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# The Southern Ute Drum

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IMS VOLLEYBALL

## Mid-school volleycats close out season

By Damon Toledo  
The Southern Ute Drum

The Ignacio Middle School Volleycats' A and C teams displayed ongoing coordination and sportsmanship as they finished off their last games of the season on Saturday, Oct. 3. After an intense struggle, the Lady Bobcats were defeated with very close scores.

The Ignacio Bobcat A-team put up a hardworking match against Dove Creek, coming short on the first game but closed in tight during the second. The game was a competitive match as both teams went back and forth with scores. Dove Creek defeated the Bobcats during both games, 25-16 and 25-22.

Despite the season loss, there is still plenty of room for improvement, according to A-team coach Jennifer Seibel.

"I thought we had a solid season with lots of great leadership from the girls,"

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Damon Toledo/SU Drum

8th grade, A-team Sydney Cruz (53) keeps up the energy keeping the ball in play.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

A look inside on of the classrooms the Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center is now operating out of at ELHI Community Center. Six non-profit organizations are now calling the old elementary home and will be hosting a Grand Opening Friday, Oct. 30.

IGNACIO COMMUNITY

## ELHI Community Center revives old school

Grand opening set for Oct. 30

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

As of September 1 the ELHI (Education Literacy Health Inspiration) Community Center has been up and running providing ser-

vices to community children and families. Though the tenants are still settling in, anticipation is building as the community center approaches its Oct. 30 grand opening.

"We're rockin and rollin," Raymond Dunton

ELHI Tenant Association Board Chairman said.

The community center is located at the old Ignacio Elementary and houses six non-profit anchor tenants - Dancing Spirit Com-

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Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The new burrito bar is a customer favorite at the Farmers Fresh Market grocery store.

IGNACIO COMMUNITY

## Opening doors to fresh success

By Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Farmers Fresh Market hosted its official grand opening on Saturday, Oct. 3, inviting the town of Ignacio to join in on the celebration. Customers were greeted with a number of sales from produce to frozen foods, as well as free sample booths. Southern Ute Chairman, Clement J. Frost gave blessings to all

in attendance with hopes of seeing future successes. "I appreciate you all for coming. It's nice to have a grocery store in our town of Ignacio. A lot of work was put into it, but it was an [accomplishment] and we will see it continue to grow."

Southern Ute drum group, Yellow Jacket closed the ceremony by playing traditional songs, which was met with gratification from Farmers Fresh Mar-

ket general manager, Amos Lee. Lee commented on how he's looking forward to bringing a successful business to the community.

"We're just really happy to be here. There's still some things we're working on to make it perfect, but I feel really good about having an official opening. We have sales going on, our pharmacy is now open ...

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NATIVE FILMS

## Ute Mountain teens 'Escape' through filmmaking

Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

"Escape" is a short film written, directed, and produced by teenagers from the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe that focuses on the themes of poverty, substance abuse, and depression.

The 23-minute film was shot in the span of nine days around Towaoc, Colorado and recruited seventeen young filmmakers. Aided by award-winning producer, Alex Munoz, the teens were able to experience a new way of sto-

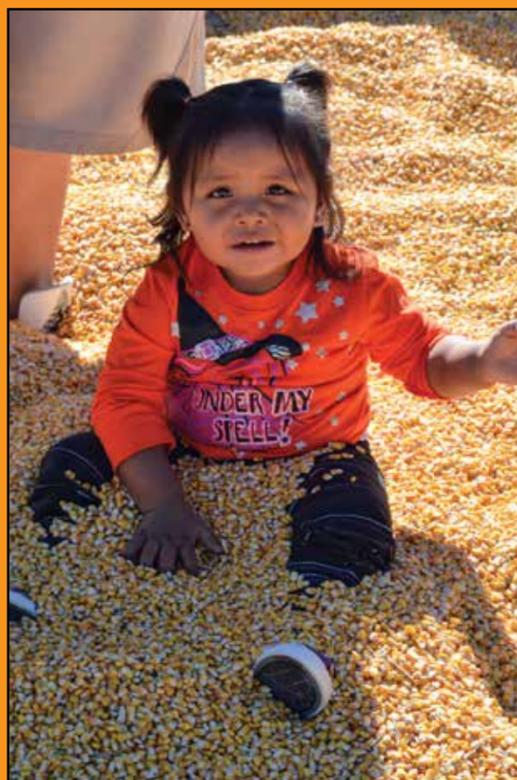
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courtesy Waylon Plentyholes/Weenuche Smoke Signals

Kamea Clark (left) portrayed one of the main actors in the movie, she played "Rachel." Rebecca Gardner (center) works with the Ute Mountain Ute tribal court system and one of the main organizers of the event, and Maraya Killsmall (right) played one of the bullies in the film, she also helped do a lot of the production and was kind of like the leader for the youth on set.

## Sutherland Farms



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Aziriyah Howe plays in the corn pit with her Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy classmates on Oct. 15, during their annual field trip to Sutherland Farms in Aztec, NM.

## Meet The Candidates Night

October 30, 2015 • 6 - 8 p.m.

Sky Ute Casino - Event Center A

### Candidates

Lorelei Cloud  
Marjorie Borst  
Kevin R. Frost  
Renee J. Cloud  
Alex S. Cloud





## Cloud, Frost host roundtable



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Tribal Council candidate, Renee J. Cloud speaks with a table of tribal elders at her roundtable discussion Thursday, Oct. 8.

Tribal Council candidate Kevin R. Frost talks with tribal elder Yvonne Tree about her concerns during a roundtable discussion held on behalf of himself and fellow candidate Renee J. Cloud on Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Multi-Purpose Facility.



## MANY MOONS AGO



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

## 10 years ago

Dr. Billy Mills, 1964 Olympic Gold Medalist in the 10,000 meter run, pauses for a photograph at SunUte Community Center with Southern Ute Royalty on the morning of Sunday, Oct. 9. Miss Southern Ute Tyla Olguin and Little Miss Southern Ute Amaya Anderson were on hand to welcome the renowned speaker to the Southern Ute Reservation. Dr. Mills, who is diabetic, delivers a message of inspiration based on character, dignity and pride. On this particular morning, he also spoke about the importance of a good, healthy diet and exercise.

This photo first appeared in the Oct. 14, 2005, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## Annual FALL Clean-Up October 19 – October 24

All Tribal Rental Occupants are requested to clean up their residential area and BAG THE TRASH for pick up. Tribal Members please make private arrangements to deliver FURNITURE, MAJOR APPLIANCES, SCRAP METAL, AND LUMBER to the Transfer Station or call Emergency Family Services at 563-0100 Ext. 2329 to be put on the list for pick up. ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN ONE SPECIFIC AREA FOR PICK UP.

\*\*\* Elders and Handicapped Tribal Members who may need assistance, Please Contact Tribal Housing at 563-4710.

**OLD VEHICLE REMOVAL** – Contact Building Maintenance at 563-0265 regarding any old vehicles needing to be removed, please provide title to old vehicles.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIAL** – Contact Environmental Programs Division at 563-0135 for disposal of hazardous waste.

**CONCRETE WASTE** - Please be aware that there will be a fee associated with any loads of concrete requested to be hauled away that the requesting party will be responsible for.

**UPPER AND LOWER TRIBAL, AND BIA CAMPUS AREA** – All Tribal, BIA, HIS, Tribal Enterprises, Head Start, and Peaceful Spirit employees are requested to clean up their immediate office building areas. Tribal crews will pick up bagged trash; call Building Maintenance at 563-0265 and Grounds Maintenance at 563-0272.

**SUIHA** - All Southern Ute Public Housing and Senior Center residents are requested to clean up their areas. SUIHA homeowners, renters, and Senior Center are to contact the Southern Ute Housing Authority at 563-4575. Ignacio Peak, Jefferson Drive, Sunset Circle, Northridge, South end Housing Authority units, Shoshone Apartments, Shoshone Houses, Senior Center.

**PROPERTY & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT** - (Building Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance & Motor Pool) Tribal homes located North of HWY 172 and West of the Pine River. Motor Pool is 563-0280. Building Maintenance is 563-0265. Grounds Maintenance 563-0272. Tribal Homes located at Cedar Point East & West, including Ignacio Peak.

**TRIBAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES:** Tribal homes East of the Pine River, North and South of HWY 151 to Arboles. Contact Construction Services at 563-0260.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

## 20 years ago

Southern Ute Heritage Performers and Ute Mountain Dancers take a break in the sun with Splash girl Daryl Hannah.

This photo first appeared in the Oct. 13, 1995, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



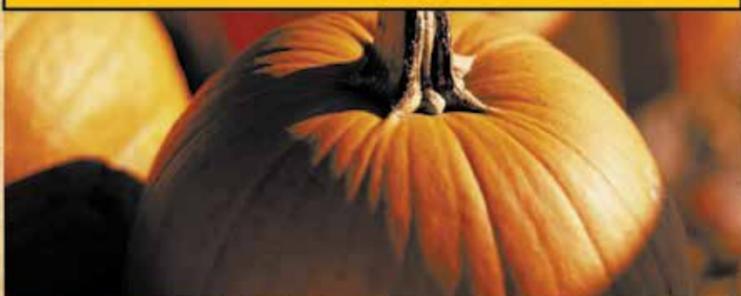
SU Drum archive

## 30 years ago

Chairman Chris Baker and Miss Southern Ute Lucinda Cloud take time out for a light snack at a reception for outgoing NCAI President Joe Del La Cruz.

This photo first appeared in the Oct. 18, 1985, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## PUMPKIN SPLASH 2015



Friday October 23th from 4:00pm-6:00pm

SunUte Community Center

Cost: Regular \$5 daily fee, free for SunUte members and Tribal Members

Come and swim with the pumpkins!

We will have 100 pumpkins in the pool area for the children to swim with and then take home. One pumpkin per child please.



For more information call :  
Lisa Allen/Aquatics Coordinator  
970 563-0214 ext. 2653



## LOCAL UPDATE

### 4th Annual Cancer Awareness and Fundraising Event

Thursday, Nov. 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Sky Ute Casino Events Center C. For information, contact Annie McGraw at 563-1310.

### Money Booth Grab

On the casino floor at 4:15 p.m. All funds donated to the local chapter of the American Cancer Society. All Casino, Permanent Fund and Growth Fund Employees are invited. For information, contact Annie McGraw at 563-1310.



## Election talk



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

A group Southern Ute tribal elders hosted a meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 to discuss the upcoming General Election Nov. 6. The attending elders have expressed strong support for Renee Cloud and Kevin Frost in filling the seats for Tribal Council. "It's been evident in this administration that no one goes by their job description," tribal elder, Lynda Grove-D'Wolf said. "Now we have to help decide who runs for office. I'm campaigning on Renee and Kevin's side because they have the education and experience. We need a council that understands." The November election will feature candidates, Alex S. Cloud, Kevin R. Frost, Marjorie Borst, Renee J. Cloud, and Lorelei Cloud. Pictured: Tribal elder, Judy Lansing, holds a discussion with Kevin Frost during the meeting.

## UTE MTN. TEENS 'ESCAPE' • FROM PAGE 1

ytelling while expressing the tales of their homeland.

The film's story spotlights on two teenagers who are at against the odds with the world – 14 year old Rachel, played by Makea Clark, and 17 year old Adam, played by Wendell Mills Jr. Rachel lives a troublesome life as she is continually harassed by her classmates, while Adam struggles coming out with his sexual orientation to his alcoholic father. The film is influenced on the strengths of perseverance, pride, and self-acceptance, which the young filmmakers have stated is something they experience themselves.

"We developed a lot of friendships making this," lead actress, Makea Clark said. "We were able to open up our eyes on the situations we all struggle with. We had to team up with everyone on long shoot days, but we got through with it."

Wendell Mills Jr. commented on the supervision of Alex Munoz, who taught the young filmmakers the basic elements of production while keeping true to their vision and voice.

"It was fun doing this film," Mills said. "We couldn't have done it without Alex and his crew from [Los Angeles]."

Munoz and his crew are associated with Films by Youth Inside, a nonprofit organization that empowers young people to improve their lives and become self-reliant through the art of cinema. Program participants learn the basics of screenwriting and filmmaking from industry professionals and utilize those skills to create engaging short films expressive of their own lives.

"They all worked very hard bringing this together, and now it's wonderful they are able to share their own [cinematic] story,"

said Munoz.

Ute Mountain Ute Councilwoman, DeAnne House, congratulated the teenagers on their successes.

"As leaders, it is our duty to think about our membership," House said. "These kids put a lot of effort into this film to express a lot of deep feelings. The movie showed us their courage, honesty, and trust to make something like this possible."

"This movie is important to the teenagers because they have a message to give," Ute Mountain Ute Chairman, Manuel Heart said. "These kids wrote it, directed it, and acted in it themselves. Hopefully we end up bringing a full movie together that involves not just the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, but also the Northern Ute Tribe and Southern Ute Tribe. I am proud of each and every one of these kids."

## Culture Department October Beadwork Challenge



**Participants are asked to head a set of three inch (3") beaded hair ties in the shape of a heart. The design and colors will be up to the beader.**

**Deadline for the entries is Friday, October 23, 2015. The winner will be selected by the Elders at the Elder Luncheon. Please submit a photo of your completed beadwork to email [hwhite@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:hwhite@southernute-nsn.gov), or bring your project by and we will take a picture for you.**

**If you have any questions call the Culture Department 970-563-0100. EXT. 3620**

## CULTURAL UPDATE

### SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS October 2015 Culture Events

- **Oct. 18:** Family Ute Class. Small Classroom. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- **Oct. 21:** Beginner beadwork class. Small classroom, 5 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 23:** Elder Lunch. Movie: TBA. Large & small classroom. Noon – 2 p.m..
- **Oct. 28:** Conversational Ute Class. Small classroom, noon lunch-hour.
- **Oct. 27 & 29:** Moccasin class for new students. Class limit (8). Small Classroom. 5 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 18 & 25:** Ute Language 105 Class: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

All sessions are held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center classroom areas. If you have any questions, or would like to sign up for a class please call Marge Barry at 970-563-4802. We are also seeking Culture Instructors for classes, if you are interested, please call Marge at the above numbers. Please note dates are subject to change.

## MUSEUM UPDATE

### Attention local artisans

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum would like to extend an invitation to local Ute artist to come and display/sell their work in the former gift shop. The new locals Art Gallery will be used as a showcase for contemporary local Ute art and traditional Ute works. The museum is offering a venue for your work to be displayed, viewed and possibly sold. Your work will have chance to be seen by consumers from around the world, as we often have international visitors. So if you would like to reserve a place for your art in the Southern Ute Cultural Center

and Museum new Art Gallery, please stop by to talk with an employee today!

### Museum New Hours

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum and the gift shop are open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., but the permanent gallery is closed for repair until further notice. The permanent gallery's reopening date will be announced after the repairs are made. For more information, please call 970-563-9583 or check our website at [www.succm.org](http://www.succm.org).

## Friends of the Museum Reward Program

Why not get rewarded twice for visiting the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, with our FREE rewards program Friends of the Museum, you can do just that! All you have to do is ask a visitor service representative to sign you up for the FREE Friends of the Museum Rewards Program. You will receive a gift bag with some FREE goodies, we will fill out a rewards card and put it in our card file for safe keeping. Then when you come back to the Museum tell the visitor service representative that you are a rewards member, he/she will get your card out and punch it for you. Remember to tell the visitor service representative each and every time you pay for a class and or visit the Museum because the more times you come in the more rewards you receive.

- ❖ 3 punches Lip Balm with Museum Logo
- ❖ 6 punches Magnet and Stylus pen with Museum Logo
- ❖ 9 punches One FREE Workshop
- ❖ 12 punches (1) Entry for our ONE OF A KIND Pendleton Logo Blanket



### War - Party Clothing Drive!

Please join us in our efforts to help support our Native People in Wanblee, South Dakota and surrounding areas by donating winter clothing!

**WHERE:** Old Pino Nuche Parking Lot

**WHEN:** October 17, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Drop Boxes will be @:**

- Sun Ute Community Center  
290 Mouache Drive, Ignacio
- Ula Gregory  
121 Northridge Drive, Ignacio
- Animas Herbal  
1111 Camino Del Rio #5, Durango
- Margaret Hummingbird-Red  
116 Elk Street, Ignacio
- Farmers Fresh  
565 Goddard Ave. Ignacio, CO
- Pueblo Community College  
East Site 701 Camino del Rio Durango, CO

(More Drop Box sites soon to come!)

(Last Day to Donate to drop boxes will be October 20, 2015)

**FOR MORE INFO:** Please Call (970)563-3108

"Once you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself and the other for helping others."





## The POWER of PINK!



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Over 70 Southern Ute Indian Tribe Permanent Fund employees and Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students showed their pink colors in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month, Wednesday, Oct. 14.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Health Center Dentist Dr. Andrea Talley discusses the importance of dental hygiene with the Shining Mountain Diabetes Wellness class Wednesday, Oct. 14 at SunUte Community Center.

### TRIBAL HEALTH

## Fall health classes begin

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Shining Mountain Health and Wellness Program kicked off its 4-week Fall Diabetes & Wellness Education classes on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The first class is in the books, and focused on dental health for diabetic patients. Shining Mountain teamed up with Southern Ute Dental Clinic to provide a class on Oral Manifestations of Diabetes.

Southern Ute general dentist Dr. Andrea Talley discussed the effect diabe-

tes has on oral health. "Things happen a lot faster in diabetes patients," Talley said referring to the side effects of poor oral hygiene.

Complications associated with diabetes include periodontal diseases – gum disease –, dy mouth, oral thrush and tooth loss, to name a few.

One third of people with diabetes have periodontal gum disease, Talley said.

Talley provided tips on how to maintain good oral health: keeping a healthy blood sugar level, brushing twice a day, flossing once

twice and year, and main-

taining a healthy lifestyle – while avoiding sugary foods and drinks.

"Oral infections thrive on sugar," she said.

Talley also encourages patients use soft-bristle toothbrushes: medium to hard bristled brushes can cause gum recession, she said. Talley also recommends switching out your toothbrush as soon as you notice the bristles fraying.

The next class will be held Wednesday, Oct. 21 at the SunUte Community Center from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will focus on 'Mind, Body & Soul'.

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL  
HONORARY PROCLAMTION**

**SOUTHERN UTE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH  
October 6, 2015**

**WHEREAS**, breast cancer is a major cause of death in American Indian and Alaska Native Women; and

**WHEREAS**, breast cancer touches the lives of Americans from every background and in every community across our nation as more than two hundred thousand women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year; and

**WHEREAS**, working together, we can educate our population and the Native American community to prevent breast cancer and we recognize the ongoing efforts of dedicated advocates, researchers, and health care providers who strive each day to defeat this terrible disease; and

**WHEREAS**, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is committed to such education and support and recognizes the importance of dedicating a month to raise awareness of the impacts of breast cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in recognition of the foregoing, the Council of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe does hereby proclaim the month of October, as

**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

For the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and encourages all community members to recognize the resilience of those living with the disease and to memorialize those who have lost their lives. Let us strengthen our resolve to lead our community toward a future free of cancer in all its forms.

This Proclamation was approved and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Seal to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

*Clement J. Frost*  
Mr. Clement J. Frost, Chairman  
Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council




**Southern Ute Elder's Activities  
October**

- **Oct. 20 Movie Day:** Please call for a list of showings.
- **Oct. 27 Pagosa Hot Spring:** Trip van will be leaving at 9 a.m.
- **Oct. 29 Farmington Shopping:** Trip van will be leaving at 9 a.m.

**All Trips are subject to change without prior.**  
Please call the Elder Services Office at 970-563-0100 if you have any questions.

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**Shining Mountain Health & Wellness**

**4-week Fall Series  
Diabetes & Wellness Education Classes**

<b>Program Staff</b> <b>Deanna Frost</b> Director Apprentice <b>Abel Velasquez</b> Fitness Specialist <b>Shawmarie Tso</b> Special Patient Coordinator <b>Susan Turner</b> Certified Diabetes Educator	Every Wednesday starting Oct. 14 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Oct. 14 Dental Health Oct. 21 Mind, Body & Spirit Oct. 28 Diabetic Retinopathy (Location: Multipurpose, conference room) Nov. 4 Taking Care of your Health
	SunUte Community Center Capote Room	
	Food will be provided No Pre-Registration Required.	

**For More Information call 563.4741**



## Cooking with students



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

During a cooking presentation for Ignacio High School students, Tuesday, Oct. 6, Sky Ute Casino Executive Chef, Bill Barbone and tribal member Sous Chef, Alan Herrera spent the morning demonstrating how to properly prepare and cook frittatas. Briana Olgiun (left) picks out ingredients for her frittata recipe.



Executive Chef Bill Barbone gives advice to Kai Roubideaux on how to properly prepare broccoli.

Tribal member, Alan Herrera (left) recently finished his Career Development Program in the Food and Beverage Department at the casino.

## SUCAP IS ALMOST 50!

### Southern Ute Community Action Programs will be turning 50 years old

To commemorate our turning 50 years 'young' we will be having an art contest. We are looking for art that will be used to promote our year-long celebration starting this October through October, 2016. The art will be turned into a logo and MUST incorporate the rules as stated below:

#### Contest rules:

- Must be on 8 1/2 X 11 paper—no lines
- Maximum of three colors (can be black and white)
- Must enhance or incorporate the current SUCAP logo
- Must include "1966-2016"
- Include on back: Name, phone, mailing address, email
- Deadline: October 23, 2015 @ 4 p.m.

Turn your submission in to the staff at SUCAP Central Administration, 285 Lakin Street, Ignacio, CO  
Call 563-4517 for info.

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

WITH YOU.....EVERY STEP OF THE WAY



## EDUCATION UPDATE

### JOM Meeting

The next monthly scheduled Johnson-O'Malley committee meeting is Monday, Nov. 2. The meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. at the Southern Ute Education Building, 330 Burns Ave. in Ignacio.

### Curing Cancer with Crafts

"Curing Cancer with Crafts" is back! The craft fair will be held at Ignacio High School on Nov. 14. If you are interested in reserving a space (\$10/space), to sell your crafts or for more information contact Deb Otten 970-563-0661.



It's never too late to get your GED!  
We can help.

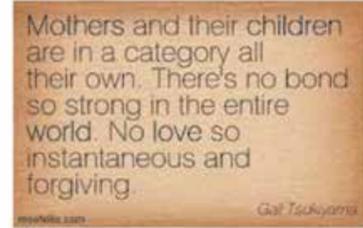
Day and evening classes available to help you reach your goal sooner. Intensive courses prepare you to take the GED tests and earn your GED by the end of the school year!



Transportation available to Durango Adult Education Center and potential classes at the Southern Ute Educational Center.

Call today to continue on your educational path!

For more information contact Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger at the Southern Ute Educational Department at 970.563.0237 X2784. / jhunstiger@southern-ute.nsn.us



## Gals & Kids Breakfast

Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>  
In The Head Start Gym  
7:30a.m.—8:45a.m.



Join us for breakfast and decorate a jar with your child to fill with your choice of scented home made sugar scrub



Everyone Is Welcome



## "MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM"

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015

6PM— 9PM IN THE I.H.S. AUDITORIUM

### ISD SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

8 Candidates Running for 3 Seats on the Board > 4 year Term



\*OPEN TO THE PUBLIC\*

Refreshments/snacks will be served

Sponsored by Ignacio High School Student Senate & Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council

#### CANDIDATES

- Michael Montoya
- Kelly P. McCaw
- Jay Dee Brunson
- Cynthia D. Dale
- Gemaine S. Ewing
- Agnes Sanchez
- Yvonne Conley Chapman
- Doug Little





# Pickin' Pumpkins at Sutherland Farms



**F**all is in the air! Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's infant and toddlers made their way down south on Thursday, Oct. 15 in search of their perfect pumpkins. The academy students and their families spent the day at the Sutherland Farms Pumpkin Patch in Aztec, NM.

Photos by Trennie Collins  
The Southern Ute Drum

SUIMA's infant and toddlers took a trip to Sutherland Farms on Oct. 15 and a portion of their trip was spent riding the barrel train.



It was all fun and smiles for Blake Baker and his mom while she helped him down the slide.



Seraya Ruybal holds the pumpkin she picked in the pumpkin patch at Sutherland Farms.



A pet on the head that was well received, Miracle Williams isn't afraid of the animals as she pets the goat.




Start Point Sky Ute Casino Resort in the South Parking Lot. - Walk will end at the South End of Ignacio at Rock Creek...

In Loving Memory of...  
Ben Velasquez  
Randy "Pooh" Baker  
Ricky "Ricks" Baker  
Clayton Baker

Healing Spirits is asking everyone to wear Blue T-Shirts...

For more information please contact Healing Spirits Representatives:  
Sky Dawn: (970)749-7030  
Naisy Blue Star: (970)403-2546

**SOBRIETY MEMORIAL WALK**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2015**

**10:00 A.M.**

A Special Memorial Walk for our loved ones; friends and family to the community; Ben Velasquez, Randy "Pooh" Baker Jr., Ricky "Ricks" Baker, and Clayton Baker. We would also like to extend our walk in remembrance of others we hold in our hearts who have passed on. We invite everyone to join us in prayer on this special day.

**PEACEFUL SPIRIT**  
Healing Spirits  
296 Monache Dr.  
Ignacio, CO 81137  
(970)563-4555  
Esther Belin

THE HEART OF HEALING...



# ELK TAG RAFFLE

## TWO CHANCES TO WIN

Raffle tickets will be sold through September 11th - December 29th, 2015.

Ages 12-21 will need to have their Hunters Safety License

Winner must attend a **MANDATORY** hunter meeting on Fri, Jan. 8th at 6PM in the Sky Ute Casino Events Center.

Tickets are \$10.00 each and are sold by BGC staff or at the BGC Office in the lower level of Sun Ute Community Center.

More information call 970.563.4753

Funds raised will benefit the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

**DETAILS:**

Hunt will take place on the Southern Ute Reservation in the Sandoval unit from January 9th-17th, 2016

One free guest allowed, additional guest requires an additional fee both require crossing permit which can be obtained from Southern Ute Wildlife

Winner will be chosen December 29th, 2015 and will be notified via phone immediately for more information.

Thank you for your support!






## PEACEFUL SPIRIT

# Healing Spirits, Peaceful Spirit Alumni Program

**Staff report**  
**PEACEFUL SPIRIT**

Peaceful Spirit, the Southern Ute Treatment Center, has officially launched an Alumni Aftercare Program with the help of some recent alumni. According to Esther Belin, the Intake and Aftercare Coordinator, Healing Spirits events are committed to creating community health by offering sober, family-oriented activities in the Ignacio area.

Activities are peer-facilitated and inspired. The group's events are open to everyone in support of recovery.

Healing Spirits has a calendar of events that include a booth at the Event Center Halloween Carnival, a Memorial Walk on Nov. 14, a New Year's Eve potluck at the Multi-Purpose facility and a Sobriety Powwow on Jan. 2, 2016 at the SunUte Community Center gym.

They are also sponsoring an art contest themed, "On

the Red Road Journey to Healing." The deadline is Dec. 1, 2015.

In addition to a cash prize, the winner's artwork will be featured on t-shirts available for sale at the Sobriety Powwow. The group has a Facebook page and an email address: [healingspiritsinrecovery@gmail.com](mailto:healingspiritsinrecovery@gmail.com).

"An aftercare program is essential to maintaining sobriety. This group understands the difficulties around recovery yet they also believe in the healing and transformation potential it can bring to the individual and the community where they live," adds Belin.

Healing Spirits abides by the mission of Peaceful Spirit which is to provide care and education to those struggling with addiction issues, to promote the dignity of each client while supporting healthy lifestyles and to create a community dedicated to sobriety and recovery.

Healing Spirit calendar of events are shown below.

HEALING SPIRITS CALENDAR						
October 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
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**Notes:**  
We need volunteers and donations for the Halloween carnival booth.  
Healing Spirit is an Alcohol Group from Peaceful Spirit Recovery Center and is committed to creating community health. For more information call 970-563-4555.

HEALING SPIRITS CALENDAR						
November 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12

**Notes:**  
Nov. 8 Aftercare activity (children welcome): banner making for the Memorial Walk on Nov. 14.  
Nov. 14 Memorial Walk: wear a BLUE shirt.  
Healing Spirit is an Alcohol Group from Peaceful Spirit Recovery Center and is committed to creating community health. For more information call 970-563-4555.

**2015 annual Southern Ute Health Services Health Fair**  
"Balancing Health & Life"  
On November 10th, 2015 @ 9am to 3pm  
@ The Sky Ute Casino Event Center

**Informational vendors**  
**Door prizes**  
**Blood Pressure checks**  
**IHS staff @ event**  
**& Grand Prize Drawings**

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community Arts Center, Hope Community Christian Academy, Ignacio Community Church, La Plata County Independent Youth Performing Arts, Silver SPRUCE Academy, and SUCAP Youth Services.

"They have all been good neighbors in the community, now they're all roommates," Dunton said.

All the tenants are unique in the services they provide, but they all share a common goal – to assist the community, he said.

"It's neat to see how everyone is working together ... there was a lot of trust knowing that they're much bigger than one organization," he said.

Another important part of the deal for the tenants moving in was they provide services to K-12

grades students, he said. Each tenant has a number of classrooms set aside for their organization, but lines are being crossed – willingly – and in a good way Dunton said.

"There is a lot of sharing space now ... they all have good working relationships," he said.

Kasey Correia, of Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center also said the different classrooms help to better organize Dancing Spirit's activities.

SUCAP's Youth Services is already taking advantage of the space. They are currently working on a middle school production of Sleepy Hollow and a Halloween Haunted House that will be open to the public.

Dunton said the com-



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The ELHI Board hopes to clean up the garden so it can be used for the community.

community center has so much to offer, he just wants the community to know what it is available to them.

Besides the services provided by tenants, ELHI has multi-purpose room and kitchen area available for public use, he said.

One particular site Dunton is excited about is the

Secret Garden. It sits in the middle of the campus overrun by weeds and untamed plants, but once it is cleaned up it will be another site available to the public.

Everyone is welcome to the official grand opening Friday, Oct. 30 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

## HOW DOES Leonard C. Burch INSPIRE YOU? HIGH SCHOOL PHOTO CONTEST

Contest ends December 10, 2015

**Rules are simple:**

- 1: Take a photo
2. Write a caption for the photo on how LCB inspires you.
3. Upload to FaceBook, Instagram or Twitter and use the hashtag #LCBInspired

Photos without captions will not be considered for prizes.  
Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place photos.

Students who do not have access to any social media can print their photo with a caption and bring it to The Southern Ute Drum Office at the Leonard C. Burch Building, 356 Ouray Drive, Ignacio, CO.

Any questions contact Trennie Collins, Public Relations Coordinator at 970-563-0118 or [tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov).

**\*\*\* CONTEST FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY \*\*\***

## 4TH ANNUAL LEONARD C. BURCH ART AND LITERACY CONTEST

**Starts: Oct. 5, 2015**  
**Ends: Dec. 10, 2015**

### THEME: LEADERSHIP

**CATEGORIES:**  
K-3 GRADE: ART PROJECT  
4-5 GRADE: POEM  
MIDDLE SCHOOL: 500-700 WORD ESSAY

**GRAND PRIZES:**  
K-BIKE  
1ST GRADE- NABI JR.  
2ND GRADE- LEAP PAD ULTRA  
3RD GRADE- LEAP PAD PLATINUM  
4-5 GRADE- RAZOR E200 ELECTRIC SCOOTER  
MIDDLE SCHOOL- IPOD TOUCH

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is inviting all students to participate in this awesome contest! It's a celebration of the life of a great leader, youth supporter and overall visionary for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The contest is open to Ignacio School District K-8th grade students, Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students, Pine River Learning Center students and all enrolled tribal member students K-8th grade outside of the Ignacio School District. All entries must pertain to the theme "LEADERSHIP" Deadline to submit any and all work is December 10, 2015, at 5 p.m. to The Southern Ute Drum office in the Leonard C. Burch administration building or PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137. For more information or questions please contact Trennie Collins, Public Relations Coordinator at 970-563-0118 or [tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov)

**CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF A SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL LEADER**

## OPENING DOORS TO SUCCESS • FROM PAGE 1

it's been a busy process." Lee added that he hasn't excluded the idea of selling traditional foods for the native community.

"Any kind of food we're interested in offering. Now that we can bring everything in, we can really customize what people want

to eat. I'm not well versed in the traditional native foods, but it's definitely something I could see expanding in."



Damon Toledo/SU Drum



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Amos Lee, Farmers Fresh Market general manager, shakes hands with Bird Red after the drum performance.

The sounds of traditional drums from Yellow Jacket, blessed the grand opening ceremony.

## LCB bldg. first in Indian Country



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The hard work of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Clean Team got the Leonard C. Burch Building recognized as the Green Clean Institute's first gold-certified building on an Indian reservation, David Thompson president of GCI said during a recognition ceremony Thursday, Oct. 15.

GCI president David Thompson and Custodial Services Supervisor Jess Baidwan get ready to place the gold-certified sticker on the south entrance of the Leonard C. Burch Building. Baidwan said it has been a goal over the last two years to have a Green building at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Southern Ute Montessori Academy Ute Language Aide, Crystal Ivey (center) gives a smile with Academy students, John Oberly III, Tarah Baker, and Lillian Valdez.

## SUIMA

# Storytelling Festival conveys philosophical tales

Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The annual Four Corners Storytelling Festival made its return to Berg Park in Farmington, NM as it celebrated its fifteenth year. The festival was hosted on Friday, Oct. 9 and Saturday, Oct. 10, gathering students from schools across the Four Corners region to indulge in the philosophical tales from five storytellers – Joe Hayes, Len Cabral, Dovie Thomason, Susan O'Halloran, and Sid Hausman.

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy was among the attending schools that spent their afternoon listening to a medley of stories about courage, friendship, and pride.

"It's good that the kids



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Len Cabral is an award-winning storyteller who uses hysterical energy and enthusiasm.

can come out and hear these different stories," Academy Lower Elementary Guide, Crystal Ivey said. "They can learn a lot from these."

One of the featured artists was Dovie Thomason, a narrative storyteller who spoke about the tales in relation to her Lakota and Ki-

owa Apache heritage. She stated that her stories are inspired from her own life living as a native.

"I've been storytelling for five years, all of my life stories have been there," she said. "As natives, we are seen as invisible to the popular culture. We tell people stories that matter, and I like to use that as a traditional way of providing native education. Whatever our stories themes are, they are timeless. I want people to see the core of humanity in themselves, so that way we are seen more humanly than stereotypically."

Susan O'Halloran, who focuses her stories on family, conveyed a fascinating tale about a pregnant mother who feared her baby would turn out mean like her husband. She said to her young audience, "Don't let anyone come between you. Make sure you are able to be one with other people – find your sense of place."

Len Cabral, an internationally acclaimed storyteller thrilled the audience with his enthusiastic voices and energy. He told fable stories related to animals from across the world.

"Be one with nature, and always appreciate the beauties around you," he said. "I say that, because all of us are beautiful too."



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Dovie Thomason has been featured in documentaries about native people and storytelling for the BBC, NPR, and PBS, including the Emmy-winning Mystic Voices.

## POSITIVELY PARENTING

Join us for a FREE 8 week workshop series for parents experiencing the challenges of raising youth.

Topics include:

- Tolerating stress without creating more problems
- How to make communication work for you
- Learning to control your own emotions instead of having them control you!
- Finding the 'middle path' when it seems like life is a struggle

Weekly series begins Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 5:30 – 7 p.m. at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Room. Class facilitators Lillian Ramey, LCSW & Sara Hunt, LCSW, CACIH.

For more information or to register contact Lillian Ramey at 970-749-4491 or Lisa Pratchett at 970-749-6704.

Please let us know if you need childcare when you register. Youth will have special cultural programming during the parent meeting time. Snacks will be provided for everyone.

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 9am-4pm

Multi-Purpose Facility

OPEN TO ALL IGNACIO COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND TRIBAL MEMBERS

To RSVP or More Information Please Call 970-563-4784

## AGRICULTURE DIVISION OAT HAY FOR SALE!

### Southern Ute Tribal Members Only

The Southern Ute Tribe's Agriculture Division has oat hay for sale to Tribal Members Only.

This hay has been tested for nutrients and nitrate levels and test results will be made available to the purchaser.

Approximately 70 round bales and 700 small square bales are available for purchase.

Round bales are \$40 each at the stack (AG Staff will be available to load) or \$45 delivered.

Square bales are \$3 each at the stack or \$3.50 delivered.

This hay is available first come first serve.

Contact the SUIT Agriculture Division at 970-563-0220 for more info.



## IHS VOLLEYBALL

## Spikers merge onto rough road

By Joel Priest

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

When high-profile Hunter Gentry became a friendly-fire casualty – popped in the back of her melon by teammate Emma Copp's service bullet – the opposing Ignacio Volleys certainly could have hoped her loss would affect Ridgway the same as their own recent subtraction.

"We were like, 'Oh my gosh, she just got hit in the head!'" IHS senior Chrystianne Valdez said. "We've concussed our own team before, so we know how that is! Yeah, that's happened ... a couple of times in the past."

"We made sure to stay calm," RHS' Ara Norwood said. "That was our key – not let our energy go down."

And unfortunately for Ignacio the Lady Demons didn't. Able to effectively reinforce their weakened front, complementing unsilenced guns Kaitlyn Rutherford and Saren Robinson, the enemy exited the conflict avengers of an earlier defeat which in turn upped the stakes of the Oct. 10 engagement inside IHS Gymnasium.

"We knew we had to just go with it," Robinson said, of Gentry's precautionary removal late in Game 2 of Ridgway's 25-21, 28-26, 25-16 sweep. "We got another girl out on the court – Sammie (Medina) – and we knew she could handle it. She came through for us and helped us out a lot."

"And we just played a lot better amongst everything. Last game we did have our difficulties," she



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Ellie Seibel (12), with libero Chrystianne Valdez (2) observing, calmly controls a Ridgway serve during Oct. 10 action inside IHS Gymnasium.

continued, recalling the Volleys' five-game win up in Ouray County, "but this game we definitely battled against them and came out on top."

"They definitely came in focused, just like we did. You know, this was a big game for both of us ... to determine the league champions, and it did today," said Valdez (23 digs), aware that the Lady Demons had taken a 5-3 lead in games won during the 2A-level teams' head-to-head split of their season series.

Ready to recover from a draining five-game (25-27, 25-20, 20-25, 25-22, 10-15) loss not even 48 hours earlier to visiting 3A La Jara Centauri, Ignacio were the unquestioned aggressors early on in Game 1 with RHS, sprinting out to a 6-1 lead behind the serving of junior Alex Forsythe – again filling concussion victim Shoshone Thompson's setter role – and the hitting of seniors Miel Diaz (5 kills, 12 digs) and Ellie Seibel (4k, 5d).

Not until Rutherford, slow out of the gate, fired consecutive aces to tie at 7-7 did Ridgway show they

were at last ready to rumble with the Red & White, and the Lady Demons – after five more scoreboard ties – took the lead for good at 18-17 and bedded the issue with a Robinson ace.

Game 2 was the one IHS (9-4, 6-1 2A/1A San Juan Basin League) would have wanted back when all was said and done; after building up a solid 12-5 pad again behind Forsythe's initial serving and late kills by junior Sheigh Pollock and sophomore Avionne Gomez, the Cats incredibly suffered quite the collapse.

A Norwood ace pulled the Lady Demons back to as close as 19-18 before Ignacio re-separated and went up 23-20 on Copp's unplanned KO of Gentry, who was denied later re-entry as a precaution. Still, RHS (12-1, 10-1) kept working and at last drew level at 23 on a Brynne Skalla spike off Kelly Campbell.

Rutherford (17k on .393 hitting, 12d) then landed a tip, but after hitting errors by Skalla and Robinson (8k at .400, 11d) gave IHS a

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## IHS FOOTBALL

## Pirates commandeer IHS' Senior Night

Three away dates now await 'Cats

By Joel Priest

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Scoring defense improved somewhat over the previous week's Homecoming debacle.

And offensively on Friday, Oct. 9, IHS head coach Ponch Garcia not only surprised visiting Monte Vista but also the officiating crew with the same appearance and swift pace of the Bobcats' strange "Polecat" package which earlier this fall had unexpectedly put non-conference powerhouse Paonia on tilt.

To locals in IHS Field's bleachers who'd been unable to travel up to Delta County, the swinging gate-style setup may not have appeared to be the ideal way to attack the No. 5-ranked [CHSAANow.com Class 1A poll, 10/5] Pirates. But like those who'd witnessed the Eagles' struggles with slowing the scheme's quick runs and quicker passes out of its lopsided look, they had to applaud when the visitors regularly receded towards their own goal line.

But as during Homecoming Week versus Walsenburg John Mall, the Cats were unfortunately unable to cross it and MVHS followed the Panthers' 60-0 rout by blanking Ignacio on its Senior Appreciation Night, 41-zero.

But despite recording five takeaways – four after halftime, when Monte Vista's slow-cooked lead, 20-0, was still approachable – and forcing IHS junior Lorenzo Pena to punt the pigskin away as many times, the Pirates (5-1, 2-0 1A Southern Peaks) never looked their usual collective self until senior Presley Garcia got the scoring underway with a two-yard run, capping an 11-play, 64-yard surge with only 1:04 left in the first quarter.

Pena punted after the Bobcats (0-6, 0-2) went three-and-out, but MVHS was in business at the IHS 39-yard line with 11:23 left in the second. Five run plays and just 2:08 later, se-



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Under IHS Field's lights for the last time as a Bobcat Football player, two-way lineman David Boyd (50) gets a proper Senior Appreciation Night hug from Neida Chackee during the halftime presentation prior to resuming play Friday, Oct. 9, against Monte Vista.

nior Michael Valdez bulled into the end zone from five yards and freshman Parker Randolph tacked on the first of five point-after kicks to up the ante to 13-0.

Unshaken, Ignacio went back to work and came as close to a touchdown as the Monte Vista 13 on a fourth-down, 16-yard throw from senior quarterback Zach Weinreich (who'd found junior Stocker Robbins for 47 earlier in the drive) to classmate Austin McCaw. But the connection didn't move the sideline chains, and the Pirates retook possession with 6:25 left before intermission.

Including one partially blocked by sophomore Marcus Chapman, the Cats forced two MVHS punts before heading to the locker room, but the guests stepped up their pressure with a 30-yard TD keeper by QB/P Keshawn Duran 25 seconds after Weinreich was intercepted at the MV 48 with only 0:34 remaining.

Knowing his side would be receiving the third-quarter kickoff, Duran mimicked the pot-stirring motion – a silent "something's cooking, uh-oh" to a foe – frequently seen in NBA star James Harden's celebrations as he trotted back to the Pirates' bench, and Monte Vista put the game out of reach after beginning the second half at their 38.

And did so exactly as they'd posted the night's first points – with a lengthy 12-play, 62-yard march

(sustained by a 15-yard roughing-the-passer penalty, but nearly sunk by two offensive infractions), sapping a demoralizing 6:26 off the clock, and producing a 14-yard Presley Garcia TD carry and Randolph PAT.

Pena's outstanding kickoff return subsequently positioned the Bobcats at the MV 33 with 5:18 left in the quarter, but six ticks later the Pirates' offense was back in gear after Valdez picked off Weinreich and ran it back to the MV 45, protecting what was then a four-score advantage.

Duran soon increased the lead to a decisive six scores – enacting the mercy-rule running clock – with a nine-yard return of a Pena fumble (Randolph booted the extra point) with an insulting 0:01.1 still left in the third.

Weinreich unofficially finished 7-of-19 passing for 122 yards in the loss to Monte Vista, with Robbins' 47 yards the individual receiving high. Juanito Medina caught two balls for 38 yards and McCaw two for 19. Pena gained 40 yards rushing on just six attempts, but senior Tyler Beebe's 3-0 and Weinreich's 9-(minus-2) figures were as close to additional ground support as could be mustered.

Up next, IHS' regular season ends with three consecutive road games, starting Oct. 16 in La Jara against Centauri (3-3, 2-0) and continuing 10/23 at Center and 10/30 at Dolores.

## JV split games



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio JV member Leela Rosa (5) sees a Ridgway spike into her arms during 2A/1A San Juan Basin League action inside IHS Gymnasium on Saturday, Oct. 10. The 'Cats, coming in off an abbreviated 26-24, 25-13, 15-12 victory over 3A La Jara Centauri two days before, fought the Lady Demons hard but lost 23-25, 15-25, 19-25.



Ignacio JV member Cortney Wilson-Baker (0) launches a jump-serve during non-league action versus 3A Centauri inside IHS Gymnasium Thursday evening, Oct. 8. The 'Cats were able to defeat the ladies from La Jara, 3 games to 0, but then fell – by scores of 23-25, 15-25, 19-25 – to Ridgway at home two days later when resuming 2A/1A San Juan Basin League play.

**SunUte Recreation & Mid America Youth Basketball Present:**

**Ignacio MAYB Winter Tournament!!**

**December 19th, 2015**

Join in the FUN and enjoy the Competition!

Grade Levels:

Boys: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th-10th, and 11-12th

Girls: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th-10th, & 11-12th

3 game minimum!!

Teams will be participating from all over the Four Corners!

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King (senior Austin McCaw, 85; parents are Ed and Kelly McCaw) and Queen (senior Cortney Wilson-Baker, flanked at left by father Jacob Baker; her mother is Delilah Wilson).



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Sophomore Class Princess Avionne Gomez (center) stands with her father, Kenneth Gomez at left and Prince Marcus Chapman (10).



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Freshman Princess Peyton Lyon (left) stands arm-in-arm with her Prince, Lakota TwoCrow.

## We've got spirit, yes we do!



Treinnie Collins/SU Drum

Little Bobcat Cheerleaders take center stage during the Ignacio Bobcats Homecoming football game's half-time show, as they perform the cheers they learned over the course of the week at cheer camp, put on by IHS Cheerleaders.



Treinnie Collins/SU Drum

High School students enjoy the homecoming activities outside, while beaming with Bobcat Pride!



Treinnie Collins/SU Drum

Class of 2017 duked it out in the ring as their float was filled with the junior class ready to pounce on the Panthers.

**For all BOBCAT info, articles, and additional photos, please check out The Southern Ute Drum's website [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com)**

## C Team put up points in wins



Ignacio C-team member Mariam Fernandez (10) launches a rocket during non-league action versus 3A La Jara Centauri on Thursday, Oct. 8, inside IHS Gymnasium. Aided by the senior foreign-exchange student-athlete from Spain, IHS downed the Lady Falcons 25-19, 25-20, and 25-8, 25-14 – two days later to 2A/1A San Juan Basin League familiars Ridgway.



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Ignacio C-team libero Karely Mendoza (8) makes sure her pass Saturday, Oct. 10, finds the best route to a teammate against Ridgway. Facing the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League's Lady Demons inside IHS Gymnasium, the 'Cats handled business efficiently in a 25-8, 25-15 romp two days after defeating 3A La Jara Centauri 25-19, 25-20.

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chance at game point, ahead 26-25. But the visitors again tied and then took the game when Gomez hit wide and Skalla (5k at .375) sent over an unclaimed serve for the essential 2-games-to-0 advantage.

Which Ignacio had overcome before against Ridgway – a climb they took steps towards repeating, but an achievement in which the Lady Demons had no intentions of again participating. A Seibel cross-court kill knotted the score for the last time at 13-13, and after RHS skipper Amy Rutherford took a timeout the guests didn't waver.

"Once we ... found our rhythm again," Robinson said. "We knew we had to fight hard for what we wanted, and that's exactly

what we did. We ... decided to have fun, rather than really just worry about it."

A Pollock block got the Cats as close as 18-15, but kills by Kaitlyn Rutherford and Skalla began what became a clinching 6-0 burst. Copp had the misfortune of giving IHS one last hope with a faulty serve on match point, but Skalla dashed that with a spike resulting in a disputed lift call against Forsythe (8 assists, 4 digs).

"We had some adversity – had a setter down – and played well with what we had! Alex ... played so great today ... adapted to her spot really well," Valdez stated. "And by that third set we played a lot better. It's a matter of ... figuring each other out and we haven't

had a lot of time to do that because that concussion was so quick."

"We're going to be more connected now. I think now everyone's going to be really humble, definitely," Seibel said after Ignacio totaled only 15 kills at a disappointing -.036 clip. "And not take the team for granted."

"We're going up – nowhere but up from here!"

Bumped out of the CH-SAANow.com 2A rankings' top ten – RHS moved in at No. 8 – the Volleys head to Telluride Oct. 17, then host Dolores on the 22nd, Norwood on the 24th and 3A Pagosa Springs for the regular-season finale on the 27th. Results of visits from Dove Creek (10/13) and Mancos (10/15) were unavailable at press time.

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she said. "They had some tough teams throughout their season, but they stuck with it. It was a good learning experience. We have a lot of time to prepare for next season. We need to get in the playtime to understand the concept. Our season only lasts a month and a half, so it goes by fast."

Seibel addressed her strategies on preparing the volleyball team for next season.

"This season was more of a mental game, so it was a good way for the girls to learn mental toughness, and I think that's what we are lacking. I will be focusing on mental toughness a lot more. All teams should understand that any team could be beaten at any given day. But I'm proud of the girls for all they've done."

According to C-team coach Shasta Pontine, the ending of the season is bittersweet.

"It was a hard working season, but the team learned



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

A-Team, 8th grader, Bella Pena dives for a ball and keeps the game in play.

a lot," she said. "There's a lot of work we have to strive for, but that's part of teamwork. I hope they had a lot of fun during the season and hope to see them again next time."

The C-team advanced in the tournament and pitted against the Miller Middle School Angels from Durango. The lady Bobcats kept up their defense as the timer counted down during the final half. The Angels were declared vic-

torious with the final score of 25-22.

Next up, the C-team went head-to-head against the Wolverines from Bayfield Middle School. Both teams kept their spikes in play, picking off spikes and ground balls with persistence. Bayfield won the first game with a score of 25-16, and the second game with 25-17.

"We played well, we just have to practice some more," Elisia Cruz said.

### SETTING THE TABLE(S)

Standings as of Oct. 12, 2015

#### VOLLEYBALL: 2A/1A SAN JUAN BASIN LEAGUE (SJBL)

Team	OVERALL			SJBL			SETS		
	W	L	%	W	L	%	W	L	%
Ridgway	12	1	.923	10	1	.909	38	7	.844
Norwood	8	4	.667	7	1	.875	25	16	.610
<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.692</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.857</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>.583</b>
Nucla	11	3	.786	6	3	.667	33	12	.731
Dolores	6	7	.461	4	5	.444	23	23	.500
Telluride**	5	8	.385	4	5	.444	18	23	.438
Dove Creek**	2	8	.200	2	4	.333	2	18	.100
Mancos	2	12	.143	1	10	.091	16	37	.302
Ouray**	0	13	.000	0	10	.000	0	39	.000

\*\*head-to-head result not yet reported

#### FOOTBALL: 1A SOUTHERN PEAKS CONFERENCE (SPC)

Team	OVERALL			SPC		SCORING
	W	L	%	W	L	US/THEM
Monte Vista	5	1	.833	2	0	161/57
John Mall	4	2	.667	2	0	194/69
Centauri	3	3	.500	2	0	109/166
Center	3	3	.500	0	2	160/130
Dolores	2	4	.333	0	2	134/127
<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20/243</b>

– compiled by Joel Priest



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

### THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT OF THE INITIAL ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD FILE FOR THE GOLD KING MINE RELEASE SITE SAN JUAN COUNTY, COLORADO

The initial Administrative Record file (AR) for the Gold King Mine Release Site includes the documents considered or relied upon during the emergency removal action and continuing removal action at the Site. A final AR will be available for review and public comment with the publication of the Action Memorandum. Additional documents, including the comments received on the initial or final AR file and EPA's response to significant comments, may be added at a later date. Please note the addition of the Durango Public Library as a location to view the initial AR.

EPA encourages the public to review and comment on the documents.

A physical copy of the initial AR file is available at:

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1117 Reese Street, Silverton, CO 81433  
 Contact: Jackie Kerwin, (970) 387-5770  
 Hours: Tues. – Thurs., 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.  
 Fri. & Sat., 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Closed Sun. & Mon.

**Farmington Public Library:**

2101 Farmington Ave., Farmington, NM 87401  
 Contact: Kathi Browning, (505) 599-1270  
 Hours: Mon. – Thu., 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
 Fri. – Sat., 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Sun. 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Office of the Navajo Nation Library**

Arizona Highway 264, Post Office Loop Road  
 Window Rock, AZ 86515  
 Contact: Irving Nelson, (928) 871-6376  
 Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Durango Public Library**

1900 East Third Ave., Durango, CO 81301  
 Contact: Sandy Irwin, Phone: (970) 375-3380  
 Hours: Mon. – Wed., 9:00 am – 8:00 pm  
 Thur., 10:00 am – 5:30 pm  
 Fri. – Sat., 9:00 am – 5:30 pm, Closed Sunday

The initial AR file is also available online at: <http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-initial-administrative-record>

To request a copy of the initial AR file, send an email with your name and mailing address to: [peterston.cynthia@epa.gov](mailto:peterston.cynthia@epa.gov)

Comments on the initial AR file may be submitted in writing for the next 30 days to:

**Steven Way, On-Scene Coordinator**  
**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**  
**1595 Wynkoop Street, 8EPR-ER**  
**Denver, CO 80202-1129**

## United States Department of the Interior OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS Probate Hearings Division P.O. Box 26147 • Albuquerque, NM 87125 (844) 667-0464 (Toll Free) • (505) 563-5341 (Fax)

### COMBINED NOTICE OF HEARINGS

Notice is given that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 372, et seq., as implemented by 43 C.F.R. part 30, hearings will be held, testimony will be taken and evidence received for the purposes of administering the following estates:

**Place: Bureau Of Land Management, 6251 College Blvd, Farmington, NM 87402**  
**Date: Friday, October 30, 2015**

Case Number	Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Will Date if Applicable	Time of Hearings
P000110702IP	TERRY SIMS	1/1/2011	NONE	9:00 AM
P000125544IP	CONSTANCE KAREN BOX	9/7/2014	NONE	9:30 AM
P000125157IP	RICHARD MCKEWAN	8/1/2014	NONE	10:00 AM
P000125778IP	ANNJANETTE SUE JOSEPH	9/19/2014	NONE	10:30 AM
P000125930IP	BENNETT THOMPSON	9/28/2014	9/22/2014	11:00 AM
P000125958IP	LOLETA ERNESTINE WATTS	9/28/2014	NONE	1:00 PM
P000127549IP	MAXINE SILVA	11/20/2014	11/04/2014	1:30 PM

All persons having an interest in an estate, including creditors, are notified to be present in person or by attorney and furnish evidence as they may desire. Failure to appear in person or by telephone may result in loss of rights by default. If necessary, one or more Hearings may be continued to another time and place. The names and addresses of all known presumptive heirs, devisees, will witnesses, claimants and other interested parties may be found on the reverse side of each individual Notice of Hearing or from the Agency.

**Janet Yazzie**  
**INDIAN PROBATE JUDGE**

## Attention agricultural land managers

The Water Quality Program for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is accepting applications for the 2016 Cost-share program. The Cost-share program is aimed at land managers living within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on the Animas, Florida and Pine watersheds who are interested in implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) for more efficient irrigation and/or riparian protection/improvements. The majority of costs are covered by the Tribe through conservation agreements in which BMPs, such as surface gated pipe, underground pipe and inlet structures, or riparian fencing/off-stream watering sources are implemented. Such BMPs limit return flows from irrigated land and restore/protect critical riparian zones, thus decreasing erosion and other pollutants into our local watersheds. Call project coordinator Pete Nylander at 970-563-0135, ext. 2214 for more information.

## EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

### DEAR PARENTS/ GUARDIANS

The Ignacio School Board and the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council would like to invite you, as a parent of an American Indian student in our schools, to attend the Ignacio School District Indian Policies and Procedures (IPP) meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015 at 6 p.p. in the Ignacio School Administration Building 455 Becker Street in Ignacio. Dinner will be provided.

We encourage you to attend this important meeting in order to get information about the collaboration between the school and the Tribal Educational Department, services that are provided jointly, test score results, survey results, new policies and programs implemented, Memorandum of Understanding and receive additional information on programs that are offered to your students. All parents and guardians of Native American children in the Ignacio School District are invited to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

*Sincerely,*  
*La Titia Taylor, MS*  
*Director of Education and*  
*Rocco Fuschetto, Ed. D.*  
*Superintendent of Schools*

### DEAR TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP AND ALL READERS

My name is Trae Seibel and I am writing this letter to simply speak about one of the most important concepts from an educated standpoint, which is Emotional Intelligence.

Since I was a child, growing up on the reservation, I have been immersed into an environment where I have viewed our own people be victim's of their own reality, including myself. Everyday we experience moments of

positivity as well as negativity. What I believe we are unaware of is, the simple notion that we as individuals have created every obstacle that falls in front of us.

When I attended Fort Lewis College School of Business at the age of 21, I was able to experience one of the most powerful courses in my educative career, Management and Organizational Behavior. Within this course, my professor instructed and led us as students to a higher level of thinking. They challenged previous thinking within an individual and led us to a level of being completely self-aware.

It was there that I learned about such an amazing concept, emotional intelligence.

The simple understanding of emotional intelligence is based off of four concepts: Self-Management, Self-Awareness, Relationship Management, and Social Awareness.

From my understanding, I simply believe that these four concepts need to be achieved in order starting with self-management.

From what I am viewing now on this reservation is an environment where individuals are either starting to wake up to this notion, or to simply continue down their path where they are completely unaware of themselves, their thoughts, their feelings, as well as others.

To be a self-managing person is basically a concept where you as an individual can differentiate between every emotion that you experience and categorize that emotion to better make a choice when you are pressed to do so.

To be self-aware is to be at a level where you are able to critically think above your past experiences, upbringing, and person-

al characteristics.

After learning this concept, I painted myself a picture within my mindset of the reservation and all of its inhabitants where we are thinking at a high level of emotional intelligence.

The first step is to simply be ACCOUNTABLE for all that you, as an individual, have experienced! We are living in a very important time period that we can no longer live in situations where we are continuing to blame others for our unhappiness. Everything that comes before our eyes is a mere reflection of what we have created within our own minds!

Now is the time to challenge yourself and your peers to be a self-managing and self-aware person.

When we can all be at a high level, of not only education, but of emotional intelligence, we will start to see a more positive environment within our own minds and before our own eyes.

I say all of this in a good way, and I hope that we can now WAKE UP and live in harmony. Togoiaák!

*Best Regards,*  
*Trae Lucas Seibel*

### GREETINGS TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP,

Our Tribal elections are fast approaching and as a candidate for a seat on Tribal Council, I would like for you to join me in a dynamic, interesting dialogue about Tribal issues Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. at SunUte Community Center. Share your thoughts, concerns, ideas on how we can create change in our Tribal Government. What matters to YOU is the focus. Please join me... refreshments will be served.

Responsible ... Focused ... Dedicated.

*Elect Marge Borst for*  
*Southern Ute*  
*Tribal Council*

### EDITOR'S NOTE: ALL LETTERS PUBLISHED IN THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM ARE PUBLISHED AS SUBMITTED AND DO NOT REFLECT THE OPINION OF THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM OR THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE.

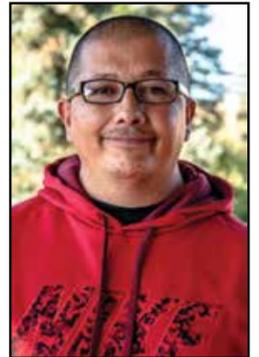
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## NEW EMPLOYEES



### Sarina Vigil

Job title: Boys & Girls club aide  
 Description of duties: Help work with children and assisting with the supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls club.  
 Family: Parents – Joe and Joyce Vigil.  
 Tribe: Southern Ute



### Benito Ruybal

Job title: CHR Home Health Aide  
 Description of duties: Provide home making services, provide personal care services.  
 Hobbies: Fishing, hunting, camping and gambling.

## Drum Deadline

Next issue:  
**Oct. 30**  
 Deadline:  
**Oct. 26**

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: [sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov)

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## HALLOWEEN BENEFIT POWWOW

OCT. 31, 2015  
SOUTHERN UTE MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY

5 P.M. POTLUCK  
7-10 P.M. POWWOW

- CLOWN DANCE
- SWITCH DANCE
- MUSICAL CHAIRS
- LOTS OF FUN DANCES!

WEAR YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUME!  
HEAD STAFF TO BE ANNOUNCED

Ignacio Intertribal Powwow Association

FOOD SALE TO BENEFIT SHELLEY DODGE

CONTACTS:  
ELISE REDD: 779-8149  
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TRICK OR TREAT  
SMELL MY FEET  
GIVE ME SOMETHING GOOD TO EAT

## EAT, DRINK AND BE WITCHY

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPOOKTACULAR

# COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

SKY UTE CASINO EVENTS CENTER • IGNACIO, COLO.

## SATURDAY 31st Oct. 2015

### 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM

GAME BOOTHS PRIZES RAFFLE COSTUME CONTEST

FOR ALL AGES! ENTRY IS \$2/PERSON OR ONE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM AND \$5/FAMILY (1/5 MEMBERS) OR FOUR NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS. PARENTS MUST ACCOMPANY CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES! PLEASE CONTACT SUPD DISPATCH FOR A BOOTH AT 970.563.0246. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT BGC AT 970.563.4753.

Costume Contest starts at 6 PM

BOO!  
THE THRILL IS ON SATURDAYS

NOTHIN' SCARY ABOUT OUR

# \$50,000 CASH

## \$POOK-TACULAR

Earn entry tickets when you play the slots with your Bear Club Card all month long. The more you play the better your chances to win during Saturday's drawings.

8PM	Win \$500
8:30PM	Win \$500
8:45PM	Win \$1,000
9PM	Win \$2,500
10PM	Win \$5,000

# Halloween Safety Tips

Everything you need to know to keep your kids safe on Halloween.

**WALK SAFELY**

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

**TRICK OR TREAT WITH AN ADULT**

- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.

**KEEP COSTUMES BOTH CREATIVE AND SAFE**

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

**DRIVE EXTRA SAFELY ON HALLOWEEN**

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.
- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for kids during these hours.

For more information visit [safekids.org](http://safekids.org)





## SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE • GENERAL ELECTION

November 6, 2015, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. • Sun Ute Community Center

### Candidates for TWO Tribal Council Member Seats are:

- Lorelei Cloud
- Marjorie Borst
- Kevin R. Frost
- Renee J. Cloud
- Alex S. Cloud

NOTICE: The candidates receiving the majority number of votes shall be elected.

- Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Sun Ute Community Center
- Voting is by secret ballot.
- Voting by proxy is not allowed.
- Persons waiting in line at 7 p.m. will be allowed to vote.

Voter Registration Deadline: Oct. 28, 2015, by 5 p.m.  
 Absentee Deadline: Oct. 28, 2015, by 5 p.m.  
 Emergency Absentee Ballot Deadline: Nov. 5, 2015, by 5 p.m.

Contact: The Election Board at 970-563-0100, ext: 2303 or 2305.  
 Off-Reservation Toll Free Number 1-800-772-1236, ext: 2303.  
 E-mail: election@southernute-nsn.gov

## ROUND TABLE DIALOGUE...



Planting Seeds for the future...



Discuss & Exchange ideas on:

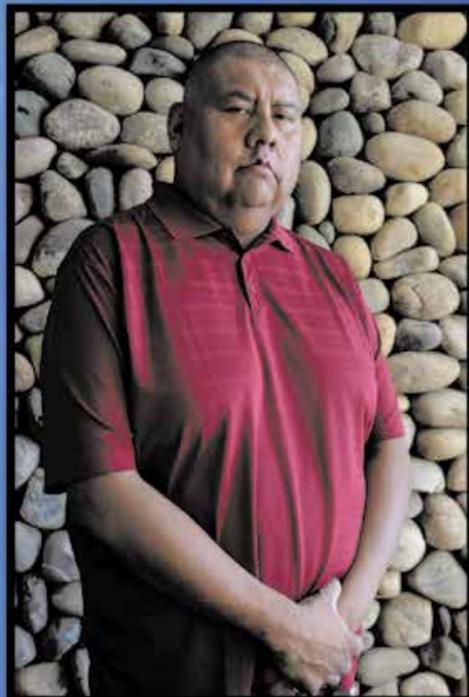
- Housing
- Healthcare Issues
- Employment
- Land
- Benefits
- Education
- Environment
- Communication Issues
- And more...

October 28, 2015 6:00 p.m. w/refreshments  
 SunUte's Mouache Room in Ignacio, Colorado 81137

CONTACT: Marjorie Borst, 970-749-0026  
 P.O. Box 682 Bayfield, Colorado 81122

Elect MARGE BORST for Southern Ute Tribal Council  
 November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

# VOTE



## Alex S. Cloud

- Dependable
- Accountable
- Traditional
- Dedicated

# VOTE RENEE J CLOUD FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL 2016

A VOICE FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS  
 VOTE FOR A CHANGE!



Supported by Southern Ute elders

# VOTE KEVIN R FROST FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL 2016

EDUCATED, NEW LEADERSHIP



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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Cedar Point Housing Initiative Professional Planning And Engineering Services

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

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Professional Planning and Engineering Services to include: a drainage study, master utility report, survey, and engineering design for the Cedar Point Housing Initiative. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Housing Departments located at 15168 Hwy 172 in Ignacio, Colo. 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on Nov. 19, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Contact Vince Mirabal for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-4710 or [vmirabal@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:vmirabal@southernute-nsn.gov). The RFP will be available on Oct. 22, 2015. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Monday, Nov. 2, 2015 at 2 PM at 15168 Highway 172, Ignacio, Colo., at Tribal Housing Department. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) SunUte Gymnasium HVAC Replacement Construction Services

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

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Construction Services for the SunUte Gymnasium HVAC System. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colo., 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on Nov. 17, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact

April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or [atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov). A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 at 2 PM at 116 Memorial Drive, Ignacio, Colo., Construction & Project Management Office. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## Public Notice of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe State of Colorado Environmental Commission Meeting

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission (Commission) will meet on Monday, Oct. 19 at 3-5 p.m. at the AKA Energy Building, Conference Rm., located in the Three Springs Subdivision, 65 Mercado St., Suite 250, Durango, Colo., 81301. The agenda will include Commission Procedural Business, Tribal Air Quality Program and Commission Updates, Proposed Reservation Air Code Revisions, Ozone Advance Program Presentation and Discussion, CDPH&E Update, Other Announcements, Open Discussion/Questions and Public Comment, and Schedule of the Next Meeting. For more information or a copy of the meeting agenda please contact Mr. Mark Hutson, Air Quality Program Manager at 970-563-4705, ext. 2206 or visit the Commission website at: <http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-commission/>

## ATTENTION ALL VETERANS & FAMILIES!



The Southern Ute Drum is compiling photos of ALL our living and deceased Southern Ute Veterans for the 2016 Southern Ute Tribal Calendar. We would be HONORED to feature a photo of you, or your military loved one. Southern Ute Veterans are invited to be a part of a group photo to be taken during the dinner break of this year's Southern Ute Veterans Powwow, Saturday, Nov. 7 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

For more information contact the Drum at 970-563-0118 or by email at [sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov).



## Public Notice

### La Plata County/CDOT & Southern Ute Indian Tribe Project – CR 517 SH172 to Howe Drive

Farnsworth Group will be surveying and conducting some base mapping on CR 517 to Howe Drive beginning 10/12/15 for the month or so. This project is in the design phase for sidewalks, bike lanes, and striping for crosswalks. There will be membership meetings as the project advances toward the construction phase in the Spring. If you have any questions, please call Edward Box III, Tribal Planner, 970-563-0100 ext. 2272 or Ray Torres, Construction & Project Management, 970-563-0100 ext. 2221.

## BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

### CREDIT COMMITTEE MEMBER VACANCY

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The Credit Committee members must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. Duties of the Credit Committee: Approve loans as required by the Declaration; Monitor compliance with Declaration; Monitor approved loan performance; Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations; Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business; Hold monthly regular meeting and other special meetings as necessary; and Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to Matthew Morishige in the Tribal Credit Department.

### ETHICS COMMISSION VACANCY

The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill ONE vacancy for "Alternate Member-At-Large" position on the Ethics Commission. Qualifications are: Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at least 18 years of age or older; Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality; Have a familiarity with tribal government; Satisfactory completion of a background investigation for criminal history showing no convictions or guilty pleas for felonies or any misdemeanor involving dishonesty. The Ethics Commission meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice & Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Bldg., 71 Mike Frost Way, by Oct. 30. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

### KSUT BOARD MEMBER VACANCY

KSUT Board of Directors has one vacancy for a Native American Board Member. Interested KSUT Board of Director applicants send a resume to Robert Franklin at [bob@ksut.org](mailto:bob@ksut.org).

### JOHNSON O'MALLEY/TITLE VII COMMITTEE

There are three vacancies on the Johnson-O'Malley/Title VII committee. If you are interested in becoming a committee member please submit a letter to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Dept. This is a volunteered position and JOM/Title VII only meets once a month on the first Monday at 5:30 p.m. To be eligible: You must have a student(s) enrolled with Ignacio or Bayfield School District K-12, Your student(s) must be eligible for the program with proper documentation on file with the Education Department, and Open to all Native American that is enrolled with the two school district's. Contact Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education, 970-563-0235, ext. 2793 or email [esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov).

### MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) is seeking a qualified tribal or community member for its all-volunteer Board of Directors. The candidate should possess strong fundraising, marketing, and/or volunteer recruitment skills. For an application and position description, please call 970-563-9583 during regular business hours. Open until filled.

### ROYALTY COMMITTEE

Attention Past Royalty, Fair Rodeo Queens & Tribal Elders. The tribe is seeking former Miss Southern Ute/Fair Rodeo Queens and tribal Elders to serve on the Royalty Committee. There is one position open for a former Royalty/Fair Rodeo Queen. Initial terms are staggered, thereafter three-year terms will be served. To support the Royalty, by providing education in Ute culture and history, to promote and recruit applicants, to plan and host the annual pageant and royalty dinner, other duties associated with the committee. Will review/revise and as appropriate develop Royalty handbooks, code of ethics, review complaints and address disciplinary issues associated with the committee. Meets monthly, and works closely with the Culture Director, this is a non-paid committee. Interested Tribal members should submit a letter to the Human Resource Department at the Leonard C. Burch Bldg., in person or mail your letter to Human Resource Dept. at PO Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. Open until filled.

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SKY UTE CASINO RESORT PRESENTS

# SAWYER BROWN

**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 14**

**DOORS OPEN 7PM | SHOW 8PM**

**VIP \$35.00 | RESERVED \$25.00  
GENERAL ADMISSION \$20.00**

*Sky Ute Casino*  
RESORT  
Owned & operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
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IGNACIO, COLORADO

Purchase tickets online at [skyutecasino.com](http://skyutecasino.com), by calling 888.842.4180, at the Sky Ute Casino Gift Shop or at the door.



## Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

Please visit our website at [www.sugf.com/jobs.asp](http://www.sugf.com/jobs.asp) to view job details and to apply online.  
Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.  
Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

### Environmental, Health and Safety Technician II – Aka Energy Group (Durango, CO)

Close date 10/21/15  
Assists the Environmental, Health and Safety Manager with the implementation of EHS programs including permitting and regulatory activities related to safety and environmental programs including OSHA, air quality, SPCC, waste management and hydrology, record keeping and mapping projects. Assists with coordinating regulatory submittals, tracking regulatory obligations, and implementing best management practices in the field. Minimum qualifications include: High School diploma or equivalent and five years experience in natural gas operations with significant health and safety duties; OR Associates Degree in a relevant science or business field and three years experience as an EHS technician with emphasis in health and safety; OR Bachelor's degree in a relevant science or business field and one year work experience as an Environmental, Health and/or Safety technician is required. Must have working knowledge, or the ability to develop a working knowledge, of federal and state safety and environmental regulations; Working knowledge of, and the ability to become proficient in, computer software programs within the MS Windows environment including but not limited to Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint and Project; Good organizational skills and be capable of maintaining data in hard files and digitally, including strong computer-based data management and analysis skills. Willingness to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team

oriented environment Valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund's vehicle insurance policy; Pass a criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

### Administrative Assistant – Growth Fund (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 10/21/15  
Provides secretarial and administrative support to the Executive Director and operations Manager to include typing, filing, data entry, making appointments, scheduling meetings, and coordinating travel. To assist with scheduling of meetings and preparation of presentation materials. Must present a positive and professional image to Growth Fund, Tribal employees and the public. Minimum qualifications include: High School diploma or equivalent is required; Three years full-time experience in a secretarial or clerical capacity; Competency and skill using word processing Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint; Experience and skill in using the Internet to obtain information and to conduct research; Able to spell accurately, type and input numerical data with accuracy and speed; Knowledge in organizing and scheduling meetings; agenda development; minute taking and transcription; and in the organization and distribution of materials; Skilled using modern office equipment to include calculator, copy machine, and fax machine; Valid driver's license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund's vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a criminal history background check and pre-employment drug test.

## 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](http://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.

### Construction Services Repairman

Closing date 10/19/15  
Assists in home repair to Tribal Home Rehab Programs, Elders Maintenance Program, Tribal Member and Elderly/Handicapped Emergency Repair, and Tribal Rental Units. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

### Air Quality Scientist

Closing date 10/26/15  
Under general supervision of the Air Quality Program Technical Manager, coordinates, supervises and conducts technical and regulatory tasks within the Permitting Section of the Tribal Air Quality Program. Pay grade 20; \$23.01/hour.

### Detention Cook

Closing date 10/22/15  
Assisting the Food Service Coordinator to facilitate all kitchen food service preparation and cleaning duties. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour

### Detention Officer

Closing date 10/27/15  
Under general supervision of the Detention Sergeant, maintains the safety/welfare of inmates/visitors and monitors all activities within the detention center. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Patrol Officer

Closing date 10/23/15  
Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

### Crisis Caseworker

Open until filled  
Provides counseling referrals for resources available to victims of crime within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 15; \$13.89/hour.

### Technical Support Specialist

Closing date 10/23/15  
Provide PC hardware, software, and basic network support for all tribal departments, tribal entities, and tribal members. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

### Reading Teacher

Open until filled  
Professional teaching position with the Private Education Dept. Uses specialized reading strategies and the Montessori philosophy to provide Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students with a developmentally appropriate learning environment meeting the physical, social/emotional, cognitive, and cultural needs of the child. Communicate effectively with parents/guardians about their child's progress in each domain area, primarily in the context of Reading Instruction.

### Detention Sergeant

Closing date 10/26/15  
Under general supervision of the Detention Lieutenant, assist in the planning, organizing, and reviewing administrative and staffing functions and activities in the Detention Division. Pay grade 20; \$23.51 hour.

## Southern Ute Tribal Member Only

### Loan Specialist

Closing date 10/21/15  
Provides any clerical, secretarial, and client support to the Tribal Credit Division as needed. Presents positive and professional image to Tribal employees and the public. This position is for an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member. Pay grade 15; \$14.22/hour.

### Receptionist Mail Clerk

Closing date 10/23/15  
Performs reception duties for the Southern Ute Tribal organization, including, but not limited to, operation of the telephone switchboard, greeting visitors, providing information about the Tribal government, and referring callers or visitors to the appropriate office for assistance. Performs clerical duties for the Tribal Information Services Director and other Departmental Divisions as needed, including mail processing and distribution. Pay grade 13; \$11.59/hour.

### Cashier

Closing date 10/22/15  
Provides general clerical support to the Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable and Payroll offices, and serves as cashier. Pay grade 13; 12/hour.

## Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Visit our website at [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com) to view job openings and apply online.  
Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137  
TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome  
Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

### Banquet Staff (On-call)

Closing date 10/16/15  
Assists in serving, set-up and clean-up of all banquet functions. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. 18 years old+ Preference will be given to those 21 years + for alcohol laws. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have food service experience.

working with and supporting accounting systems. Preferably the experience will be in an Aristocrat Environment. Must have knowledge and experience in the development of database systems utilizing MS SQL Server. Preferably the applicant will be MS SQL certified.

### \*Multi-Games Dealer (On-call)

Closing date 10/23/15  
Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. 21 years old+. High School diploma/equivalency. Must have 6 months experience as a table games dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in blackjack, three card poker, roulette and specialty games.

### \*Poker Dealer (On-call)

Closing date 10/16/15  
Deals the various games of Class 2 poker while promoting a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must have High School diploma/equivalency. 21 years old+. Must have 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in poker.

*\*Must be 21 years of age*

### \*Beverage Server-Circle Bar (Full-time)

Closing date 10/16/15  
Prepares beverages prior to serving and will be required to lift and move up to 60 pounds regularly, including the responsibility of all cash and complimentary transactions. High School diploma/equivalency preferred. 21 years old+. Related work experience and/or training preferred. Must have great guest service skills.

### \*Database Administrator/User Support (Full-time)

Closing date 10/16/15  
Provides database and systems maintenance and support for the various database systems in use at casino/resort. Bachelor's degree in Computer Science or related field and 3 years experience in DBMS (Database Management System) or systems development, or equivalent experience. Experience will be in a client/server environment. Must have knowledge and experience in

## In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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### NOTICE OF PROBATE

#### In the Estate Of, McGarey Gallegos Stone Jr., Deceased Case No.: 2015-PR-094

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof.

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You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on October 27, 2015 at 3:00 PM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on November 17, 2015 at 3:00 PM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 22nd of September, 2015  
Dolores Romero, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2015-NC-0073  
Devonne Jordynne Colleen Madril, Civil Subject  
Notice is hereby given that Devonne Jordynne Colleen Madril filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Nevaeh Jordynne Colleen Madril.

As of September 28, 2015 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Devonne Jordynne Colleen Madril name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Nevaeh Jordynne Colleen Madril.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2015.  
Paul Whistler, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

Dated this 9th of October, 2015  
Dolores Romero, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

#### In the Estate Of, Jonathon D. Sells, Deceased Case No.: 2015-PR-070

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO:

## Land For Sale

Tribal members and employees get to work in 5 minutes from this 16 irrigated acres on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe reservation, 4 easy miles north from Ignacio off CR 514, 1 full irrigation water share from the King Ditch, south sloping land growing hay, average 650 bales one cutting, w/pond, electricity at property line, entirely fenced, private, excellent access road, asking price has been significantly reduced to sell at \$150K. Financing may be available with 35% down payment at 5% APR to a qualified buyer. Interested? Call Steve Williams 970-884-1326 or email questions to [ljmforever53@gmail.com](mailto:ljmforever53@gmail.com) for more details.



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](http://www.bgcsu.org)

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

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## Wanbli Ota & SunUte Present

# HOZHONI DAYS MEN'S & WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday & Sunday,  
Nov. 14th & 15th  
SunUte Community Center  
Ignacio, Colorado

**ENTRY FEE** \$300 Per Team  
Each team MUST consist of ALL Native Americans with the exception of 1 player.  
Space is limited.  
Admission \$5 Adults, \$3 Children, 5 yrs and under free

**PRIZES** 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Teams  
MVP & All-Tourney Players

**CONTACT** Damon White Thunder  
(405) 274-4095  
[drwhitethunder@fortlewis.edu](mailto:drwhitethunder@fortlewis.edu)

THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE PROHIBITS THE USE OF ALCOHOL, AND THE MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, PURCHASE, POSSESSION, TRANSFER, OR THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS ON SUNUTE PREMISES. PLEASE NOTE: IN THE EVENT A GUEST IS INTOXICATED VISIBLY OR CLEARLY, THE STAFF WILL ASK THE GUEST TO LEAVE IN A SAFE MANNER AND MAY CALL THE SOUTHERN UTE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO HANDLE THE MATTER. CONSEQUENCES MAY APPLY. NO DOGS ALLOWED ON SUNUTE PROPERTY.



SunUte  
Community Center



Fort Lewis College  
Wanbli Ota

All proceeds go towards the  
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Powwow at Fort Lewis College





## FLY-FISHING

# New England, more than just colors

**Don Oliver**  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM



Not long ago, she who must be obeyed (swambo) pointed out that our annual spring road trip had not been taken for several years. When I responded that I was tired of driving, two airplane tickets to New England (N.E.) appeared. I was reminded I hadn't caught fish on my fly rod in six of the N.E. states, and early fall was a good time to do that. In addition to fishing that part of the country I was told we could spend some time seeing N.E. So, I found myself seeing and fly-fishing: Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont, New York, and New Hampshire.

I hadn't spent much time in N.E. So, once there I did notice differences and similarities between them and us. N.E. has lots of people squished into a really small land mass. They have humidity and narrow roads that wander around in seemingly endless circles. So much so, that our GPS finally asked us if we had any idea where we were. N.E. is also the headquarters for Dunkin-Doughnuts, Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream, and the mother ship of fly-fishing, Orvis.

Durango has big pickup trucks with big dogs in the back of them. We also have thinner air and lots of wide-open spaces. If I drove for two hours north or east from Durango, I would still be in Colorado. If I drove two hours north and west

from Rhode Island I'd cross the boundary's of five other states. Which means, I could have based myself in one of the six states and fished everything in two days.

I started the outing in Rhode Island. Similar to many of the N.E. states, I had the opportunity to fish either salt or fresh water. I chose salt water and managed to catch blue fish. For those of you not familiar with blue fish, they are mean, very aggressive, and have big teeth. Don't put your fingers around their mouth; you might lose them. Massachusetts was knocked off the list on the way to Connecticut, total drive of about three hours. Everything is so close together. Anyway, we stopped at a park and I fished its lake, all on my own. I was told in the parking lot that the fishing wasn't very good. I think it was someone not wanting a foreigner fishing his waters. I didn't take his word for the fishing and proceeded to catch some nice sized pan fish.

Connecticut found us in a fishing lodge on the Farm-

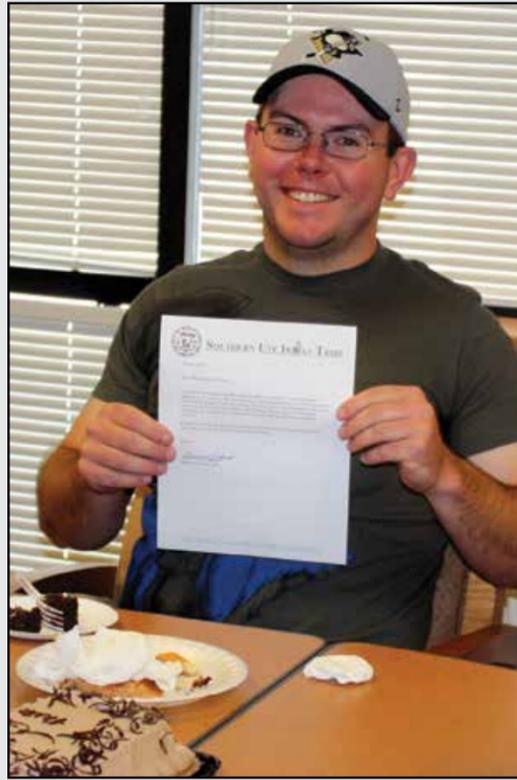
ington River (it's not part of New Mexico). Here was my first lesson in skittish trout. So skittish, that I learned to wait for several minutes before re-casting to a missed fish. Of course, if I hadn't missed it in the first place I wouldn't have had to let it rest. I also received a lesson in the European method of nymphing. It did produce several trout.

On to Vermont and New York. Even taking all the back and scenic roads, it only took a couple hours of driving. Vermont and New York yielded trout, bass, and panfish. The weather was hot, and the streams in both states very low, so I fly-fished only in the mornings. The streams flowed through farmland and passed old industrial buildings that are being recycled into modern businesses. In fact, the largest trout I caught was next to an old plant that is now a microbrewery.

The road trip ended in New Hampshire. The first part of the morning had me floating on a pond, think On Golden Pond, in a canoe. I love fly-fishing from canoes. Except for the trout, and the loons chasing them, my guide and I were the only occupants on the pond. The brook trout rose to, and took, my dry flies. The afternoon had me on a really small stream, high sticking a small caddis for more brook trout.

New England and Colorado are certainly different. However, what they do share is the common language of fly-fishing. Head there next fall and see if you don't agree.

# SUPD bids farewell to Mitchell



photos courtesy Chris Naranjo/SU Drum

On Tuesday, Oct. 6 the Southern Ute Police Department (SUPD) held a going away party for SUPD Officer Matthew Mitchell. Officer Mitchell has served the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for over five years. He was a Field Training Officer, Tactical Team Member and Evidence Technician. He will be moving to Arizona with his significant other, Lauren. We wanted to wish Matthew continued success and thank him for his service to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Chairman Clement J. Frost, Vice Chairwoman Ramona Y. Eagle and Executive Officer Michelle Taylor-Cruz were also in attendance at the luncheon that was held at SUPD. Officer Mitchell was presented with a Thank You letter from Chairman Frost on behalf of Tribal Council.

# SUPD welcomes recruit Vigil



photos courtesy Chris Naranjo/SU Drum

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Jesse Vigil was officially sworn in as a Southern Ute Police Officer. SUPD Chief Coriz, shakes hands with Vigil after the official paperwork was signed by Chief Judge Chantel Cloud and Coriz.



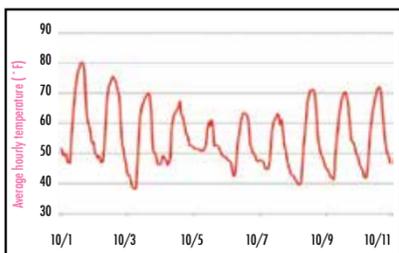
Chief Judge Chantel Cloud (right) swore in Vigil. Vigil's new baby boy was also in attendance. Vigil will now begin his 14-week Field Training Program before he is out on his own.

## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

<p><b>Friday, Oct. 16</b></p> <p>Partly sunny 74°F 30% chance of showers/t-storms</p>	<p><b>Saturday, Oct. 17</b></p> <p>Mostly cloudy 69°F Chance of showers/t-storms</p>	<p><b>Sunday, Oct. 18</b></p> <p>Partly sunny 62°F Chance of showers/t-storms</p>
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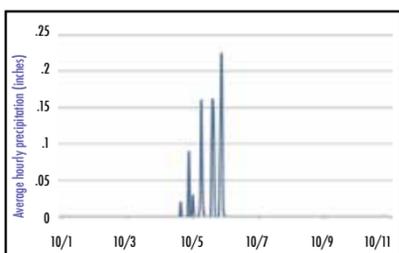


### Weather data for October 1 – October 11



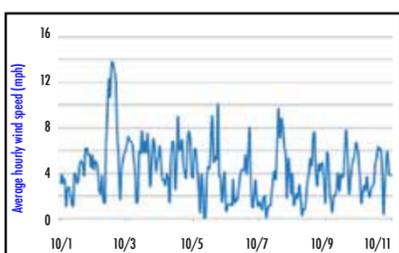
#### Temperature

High	80.2°
Low	38.3°
Average	55.3°
Average last year	50.0°



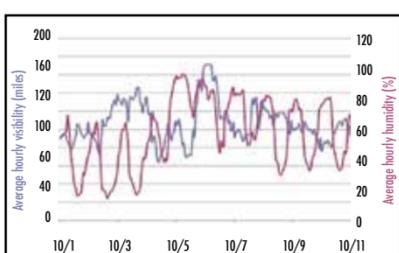
#### Precipitation

Total	1.020"
Total last year	1.130"



#### Wind speed

Average	4.3
Minimum	0.0
Maximum	13.8



#### Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	107.3
Average humidity	57.5%

#### Air quality

Good  
Air quality descriptor: 46

Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

## Watch your speed!



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

A speed monitor has been placed on Ouray Drive just near the corner of Memorial Drive. The monitor was set up by the Southern Ute Police Department, to discourage drivers from speeding through Tribal Campus.

Advertise your event, or have your event covered by the Drum.  
Call or email the Drum 970-563-0118, sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov