving tribal updates. The Facebook page is the newest way the tribe is attempting to get information out to the membership, said Andrea Taylor, director of Tribal Information Services.

The tribe already has a website with event updates and department information at www.southernute.nsn.gov, but the goal is to increase traffic to the website by using Facebook, Taylor said.

Executive Officer Amy Barry said the page is an additional way to reach out to

tribal members who might find it a useful addition to existing outlets.

"The goal is to improve communication with the tribal membership in any way, shape, or form," she said. "We want to maximize communication through the KSUT radio, Facebook, the tribal department websites, and exclusively through the tribal-membership-only site. Leadership would like to engage more tribal membership into what we are doing entity-wide, and this is another avenue to accomplish that."

It's especially important to target younger tribal members who might not listen to KSUT or read The Southern Ute Drum, Barry said.

"The younger tribal membership generations have iPads, iPhones, Facebook pages — the list goes on and on. We can utilize technol-

ogy and make it a resource to communicate with our younger membership as well as our tribal membership who do not reside on the reservation," she said.

Since the tribe is aiming to get more use out of the existing website, users can expect to see the tribal website and department links frequently referenced in Facebook posts.

Postings the public can expect to see on the page include tribal office closures, event flyers, election dates, road closures, and any other events the tribal government is specifically involved in, Taylor said.

Taylor said that due to the difficulty of monitoring comments, users will not be allowed to comment on material posted to the page.

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Beth Santistevan/SU Tribal Council

Pictured (left to right) are Colorado Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia, Ute Mountain Ute Vice Chairman Juanita Plentyholes, Southern Ute Vice Chairman James M. Olguin, and Ernest House Jr., executive director of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs.

COUNCIL CORNER

Colo. House approves bill extending in-state tuition to 48 tribes

By Beth Santistevan
SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

Earlier this month, the Colorado House Education Committee approved a bill on a 9-4 vote to give Native Americans with historical ties to Colorado a break on college tuition.

House Bill 1124, sponsored by Rep. Joe Salazar, D-Thornton, will give members of 48 different tribes in-state status for tuition purposes at all state schools. The tuition break will take effect beginning with the 2014-15 academic year.

"Often due to circumstances beyond their control, many American Indian tribes and members of American Indian tribes have been forced to relocate across state lines, far from their historical home places," the bill reads. "It is in the best interests of the state and of affected American Indian students for Colorado to extend in-state tuition classification to any Ameri-

can Indian student who is a registered member of a federally recognized American Indian tribe with historical ties to Colorado."

Native Americans represent the demographic with the lowest college attendance and graduation rates, with less than 42 percent attending in 2011, well below the national average of 57 percent, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

"It's good that the state recognizes tribes that have ties to the state by allowing affordable education," said Southern Ute Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. "Southern Ute also benefits from the in-state tuition for members who live off the reservation and out of state. This is another example of a good working relationship with Indian Country."

"There are incredibly low numbers of American Indian students enrolled in higher education institutions across the state," Salazar said in a release. "We know

the American Indian community faces severe economic hardships, and this bill will give them a much better chance of attaining higher education."

The bill will only serve tribes designated by the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. That clause is of some concern to Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council members Alex S. Cloud and Aaron V. Torres, who said they believe the opportunity should be extended to descendants as well as enrolled members.

"We can't forget about our descendants. They also have historical ties to the state. We want them to contribute to the economy as well, and just because they aren't enrolled doesn't mean they should be forgotten," Cloud said.

Fort Lewis College in Durango is the only college with an exception to the bill because it already offers a free education to all Native American students.



MANY MOONS AGO



courtesy Denver Metro Chamber/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Irene Burch, wife of the late Southern Ute Chairman Leonard C. Burch, and her daughter, Lisa, listen as Chairman Howard D. Richards Sr. comments on behalf of the Burch family during the Feb. 12, 2004, induction of Leonard C. Burch into the Colorado Business Hall of Fame in Denver. The ceremony took place at the Denver Marriott City Center.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 20, 2004, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

20 years ago

No photo available for this issue of the Drum from 20 years ago. Look for the 20 years ago photo in the next issue, March 7.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Eugene Naranjo, the Southern Ute Fair Board chairman, "would rather dance than pay" for the Two Step Dance. If he refused, he would have had to pay a dollar to the Indian Club.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 24, 1984, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

HUNTER EDUCATION CLASS

The hunter education class will be held at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, located at 77 County Road 517 in Ignacio, Colo. There will be five classes, must attend all classes. Classes will be March 4, 6, 11, 13, 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. and March 12, 4:30 - 7 p.m. Range Day. The minimum age limit is 12 years of age. The cost of the class is \$10. Pre-registration is required, register online at <http://wildlife.state.co.us/Education/Pages/EventsCalendar.aspx>.

HUNTER EDUCATION INTERNET-BASED CLASS

This one-day INTERNET-BASED Hunter Education Course, needed to qualify for a Colorado Hunter Education Certificate, will be offered March 29, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum. The course fee is \$10 (payable to the instructor on the first day of class). Class size is limited to 20 students. Minimum age requirement is 12 or older. Parents of younger students are encouraged to attend with their child. Pre-registration is required, register online at <http://wildlife.state.co.us/Education/Pages/EventsCalendar.aspx>.

SOUTHWEST COLORADO RURAL PHILANTHROPY DAYS JUNE 11-13

Businesses and individuals who have a product or service of interest to area non-profits are invited to learn about vendor opportunities at the 2014 Southwest Colorado Rural Philanthropy Days conference in Pagosa Springs, June 11-13. Staff and volunteers from area non-profits,

along with government officials and state-wide funders will be in attendance. Vendor spaces are limited. To find out more, email southwestrpd@gmail.com or call Kristi Smith, event coordinator at 402-417-3585.

NEWFIELD ALLOTTEE SPRING UPDATE MEETING

Mark your calendar for Thursday, April 3, and head over to the Sky Ute Casino in Ignacio at 10 a.m. or the Ute Mountain Casino in Towaoc, at 4 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from Newfield about successful pooled Allottee wells, the Company's plans and activities in 2014, current exploration priorities and community involvement. Questions? Call Newfield's Elton Blackhair or Travis Lindsey at 435-646-3721.

2014 BOWL FOR KID'S SAKE

This year's event will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at Rolling Thunder Lanes in the Sky Ute Casino. Come help us celebrate Big Brothers Big Sisters 30th Anniversary at this year's event. Ignacio High School Service Learning class is having a friendly competition to raise money for Big Brothers Big Sisters!!! We have broken the class into 4 Teams and each team has a fundraising goal of \$300! If each team at least reaches \$150 by April we get to participate in the Bowl for Kids' Sake "thank you" event. Students are working hard to get the word out and raise money. Each team has a donation page, please forward this email or feel free to follow the link and make a donation.



Listening tour visits museum



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Lady Pathimi Goodtracks introduces herself to an audience of Ignacio and Bayfield community members who attended a meeting at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Wednesday, Feb. 5. A delegation from the Listening Tour of Southwest Colorado Rural Philanthropy Days, which seeks to connect donors with local projects, was there to listen to community members about local issues. The event was a precursor to a conference June 11-13 in Pagosa Springs.



Andrea Hanks/Special to the Drum

Southern Ute veterans Rod Grove (right) and Howard D. Richards Sr. during a meeting of the Southwest Native American Veterans Alliance on Saturday, Feb. 15.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Vets unite with southwest tribes

By Andrea Hanks
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

The New Mexico Veterans Memorial Center in Albuquerque, N.M., was the site Saturday, Feb. 15 of a historic moment for Native American veteran groups.

The Southwest Native American Veterans Alliance met to finalize bylaws and articles of incorporation to establish its status legally as a nonprofit organization. The alliance will serve as an umbrella organization for tribal veterans service offices and Native American veterans groups in the Southwest.

Currently there are an estimated 40 members consisting of tribal veteran programs and groups from the Eight Northern Indian Pueblos, Laguna Pueblo, Navajo Nation and Southern Ute Indian Tribe. All have been involved since its beginning in September 2013. There are also interested veterans groups from California, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah and Washington.

"This association will benefit all our Native People who

have served," said Southern Ute veteran Rod Grove.

Because as Howard Richards stated, "Who is taking care of those who don't have an association?"

The mission of the alliance is to educate and assist in the areas of veterans rights, entitlements, benefits and enrolling families for entitlement benefits. Membership is open to non-Native Americans and Native American honorably discharged veterans, their spouses and children.

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Councilman Howard D. Richards Sr., a veteran and former tribal chairman, said the association's services are critical.

"Who is taking care of those who don't have an association?" said Richards, who at the meeting was also elected to the association's board.

Also present was Joe Martinez, honorary chair of the Veterans Advisory Council's Executive Committee for U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M.

"Veterans need a voice, a collective voice," he said.

Following a final motion to approve the bylaws and incorporation, board members were nominated and selected. Board members are Richards, Perry Benally (Diné), Fred Luna (Isleta), Ramus Suina (Cochiti), Marvin Trujillo (Laguna) and ex-officio Martinez.

"It's a historic day as we are starting a new association to help veterans," said Marvin Trujillo, Veterans Program director for Laguna Pueblo, "Let's show D.C. we have taken initiative, on our own, to take care of our veterans."

The meeting continued with much discussion on the upcoming veterans conference scheduled for Sept. 22-24 at Isleta Resort & Casino. The general theme of the conference will be "Empowering Veterans: Speaking With One Voice, Veterans Rising for Healing."

The Southwest Native American Veterans Alliance set a next meeting for Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. at the Laguna Pueblo Wellness Center. A website and Facebook page is in development.

Navigating the Native universe



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Kalepa Baybayan, a navigator in residence at the Imliloa Astronomy Center of Hawaii, demonstrates how ancient Polynesians used the stars and constellations to navigate their ships through the ocean. Polynesian navigation was one of many presentations throughout the day at the Native Universe conference held Thursday, Feb. 6 at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum.

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Veterans thank McIntyre



Courtesy Rod Grove

Members of the Southern Ute Veterans Association give a Pendleton blanket on Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility to Scott McIntyre of Rural Healthcare Connections. McIntyre helped facilitate a memorandum of understanding between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the U.S. Indian Health Service that makes VA services available at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pictured (left to right) are Larry Tucker, McIntyre, Rudley Weaver and Rod Grove.

CULTURAL UPDATE

CULTURE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY EVENTS

• Feb. 27: Drum Sticks

Ute Language:

• Wednesdays: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Reading & Writing Ute - Givon/Cloud

• Thursdays: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Conversational Ute with Alden Naranjo

• Sundays: 2 - 4 p.m. Children & Family Ute with Crystal Ivey

Other Culture Department Events:

• Feb. 23: 11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Mother Daughter Conference. Lunch will be provided. Classes are held in the Cultural Center Large Classroom. Craft Activities: Thursday evenings, the staff is available to help you with your projects.

DRUM STICK MAKING TEACHER NEEDED

Attention Tribal Members: The Culture Department is seeking Tribal Members to teach classes in Hand Drum making, and Drum Stick making. The next class

is scheduled for Feb. 27 (Drum stick). If you are interested in teaching either of these classes or any culture classes in the future, please contact Joycelyn Dutchie, Education Coordinator at 970-563-0100, ext. 2306, or send an e-mail to: jdutchie@southernute-nsn.gov.

TRIBAL FAIR OPEN MEETING FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Southern Ute Culture Department will be having its first open meeting to the General Tribal Membership for the upcoming 2014 94th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair on March 27 at 6 p.m., to be held in the big classroom at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum. Refreshments will be served. If you are interested in volunteering for exhibits entries or to coordinate a Fair event please come! We are always striving to make the Fair a successful event! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.

Old Spanish Trails visits



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Erwin Taylor speaks to members of the Old Spanish Trail Association on Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The Old Spanish Trail Association visited the Southern Ute Reservation to discuss preservation of the trail on tribal land.



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."



YOUTH FITNESS CHALLENGE AT SUNUTE

Calling all native youth, 8-18 years old. We have a fitness challenge at SunUte in the gym, Saturday, March 1. This is a free event. Call Amber Doughty at 970-563-4741 for questions and to register.

YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNEY

Mid-America youth basketball and the Southern Ute Tribe present March Mayhem, March 22 and 23, at the SunUte Community Center. All teams are invited to play in this tournament, boys and girls, 3rd through 12th grade levels. Register online at www.mayb.com or call Steve Berg at 316-284-0354.

WOMEN'S OPEN BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Starting March 17. Entry fee is \$250, entry fee must be paid before the first game, no exceptions. Registration deadline is March 14 at 5 p.m. An early bird entry will save \$25 on entry fee if you sign up by March 7. For registration information call 970-563-0214.

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• Summer session: May 1 – Aug. 28 • Fall session: Sept. 2 – Dec. 18

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4 – 5:30 p.m. except on holidays in SunUte pool and lap lanes. \$30 registration fee at the beginning of each session paid at SunUte front desk (waived for Southern Ute tribal members). There is a separate SWIM USA registration form with a separate fee for those swimmers who want to enter a sanctioned swim meet. See coach Lin for more information about racing. For ages 8-18 with coach Lin Eskridge, a certified USA Swim Instructor. For more information contact: Lisa Allen, Aquatics Coordinator at 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.

Behavioral Health Optimal Well-Being for All

An initiative by the Citizens Health Advisory Council

Please join us for a La Plata County wide group discussion on Mental Health. We will provide a light dinner. Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 5:30-7 p.m. at the Ignacio School District, Administration Boardroom, 455 Becker Street in Ignacio. Contact Jaynee Fontecchio at jaynee@chaclaplata.org for more information.

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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.



ANTHONY SUINA

I attend Ignacio High School, where I am a sophomore. My favorite subjects in school are language arts, english and math. My parents are Danita Baker and Fred Suina. I like play football, basketball and baseball. Teacher comments: Anthony is dedicated student and athlete. He has a great attitude and his positive behavior makes it easy to work with him. He recently made honor roll and has excellent attendance at school. It is an honor to have him as a student of the month.



KAI ROUBIDEAUX

I attend Ignacio Middle School, where I am an eighth grader. My favorite subjects in school is history. My parents are Michael and Mikki Roubideaux and guardian Dixie Naranjo. I like play basketball and baseball. In addition, I would love to attend college, play basketball and obtain my degree. I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal student of the month for February because of my achievements, good attendance, positive behavior and good citizenship in school. Student comments: Its an honor to me and want to thank education department and others who were involved in my selection. Teacher comments: Kai is a welcome addition to any classroom. He has a very positive work ethic yet always finds a way to have fun. Kai will be a great success in whatever he does in life.

photos Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Lessons on Animas-La Plata



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Lynnette Sage, daughter of the late Southern Ute Chairman Leonard C. Burch, shows the students at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy the size of the piping laid for the Animas La-Plata Project. Sage said her dad used to call this project his "baby."

LOCAL EDUCATION

Silverton students get firsthand lesson in Ute culture

By Damon Toledo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Many kids grow up in the Four Corners area without ever learning much in school about the American Indian tribes that have called this region home for centuries.

That wasn't the case for Kylee Shipp's elementary class, which paid a visit to the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

The class of young learners came from Silverton Elementary School to expand their knowledge about the Ute people and American Indian culture.

"All of our literacy is taught through science and social studies," Shipp said as her students wandered through the museum. "We go deeper into case studies, our first being about the indigenous era."

Shipp explained how getting knowledge from primary sources benefits students.

"We've been studying Ute history through sources of art, text, and quotes," she said. "[Coming to the museum], the students are able to talk to people of the Ute culture and get some imagery regarding the topics."

The group was greeted with a traditional song performed by Nathan Strong Elk, acting executive director of the museum. The students' primary focus dealt with how natives identify themselves in the modern world.

"Identity is the key term for this visit," Shipp said. "We want the students to learn how people are preserving history and tradition



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The class visited the museum to talk about "identity" and how the Utes and other Native American cultures adapt to the shifting world as history moves forward.

with a modern lifestyle. We analyzed paintings of the Bear Dance and Sun Dance and pulled meanings from it. [Additionally], we read some first-person articles and analyzed quotes from elders."

Shirley Cloud Lane, the museum's education coordinator, addressed the students about how American Indians view the Earth as a connected circle of life.

"We're all a part of one circle," Lane said. "There is life connected in everything, and we respect that."

Cloud Lane showed examples of beadwork, native attire and photographs to the bunch.

Anthony Porambo, marketing intern with the museum, discussed with the students being part of the Shawnee tribe from Oklahoma and the similarities with the Utes.

"There are ceremonies we partake in to show appreciation of life," he said. "The Utes have the Bear Dance and Sun Dance. In the spring, the Shawnee have the Bread Dance. It's our way of

being honorable."

Porambo discussed his experience being a part of the Ute community.

"The Ute people are like family to me," he said. "I may not be a tribal member, but I am treated as if I am one."

Seamus Garvin, a Silverton Elementary student, expressed what he learned most during the visit.

"I learned more about how [the Ute people] think of themselves and how they identify with the things around them," he said. "They see life as a circle and focus on connecting with each other."

Garvin went on to compliment the museum and staff.

"I really loved the architecture of the museum as well as the greeting song," he said. "It was very welcoming and made me happy to be here. ... I would certainly visit again. I like the story behind [the tribe] and its meaning. Their decisions and ideas as a whole are good, and I like how they have a good relationship with everyone."

Breaking ground on high school



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Councilman Alex S. Cloud helps break ground at the site of the renovated Ignacio High School on Thursday, Feb. 13 at Ignacio High School. High school students will be moved to the vacated old Ignacio Elementary School until the renovation is complete.

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EDUCATION UPDATE

DOROTHY GORE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

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college are considered although priority is given to applicants to Cottey College, a two-year women's college in Nevada, Missouri, owned by the P.E.O. Sisterhood. Information about Cottey is found online at Cottey College. Applications for the scholarship are available at high school counseling offices. The application deadline is Friday, March 7. If you have any questions about this information please call me at 970-259-4039.

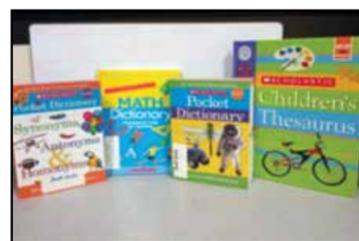
"Mystery Word"

Sponsored By Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy

Recently, Ms. Carol Olguin presented a set of reference materials to each SUIMA family for use at home. These reference materials included: Pocket Dictionary, Math Dictionary, Children's Thesaurus, and Dictionary of Synonyms, Antonyms and Homonyms. Ms. Mari Jo Owen's Upper Elementary classroom of 4th, 5th and 6th year students did a Dictionary lesson which included finding a "Mystery Word" for families to figure out at home using the dictionary sets that Ms. Carol gave them.

THE CLUES FOR TODAY'S MYSTERY WORD ARE:

1. Use the Math Dictionary.
2. Look in the "T" section.
3. This word has 4 letters and means to keep track of past, present and future.



(Clues by Randy Herrera, 6th year)
Here is the SCRAMBLED answer. (meti)
Did you get it?



A MUSICAL TRIBUTE • FROM PAGE 1

nations to help us renovate the building and purchase the proper broadcasting equipment," Campbell said. "There will also be a Native American Media Center, where Native musicians can record their music and demonstrate to other tribes who are interested in taking a step into the media realm."

Campbell said the honor is

well-deserved.

"We're all very happy that Eddie is receiving this honor," he said.

Box said a love of music has kept him involved over the decades.

"I started on the board of directors in 1975," he said. "I like when people enjoy what you're playing.

You play for them, not for

yourself. It's our livelihood to play what the customer wants to hear."

Listeners can listen to Box during his live broadcast on Klub KSUT every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. on 91.3 FM in La Plata County or 89.7 FM in northwest New Mexico.

To donate to the new media center, visit www.ksut.org.

Selling hearts for the club



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Members of the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe spent their Valentine's Day with good company and pie inside Ignacio's The Patio Restaurant on Friday, Feb. 14. Emily Meisner, owner of the restaurant, showed support for the club by selling Valentine's Day hearts to customers in an effort to raise money. She succeeded in raising a total of \$862.

KSUT hosts fundraiser



photos Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Sheila Nanaeto (left) and Mike Santistevan of KSUT Tribal Radio welcome guests to a fundraising event at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility on Friday, Feb. 7. The station is raising money for its new building.



Tyler Gummersall performs an original song as guests eat a meal provided by Serious Texas Bar-B-Q.

Steve Williams, president of the KSUT board, recalls his early days as a fan of the station decades ago.

Sweets for sweeties



Beth Santistevan/SU Tribal Council

Students in the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Toddler Room enjoy cupcakes on Valentine's Day.

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IHS BOYS' BASKETBALL

Bobcats slam Mustangs, dunk Trojans

No. 1 Ignacio aces SJBL endurance test

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Rather than his trademark cowboy boots, ice bags shrouded his ankles as he left IHS Gymnasium.

But every bit of Justin Carver, for at least five seconds of Thursday, Feb. 13, felt no pain; the break-away jam, which had twice slipped his grip the night before in Nucla, went down cleanly to effectively cap a home win over Ouray.

"It was very, very exciting," said the senior center of the moment he got a pass from classmate Clayton Jefferson – forgoing an uncontested layup – with no one else nearby. "I was happy; he's my 'little brother' out there, and he gave me the ball. So it was big in my heart, and probably big to everyone else."

"It was awesome," said sophomore guard Wyatt Hayes, whose steal near the Trojans' bench triggered the highlight-reel run in the fourth quarter of what ended an 83-38 rout. "Just to see a dunk; we haven't had ... in high school, I've never seen a dunk on a team I've been on."

Jefferson's game-opening three-pointer told the fans all they needed to know about the fate which befell the Mustangs, and which rapidly revealed itself to OHS – Ignacio's third opponent in as many nights, with one more still remaining during the trying stretch.

"We have to keep our focus," junior forward Adison Jones said. "We know every team's going to give us their best shot coming at us, No. 1, so we've just got to play



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Anthony Manzanares (10) watches his short-range jumper go towards the rim during the Bobcats' Feb. 12 road win at Nucla. Manzanares had scored 14 the night before against 3A Bayfield, and went for eight against NHS after entering each contest as a reserve.

hard and take it."

"Sometimes kids get complacent, thinking about other things, and we try to keep their mind on playing," head coach Chris Valdez said. "Go to Mancos ... try to get a team that's like 11-5? 12-5? We've got to go ready to play."

JV call-up guard Isaiah Harrison properly polished off Ouray with his first varsity point, sinking one-of-three from the stripe with six seconds left on the clock, and sophomore forward Nick Herrera then nailed down unbeaten Ignacio's 15th vic-

tory with a stuff of Trojan senior Derek Hanshaw at the court's other end.

"The kids were so happy for [Harrison]. That's what makes me feel good about this team: They're so unselfish. All they wanted to do was get him the ball," Valdez said. "Xavier [Reynolds] and John [House] didn't score, but they were more worried about getting him the ball and getting him the opportunity to score. So if we do win a flag of any kind, he gets to

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IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

IHS girls vanquish Valentine's week

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Seeking any respite during a four-games-in-four-days stretch, the Lady Bobcats got an extra two-minute, 20-second breather at the expense of Ouray.

In the process, they neutralized Lady Trojan junior gunner Jackie Saunders while locking up a second straight win after a close loss to 3A Bayfield.

"I was real curious myself, to see how they were going to respond to this challenge," laughed head coach Shane Seibel, after hosting Ouray barely 20 hours after a long trip to – and victory in – Nucla. "Quite frankly, they've really showed me their determination to do the best they can. And that's all I can do ... really be proud of their effort when they provide it on a consistent basis."

Saunders said when the schedule gets tough, you still have to be ready for every game.

"This week we have one literally today, tomorrow, the next day. ... Win or lose, you have to forget about the past game and get ready for the next. Right away."

Senior forward Roshae Weaver said Ignacio's win was a team effort.

"I think we really just got the hang of it with ... working together, and we all just brought each other up," she said. "We did a really good job together."

Having successfully lulled the Lady Trojans to sleep at the end of the third quarter – Seibel wanted to spread his offense out to the floor's four corners, Ouray's Shawn Carroll wanted his team to remain in a tight 2-3 zone – by often standing motionless, Ignacio blew the San Juan Basin League game open in the fourth with three consecutive Chrystianne Valdez



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Chrystianne Valdez draws some mid-air contact while attempting to shoot over Ouray's Kayla Fairchild (5) during the Lady Bobcats' Feb. 13 home win.

layups, making the score 40-25 en route to a 46-34 end.

Nucla had fallen by a similar 48-37 margin, and the individual key in both was Gabriela Garcia.

Having scored seven crucial fourth-quarter points (of her 16 total) against the ready-to-rumble Lady Mustangs – after teammate Cloe Seibel (12 points) was lost to a vicious ankle injury following her own eight-point third – Garcia picked up where she'd left off and netted 18 back inside IHS Gymnasium.

Both were game-highs, the former being three up on Nucla senior Shalyn Stefan, the latter four up on Saunders – who was held without a basket until the final frame, but did manage to help keep Ouray close with 7-of-8 free throw shooting

(she finished 10 of 14) during the first half.

"Gabs did a really good job," said Weaver, who scored five points. "She's our best defender and she just did what she did! That's what she does best."

Seibel said Garcia played how a senior captain is supposed to play.

"When her compadre went out – her other senior captain – she stepped up and had to run guard, post play, and really challenge herself to stop her opponent. And she did really well," she said.

Ouray actually led 7-4 after the first quarter, following a pair of Kayla Fairchild free throws post-buzzer, resulting from an Alejandra Lujan foul. But despite ju-

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Presenting your winter royalty



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio senior forward John House, right, stands alongside IHS Winter Royalty 2014 Queen Cloe Seibel during halftime of the Bobcats' Feb. 13 game versus Ouray. At left is Ms. Seibel's escort, her father, Shane Seibel. Winter Royalty 2014 also included Freshman Honorary Princess Brianna Olguin and Freshman Princess Tori Archuleta (both met and adorned by Ruger Valdez), Sophomore Princess Chrystianne Valdez (met by Anthony Suina), and Junior Princess Amya Bison (Xavier Reynolds was unable to attend to meet her on the court).



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Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Looking beautiful, Brianna Olguin was this year's alternate freshman princess, escorted by her uncle Franklin Thompson.

Ignacio senior guard Clayton Jefferson presents IHS Winter Royalty 2014 Second Attendant Angela Herrera with her bouquet during halftime of the Bobcats' Feb. 13 game against Ouray.

Tribal members place at meet



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Lakota TwoCrow competes in the 100-meter backstroke on Sunday, Feb. 9 at the Farmington Aquatic Center. TwoCrow took fourth and fifth place in Saturday's events at the Winter Wonder Swim Meet in Farmington, N.M.



Howard Richards III tries to get his best time while swimming in the Winter Wonders Swim Meet in Farmington, N.M., on Sunday, Feb. 9. Richards placed first in numerous events on both Saturday and Sunday.

Andrew Morgan warms up for his event at the Winter Wonder Swim Meet on Feb. 8-9 at the Farmington Aquatic Center.



IHS WRESTLING

Mickey leads Cats to third at SJBLs

Hopefuls vying for their State tickets

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Mutually understanding each other's desire to earn a San Juan Basin League individual championship, those inside Dove Creek High School Gymnasium on Feb. 6 did not question that there was a fire burning inside Dove Creek's Nick Jones and Ignacio's Lorenzo Pena with the 138-pounders' title at stake.

Each had opportunities to finish the other, but neither could in a superb six-minute show that ended with Pena visibly disappointed, but also with a "One more round!" buzz circulating around the house.

"Lorenzo performed well against the Dove Creek kid, even though we lost that match," head coach Cody Haga said of the 15-10 score. "That kid has pretty much stuck it to us all season, and we gave him a run for his money... stuck with him clear through the third period, and that's what matters."

Haga said a competitor must make the best of the outcome by taking his mistakes back to the practice room.

"I'm not better than any of these guys," said junior 170-pounder Blaine Mickey, after going two-for-two to win his division. "I've just got to know that I'm working harder, and prove it out on the mat that I'm working harder - than everybody in the state - so I can get on top of that podium."

A second-period pin of Mancos' Everett Strazza-Whalen and a third-period stick of Norwood's Kolby Starks made Mickey the only one of Haga's eight to leave with No. 1 distinction, but IHS still finished third as a team. Their 90.5 score trailed only Norwood's 146 and the hosting Bulldogs' 104.

Dolores was fourth with 51 points, Mancos fifth with 36 and Nucla sixth with 19.

In addition to Pena, four other Cats went 1-1 at the meet, including 106-pounder Stocker Robbins, who began the event with a pin of Dolores's Tristan Me-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Lorenzo Pena inverts Dove Creek's Nick Jones during their exciting battle for the 138-pounders' title at the San Juan Basin League Championships, Feb. 6 inside DCHS.

The CHSAA State Wrestling Championships are set for Feb. 20-22 inside Denver's Pepsi Center.

dina, and 220-pounder Josh Gallegos, who ended it with a loss by pin courtesy Norwood's Blyde Harrigan.

Gallegos had begun with a pin of Nucla's Anthony Emery, while Robbins was pinned later by Dove Creek's Colin Hobbs when the finals commenced. Pena's win - with injured brother Isaac cheering from the mat's edge - was an emphatic 10-1 major decision over Dolores' Guy Wallace.

"Isaac will be back for the regional tournament," Haga said of his regular 145-pounder. "He's having issues with his [left] knee ... just trying to rehab it and recover."

Timmy Plehinger again filled the bill at 145, and bounced back from a loss to Norwood's Trenton Armitrout to notch a first-period pin of Dove Creek's Will Bartley. And bumped up from 182 to 195, presumably to get as many matches as possible, Christian Knoll shook off a 10-4 loss to Norwood's Ethan Barnes to dominate and tech-fall Dove Creek's Tyler Knuckles.

"Morning practices - working in there, getting that mental toughness ... making everybody work hard and start getting over that soreness-helped a lot," Mickey said. "I think everybody kind of got a little shock of ... how up-to-par you have to be ... in this state because of how hard our region is."

To wit, 132-pounder Colton Logan went up against a pair of high-rated opponents - Norwood's Hayden Harris and Dove Creek's Chance Randolph - and was pinned in the first by each. And at 126 Ethan Appenzeller had just one match, but against an enemy he's getting to know quite well in Dove Creek's Case Baughman.

Prevailing 11-0, Baughman was clearly determined to limit Appenzeller's opportunities as much as possible, knowing how close he'd come to defeat at the previous weekend's Butch Melton Invitational.

"The boys performed well," Haga said. "We're pushing for regionals; that's our goal and what we've been working for all year. That's the big show in our eyes. State will come for those who earn it."

Mickey said as long as he qualifies for State, he wants to go as far as he can without blaming anything on anybody else.

"I want to get up there and I want to work my hardest. Even if I don't make it, I want to be up there [in Grand Junction] and know I laid everything on the mat this year," he said.

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nior Malori Trujillo's three-pointer starting the second, the Lady Cats were ready to claw back into the contest.

Senior Angela Herrera countered the make with a three-point play, taking a hack from Ouray's Rachel Pankow, and Garcia tied the low-scoring half at 12-12 by cleaning up a previously blocked attempt in the paint. But behind quick-draw junior Miya Saunders' six points in the period, the visitors led by as many as seven before two Garcia free throws slimmed the halftime deficit facing Ignacio to 23-18.

"I think we came out a lot better at the beginning of the game than we usually do," Jackie Saunders said. "We usually do a pretty good job of trying to find each other and make that work."

The Lady Cats had trailed Nucla 8-6 after one quarter before leading 18-13 at the break.

"They were about the same," Weaver said, comparing the outings. "I think last night was a little more physical, but overall they were about the same."

Beginning the third with a Garcia three-pointer and a Valdez baseline two, Ignacio went on a 13-2 run which the Lady Trojans could not answer. Herrera and Valdez each finished with 10 points, senior reserve Deja Herrera hit a fourth-quarter jumper, and Lujan went 1-of-6 at the foul line to earn some scorebook ink.

Miya Saunders finished with 10 points for Ouray (then 5-7 overall), and Trujillo chipped in eight.

Kenzee Irish had managed seven and Charlie Wytulka six for Nucla (then 7-7) the night before, but were offset by Angela Herrera's six, sophomore Ellie Seibel's five, Lujan's four and Valdez's three.

"Physically and mentally we've just got to stay strong.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Roshae Weaver (11) looks to drive the ball inside the three-point line against Nucla's Sue Sutherland during the Lady Bobcats' Feb. 12 road victory.

And we know we can do it," said Weaver, who scored two versus the Lady Mustangs after booking six against Bayfield. "We had a rough start this week [a 55-47 loss to Bayfield], but we're going to go out with a win [in Mancos]. We're getting it together!"

Cloe Seibel recorded a team-best 11 points against the Lady Wolverines, who had led 19-9 after one quarter but only 35-29 at halftime and just 43-42 through the third. Ellie Seibel had 10 points, Angela Herrera nine, Garcia and Valdez four apiece, and Lujan three.

"Bayfield was a tough game, a great game for them," Shane Seibel said. "The ball didn't fall our way, you know, but I was real proud of the girls' effort. ...

I can see the team really getting better and better, every single game. They're ... becoming a really stingy defense and making girls work for everything. So I see that as being a catalyst for us right now. It's just a matter of keeping that focus, keeping that intensity."

Results from the Feb. 14 date at MHS were unavailable at press time, with Ignacio (5-11, 3-2 SJBL) then slated to face Norwood away on the Feb. 21, and back at home against Telluride on the Feb. 22.

As of this writing, the Lady Mavericks stood fourth in the CHSAANow.com Class 1A rankings, as yet separated from a perfect regular-season record only by one point at No. 6 Dove Creek.

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be on that thing, gets to be a part of that forever."

Coming off a team-leading 14 points in Ignacio's 95-7 demolition of Nucla, Jefferson sank two more treys in the first against OHS, helping the Cats build a 23-5 lead, and totaled 13 points - matching Jones, who netted six of his also in the initial eight minutes, when Ignacio's inside/outside supremacy was established.

Carver finished with 11 points - all coming in the second half - but senior guard Bo Ward, coming off the bench, ended up doing the most damage with a strong 15-point performance, accented by triples in the first and the fourth.

"As soon as somebody makes a three, it's like it's contagious," said Hayes, whose trio of threes in the second increased Ignacio's lead to 45-17 at halftime, "and it just goes all over the place. Everybody'll start making them!"

The Cats played a mentally balanced game and didn't force anything they didn't have to, Valdez said.

"Some kids, like Bo, who don't usually penetrate used penetrating abilities and hit some little runners," he said. "[Ouray] played pretty good defense, hustled to spots ... kept us from shooting the wide-open shots, and we had to start penetrating and creating."

Hayes and senior Kelton Richmond each finished with nine points, and Herrera had four against the Trojans (7-6 overall), who were paced by senior Clay Zimmerman's 13. Freshman Lincoln Sackman dropped in 10 and sophomore Caleb Preston booked five in defeat.

Against Nucla (0-11), Carver racked up 13 points, Jones finished with 12, sophomore guard Tucker Ward 11 - nine via three of the Bobcats' 12 threes - and Bo Ward nine. Hayes scored just five, but every player in a black jersey scored - unofficially, in Reynolds' case - at least two points, including sophomore guard Anthony Manzanares (eight points), whose 14 bench points had energized Ignacio in an 82-53 beating of 3A Bayfield on Feb. 11. Jefferson and Hayes each scored 17 in that clash.

"As far as progression, I think that gave us a lot of excitement and brought us together a little bit," Carver said. "I mean, Bayfield ... I'm from there, so it's always good to beat them. I think we played it, forgot about it, and kept moving forward to the next one."

Nucla trailed Ignacio 43-0 in the second quarter before an Isaac Salazar three-pointer got the Mustangs on their own scoreboard at long last.

"It shows our heart, and how good we're going to play down the stretch," Hayes

said. "It's good to get our feet under us and everything."

Valdez said it's always fun when everybody gets a chance to play and score.

"Give the younger guys more of a chance to play, and try to keep the score under a hundred," he said, "but we do want to give our [starting] guys a little bit of a run."

And even with a Valentine's Day trip to MHS, followed by a stiff road test at 1A Monticello, Utah, on Feb. 18 - results unavailable by deadline - a trip to Norwood on Feb. 21 and the regular-season finale at home versus Telluride on Feb. 22, the Cats seem to know not the meaning of fatigue.

"I don't think it's set in. Because we're all like family out there; we're getting up and down the court and we're all just excited for each other. So we don't really feel it," Carver said. "I mean, I felt tired going into yesterday's game ... and then I see Clayton get a steal, I see Wyatt get a steal, and I'm like, 'Here we go!' And it's just exciting all over again!"

Prior to a Feb. 14 road game at Price, Utah, Pinnacle - preceding Ignacio's visit - Monticello stood 13-3 overall, 7-0 in their state's Region 19. Their only losses had come against top-fivers (Deseret News poll) Tabiona and Duchesne, and upset-minded 2A Blanding San Juan.

JV ballers in action



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Isaiah Harrison slices between two Bayfield defenders during the Bobcat JV's tense 55-54 home win over the 3A Wolverines on Feb. 11. Harrison made his varsity debut two nights later during mop-up time against Ouray, and sank one free throw in three tries to polish off Ignacio's 83-38 defeat of the Trojans. The JV did not have a game against Ouray, nor Nucla on the road in San Juan Basin League play the night before.

Ignacio's Deja Herrera (30) outthrusts two Nucla Lady Mustangs to an available ball during JV road action on Feb. 12. Against several players also suiting up for Nucla's varsity, the Lady Bobcats fell 61-20 but were still hyped up by their 33-27 defeat of 3A Bayfield at home the previous night. Herrera then scored a basket coming off the bench during Ignacio's varsity home game against Ouray on Feb. 13, helping Ignacio to a San Juan Basin League victory.

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Drake wins museum ATV



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Miss Southern Ute Amber R. Doughty and Little Miss Southern Ute Alternate Tauri J. Raines announce the winner of the ATV raffled off by the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Friday, Feb. 14. Phillip Drake was the lucky winner of the ATV.

COMMUNITY GREETINGS

CONGRATULATIONS TO A GRADUATE FAR AWAY FROM HOME

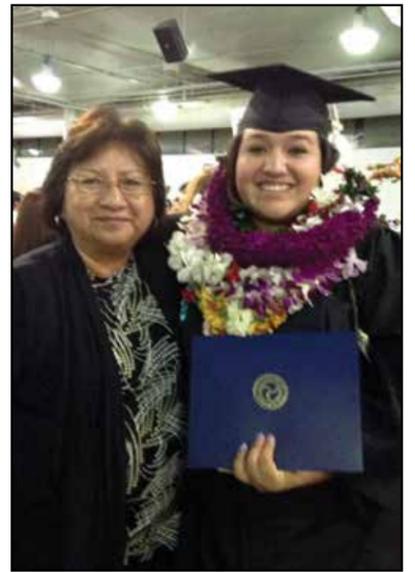
In December 2013, the Southern Ute Education staff, Renee Sage and Louise Wilson attended the graduation of Ms. Tyla Frost who graduated from Hawaii Pacific University (HPU) with a B.S. degree in Anthropology.

Tyla's mother, Debra Frost and her sister, Jennifer Olguin and other family members was able to attend her graduation. Ms. Frost is very knowledgeable of the Hawaiian culture and the surroundings. She provided us a tour of the Island which gave us an insight of what Hawaii is all about.

Tyla is one of the few Natives who have attended and graduated from HPU. HPU is the largest private university in the central Pacific, most noted for its diverse student body of almost 7,500 students, representing over 80 countries. The school's largest academic programs include Business Administration, Nursing, Psychology, and International Studies.

Hawaii Pacific University is a private, coeducational university located in Honolulu and Kaneohe.

HPU has two main campuses in addition to an Oceanic Institute and Military programs. HPU's downtown Honolulu campus serves



most of the business, liberal arts, and other general programs. We wish Ms. Frost the best as she plans to continue her education in this field.

Louise Wilson, MSW
Academic Advisor
Education Department

TRIBE LAUNCHES FACEBOOK PAGE • FROM PAGE 1

"The page is just information that [tribal members] may or may not need. Just an info page," she said.

Taylor believes that Facebook will be especially useful for those members living off the reservation. She said

Facebook will help build awareness among members and hopefully increase membership involvement.

"Getting the information out on Facebook will help our members plan travel to powwows and other events,"

Taylor said.

As of now the tribe has only one official Facebook page it operates. According to Taylor, tribal members can expect to see a few more department Facebook pages open in the future.

STARWHEELS

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

♊ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PISCES PEOPLE! An ambitious SUN in your sign until the 19th intensifies your craving to get ahead. There's just one obstacle standing in your way Little Fishes. MARS goes into sleep mode on the 1st and slows your advancement regarding certain financial matters. On the 16th a FULL MOON in your opposite sign of VIRGO might shed some light on a future plans, and you may be able to figure out all the details regarding your next move. Just be sure to get all the facts before you act. There are good times to be had after the 6th, thanks to Giant JUPITER.

♈ ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

The NEW MOON in your sign at month's end means that it is time to launch a fresh cycle. Clear away past issues, and find ways to make improvements in your domestic environment. You may be thinking about getting rid of old household articles, clothing, or other items that are no longer useful to you. Call it a "Spring Clean Up". SATURN may be holding your finances hostage as it takes a stand in the bill paying section of your Horoscope. Reassess funds, debts, and your budget. Wise planning will pay off later.

♉ TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

A lively month ahead gets your social life, and you, into a whirlwind of activity. New friends may be added to your circle. The sizzling SUN and dreamy NEPTUNE are warming up the hopes and wishes section of your Horoscope. Now is the time to plan ahead. MERCURY floats into that same area on the 17th and draws your attention to group related activities. With all this planetary power swirling around you, be mindful of your energy level. Pace yourself TAURUS.

♊ GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

It's been said that patience has its rewards. Your prospects are looking better Twins. JUPITER currently living in your sign is finally going to be on the move again after the 6th. Remember, this is the planet of luck and growth. Its influence may be easing some of the blocks you might have been experiencing of late. MERCURY enters watery PISCES on the 17th and might blur your thinking regarding a job matter. Your intuition, coupled with well thought out ideas, will help you make a good decision.

♋ CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

The SUN and NEPTUNE shine high in your Horoscope and encourage an interest in people or places far away. Chances are you may have to put your plans on hold till later in the month. This is mainly due to that little Red planet MARS stirring up domestic chores that just can't be put off any longer. It might be best to take care of those duties first. Disputes with kinfolk, or family members over beliefs, or opinions may not solve a thing. Keep the peace Moon Kids. Plot your strategies after the 6th.

♌ LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Spring stars hold the promise of improved finances as the SUN and NEPTUNE pass through a money zone. Keep track of personal resources, taxes, and bills. Smart money management now could bring rewards come summer. Try to be patient after the 1st when MARS slips into retrograde mode. Communications might be confused, or misunderstood. Stay focused Lions, conserve your energy. Later after the 20th the pace picks up again. This month is all about timing. Set your watches LEOS.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)

MARCH MADNESS takes hold when MARS goes retrograde on the 1st, and SATURN does the same on the 2nd, unsettling your sense of financial security. Even your confidence is shaky. The most favorable course of action would be to slowly reevaluate both your finances, and relationships. The FULL MOON in your sign on the 16th, puts the emphasis on personal objectives. Lucky JUPITER gives you a beneficial nod on the 6th, and sets a joyful cycle into motion. Your outlook improves considerably.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

Hey LIBRA people ... big news! Sassy MARS in your sign slams on the brakes March 1st. But don't let it throw you. Keep moving forward with your plans. Progress might be slow, as there are other matters to be taken care of. Health, diet, and work, are on the list. Pets may also require your attention. The end of the month offers an invigorating NEW MOON cycle regarding relationships, and close connections. Impulsive actions should be curbed. Think before you act LIBRA!

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 23)

The ongoing influence of SATURN in your sign may have you thinking more seriously about your life, and your lifestyle. However, the main focus is about having more fun. March is a good month for you to spend time with the people you care about the most. The FULL MOON on the 16th is in your favor SCORPIO. Find entertaining activities to enjoy with your children, grandchildren, or other loved ones. Be creative. MERCURY slips into compatible PISCES on the 17th and inspires imaginative ideas.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

This March some of your attention might be diverted to your home base, and family matters. Do what you can to sow the seeds of progress regarding unfinished household affairs. The picture brightens on the 6th when your planetary ruler JUPITER begins its forward movement again. Opportunities arise regarding finances. The Universe may generously provide you with the resources you've been wanting. Once again your legendary SAGITTARIUS luck comes to your rescue.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

There may be challenges early in the month but your support network of friends help you to withstand the obstacles. SATURN, your planetary ruler does an about face on the 2nd, and slows your social agenda. Conversations have a tendency to be confused. Be sure to make yourself clearly understood. The planets are sending inspirational, and visionary ideas. Short trips, visits to neighbors, and relatives make this a month of contented leisure interests. Share your insights with others CAPRICORN.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)

MERCURY and VENUS both in your sign this month, put you in rare form. Gone, are the winter doldrums, and in their place a brighter, lighter, mood prevails. Single AQUARIAN'S may connect with an unexpected relationship. Go out and be your sociable self AQUARIUS. Personal possessions, earnings and finances are the main focus this March. Conditions improve dramatically near the end of the month when the SUN charges into compatible ARIES and fires up your momentum. Big surprises await you AQUARIUS!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MUDD

Brother, you have always been there, a protector and supporter, a friend and a helper. We love you. Happy Birthday! May you have many, many more good years, fine times and great memories to share!

Love, Siwee & Sue's

HAPPY BIRTHDAY VALENTINE BABY

Though we travel our separate roads, no matter what life brings - We will always be proud to call our my brother! From the bottom of our hearts - Happy Birthday!

Love Siwee & Sue

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUNTIE KAT

A pretty card
Can never say,
How much you're loved
On this special day!
Joyful may
Your birthday appear,
Leading to
A happy year!

Love Aeden & Joe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SISTER KAT

Why do you worry about growing older, when you are like wine just getting better and better with age? Happy Birthday to the one of the most special person in my life!

Love Sue & Shiri

UNCLE SCOTT & UNCLE MUDD

We are blessed to have loving, caring and fun uncles like you. We wish you both a very warm and happy birthday.

Love Joe & Aeden

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GRANDMA TYN

On your Birthday, close your eyes, look back and think about what a long way you have come through. Much love and blessings coming your way.

Love Joe, Aeden, Suzi & Shiri

HAPPY BIRTHDAY UNCLE/ GRANDPA CHIEF

Sit back and relax - it's your special day! Wishing you health and happiness always.

Love Joe, Aeden, Suzi & Shiri

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO MY BABIES

Stais, Dermarr, Autumn and Perah and Meg. Hope you all have a beautiful day.

Kisses and Hugs,
XOXO
Mom

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Grazing Permits on Tribal Units for the 2014 Grazing Season

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is accepting applications for grazing permits on available Tribal Range units for the 2014-2017 grazing cycle. The application deadline is 5pm Friday, March 7, 2014. Initial stocking rates are illustrated in the table below:

Archuleta Mesa 180 Head	Kearns 20 Head	Cat Creek 57 Head	Vega 180 Head
Archuleta Creek 133 Head	Trail Canyon 114 Head	Pump Canyon 46 Head	Beef Canyon 29 Head
Picnic Flats 86 Head	Soda Springs 32 Head		

It is very important to understand that adjustments in the length of the grazing season will be made every year in response to environmental conditions. Due to the drought conditions we have been experiencing the last few years, we will evaluate range conditions on a monthly basis to make a determination on the length of the grazing year. This means the grazing season may be shorter than 4 months. The usual grazing permit season begins June 1st of the calendar year and ends September 30th of the calendar year. To obtain an application please contact the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Range Division at (970) 563-4780 or come by the office at 575 CR 516, Ignacio.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS Southern Ute Growth Fund Office Phase II

Southern Ute Growth Fund Building Phase II Bid Package #2 in Ignacio, CO. Notice is hereby given that proposals from qualified firms shall be received by FCI Constructors, Inc. at 186 Moose Lane, Durango, CO 81303, email at tsmith@fciol.com or by fax at 970-259-8633 until 2:00pm (MST) on Thursday, March 6, 2014. Bid evaluations will comply with SUIT TERO Code for Native American Preference. Bid requirements and information may be

obtained by contacting Tim Smith at 970-259-8644 or via email. It is the responsibility of the submitting firm to see that any submitted bids are delivered to FCI prior to the closing date and time. FCI reserves the right to reject late proposals and cancel this RFB, or reject any and all submittals, in whole or in part, when it is in the best interest of FCI. FCI assumes no financial responsibility/liability whatsoever for the preparation of any response to this RFB.

REQUEST FOR BIDS Civil Improvement Project

For TERO approved aggregate, trucking, rebar suppliers, landscaping contractors, traffic control contractors and electrical contractors for the Southern Ute Growth Fund, Three Springs Civil Improvement Project in Durango, CO. Notice is hereby given that written proposals from qualified firms will be received by F&M Construction at P.O. Box 1459, Bayfield CO 81122, phone: 970-884-0109, fax: 970-884-1005, email: cfoutz@fandmconst.com until 10 a.m. (MDT) on Monday,

February 24, 2014. Bid evaluations will comply with SUIT TERO Code for Native American Preference. Bid information may be obtained by contacting Chuck Foutz, at F&M Construction via phone or email listed above. F&M Construction reserves the right to cancel this RFB or reject any and all submittals when it is in the best interests of F&M Construction. F&M Construction assumes no financial responsibility whatsoever for the preparation of any response to this RFB.

REQUEST FOR BIDS Southern Ute Casino Resort

The Sky Ute Casino Resort Human Resources Department is soliciting bids for two commercial sewing machines-like new. Interested parties must submit a bid that is postdated no later than February 28, 2014. The minimum bid accepted is \$400 per machine.

Letters must be clearly marked "Sky Ute Casino Bid Proposal" Mail letters to: P.O. Box 340 - Attention: Human Resources - Ignacio, CO 81137. For more information about the sewing machines please contact Casino Human Resources at 970-563-1311.

PUBLIC NOTICE XTO Energy Inc. ("XTO")

Notice is hereby provided by XTO Energy Inc. ("XTO") of a public information meeting/open house to be held on the 5th day of March, 2014, at the Sky Ute Casino, John S. Williams Banquet Room #1, Ignacio, Colorado from 6 -8 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and answer questions regarding XTO's application for approval to drill additional infill wells producing from the Fruitland coal formation in the following two drilling and spacing units established by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC"): **Township 32 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M.; Section 5: S1/2; Section 8: W1/2; La Plata County, Colo.** XTO's application is pending with the COGCC (Docket No. 1312 AW-81). XTO also will request a Memorandum of Understanding with the Board of County Commissioners, La Plata County, Colorado regarding the pending infill application. XTO recognizes the importance of providing information and receiving public input regarding its plans for energy development in La Plata County, Colorado. If you have questions, please contact undersigned counsel.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 30th day of January, 2014. Dugan & Associates, P.C. By: Thomas P. Dugan, Reg. No. 13576; Attorney for Applicant, XTO Energy Inc.; Dugan & Associates, P.C., 900 Main Ave., Suite A, Durango, Colorado 81301; Phone: 970-259-1770

Public Notice: Request For Comments

Proposed Air Quality Permits to Construct BP America Production Company Miera Central Delivery Point

Notice issued: January 29, 2014

Written comments due:
5 p.m., February 28, 2014

Where are the facilities located?
Southern Ute Indian Reservation
Miera Central Delivery Point
SW ¼, SE ¼, Sec 8 T34N R8W
Latitude 37.19886N
Longitude -107.740183W

What is being proposed?
This permit action will apply to an existing facility operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Colorado.

This facility is an existing natural gas compressor station that currently holds a Federal operating permit issued by the U.S. Region 8 Air Program pursuant to the Title V Operating Permit Program at 40 CFR Part 71 (Part 71). The permit contains emission limits created by the EPA. The creation of the emission limits in the Part 71 permit was a temporary, gap-filling measure for those sources operating in Indian country that did not have the ability to obtain these limits through pre-construction permitting programs, such as exists in state jurisdictions.

Upon promulgation of the Tribal New Source Review Program at 40 CFR Part 49 (MNSR), implemented by Federal government, and the approval of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Title V Permit to Operate Program (Part 70) implemented by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, it is now necessary to transfer these limits to the appropriate MNSR permits before the Southern Ute Indian Tribe issues new Part 70 permits.

Proposed Permit Requirements:
The proposed permit includes limitations on the emissions of carbon monoxide and formaldehyde from compressor engines operating at the facilities. The permit requires the use of catalytic reduction

control technology to comply with the emission limits. BP is required to conduct performance tests on the engines to demonstrate compliance with the established emission limits. BP must also perform continuous monitoring to assure emission limits are being met between performance tests.

What are the effects on air quality?
This action will have no adverse air quality impacts. The emissions at this existing facility will not be increasing due to this permit action. In addition, this action does not authorize the construction of any new emission sources, or emission increases from existing sources, nor does it otherwise authorize any other physical modifications to the facility or its operations.

Where can I send comments?
EPA accepts comments by mail, fax and e-mail.

US EPA Region 8 Air Program, 8P-AR
Attn: Federal Minor NSR Coordinator
1595 Wynkoop Street,
Denver, Colorado 80202
R8AirPermitting@epa.gov
Fax: 303-312-6064

How can I review documents?
You can review an electronic copy of the proposed permits and related documents at the following locations:

Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Environmental Programs Office
71 Mike Frost Way
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
Attn: Brenda Jarrell, Air Quality Program
Manager

US EPA Region 8 Office:
1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO
(Please call Kathy Paser at 303-312-6526
in advance of your visit.)

US EPA Region 8 Website:
<http://www.epa.gov/region8/pubnotice.html>.

Permit numbers:
Miera Central Delivery Point:
SMNSR-SU-000039-2012.001

What happens next?
EPA will review and consider all comments received during the comment period. Following this review, the EPA may issue the permit as proposed, issue modified permit based on comments, or deny the permit.

Tribal Minor New Source Review in Indian Country



United States
Environmental Protection
Agency

Region 8
Air Program

1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80202
Phone 800-227-8917

www.epa.gov/region8

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - SOCIAL SERVICES Citizen Review Panel

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking two (2) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Citizen Review Panel. The Panel reviews complaints arising from and related to cases handled by the Tribe's Division of Social Services and engages in a conflict resolution process. Panel members shall receive compensation at the rate of \$25 per hour for service on the Panel. Applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older; have demonstrable personal or professional knowledge and experience with children and/or adult protection; have

no convictions for crimes of violence or involving a child victim; is not party to litigation involving the Division, or has had an active welfare case within two years; is not a Division employee. All applicants will be subject to a background investigation. Tribal members interested in serving on the Citizen Review Panel can turn in a letter of intent at the Human Resources Office. The letter should provide specific evidence of his/her qualifications. For detailed information about this volunteer position call Human Resources at 970-563-0100 Ext. 2424.

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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE
DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Foster Care Home Recruitment, Training and Licensing

Seeking Foster Care families who are interested in providing a home for Southern Ute Tribal children that are in need of placement

The Division of Social Services will provide Parenting Classes and Training for Eligible Foster Care providers

Contact: Southern Ute Indian Division of Social Services
116 Capote Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
Kathryn Jackett, Foster Care Coordinator
(970) 563-0209 ext. 2328

CALLING ALL DJ's

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe along with the Growth Fund and Sky Ute Casino Resort would like to invite you to DJ for our Annual Employee Appreciation Day, which will be held in June. We will be holding auditions in April. If you are interested please contact Trennie Collins at (970)563-0118 or tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov by March 14.

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Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

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Human Resources • PO Box 367, Ignacio, CO 81137 • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024
Tribal member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test and background check

EHS Technician III – Air Quality – Aka Energy Group

Closing date 2/24/14

Maljamar, NM. Assists in supporting the Air Quality Compliance Program for Aka Energy LLC. in Southeast New Mexico. Provides technical support and assistance in maintaining environmental compliance for local gas plants and compressor station facilities. Works closely with Corporate EHS Manager, EHS staff, and local Operations and Engineering groups to maintain compliance with applicable regulations; responsible for supporting environmental programs and implementing best management practices in assigned field areas with engineering and operations staff.

Environmental Compliance Specialist – Air Quality – Aka Energy Group

Closing date 2/24/14

Maljamar, NM. Provides expertise supporting the Air Quality Compliance Program for Aka Energy Group, LLC in Southeast New Mexico. Provides broad support and technical assistance in maintaining environmental compliance for local gas plants and compressor station facilities. Works closely with Corporate EHS Manager and technical staff as well as local Operations and Engineering groups to make environmental permitting and regulatory determinations; responsible for supporting environmental programs and implementing best management practices in assigned field areas with engineering and operations staff.

Environmental Area Manager – Aka Energy Group

Closing date 2/24/14

Durango, CO. Maintaining environmental compliance of Aka Energy LLC, mid-stream oil and gas operations. Areas of compliance responsibility include: air quality, waste management, water quality, SPCC, Tier II, Greenhouse Gas, and database development and management. Provides assistance with safety compliance as assigned.

Reservoir Engineer III – Red Willow Production Co.

Closing date 2/24/14

Ignacio, CO. Requires strong application of reservoir engineering, petroleum engineering and project evaluation skills. Works collaboratively with Basin Teams and partners to evaluate reservoir performance and optimize development and depletion plans for assigned areas. Utilizes appropriate risking techniques and economic analyses to optimize the quality of investments.

PeopleSoft FSCM Developer II – SU Shared Services

Closing date 2/28/14

Ignacio, CO. Development and technical production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain applications, providing enterprise wide PeopleSoft technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain Management applications with emphasis on the impact, implications, and the technical benefit of system enhancement as well as the 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.

Detention Officer

Closing date 2/24/14

Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety and welfare of inmates and visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 17; \$17.22 hour.

Legal Secretary

Closing date 2/25/14

Under general supervision of the Tribal Prosecutor and assists the Tribal Prosecutor in preparing criminal, traffic and juvenile cases for disposition or trial. Pay grade 16; \$15.63/hour.

Lifeguards

Closing date 2/25/14

Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$11.00/hour.

Vital Statistics Clerk

Closing date 2/25/14

Maintains accurate, concise and updated records of living and deceased Tribal Members. Prepares enrollment application requests for submission to Tribal Council. Assists tribal members with requests for tribal information. Provides organizational support to Tribal Information Services (TIS) staff. Pay grade 16; \$15.63/hour.

Administrative Assistant (Tribal Housing)

Closing date 2/26/14

Performs administrative support for the Housing Department, including secretarial duties, receptionist, clerical and information system support, including office records management services. Pay grade 14; \$13.00/hour.

Active Kid Care Leaders

Closing date 2/26/14

Provides childcare and physical activities for the Active Kid Care program to meet the needs of children ages toddler through 6 years. Pay grade 10; \$9.05/hour.

Clinic Registered Nurse

Closing date 2/28/14

Providing professional and clinical services at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pay grade 21; \$25.66/hour.

General Ledger/Fixed Assets Manager

Closing date 3/3/14

Provides oversight and guidance throughout the fixed assets management and general ledger functions, to include closing the books, assuring consistency and adherence to general accounting rules and regulations and Tribal policies and procedures. Pay grade 22; \$60,320/year.

Lake Capote Seasonal Maintenance Workers

Closing date 3/14/14

Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager and the Parks & Recreation Manager, the maintenance worker will: greet guests, collect fees for fishing/camping/small concessions, provide grounds & facility maintenance, clean and repair grounds and buildings, and assist in continued site developments. Seasonal/full time, working from April 3, 2014 to on or about October 12, 2014. Pay grade is \$11.59/hour.

Patrol Officers

Open until filled

Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community.

Behavioral Health Manager

Open until filled

Developing, coordinating and managing the behavioral health program for the Southern Ute Health Center. In addition, the incumbent oversees the program contract requirements, program development, resource management, employee supervision and training and provides direct clinical client services to eligible members in the community. Serves as the Supervisor for mental health services provided to children, adolescents, adults, couples, families and groups. Pay grade 24; 74,667/year.

Chief Medical Officer – Tribal Health Clinic

Open until filled

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. Will provide the 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. 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.

Social Services Clinical Supervisor

Open until filled

May be filled as a full-time, or a part-time position, depending upon the availability of the successful applicant. This is a senior level position that provides clinical supervision to staff caseworkers providing a full range of intake and/or ongoing social casework services for a variety of program areas such as child abuse and neglect cases, youth-in-conflict cases, and adults unable to protect their own interests. Pay grade 22; \$60,320/year for full time and requires a current Colorado LCSW or LPC license.

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KSUT

Board of Directors Vacancy

KSUT is seeking one Southern Ute tribal member to fill a vacancy on its board of directors. This is a non-paid position that requires attending board meetings every month, with additional

special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please send a letter of interest to Rob Rawles at KSUT, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Open until filled.

SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM Board of Directors Vacancy

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) is seeking a qualified tribal or community member for its Board of Directors. The candidate should possess strong fundraising, marketing, and/or volunteer

recruitment skills. For more information, please call 970-563-9583 during regular business hours. A letter of intent should be submitted in person to SUCCM or by mail at PO Box 737 #95 Ignacio, CO 81137.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Gaming Commission Vacancies

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:

- Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age;
- Applicants must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation;
- Applicants must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures;
- Applicants must have the ability to observe

restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality;

- Applicants must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and
- Applicants must undergo a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office – Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, 2014. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY JOB POSITIONS

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Continuously open

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 \$11.00/hour.

Trainee Natural Resources Assistant

Closing date 2/24/14

Provides an opportunity for a Southern Ute tribal member to become proficient in a support role in field work and clerical services for Natural Resources divisions. Pay grade; \$11.59/hour, eligible for quarterly increases based upon satisfactory evaluations up to final pay rate of grade 14; \$13.00/hour.

Trainee Payroll Specialist

Closing date 2/24/14

This program is designed to meet the needs of a Southern Ute tribal member with a desire to learn the procedures involved with the processing of time cards and Kronos data for the tribe's bi-weekly payrolls in Tribal entities, including but not limited to generating and distributing payroll checks and performing payroll process duties as necessary. The objective is to offer a Southern Ute tribal member hands-on experience, training, and education in payroll operations and/or improve on existing experience and abilities. The Time Frame for this program's completion is twelve (12) months, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. \$16.51/hour, eligible for quarterly increases based upon satisfactory evaluations up to final pay rate of grade 19; \$20.64/hour.

Trainee Records Clerk

Closing date 2/28/14

This program is designed to meet the needs of a Southern Ute tribal member with a desire to learn the processes involved with management of tribal records and provide professional, technical, clerical and program support to the Records Retention Division and the Department of Tribal Information Services. The objective is to offer a Southern Ute tribal member hands-on experience, training, and education as a as a records clerk and/or improve on existing experience and abilities. The Time Frame for this program's completion is twelve (12) months, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. Pay grade; \$11.00/hour, eligible for quarterly increases upon satisfactory evaluations, up to the regular rate of pay of \$11.59 hour.

Trainee Culture Dept. Media Technician

Closing date 3/3/14

This program is designed to meet the needs of a Southern Ute tribal member with a desire to learn the processes involved creating audio and video documentation of language and culture teaching and activities, creating language and culture learning technological tools, editing the material, and copying and archiving the material. The objective is to offer a Southern Ute tribal member hands-on experience, training, and education as a as a Media Technician and/or improve on existing experience and abilities. The Time Frame for this program's completion is twelve (12) months, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. The pay rate is \$15.04/hour, eligible for quarterly increases upon satisfactory evaluations, up to the regular rate of pay of \$18.80/hour.

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Craps Dealer – Full-time

Closing date 2/28/14

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Jeremy Wade Shockley | Southern Ute Drum

Your input is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs, develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members with financial and/or leadership experience.

Applications are available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CPO, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694



Ignacio dances away the 'Cabin Fever' blues



Yellow Jacket were the host gourd dance and powwow drum group. 12 Gauge and Northern Style also sang at the powwow. Bob Iron (far right) of Fort Collins was recognized for his years and dedication in the powwow circuit.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum

The gourd dance and powwow took place in the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility on Saturday, Feb. 15. The event was sponsored by the Four Corners Gourd Dance Society. This year's gourd dance hosted more than 30 gourd dancers. The powwow was held after supper break and included men's and women's dance specials, a cakewalk, and musical chairs to close the evening's event.



A young traditional dancer competed in the men's dance special. Though he won the crowd appeal, he did not win the contest.



Randy Medicine Bear of Loveland, Colo., won the men's dance special.



Sheila Nanaeto was a very popular person as she passed out the plates for the cakewalk.



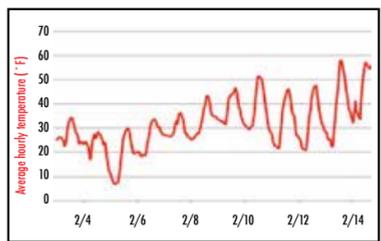
Musical chairs was the closing highlight of the evening. More than 15 competitors battled for the last chair to win a shawl. Hunter Frost eventually took the final seat, winning the shawl and celebrating his win by dancing with his hard-earned shawl.

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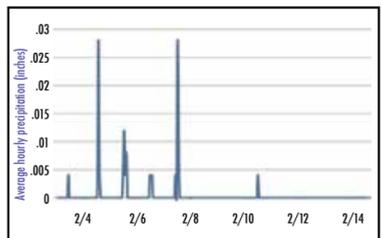
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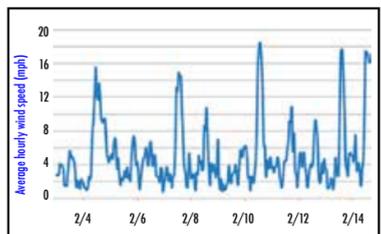
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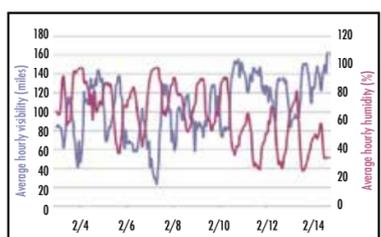
Temperature	
High	57.9°
Low	6.9°
Average	31.4°
Average last year	26.3°



Precipitation	
Total	0.120"
Total last year	0.164"



Wind speed	
Average	4.9
Minimum	0.8
Maximum	18.4



Visibility & humidity	
Average visibility	104.5
Average humidity	64.7%

Air quality	
Good	

Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

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