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“Good Bear Dance - ‘TüüÇatÜ Mamakwanika”



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Gathering Of The Three Utes Tribes On Ute Mountain Ute Reservation

by Robert L. Ortiz
Drum Media Manager

Over a two-day, gathering of Ute Dignitaries, from the three Ute Tribes - Northern, Southern and Ute Mountain along with Colorado State Government Officials, two separate meetings took place to discuss issues of the Ute Tribes, being voiced to each other and to the State.

The Annual Quarterly, Tri-Ute Meeting took place Thursday, May 28, 2009. The Tri-Ute meeting brought the three Ute Tribes together to discuss issues and share valuable information, in building a stronger “United” Ute Tribe.

During the Tri-Ute meeting on Thursday, many topics were discussed; of these updates were presented by each Tribe.

The Southern Ute Tribe gave



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

updates beginning with Chairman Matthew Box, who introduced Tribal Elder Annabelle Eagle. Chairman Box, then gave updates on the following: The successful funding by the State in the Bayfield Water Treatment case of the pollu-

tion of the Pine River, a major source of drinking water for the Southern Ute Reservation and the town of Ignacio. Groundbreaking for the new SU Cultural Center and

Ute Gathering page 3

by Robert L. Ortiz
Drum Media Manager

As the rain clouds threatened once again this year, as they had done last year, the Southern Ute Bear Dance began on Thursday, May 21, 2009, with the Blessing of the Grounds and the first Bear Dance lines formed, traditionally by the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students on Friday, May 22, 2009. Bear Dancing continued through Monday, May 25.

This year proved to be a test of ones will, as the rain was a constant threat, but that would not hinder those anxious to begin the “courtship” dance. As the girls giggled and huddled, eyeing the cute boys across the corral, and jockeying for position to be the first to “flick their fringes” at the boys.

So began the Bear Dance, for the Southern Utes one week after the Northern Utes hosted theirs in Fort Duchesne, Utah (see Drum Issue, Vol. XLI, May 22,

2009), the growlers began the first of many songs, their hands moving in unison, as metal meets rasp, and the songs of new and old rang out across the corral.

The Memorial Day weekend, was a very busy one for the Southern Utes, many events, many functions and ceremonies proved to be more than enough for the uninitiated.

Beginning on Thursday, May 21, 2009 with the Blessing of the Bear Dance Grounds by Bear Dance Chief and Tribal Chairman, Matthew Box, this was only the beginning of a very enjoyable holiday. The Ute Nations Day also was held on Thursday, hosted by the Committee of Elders, honoring Ute Tradition and Culture. The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy also held it’s Transition Ceremony and Mini-PowWow for those students transitioning into the public school systems.

Friday, May 22, the annual two-day Bear Dance PowWow began. The contest powwow was held in SunUte, and proved to be a bigger

powwow than years past, evident the need for a larger venue.

Saturday, May 23, began with Ignacio High School commencing, yet another batch of graduates into the real world. The Los Pinos Softball Classic also was in full swing for it’s two-day tournament and the powwow came to a close late Saturday night.

Sunday, May 24, the Bear Dance grew in numbers as those from the powwow joined the lines, lengthening them as the day drew on.

Monday, May 25, Memorial Day proved to be a much busier day as the “Day of Remembrance” honoring our fallen warriors, with the ceremony beginning at the Veterans memorial park, and continuing in procession to Ouray Cemetery. The bear dance feast organized by Tribal Information Services was a success, and the bear dancing lasted into the night, with the dancers ousting the singers, closing out another yet another year. TüüÇatÜ Mamakwanika!

SUIMA Transition



photo Marquetta Howe/SU DRUM

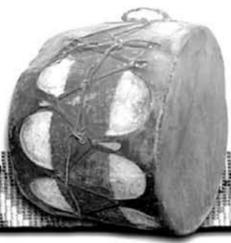
On the morning of May 21, 2009, five students officially transitioned out of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy and into public schools, during the Transition Ceremony. All of the students will be going into Junior High next year. Pictured l-r: Addison Jones, Jack Frost III, Xavier Reynolds, Marillee Cotton will be attending Ignacio Junior High next year and Keiston GoodTracks-Alires (second from left) will be attending Bayfield Junior High. The boys received ribbon shirts and Marillee received a shawl and all were given a Ute History book.

Day Of Remembrance



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Veterans carried the flags and led participants who were also honoring veterans in the, “Day of Remembrance”. The remembrance walk began at the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park and ended in the Ouray Cemetery, with ceremony and song on each side. A brief blessing was made above the Pine River and a wreath was cast into the waters to honor those lost while serving in the Navy. Pictured above, Ignacio community members looked on as the veterans crossed the Bear Dance Bridge on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2009.



Tribal Members Host Exchange Program – 25th Anniversary



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Eddie Box Jr. and Betty Box spoke with exchange students at the Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park following Bear Dance events on Tuesday. They covered topics of education, ambition, and personal spirituality, using their own life experiences to illustrate these examples of "personal choice". The exchange students hailed from across the globe, boys and girls of varying ages. Eddie Box Jr. gave the students a traditional blessing and the visit was concluded with a group photograph in front of the Veterans Memorial on Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

By Tyson Sampson
EBCI Tribal Member
Special To The Drum

International students from the Globe all around have been sharing culture and virtue with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe since 1984. Edward Box III was 17 years old when he talked his parents into host exchange students for a couple of days around the late spring. Since then, organizers from a Los Angeles-based program called AFSLA (American Field Service), have led small tours of international students here on the Southern Ute Reservation.

The participants are a different group of faces each year, and are guests of the Box family visiting various programs of tribal operations, including the Southern Ute Bear Dance. The mix of interesting faces that many tribal members may have noticed at the Bear Dance were, in fact, these 80 visitors who travelled from their far-away countries such as India, Egypt, Thailand, Indonesia, and also from several European countries.

After the last day of Bear Dance rituals on Memorial Day last week, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Box, Jr. welcomed a veritable tent city to be established in their front yard, shielded by a thin fence of bamboo from the bright flash of excitement beaming from the Sky Ute Resort and Casino. Once the international guests got settled, they began to prepare a buffet of spicy cuisine, leaving the hosts to prepare a late evening of sharing that began with wonderful storytelling by local elder and relative, Mr. Austin Box.

Austin sat on a chair in the middle of the living room while all the youngsters sat all around him; a few sat on the floor. He began by telling them of some basic Ute history. "The Colorado

historians got it backwards." He explained the various bands like Capote, Uncompahgre, Yampa, and the We-Ya-Nuucu roamed or lived in various territories. He told how the Capote lived in the San Luis valley all the way down toward Santa Fe. Austin also explained that Weminuche, as in the name of the local Wilderness area, is a derogatory name – although he did not elaborate. He also mentioned a band of Ute called the parayanuche – or Elk people – who lived more northerly toward Meeker, Colorado.

The American Field Service students were told of the boarding school days and how some students like Austin had to learn Apache and Navajo to be able to communicate with others. "The first thing we had to learn in boarding school was how to make our beds," Austin told his captive audience. "And it had to be made perfect enough for a coin to bounce off of it," he teased. He talked about the arduous labor of herding cattle North beyond Vallecito into the far mountains and driving sheep far to the East toward Pagosa Springs. He added, "We also had to learn how to help our elders...and kids nowadays don't do any of that."

"We have gotten away from taking care of the land," he said. Austin highlighted much of his experience in the BIA Boarding School to the visitors including a visualization of place settings at a dinner table as he was taught proper etiquette once a week, learning how to use utensils. "Nowadays look how people eat!" he told them.

The diverse crowd of attentive youngsters was very respectful to their new tribal elders. They sat very still and made no distractions as Mr. Box streamed a consciousness about growing up with medicine men as well. "All those people are gone now, and they took everything with them including

those old medi-songs," he informed them. "Ikchat maddin (in the Ute language)," he uttered meaning "things stopped".

Before Mr. and Mrs. Box chose two students for a dress up in traditional attire, Austin completed his talk with sharing that he is a teacher of martial arts will be inducted into The Marshall Arts Hall of Fame at the age of 79. He said, "Why am I teaching oriental art when I could teach the Ute ways?" Ultimately, he concluded that he uses it for body condition and good reflex!

As Eddie and Betty dressed Ben, the young man from Thailand, in Ute attire with long sleeve shirt, leggings, a handkerchief, beads and many other special ornate items they explained much of the deeper meanings. Many of the items were handmade or passed down from older generations. Betty dressed the young woman named Devanshi from India.

- The students were:**
Devanshi - India, 16
Lilou - France, 16
Ben - Thailand, 17
Fahd - Egypt, 17
Marius - Switzerland, 17
Max - Germany
Misa - Czech Republic, 17
Silvia - Italy, 17
Fitra - Indonesia, 18
Amanda - Los Angeles, CA, 18
Vivian - Los Angeles, CA 18

- Chaperones were:**
Steve - Pasadena, CA (FSA Coordinator)
Karen - Santa Barbara, CA (Chaperone)
Michael - South Pasadena, CA (FSA Organizer)
Mikey - South Pasadena, CA (Chaperone)
Maki - South Pasadena, CA (Chaperone)

"Our son Edward intimated this exchange and we just took over," stated Betty Box. Memorial day was also Eddie Box Jr.'s birthday and the family and guests presented a cake and song. He told us that he was 46.

When asked about what she thinks the travelers gain from this, Mrs. Box said, "We teach them peace and respect and to be proud of their culture, like we are of ourselves, and that it (culture) has not really died as long as we are still alive."

The other chaperones and supporters said that they have a lot of fun doing this and that they always look forward to this time each year. Eddie Jr. said, we start organizing on our end at the first of the year. "It was great to see a new culture," said the darling gal from India. Michael of Pasadena finished by saying, "we fell into this accidentally and these good people are an amazing blessing to us all."

Express Your Opinions

Connecting My Family Tree

I'm writing this letter in regards to my late Mother Betty Ann Dick or sometimes known as Betty Ann Harrison. She went to boarding school here in Ignacio in the early 50's. She told me she had a classmate who was Southern Ute. This female friend upon graduating high school joined the U.S. Army.

My mother said her friend asked her to join the Army with her. Sometimes my mother would laugh and say she wished she would have joined her Ute friend in the Army. After finishing school my mother Betty got married to my dad Mac Dougal Coyote, Sr., a Ute man from Towaoc. He too was in the U.S. Army. My mother was raised here in Ignacio, she said her father was the late Richard Ray Harrison, from Shiprock, NM, whom I called grandpa.

My mother and father had (1) daughter and (4) sons. My sister, Marilyn Susan Coyote was raised here in Ignacio by Carl and Jeanette Baker. My brothers and I were raised elsewhere, I've been told my mother was also raised by Carl and Jeanette Baker. So please can anyone please tell me anything about my Mother, maybe some Elders who might know anything about my mother and father.

Also I am trying to find out about John Dick and Charley Dick, were these men related to my mother Betty Ann Dick? These men are buried in the Southern Ute Cemetery here in Ignacio. Also Susan WolfBear and Abbie Coyote who are also buried side by side. Who their descendents here in Ignacio, CO? If there are some Elders who know about the family I have mentioned, Please get in touch with me at the address. M. Coyote, PO Box 1133, Cortez, CO 81321.

Thank you,
M. Coyote

Memorial Day '09

The Southern Ute Veterans Association would like to thank this time to Thank all who attended this years Memorial Day ceremony, may Creator look a up on you and Bless you for taking time out of your life to remember those who sacrificed so much for our freedom.

- Northern Ute Veterans
- Ute Mountain Veterans
- Southern Ute Veterans Association
- Southern Ute Academy
- Southern Ute Police Department
- 12 Gauge, Drum Group
- Red Spirit, Northern Ute Drum
- Tierra Group, Shane Seibel
- Lynn Hartman, Ute Mountain Tribe
- Sky Ute Casino
- Committee of Elders Vice-Chair, Alden Naranjo
- Terry S. Atienza, Director Grand Junction, VA Medical Center
- Dr. Gerety, Chief of Staff Albuquerque N.M, VA Medical Center
- Families, friends, and guests

Rod Grove
Southern Ute VSO

To Essie Kent

Thank you so very much for the scarf and shawl you presented me in your honor, during the Bear Dance.

My Name is Leila Rose Mirabal and my parents are Vince and Julia Mirabal. At 93 years of age you probably knew my Great-grandparents from Towaoc whom were Edward Eyetoo and Marie Hight, my grandmother is Sherry Eyetoo. Here in Ignacio, My Great-grandparents were Joe Weaver and Ruby Garcia, my grandmother is Lillian Seibel.

Because you are a cherished elder, I was honored to dance for you, "Grandma Essie" and also, "thank you" to your family.

Sincerely,
Rose Mirabal

TIS Thanks

TIS would like to THANK ALL the volunteers and employees for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. We could not have done this small task without you.

WE would like to Thank all the volunteers listed below and employees from Maintenance Grounds Crew, Building Maintenance Crew, Wood crew, Custom Farms, Forestry Crew, Construction Service, Police Department, and Los Pinos Fire Department for doing an outstanding job for the Bear Dance you all have this down to an art and we all are getting better and better each year.

Frybread Dough Makers:

Lisa Burch, Eleanor Frost, Lindsey Shumway, Andrew Frost and Dona Frost.

Frybread Makers (Fryers):

Tileta J. Cook, Shawna Steffler, Cassandra Huerta, Anna Marie Garcia, Bobbie Rosa, Ernestine Maez and Tamara Brand.

Thank you for all your hard work, which goes into the Bear Dance Ceremony.

Andrea Taylor
Tribal Information Services
Director

Council/EXO's Thanks

Congratulations to all our staff and volunteers. The Tribal Council was very pleased with the effort of everyone concerned. It is excellent cooperation like this that makes for a memorable event. Andrew and I were able to attend several functions and were incredibly impressed with your efforts. Thank you all very much.

Andrea - We would like to thank you and your staff especially for your service and your efforts in helping support an outstanding Ceremony.

Johnny Valdez
Co-Executive Officer

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Welcome to the Ute Vocational School 2009 Alumni Reunion in Ignacio, CO

Saturday, June 20, 2009 • 10:00 am • Ute Park • Potluck

Please bring the following:

- Your Family
- A Potluck Dish
- Your Own Soft Drinks, Plates, Cups & Silverware
- A Small Wrapped Gift For Door Prizes, Games, Etc.
- If You Prefer Not Sitting On Picnic Benches, Bring Your Own Chair.

Hope to see you all there!

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Stories & News, Announcements Wishes/B-Days! June 15

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Southern Ute Tribal Elder, Austin Box, explains cultural values and personal experiences to the AFSLA group of exchange students at Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Box, Jr.'s residence after the conclusion of this year's Southern Ute Bear Dance. The visitation by the exchange students and Tribal members have been coming together annually for 25 years, beginning with Edward Box III.



Tribal Update

“Ute Language Adult Beginning Course” Completed

The Ute Language & Culture Expansion Project Grant has completed the production of the “Ute Language Adult Beginning Course”. As part of the objectives of the Grant project, we are offering a FREE copy of the DVD to each Tribal member upon their request. If you would like a FREE copy, please email or leave a phone message with your name, and a copy will be available for you to pick up at the front desk of the LCB building. We hope these copies will expand language learning among the Tribe.

All Interested Southern Ute/Immediate Families Members

The Agriculture Extension is in the process of setting up a Sewing 101 class, June 10-11, 2009; we will start promptly at 1:00 pm. We will learn how to use a sewing machine, and how read and complete a simple pattern; We will have copies of the pattern you will need to complete this project. We would like for each participant to bring to the class all of their sewing supplies, and if you do own a sewing machine please bring it. We have a limited supply of sewing machines. The class will be held at the Higher Education Building. Please no children, youth over the age of 16 are encouraged to attend. For more information please contact Ella Louise at (970) 563-0220 x 3503.

Ignacio June Car Cruise, June 13, 2009

Plan ahead for the June Car Cruise, as it will also involve Four Corners Car Clubs, including a Potluck Picnic at Shoshone park with 9 of the area car clubs, San Juan College and area Chambers. Mark it on your calendar for fun and a good time at Shoshone Park at 1:00 pm. There will be more details at the June Ignacio Chamber of Commerce meeting, so be sure to attend. If you have any questions or any news, notifications, additions, to the Ignacio Chamber Newsletter, please call Terrie Miller, (970) 563-1351.

Animal Control To Conduct Rabies Clinic

The Southern Ute Animal Control Division will be conducting a Rabies Clinic on June 17 and July 14, 2009 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Ute Park. Contact the Southern Ute Animal Control (970) 563-0133 with questions.

Fantastic Fridays – Rolling Thunder Lanes Bowling

Durango Parks and Recreation Department is offering all-day events on Fridays all summer long. These Fantastic Fridays are for kids ages 10 to 14. Kids should meet at the Durango Community Recreation Center's front desk at promptly 10:00 a.m. The price is \$45 and includes lunch and three games of bowling. Registration is required at least 2 days prior to the event. The next Fantastic Friday will be June 5th at Rolling Thunder Lanes in Ignacio. Enjoy a day in Ignacio at the all new Rolling Thunder Lanes Bowling Alley bowling and playing other games as well as eating lunch. Please bring extra money if you would like to play more than three games or play video games. Please call Durango Parks and Recreation at 375-7300 for more information.

The Sky Ute Casino Resort Call For Native American Dancers

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

Southern Ute Head Start Accepting Enrollment Applications

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

Summer Reading Program: Be Creative & Express Yourself

The 2009 Summer Reading Program at Ignacio Community Library is “Be Creative & Express Yourself At Your Library.” Join us for hotdogs, refreshments, games and fun for the kids on June 3rd 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You can sign up for Summer Reading programs for any age on June 3 or any time during the program. Keep the kids entertained and improve their reading skills, or just challenge yourself to a Summer Reading adventure. We plan to explore our creative side this summer with arts and crafts, music, and lots of reading. Weekly programs will include: Preschool Storytime and crafts on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Tweens and Teens program will be Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. Adult readers will log what books they read this summer for prizes at the end of the summer. The program goes from June 3rd to August 3rd. For more information, please call (970) 563-9287.

“Contact Amerique” Visits



photo courtesy T. McKellip/Sky Ute Casino Resort

“Contact Amerique” bus-tour group, originating in Paris, traveling from Canada and visiting the Southwest made a stop on the Southern Ute Reservation on Saturday, May 30, 2009, the first of three tour bus stop-overs, at The Sky Ute Casino Resort. Another group will be stopping by the Casino on June 18, 2009. CFO Mikki Roubideaux teamed up with other Casino department heads, to officially welcome the first “French” bus group.

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Museum, last fall and the foundations already being poured by Sky Ute Sand & Gravel. Construction beginning on the 10-Year Plan of the Sky Ute Fairgrounds, with the first of the horse stables already built and being utilized. Also an update was given about Chairman's visit to Washington DC, on the successful approval of the 13 Year Health Improvement Act, by Washington DC to improve funding for Tribes. Vice-President, Biden also gave comments on renewable energy, in particular, the 1830-Study and the statistic of 1% of the Nation's natural gas production comes from the Tribe.

SU Councilwoman, Barbara Scott-Rarick, gave her update on the following: Emergency Management, in particular the recent Swine Flu epidemic, and how the Tribes can assist one another in such emergencies. The further recognition, of the three Tribes, those who were instrumental in the vision, development, construction and completion of the Animas La Plata Project as a collaborative effort. The Tribe, putting on hold, the construction of the Youth Detention facility, as to determine what is best for the Tribal youth and people, and how best to incorporate culture and tradition into the treatment facility.

SU Councilwoman, Marjorie Borst gave a brief update on the implementation of the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council, the council has since been dormant and the Tribal Council feels its time to bring the SCSYAC back to fruition.

SU Councilwoman, Ramona Eagle gave an update on the following: A collaborative effort in communicating between the three Ute Tribes of notices of deaths of Tribal members as many of us have relatives on other reservations. After the Tribal home Assessments were made, the Tribe has agreed to pay 100% of the cost for Tribal Elders, and 55-under the split will be 60/40 for the rebuilding and remodeling of these homes. A concern was brought forth about Alternative Education in the school systems, by parents of Tribal students who feel their students are being pushed aside and out of the public school systems.

SU Councilman, Alex Cloud gave an update on the Tri-Ute Games with recreation Manager, Janet Mosher of SunUte. The Tri-Ute games will be hosted by the Southern Ute Tribe in Ignacio from July 20-22, 2009, and will feature the following sports: Boys and Girls Basketball, Co-ed Volleyball, Swimming and Archery, with a Cultural element including Hand Games, Shiny and Fishing. A Bowling Challenge was also handed down from the Southern Ute to the Ute Mountain and Northern Ute Chairmen/Councils; a response to the challenge was not met.

Also in keeping with the open communication between the Tribes as the games will serve as a tool to reintroduce the kids to relatives on the other reservations, a Family Tree will be given to each student to be filled out, and shared between the athletes.

Diane Millich of Our Sisters Keeper Coalition along with OSKC staff members, Melva Romero-Caverness, Cambria Bizardi, and Board member Arlene Millich gave a presentation about their program; OSKC assists victims of Sexual and Physical Abuse by offering their services to those in need. “Every three seconds a Native American Woman or child is being assaulted across the country”, was a powerful statistic made to the Councils of the three Tribes and the need for such a program to bridge the gap between the three Tribes.

The Northern Ute Indian Tribe hosted the Tri-Ute meeting in Towaoc, coinciding with the Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance. The meeting was “Chaired” by Curtis Cesspooch of the Northern Ute Business Committee, who gave updates on the following: The Light Rail System from Salt Lake City to Provo, Utah would be threatening a cultural/spiritual site over 500 years old and is fighting development over cultural sites. The Council and Planners of a Justice Complex in Ft. Duchesne met with and toured the Gila River facility, which was funded 100% by the Gila River Casino. The Northern Utes will be attendance for the Justice Conference, in Ignacio June 9-10, organized by the Southern Ute Tribal Court and Chief Judge Elaine Newton. Discussion was also brought forth of dropping the Blood Quantum of 5/8, to a Base Role of 1/2, which would also count blood from any other Federally Recognized Tribe. Some Tribal ID's are still not being recognized by the State of Utah, and discussions will be made to ensure the recognition of Tribal ID's.

NU Councilwoman, Francis Poowegup gave an update on the re-development of Bottle Hollow, and plans to build a Cultural Center there. Loya Arrum, Vice-Chair of the U&O Historical Society, gave an update of the ongoing events between the U&O Reservation and the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of South Dakota. Last October the first “Ute Home Coming PowWow” honored the 100-year Commemoration of the Utes journey to South Dakota. On June 26 and 27, 2009 a Traditional Wacipi will be held in Thunder Butte, further information can be obtained by calling U&O Historical Society president, Adelbert Tavashutz at (435) 722-4986, or U&O Historical Public Relations at (435) 724-4122.

NU Ute Bulletin Editor, Mariah Cuch also added, that a Resolution for the “Flag Exchange” was presented on April 9, 2009, and this

resolution states the flag exchange between the three Ute Tribes and the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe will be facilitated and the flags will be taken of by the CRST Veterans Association.

Ute Mountain Ute Chairman, Ernest House, Sr., welcomed everyone in attendance during the Tri-Ute meeting, to the Ute Mountain Ute Reservation. Chairman House, and the Ute Mountain Ute Council gave updates on the following. The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe discussed raising the High Stakes gambling limit from \$5 to \$100 in their casino; With the construction phase of A-LP ending, objectives and planning will be implemented of it's water usage. The “Relocation Program” was also presented concerning enrollment and how “back East” a child is automatically enrolled if both parents are enrolled Tribal members, with that said, the advantages would benefit our Youth by giving them an education by being recognized as a member of a Federally Recognized Tribe, as they are our future.

Catherine Jacket, Ute Mountain Ute Treatment Center Supervisor will implement more of a cultural component into its treatment, combining physical, emotional, mental and spirituality into its curriculum.

UMU Vice-Chair, Gary Hayes pointed out the funding issues of Law Enforcement, and the Mitigation of Tribal Lands, as well as funds for developing health care. He also presented a couple Power Points outlining FY 2010 Indian Affairs' President's Budget, with an increase of \$2,537M, 6.8% above FY 09, Enacted Level of +161M, and 15.8% above FY 09 Pres. Budget of +346M.

FY 2010 President's Budget, Funds Secretarial Priorities:

- Protecting Indian Country (\$30.0M)
- Advancing Indian Education (\$72.0M)
- New Energy Frontier (\$5.0M)
- Tackling Climate Impacts (\$6.0M)

Funds Fixed Costs: \$27.9M

• Assumes only a 2% pay raise
Of this FY President's Budget for 2010 Support to Tribal priorities, a total increase from '09 Pres. Budget is +185,405, dispersed largely between; Law Enforcement, Trust-Natural Resources Programs, JOM, Road Maintenance, Scholarships/Adult Education, Housing Improvement Program to name a few. The complete budget can be viewed at www.DOI.gov/Budget.

The next Tri-Ute Meeting is scheduled in Delta, Colorado to coincide with the Delta Council Tree PowWow, hosted by the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe.

Editors Note: Due to the high volume of content of this bear Dance Issue, The CCIA Meeting will be published in the next issue of the Drum, June 18, 2009.

7TH ANNUAL SKY UTE CASINO CONTEST POW-WOW

DANCING INTO THE FUTURE AT SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

IN THE NEW SKY UTE CASINO RESORT IGNACIO, CO

JUNE 12-14, 2009
POWOW CONTEST OVER \$50,000
HAND GAME \$20,000

HOST:

M.C.: Bart Powaukee
N. DRUM: Blacklodge, Whiteswan, WA
S. Drum: Youngbird, Pawnee, OK
Arena Dir.: Marty Pinnecoose, Seattle, WA
Drum Judge: Bruce LaClaire, Durango, CO
Head Gourd Dancer: Andrew Frost, Ignacio CO
Head Gourd Drum: TBD

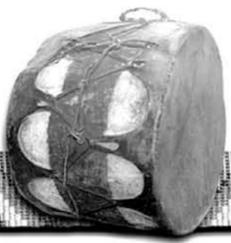
CONTEST:

Golden Age: Men & Womens
18-55 Men & Women N & S Traditional
Jingle, Fancy
13-17 Teen Boys & Girls Contest
7-12 Jr. Boys & Girls Contest

SPECIAL CONTESTS:

Fathers Day Traditional & Fancy
Adult Men & Women Switch
Teen Switch
*Memorial Golden Age Southern Buckskin

Pow-Wow Info: Molly Cotton 970-563-1755 / Mikki Roubideaux 970-563-1400
Vendor: Dustin Weaver 970-563-1759 / Shannon Brown 970-563-1760
Registration: Bobbie Briscoe 970-563-1393
Hand Game: Mike Santistevan 970-563-0255
Hotel Reservations: 970-563-7777 / 1800-876-7017
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Of Four Corners Interest

Ladies Camp Offered to Improve Mountain Bike Skills

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

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

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

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

Back Country Horsemen Team Up with USFS

Four Corners Back Country Horsemen and the U.S. Forest Service present three clinics for horsemen in June. **June 8-12:** Mountain Horsemanship, at Stone Peak Ranch in Ignacio: Master skills to stay safe riding in the mountains. Use your own horse. \$235/BCH members, \$275 others (USFS free)

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

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

Youth Programs Have Openings

Durango Parks and Recreation has several openings in many popular summer activities for children. Check out the 2009 Summer/Fall Park and Recreation Activities Guide for more information about these and many more great programs. Sign up today at the Recreation Center, Mason Center or Chapman Hill or online at www.durangogov.org. For more information on these great programs, contact John Robinette at (970) 375-7323. Programs include:

- Trail Trekkers (where kids are led on supervised weekly hikes)
- Youth Basketball Clinics (ages 8-10 Tuesday nights, ages 11-14 Thursday nights)
- Sandlot Baseball (ages 9-12, Mon and Wed)
- Intro to Youth Baseball (ages 4-8 in July)
- Start Smart Golf (Ages 5-7, Mon & Wed)

Summer Gametime Program has Openings

Durango Parks and Recreation has several openings in its popular summer Gametime Program for children ages 5-15 years old. Parents may register for specific days, the week, or the entire month. Leaders will keep participants safe and busy in a number of different fun and exciting activities. Sign up today at the Recreation Center. For more information contact John at (970) 375-7323.

Animas River Days Will Be Held June 12, 13, and 14, 2009

The event will include the premiere of Kent Ford's new movie on Friday night. Saturday will include slalom events, the Down-Up-Down, river parade, the band Mama's Cook'n and party at Ska. On Sunday there will be a down river race and river clean-up with a BBQ. Rafts are encouraged in the rodeo and down river. For information and schedule go to www.riversports.com or pick up information at Maria's Bookstore.

La Plata County Comprehensive Plan Photo & Logo Contest

La Plata County has embarked on an 18-month community process to update the Comprehensive Plan. As a kick off to the Comprehensive Plan Update, the County is sponsoring a photography and logo design contest. The theme for the contests is "Shaping the Future of our County: Capturing What We Care About." The deadline for entries is June 24, 2009. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three photographs and logo design winner. For contest submittal requirements and rules, as well as to upload images go to Flickr groups at: www.flickr.com/groups/laplataphotocontest and www.flickr.com/groups/laplatalogodesigncontest. For additional information, contact Jason Meininger, Comprehensive Plan Project Manager for La Plata County Planning Department at (970) 382-6267 or by email at meiningerj@co.laplata.co.us.

• **Photo Contest:** The County is seeking photographic images that help define what makes La Plata County a great place to live. The County is inviting all residents to share their photographs of people, places, and things that illustrate what is special about La Plata County. These images will then be posted online and at a community meeting for citizens to vote on the top three.

• **Logo and Tagline Design Contest:** A logo and tagline will be included on all outreach documents throughout the planning process to help citizens identify information related to this process. The County wants a logo that reflects what makes La Plata a special place to live and shows the community has an eye on the future. Design ideas are welcome from all ages and it is not necessary to be a professional artist.

Rocky Mountain Horse Expo Declares Independence

The Rocky Mountain Horse Expo stretches the Independence Day weekend into three days of lively entertainment and learning. It's not enough to have Extreme Cowboy Races™ daily, plus the famous Ride for the Brand Ranch Rodeo Saturday night (a special ticketed event). How about sessions with clinicians Debbie Bibb, Jennifer Diamond, Art Kiger, Jason Patrick, Karen Scholl and Moses Woodson and a "Search for America's Horse Idol" contest with Wayne Williams? Or hands-on "Horse Photography for Amateurs" clinics with award-winning photographer and author Carol Walker? Private treaty horse sales, wagon rides, breed, stallion and mare demonstrations, and an extensive trade show all round out a flag-waving good time at the Rocky Mountain Horse Expo at the Norris-Penrose Event Center in Colorado Springs, July 3-5. Doors open daily at 8:30 a.m. Get a \$2 discount with advance purchase of individual adult Expo and Rodeo tickets.

Unwanted Horses: What Are The Options?

The Four Corners Back Country Horsemen will host an open meeting on the subject of Unwanted Horses: What are the options? The program will be held at the beginning of the regular 4CBCH general business meeting, June 11, at 7 p.m. at the La Plata County Fairgrounds in Durango, CO. The speaker will be Christopher Whitney, president of the Colorado Unwanted Horse Alliance and former president of the Colorado Horse Council. Every horseman or horsewoman in the community is encouraged to attend. For information, please call Elizabeth Testa at (970) 259-1581 or Robin Williams at (970) 759-4587.

PowWow Trails

Coming Of Age/Gourd Dance For Myrandah Kirgan

June 11-14, 2009

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Email: tspottedbird@yahoo.com

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PowWow/Handgame

June 12-14, 2009

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Email: bobbie.briscoe@skyutecasino.com
Web: skyutecasino.com

Strengthening the Circle Pow-Wow

June 16, 2009

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Email: alvino.sandoval@nipic.org
Web: www.nipic.org/nipic_events/conferences.html

Many Moons Ago



photo Archives/DRUM

10 years ago...

Jicarilla Apache President, Arnold Cassador shakes hands with Southern Ute Tribal Chairman, Clement Frost in Frost's Office at Southern Ute Tribal Headquarters. Cassador visited here last week to discuss with Frost issues of mutual concern to both the Jicarilla Apaches and the Southern Utes.

This photo was published in the June 4th, 1999 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



photo Archives/DRUM

20 years ago...

Monday's Program included, the Memorial Walk to the Ouray Memorial Cemetery to honor our Tribal Veterans.

This photo was published in the June 9th, 1989 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.



photo Archives/DRUM

10 years ago...

Leonard C. Burch, Southern Ute Tribal Chairman, signing his retirement and health plan with Robert Kennedy looking on. The Southern Ute Tribal Council in their May meeting approved a retirement and health plan for the staff.

This photo was published in the June 8th, 1979 issue of the Southern Ute Drum.

Ute Word panakaru

[Means: Money]

Editor's Note: The "Ute Word" is provided from material being currently taught to Tribal Employees, The Ute Language instructor is Georgia McKinley.



Southern Ute Bear Dance Events 2009



photo M. Howe/SU DRUM

The Southern Ute Committee of Elders hosted the Ute Nations Day on Thursday, May 21, 2009 on the Southern Ute Reservation in Ignacio, CO. The event took place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, Event Center. "As Elders, we are the foundation of the traditional culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and it is our obligation to preserve the values of the Southern Ute Indian way of life for the present and future generations of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. With an eye on the past and hope for the future, we seek to maintain human concern between Tribal members and to preserve a relationship of respect between the Southern Ute people and their land." The Committee of Elders voiced their Mission Statement, during Ute Nations Day.

Ray C. Frost - Chairman, Alden Naranjo-Vice Chair, Glenda Price-Secretary and Committee Members, Southern Ute Royalty were Miss Southern Ute Eleanor Frost, Junior Miss Southern Ute Brianna GoodTracks-Alires and Little Miss Southern Ute Izabella Valdez. Junior Miss and Little Miss performed the Lords Prayer in sign language. All Royalty entered with the Southern Ute Veterans Association as they posted the colors during the Flag Song. Honor Songs followed by 12 Gauge and the Rolling Thunder Boyz. Guest Speakers were: Northern Ute Council Member - Irene Cuch from Fort Duchesne, UT; Ute Mountain Ute Councilwoman - Leona Eyetoo from White Mesa, UT; Ute Mountain Ute Chairman - Ernest House, Sr. from Towaoc, CO and Southern Ute Chairman - Matthew Box from Ignacio, CO. The closing prayer was done by Tribal Elder Austin Box and Closing Song was by 12 Gauge, the day was ended with good thoughts for next year.



photo M. Howe/SU DRUM

The PowWow Committee held their Annual HandGame Contest on Saturday, May 23, 2009, during the Bear Dance PowWow. This years powwow and events were held at the Sun Ute Community Center in Ignacio, Colorado. Participants for the hand game competition gathered in the Mouache-Capote Room and battled it out amongst each others team. It was a one-day competition that ended shortly before the powwow ended on Saturday night, the games ended good and the Bear Dance PowWow was the biggest in Sun Ute's history!

The winners were: 1st Place - Wildhorse from Ignacio, CO; 2nd Place - Minnette Suma from St. George UT; 3rd Place - Paul LaRose from Towaoc CO, 4th Place - Wilbur Root from Towaoc, CO; 5th Place - Ignacio Utes from Ignacio, CO.



photo M. Howe/SU DRUM

An honoring took place during the first day of Southern Ute Bear Dance, on Friday, May 22, 2009 at the Bear Dance Grounds, Vice-Chairman Jim Newton, Jr., (above photo, at left) honored last years 2007-2008 Southern Ute Royalty, for representing the Southern Ute Tribe at the 2008 Indigenous Games in Canada. They were honored with pendleton blankets embroidered with the year and function. Above photo, l-r, Vice-Chairman Jim Newton, Miss Southern Ute Trinity Taylor, Little Miss Southern Ute Ellie Siebel, Junior Miss Southern Ute Brianna GoodTracks-Alires and Little Miss Southern Ute-1st Alternate Izabella Valdez.

Los Pinos Spring Classic



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Thunderstorms on the horizon and cool weather set the mood for Ignacio's annual Los Pinos Spring Classic, the softball tournament was held at the SunUte Softball Field adjacent to Ute Park. Regional teams competed in this two-day event. Watching his teammates on the field, Ray Duran of the Farmington Hawks, stands in the dugout between plays, pictured above. Pictured at left, another player from Farmington, New Mexico runs in on a good hit. The winning team, D12, hails from Towaoc, Colorado with the second place title going to Ignacio's own Team Soco.

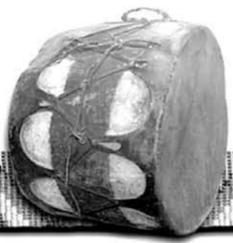
Bear Dance Feast



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Volunteers assisted Bear Dance Chief Matthew Box in the set up and organization of the annual Bear Dance Feast that was held on Monday, May 25, 2009. Fry bread volunteers (bottom photo, from left) Andrea Taylor, Tiletta Jefferson, and Shawna Steffler, were cooking fry bread on site Monday in preparation for the Feast community members also contributed fry bread ingredients. The feast was held at the Bear Dance grounds and well received by a large attendance.



Healthy Perspectives: "Sciatica"

by Dr. Matthew Clark, MD
Southern Ute Health Clinic



Low back pain is one of the leading reasons that patients seek medical care - it is a very common problem. Fortunately for most, the cause of low back pain is minor and often is due to a muscular strain injury.

However, for some the pain may be more severe. A common cause of significant low back pain is a condition known as sciatica. The name refers to the name of the nerve- the sciatic nerve- that is the source of the discomfort.

The sciatic nerve is a large rope-like nerve that provides all the sensation and muscular control for the leg on each side. The sciatic nerve is made up of many tiny nerves that originate at the different levels of the lower spine.

Pain originating from the sciatic nerve often begins in the low back or deep buttock area and commonly radiates in to the rear thigh. Occasionally the pain radiates down the back part of the leg to the knee or ankle. Pain may be worse with certain activities such as raising the leg at the thigh.

Sciatica may result from a

variety of underlying problems. Often pain results from muscular problems that are pressing on the nerve. However, injury to the spine itself, with resulting pressure on nerve roots exiting the spinal column, may cause sciatica pain. This can be due to degenerative arthritis in which bony spurs develop from prior injury or from the wear and tear of aging.

It can also be due to disease of the discs present at each level of the spine which serve as "shock absorbers" for the vertebrae. Degenerative disc disease or rupture of a spinal disc can result in pressure on the nerve roots and produce pain in the lower back or the leg.

The treatment of sciatica begins with a course of physical

therapy which is designed to improve the functioning of the low back. Physical therapy alone can reduce pain and promote healing among patients with sciatica. Other conservative pain management strategies include the use of moist heat, stretching, or the use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs like ibuprofen or naproxen.

Persons with continued pain that persists beyond 6 weeks of physical therapy or for persons with so-called "red flag symptoms" such as incontinence, fever, or leg weakness, an MRI of the lower spine is often needed to evaluate the underlying anatomy.

Under some circumstances, treatment with spinal injections of steroids may be beneficial to reduce swelling.

Low back problems such as sciatica can often be avoided through healthy back behaviors. This includes never using the back as a lever by bending forward to pick up objects. Proper sleep position for a healthy back includes sleeping on the side with the hips and knees flexed and a pillow between the knees. Regular physical activity can improve the tone of back muscles and resulting improved posture.

The Kidney Corner: "Kidney Biopsy"

by Dr. Mark Saddler, MD
Durango Nephrology Associates

For most types of kidney disease, we are able to make diagnoses using standard, non-invasive tests. These may include blood or urine sampling and in many cases these tests are extremely accurate. In many cases of kidney disease, the diagnosis is fairly clear without many tests. Examples include the kidney disease associated with diabetes or hypertension. However, in rare instances, it is necessary to have a piece of kidney tissue to make a definitive diagnosis.

A biopsy is a medical procedure which involves taking a piece of tissue for purposes of making a diagnosis. This is commonly done in various fields of medicine: in dermatology, for example, skin lesions are frequently biopsied to make a diagnosis. However, obtaining a piece of kidney tissue is considerably more difficult than getting a skin biopsy!

To obtain kidney tissue, it is

necessary to have some form of imaging to find the organs. This is most commonly done using ultrasound, though occasionally CT scanning is used for this purpose. An initial scout film is done to locate the kidneys and determine which one is the most accessible for biopsy. Occasionally, bowel may cover one of the kidneys, limiting its availability for biopsy.

Local anesthetic is used to "freeze" the tissue overlying the kidney. Sometimes, the patient is also given sedative medications as well. A general anesthetic is not usually necessary. Using the ultrasound, a biopsy needle is advanced to the surface of the kidney. Under ideal circumstances, the needle can be seen throughout its course, approaching the surface of the kidney. The biopsy needle is a spring-loaded device which has a small chamber designed to hold a tiny piece of kidney about a half-inch long and about the diameter of a pencil lead. When it is on the surface of the kidney, the spring is released and a piece of tissue is obtained. Because of the local

anesthetic, this is not usually uncomfortable. The needle is withdrawn and the tissue is removed from the needle. It is usual to try to obtain two to three such pieces of tissue in order for a full pathologic analysis to be done which usually includes light microscopy using a variety of stains, electron microscopy and a technique called immunofluorescence.

Most patients undergoing a kidney biopsy are kept in the hospital to monitor for a few hours, sometimes overnight. It's important to monitor for bleeding, which is the most common potential complication of the procedure. So patients must be careful not to exercise or engage in strenuous activity for about a week after the procedure.

Using information from a kidney biopsy, we can tailor treatment for various kidney diseases. This treatment may include immunosuppressive medications, which have considerable potential for side effects, so it is necessary to have the accurate information available from a kidney biopsy to justify their use.

SMD Winter Weight Loss Challenge

Media Release

Shining Mountain Diabetes Program

The Shining Mountain Diabetes Program organized a Winter Weight Loss Challenge, which ran from February 9 to May 4. The challenge began with 80 participants, or 40 teams. Participants registered with a questionnaire, personal goal setting, and reviewing current health habits. Weekly weigh-ins were held, and general health, nutrition, and exercise information was handed out.

The competition got tough as some teams were losing pounds and inches. Many of the participants shared their ideas, strategies, and motivations with us and with their teammates. Some people made simple changes, like switching their usual restaurant lunch to a light lunch and a workout at the gym. Others talked not about cutting out foods, but just cutting back on portion sizes, or

cutting out soda and drinking more water. Participants were encouraged to record daily food intake and weekly exercise. Many reported that just becoming more aware of their food and activity choices made them more conscious of their personal habits, and thus more likely to make healthier choices.

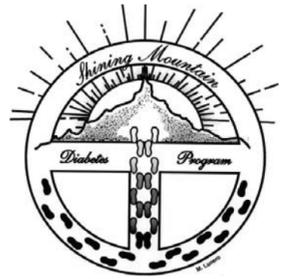
The challenge concluded on Monday May 11, with a free health screening (cholesterol, glucose, and blood pressure), a breakfast, and give-a-ways for all. Prizes were awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams.

Many have requested that we hold another weight loss challenge in the upcoming months. Some mentioned that just checking in on a regular basis, and knowing someone was 'watching' them helped them to make healthier decisions. In total among all participants, 337 pounds were lost during the challenge! Maintaining a healthy weight is an important part in

preventing diabetes, and various other health complications. It is reported that healthy weight can be a factor in preventing heart disease, certain cancers, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, stroke, liver & gall bladder disease, sleep and respiratory problems, and osteoarthritis.

And The Winners Are...

- 1st Place: Phatastic Duo (-44)
- 2nd Place: Angry Beavers (-37)
- 3rd Place Tie: Phat Pact (-24); Chunky Monkeys (-24)



Thunder Butte Annual Traditional Wacipi

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June 26-27, 2009

Grand Entries: Friday @ 7pm & Saturday @ 1pm
ALL times are Mountain Standard Time!

June 26, 2009

12 mile road run/walk for Spiritual Healing & Wellness (8:00am)
Kids Playday (afternoon)
Powwow Grand Entry 7 pm

June 27, 2009

Veterans' Memorial - Honoring Victory Day for all those at the Little Big Horn
Roll Call for Cheyenne River Veterans
Northern Ute Tribe Veterans
Southern Ute Tribe Veterans
Ute Mtn Ute Tribe Veterans
Powwow Grand Entry @ 1pm
Dance Specials

Friday, June 26th
Supper @ 5pm
(in honor of Jaily Rose Knife)

Announcer: Richard Charging Eagle

Honor Guard: CR Veteran's Assn

All Drums Welcome!

Flag Raising: Saturday, June 27th

Specials / Honorings: Fri. & Sat.

Saturday, June 27th

Supper (in memory of)

Mazine Takes the Gun, Madrick High Elk, Jacin Eagle Chasing
John Howard, Terry Noisy Hawk, Marlon Eagle Chasing
& Hene Red Bear

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Denelle High Elk (605) 365-5577

Southern Ute Indian Health Services Pregnancy Sessions

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm • SunUte Community Center, Ignacio, CO
Nutrition will be covered during Lunch Breaks & Snacks.

- July 17, 2009: Basic Health During Pregnancy, SunUte
- July 31, 2009: Growth Development, Mouache-Capote Bldg., Conf. Rm.
- Aug. 14, 2009: Breast Feeding, SunUte
- Aug. 28, 2009: Labor and Delivery, SunUte
- Sept., 11, 2009: Post-Natal Support, SunUte

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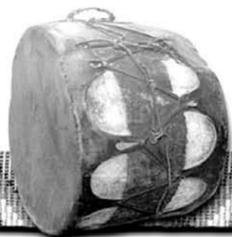
Shining Mountain Diabetes June 2009 Schedule of Events

Every Wed., 9 am - 11:30 am, Cooking Demo at IHS
Every Wed., 3 pm, On KSUT 91.3 FM, "Feeding The Spirit"
Every Thur., 12:15 pm, Fitness Walk, Veterans Park

Thur., June 11, NO FITNESS WALK
Fri., June 12, SMD Breakfast Burrito Sale, for "49" PowWow
Wed., June 17, 12 pm - 1 pm Telehealth Presentation, MCB
Sun., June 21, Fathers Day
Mon., June 22, 8:30 am - 10 am, Fathers Day Breakfast, SunUte
Wed., June 24, 11 am - 1 pm, Health Screen & Beading, Senior Cntr.
Thur., June 25, 1 pm - 3 pm, Elder Fit/Well Program, Senior Cntr.
Fri., June 26, Employee Appreciation Poker Walk, Lake Capote
Mon., June 29, 9 am - 12 pm, Foot Massages, MCB

Please Call Julie or Henry for information or rides.

(970) 563-4741



SUIMA Transition



On Thursday, May 21, 2009, the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) held their annual Transition Ceremony in the SunUte Gymnasium. The honoring of all the students and guest speakers took place prior to SUIMA's PowWow, celebrating their successful transition into public schools next year. Southern Ute Tribal Elder, Annie Bettini (at left) gave the Blessing and spoke of her past and present participation with the Academy. The Southern Ute Veterans Association (top photo) were honored with a plaque, for "Keeping The Land Free," as stated by SUIMA employees, as they participate in functions where representation of Veterans is needed.

photos Marquetta Howe/SU DRUM

High School Graduation



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

On Saturday, May 23, 2009 Ignacio High School held their Senior Graduation at the High School Gymnasium. Selected Graduates spoke about their accomplishments and many of the students handed out bouquets of flowers to honor and thank their family members. The graduating students also compiled a collection of photographs, ranging from their earliest photos to senior portraits. This slideshow was shared with the auditorium via a Power Point presentation. The graduation received an excellent turn out from family, friends and community members. Let us congratulate the Class of '09! Top photo, l-r: Haley Herrera, Elisa Gallegos, Tasha Herrera and Radel Lucero, bottom photo, l-r: Ryan Egger, Micah Odoms and Taylor Dean, sit among their fellow classmates during their commencement ceremony.

Head Start Graduation



photos courtesy Rachel Beckelhymer

Southern Ute Montessori Head Start students celebrated their transition to kindergarten with song and dance on Friday, May 29, 2009 at the Head Start Gym in Ignacio. Tribal Council, Southern Ute Royalty, family and community members attended the event. Children were presented with diplomas and Head Start hosted a family meal following the performances. Southern Ute Chairman Matthew Box remembered his own positive experience as a Head Start student and expressed his hope to see Head Start breaking ground on a new facility in the future. Classroom Five students (top photo) sing and dance in a rehearsed performance for parents and community members. Head Start student (bottom photo), Michael Thomas Silva, receives his diploma.

Newly Elected SUCAP Board Members

Media Release SUCAP

On Tuesday, June 2, 2009, the residents of the Ignacio School District 11JT and the Southern Ute Indian Reservation voted for Six (6) Board Members in the SUCAP Board of Directors Election. There were a total of Eight (8) Candidates.

The Six (6) individuals elected for a Two-Year term to Category II (Elected By The Community At Large) Are:

- Lena Atencio
- Tracy Mickey
- Kasey Correia
- Gina Schulz
- Sue C. Herrera
- Kathleen Sitton

those who supported the Election through their vote.

Thank you also to our Judges; Joyce Danford and Marie Zeller - their patience, attention to detail and time and effort are greatly appreciated!

Thank you to all of the Nominees/Candidates - for having the desire and intention to volunteer for their community through the interests of SUCAP.

SUCAP would like to thank

GED Information From Higher Ed.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Department of Higher Education would like to announce GED test dates for the summer months. In order to test at The Higher Education Center, you must pre-register in advance by the Wednesday before the test. Registration consists of 4 forms: online confirmation at ged123.com, GED registration form, GED candidate orientation checklist, and a verification of eligibility form. There are 5 sections on the GED test and each section costs \$20. All GED test candidates are advised to enroll at The Pine River Community Learning Center to study and take practice tests before taking the actual GED tests. Summer test dates are June 5th, July 10th, and August 7th. PRCLC summer hours are TWTh from 9 to 3 in June, TWTh from 1-3 in July and TWTh from 9-3 in August until school begins. Call PRCLC at (970) 563-0681 or Donna Broad at 749-1953 for more information.

Southern Ute Tribal Members Thinking About College?

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

Meeting Date: June 17th, 5:30 pm - 7 pm

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



A Southern Ute "Day Of Remembrance"

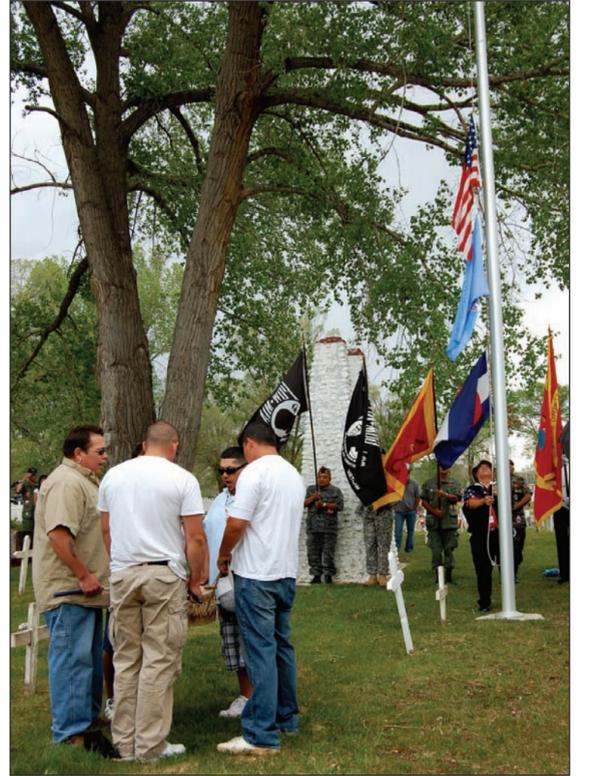
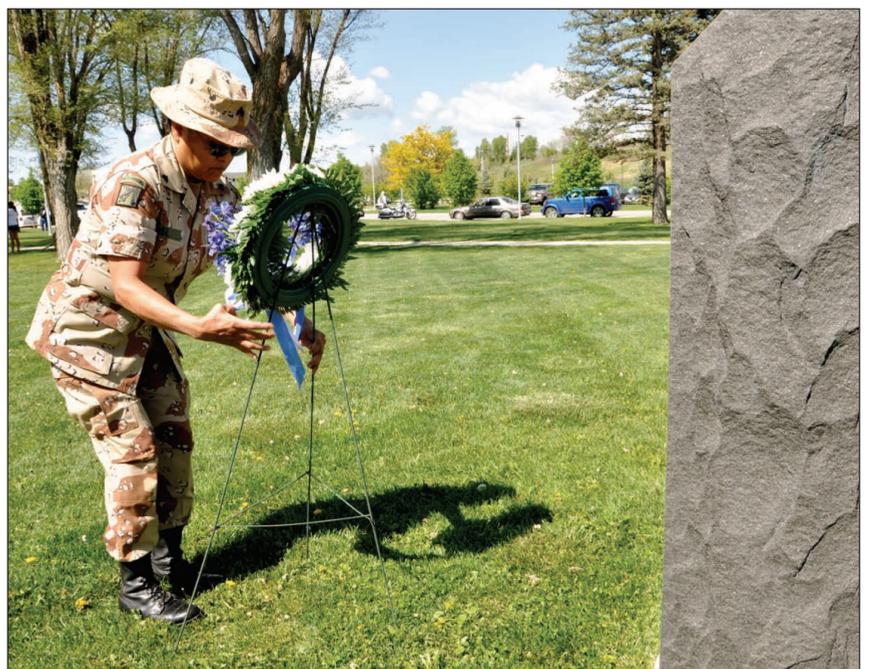


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The annual Southern Ute "Day Of Remembrance", formerly known as "Walk Of The Warriors" hosted by the Southern Ute Veterans Association, was held on Memorial Day, May 25, 2009. Each year, VSO Rod Grove and his fellow comrades dedicate themselves to this Day of Remembrance. The ceremonies began in Veterans Memorial Park with guest speakers, and presentation of plaques and medals. The Memorial ceremonies continued, in procession to the Bear Dance Bridge, where Tribal Elder and Committee of Elders Vice-Chairman, Alden Naranjo, Jr., gave a blessing for those warriors who have fallen serving in the Naval Forces, signified with a tossing of a wreath into the rushing waters of the Pine River. The procession then walked past the Bear Dance grounds into Ouray Cemetery, where the ceremonies of raising the flags for our fallen Warriors buried there and elsewhere before a 21-Gun Salute was given. Ronnie Baker played "Taps" on his bugle before the raising of the flags during the Honor/Flag Songs by 12 Gauge and Red Spirit.

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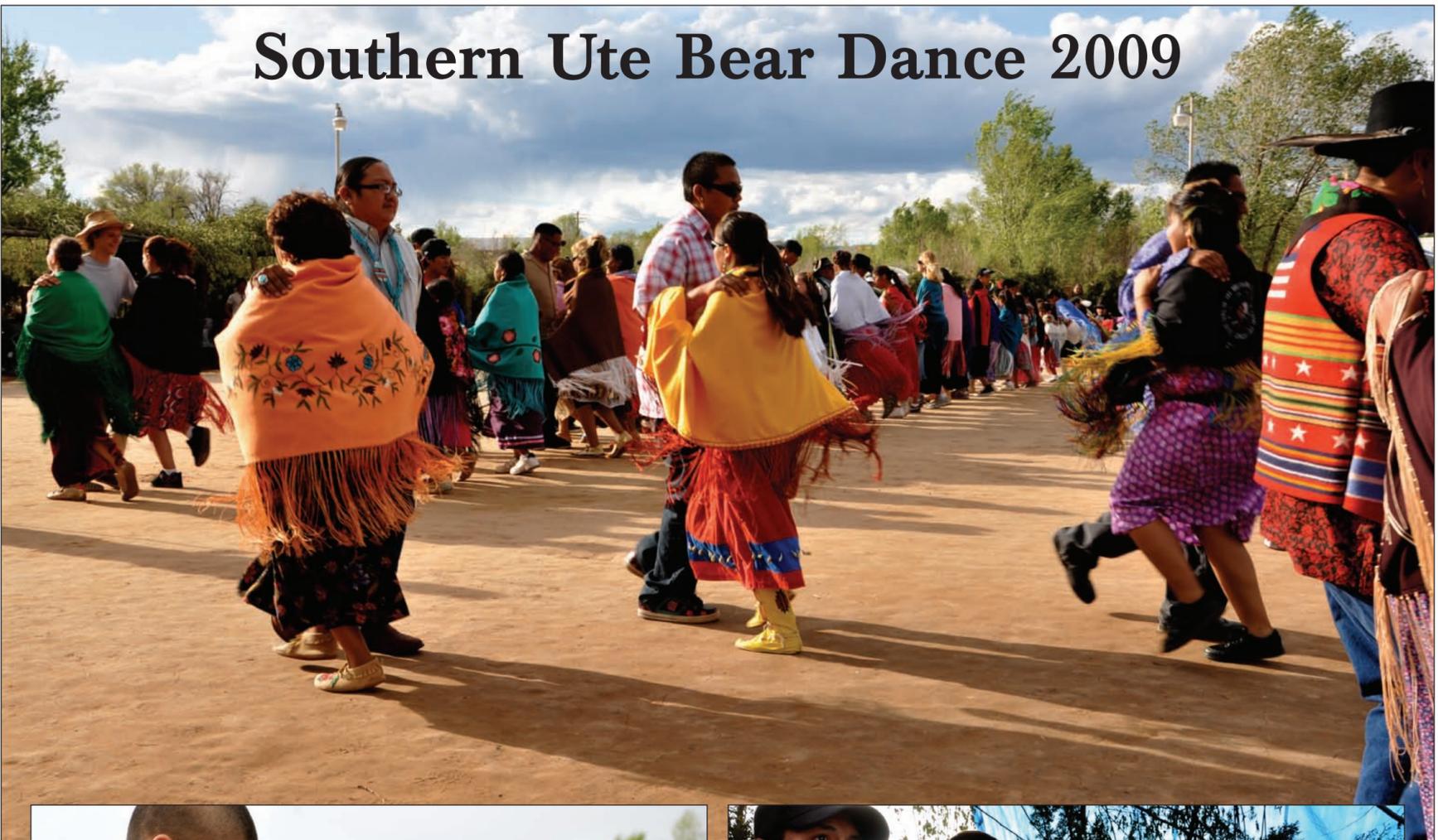
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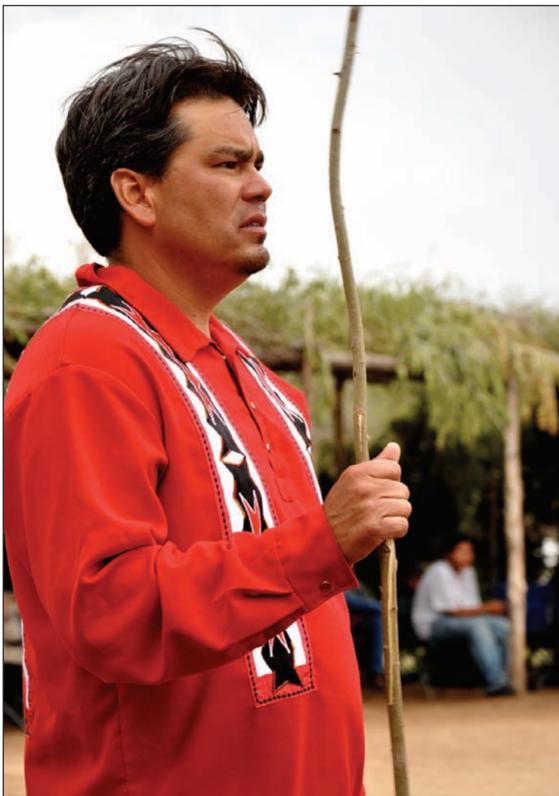
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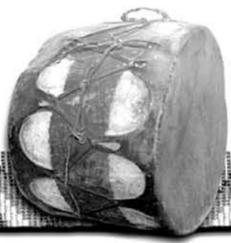


Southern Ute Bear Dance 2009



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Odoms Signs!



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Ignacio High School Graduate Micah Odoms was recently awarded an athletic and academic scholarship by the Concordia University in Portland, Oregon. When speaking with Micah, he said that his interest in basketball started at an early age, with heavy influence from his father. It was in Jr. High that he began to realize his talent as a basketball player through team sports and summer camps. IHS Basketball Coach Chris Valdez said "Micah is the first scholarship player to come out of Ignacio in my time, to say we are proud of him is an understatement. Micah Odoms will be greatly missed, he is a great all-around individual who brings a lot to the team and those around him." Micah will be playing guard for the Concordia Cavaliers. Micah is excited about the future; stating "I am ready to seek out new things, further my education and really get a jump on life!" Family members and high school staff were present Tuesday, June 2, 2009 for the official signing of the Letter Of Intent.

Challenge To Be Fit A Hit At IHS

by Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

The instructor's a proud U2 listener. But it would seem the core tenet of his blooming class-with-in-a-class at Ignacio High School more closely follows the chorus of the 1971 Rare Earth classic:

I just want to celebrate/ Another day of living/ I just want to celebrate/ Another day of life. "We call it the Bobcat Fitness Challenge," explained teacher Chris Dolan, "and, as part of our health class, students were tested physically as well as academically. It began first semester this year as a project—I wanted to see how the kids would respond to it, and just to get them to work hard and celebrate their success as they do it."

"After my first year here I felt like there were some 'unfinished parts,' I guess you could say, in terms of what I wanted the kids to look like and what I wanted them to get out of taking my class," he continued. "The kids were capable of so much more, and I wanted to be able to monitor their success and then celebrate their success."

Necessity breeds invention, and thus Dolan proceeded to pen the BFC's first blueprints, drawing from his own studies, family athletic involvement, and outside advice. A 1999 grad of Highlands Ranch, Dolan returned to aid on the Lady Falcons' coaching staff under master hoops mind Caryn Jarocki (who led HRHS to its first Class 5A titles in 2000-02). In 2003 he majored in kinesiology at Western State College in Gunnison, and later obtained coaching certification from the NSCA [National Strength and Conditioning Assn.] out of Colorado Springs.

Chicago Bears head coach Lovie Smith had also once proffered educational pointers to Dolan. And what emerged has been...well, let's say it's good the BFC is not a set-in-stone graduation prerequisite. Graduation two weeks ago might have seen a lesser number of diplomas conferred otherwise. By Dolan's recollection, only 18 of 56 first-semester participants completed the task, and 11 out of about 36 did so this spring.

"There's a progress chart on the class wall with the kids' names down the side. And there's different levels—Levels 1 through 4. So in the beginning we do a pre-test, and we also do body composition to assess the kids and they get placed at certain levels," said Dolan. "So Level 1 might have different runs, or Level 2 different agility drills, and the kids have to get a certain time on the run or on their agility. And if they meet the demand, they get a star."

"And also on the academic side. They take their first quiz, and let's say they get a 60 percent or 80 percent, whatever—as long



Been there, done that, stayed fit and got the t-shirt! IHS students that completed this year's Bobcat Fitness Challenge course, first semester. BACK ROW (left to right): Zach White, Trae Seibel, Diamond Morgan, Brent Pinnecoose, Michael McBeth, Hagen Sanchez, Jasmine Bluehouse. FRONT ROW: Carly Barborinas, Dusty Mangus, Alex Pena, Kristie Ribera, Ashley Self, Jeff Herrera, Kayla Lewis, Morgan Gantt, and Alexandra Adams. Not pictured is Rowdy Sanchez.



Also offered in the springtime, the Bobcat Fitness Challenge course at Ignacio High School again pushed students to meet and exceed personal goals. And like the semester before, completion of the course wasn't guaranteed, as these few could tell you. BACK ROW (left to right): Shane Richmond, Russell Hubert, Michael McBeth, Richard Hott, Paul Tahlo, Trae Seibel, Derrick Naranjo. FRONT ROW: Diamond Morgan, Dusty Mangus, Morgan Gantt, Daniel Vaughn.

as they improve on the next one and the next, we put up a star. And after everything, the students who got [at least] 18 of 24 stars met the Challenge."

"You start at the beginning and bring yourself up each week," said freshman Alex Pena, 2009 Class 2A wrestling champion at 112 pounds. "There were workouts to fit your sport as well, so having that on top of actual practice really helped me."

Pena may be a prime example of what the Challenge can help mold, and, not surprisingly, many IHS student-athletes partook in the course.

Fellow freshman grappler Derrick Naranjo, for instance, was able to do 96 crunches...in just 60 seconds. Junior Morgan Gantt, a varsity volleyball starter, now squat-presses 195 pounds. And besides serving as Dolan's spring-semester student aide, senior football/track competitor Diamond Morgan turned in a peak bench-press of 280 pounds, one of the school's best lifts ever.

"As a strength coach I try to get athletes into the class," said Dolan. "But we still have non-athletes in there too, and their job is basically to just work to get healthier. Others also try to improve their reaction, eye-hand coordination, whatever for their sport—but if anyone got a drill and made it, they'd get that star."

"Lots of people wish they could just take a magic pill," he added, "and kids are seeing that—on ESPN, all over. So it's really cool when you see a kid go from where

they were at the beginning to where they are at the end in terms of attitude, athletic improvement, through the whole mentality of simply working hard.

Area businesses, including Sky Ute Casino Resort's Rolling Thunder Lanes, The Patio, Marcella's Gifts & More, El Amigo, AJ's Pizza in Bayfield, and the Trans-Lux Stadium 9 Cinema in Durango have also backed the BFC by offering free or reduced-price rewards to individuals who close the deal.

"Everybody has that moment where they feel like they can't do something, or tell themselves they can't," Dolan continued. "But they find a way to persevere, and that moment where they can overcome that obstacle—it's a cool feeling, and that's the kind of message for this whole idea. Focus on what you can do, and stay positive."

"I think it was that I just wanted to push myself," said Pena, "and I'd say to anyone, 'Go for it—it's a great class.' You'll see a change in everything."

And the instructor is committed to keep changing the Challenge for the better.

"What I ask of them isn't easy," Dolan said, "but if it wasn't 'challenging' for me too, I wouldn't have done this. It's something the kids can really 'take home' to their friends and families, and help teach them too, you know?"

"We live in a tri-ethnic community, but this benefits everyone. Health is universal."

Conspicuous By Their Absence



The 2009 All-Southwestern [3A] Team was announced late last month, but with two noticeable omissions. A defensive fixture practically since her first-ever match, Ignacio senior Katherine Gallegos (10) was never shy about mixing it up in close quarters, as Ridgway junior Rissa Robinson found out while losing possession during IHS' late-season visit. And fellow Lady 'Cat senior Jody Mangus (4), likely the team's most complete player, was often less reserved in her own methodology as Telluride freshman Jayleen Troutwin quickly learned during THS' trip to IHS Field. Moved up into an attacking role later in the season, Mangus responded rapidly and led IHS with six goals.



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

Team-by-team, RHS led the league with five First Team selections. THS had four, Bayfield had three and one Honorable Mention pick, Pagosa Springs had two First Teamers and one HM, and Center finished with one Honorable Mention recipient. RHS senior Michal Fagrelus was voted Player of the Year, and BHS' Jennifer (Zelinski) Key was Coach of the Year.

SunUte Age Requirement Rules?

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

- AGES 13 & OVER: May be unaccompanied in the facility
AGES 8 TO 12 YEARS: May be unaccompanied by an adult in the POOL & GYM ONLY. They must be accompanied in all other areas (including locker rooms) by an adult.
AGES 7 & UNDER: MUST be supervised by a responsible adult at all times. The term "responsible adult" may include individuals 16 years & older with SunUte Management approval.

WE APPRECIATE THE HELP AND HOPE EVERYONE HAS A FUN & SAFE SUMMER! Call SunUte at (970) 563-0214 or stop by if you have further questions!

Planning A Small Birthday Party?

For the month of June, July and August, SunUte will only have one room (Capote Room) available for rent due to summer programming needs. One room will hold comfortably 35-45 people with tables and chairs. The cost of renting the one room is \$15/hour (tribal/community rate).

- SunUte will provide the following:
1/2 hour set up time before event
Room will be set up to your instruction
Kitchen access only if you need to warm up or store food items
1/2 hour after event time for clean up
Renter is responsible for the following:
Cleaning up room & disposing of all trash, including trash cans, into the dumpster
Wiping down tables and chairs
Vacuuming floors

Youth Volleyball Summer Camp 2009

SunUte Community Center

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

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

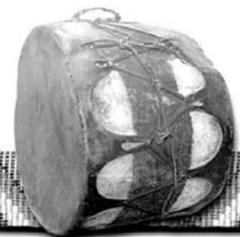
Tri-Ute Games Informational Meeting

Thursday, June 4th, SunUte Community Center at 5:30pm

All Interested Tribal Member/Descendant Youth and Parents, Ages 11-18 and All Interested Coaches

2009 Tri-Ute Games will include: Girls & Boys Basketball • Coed Volleyball • Swimming • Archery
Cultural Events will include: Hand Game • Shiny • Fishing Derby

2009 Tri-Ute Games will be held July 20th, 21st, and 22nd
2009 Tri-Ute Games will be held in Ignacio, Colorado
Look for a Brochure in your mailbox soon!



Ignacio Community Library

“A Cool Place To Check Out”

I Challenge You!

No excuses. It's summer— that means that there is a lot more daylight than there has been for a while. More light to read by! Our Summer Reading Program starts Wednesday June 3. Drop by for a dog and a drink and take the reading challenge. Read four books and note them on a Summer Reading Bookmark. Drop your bookmark in the barrel to be drawn for prizes on August 3! Maybe you'll read four novels or four biographies. Maybe you'll mix it up and read four books on the same subject, each written from a different perspective. You could choose four books off the “Staff Picks” shelf or four from the New Books shelf. Or you could ask one of us for some advice. We'll be glad to share our best reading experiences with you. Just get busy reading!

Donations

We so appreciate the support of the Ignacio community! In May we received over \$128.15 in monetary donations, from people who send a regular monthly contribution and those who say “Keep the change!” when using our services. Members of the community donated the following materials in May: 302 books, 20 music CDs and 5 movies. Volunteers gave us 27.5 hours for May - we couldn't do without our great volunteers! Thank you to one and all!

Preschool Storytime

Every Wed., 10:00 a.m.

Everyone welcome!

Friends of the Library

Tues., June 9, 11:00 am

Will be the next Friends of the Library meeting. New friends welcome! (970) 563-9287 for info.

The Library Board

Wed., June 10, 5:00 pm

Is the next regular meeting of the Ignacio Community Library District Board of Trustees. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

A Day of Music!

Wed., June 24

10:00 am: San Juan String Band
2:00 pm: Guitar Hero
5:00 pm: Secrets to Success in the Music Business

San Juan String Band

Wed, June 24, 10:00 am

Join us for a treat with the “San Juan String Band.” They have combined their passion for the environment with their love of music, to provide conservation education and environmental awareness messages for the public. Their fun, interactive style engages audiences of all ages.

Secrets To Success In The Music Business

Wed., June 24, 5:00 to 7:30 pm
Music producer Gabriel Farago will inform, equip and enable individuals to break into the country music industry. Gabriel had several tunes hit the billboard charts in the 80's. He expanded into artist development and record production in the 90's, and has helped launch many country superstars. Farago will leave time at the end of the program for aspiring stars to perform so he may give tips on improving auditions. Bring your guitar!

Ignacio Senior Center Visit

Thursday, June 25, Lunch

The Librarian will be at the Senior Center lunch time on Thursdays June 4th and 25th. Stop by, get a library card, check out a book, and learn about Summer Reading!

Summer Art Exhibit

The Library will accept applications for the Summer Art Exhibit until Friday June 19 at 5:00 p.m. We invite artists of all levels and ages to exhibit their work. This exhibit will take place July 1 through September 30, 2009. Pick up an “Art Exhibit Request Form” at the Library or download it from our website. Bring the form to the library, fax it to us at (970) 563-9296 or e-mail it to jsalazar@ignaciolibrary.org.

TEEN SCENE

No Summer Computer Classes

Classes will resume in August with Basic Computing Classes.

Family Movie Show

Tue., June 9, 1:00 pm

“Hotel for Dogs”

Nisto The Magician

Wed., June 10th, 2:00 pm

Children of all ages can find out how Nisto got his name and enjoy his magic.

Teen Movie & Book

Wed, June 17, 2:00 pm

“Twilight”

Guitar Hero

Wed., June 24, 2:00 pm

Mark Your Calendar!

Wed., July 1, 10 am & 2 pm
Tie Dye T-Shirt Day for all kids!

Storytime, Arts & Crafts

Every Wednesday 10:00 am

- June 10 Stories: Mr. Cookie Baker & Peanut Butter Jelly Fishes
- June 17 Stories: Napping House and Best Father's Day Present Ever

New Books For Tweens & Teens

- **Three Cups of Tea** by Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin
- **Three Willows: the Sisterhood Grows** by Ann Brashares
- **Moccasin Thunder** by Lori Marie Carlson
- **The Prophet Of Yonwood** by Jeanne DuPrau
- **Wake** by Lisa McMann
- **Fade** by Lisa McMann
- **Max** by James Patterson
- **Barnaby Grimes** (audio) by Paul Stewart and Chris Riddell
- **True Believer** (audio) by Virginia Euwer Wolff

Blog, Blog, Blog

Congrats to Alexis Tyner, our May book blog winner. Alexis recommends Outcast by Erin Hunter to anyone that enjoys fantasy adventure books. Turn in your book blogs this summer on Wednesdays, June 24th, July 29th and August 26th. For each Blog you write you'll receive a small prize and be entered in the monthly blog drawing. For each review you write, enter for a grand prize summer drawing.

Book & Movie Charades

Chase Sanchez is the May winner and undefeated champ! We won't have Book & Movie Charades during the summer— so you will have to wait to challenge him in September.

Four Corners: One Book

The Lavenia McCoy Library (Bayfield) has picked The Hemingway Book Club of Kosovo by Paula Huntley as the June selection for the KSUT Community Book Club.

Writer's Workshop

The next meeting of the Writer's Workshop will be August 8th. Watch our newsletter and website for the date.

Ignacio Businesses

Are you interested in having a How to Market your Business during Bike Week Workshop? Let us know. Call the Chamber at (970) 563-0344 or talk to Jo Ann Salazar in the Library. We need to know if you will attend!

New Titles

- **The 8th Confession** by James Patterson
- **Genetic Disorder** by Katherine Swartz
- **Child Abuse** by Heidi Williams
- **Lunatic** by Ted Dekker
- **Gone Tomorrow** by Lee Child
- **The Little Giant of Aberdeen County** by Tiffany Baker
- **Dead and Gone** by Charlaine Harris
- **This Side of Heaven** by Karen Kingsbury
- **Everything Ravaged** by Wells Tower
- **Wicked Prey** by John Sanford
- **Enemies and Allies** by Kevin J. Anderson
- **Take One** by Karen Kingsbury
- **Adam** by Ted Dekker
- **Legend of Sigurd and Gudrun** by J.R.R. Tolkien
- **The Demon's Librarian** by Lilith Saintcrow
- **50 Best Girlfriends Getaways in North America** by Marybeth Bond
- **Diners Drive-ins, Dives: an All-American Road Trip** by Guy Fieri

Lots of New DVDs!

- Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist
- Daddy Day Camp
- Kit Kittredge
- Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull
- Free Willy
- Whale Rider
- The Boy in the Striped Pajamas
- Big Fish
- My Big Fat Greek Wedding
- Mama Mia
- Dream Girls
- The Astronaut Farmer
- Daddy Day Care
- Hairspray
- Mr. Woodcock
- Chicken Run
- Facing the Giant
- Definitely Maybe
- Venture to Alaska
- Rocks and Minerals
- Prehistoric Life
- Native American Healing in the 21st Century
- Our Spirits Don't Speak English: Indian Boarding Schools

Dressing For Success

Don Oliver
Special to the Drum

Not long ago I walked into the kitchen dressed for a day of fly-fishing. My wife took one look at me and welled up. She said, “You promised me you would never play golf again. You obviously are going to play golf with some of the guys that were in your men's ski class.” I replied, “No, why do you think that?” She then said, with a look of relief, “I didn't know there was a clown school in Durango.” My response was, “What in the world have you been smoking? I'm going fly-fishing.” She then shook her head and asked if I had gotten dressed in a completely dark closet. I assured her the light was on, and now I really wanted to know what her point was. She gave it one more shot, “You didn't take the time to admire yourself in mirror on the way out of the closet, did you?” I am now totally confused. I pleaded “Please tell me what you are driving at.”

With a look of complete amusement she said, “I can tell by your outfit you have no idea how to dress for a day of fly-fishing.” Like all husbands I went for the bait, “What do you mean?” Her lovingly reply was, “Look at yourself. Your socks are bright

yellow, your pants are madras, your shirt is Hawaiian print, your sunglasses are from George Kennedy's collection for Cool Hand Luke, and your hat is from a modern impressionist art collection.” I now thought I had her, “Well ya, I don't want to get fishy stuff on my good clothes.” That will not be a problem, “The fish will either die from laughing at your outfit, or they will swim away in stark terror. Either way you won't be touching any fish.” Again, I thought I had her, “Fish aren't concerned with color” were the words that fell out of my mouth (will I never learn).

Really, “If that's true how come you have a zillion flies that are the same pattern, only different colors? And, doesn't Dave Whitlock say unequivocally that color is important to trout?” I just hate it when my own stuff is used by wife to win arguments. But she was right.

If you want to catch fish you have to dress appropriately; you have to blend in with the flora and fauna. Your wading boots and pants, or waders, are the easiest to match to the stream side. Boots and waders come in tan or brown. There isn't much chance of messing this up. If you wet wade pick a color for your pants that blends with whatever is

growing where you are fishing.

Shirts are an entirely different animal. For some reason the manufacturers of fishing shirts have embarked on a contest to see how many different colors they can come up with. In a brief survey of three fly-fishing catalogs I counted 25 different colors for shirts. Most of the colors have nothing to do with disguising you when on a stream. My advice here is if the shirt color is named after a fruit, vegetable, or something you never thought was a color don't wear it to fly-fish. Truly, what color is sprout? For your best results stay with tan, khaki, blue, or even a camouflaged pattern (not deer hunter orange-a fruit). Your chapeau is also important. That red baseball hat will be seen by fish. If you're going to wear a cap it should blend in with your shirt and pants. I like to wear a big tan straw hat for the summer and a gray felt hat for the fall and winter. To finish your outfit pick a pair of polarized sunglasses with frames that won't reflect sunlight.

I believe if you follow these rules two things will happen. First, you will actually catch more fish. Secondly, you won't have to endure your wife's well thought out and presented argument of why she knows more about fly-fishing than you do.

Fishy Situation: Free Days Are Here!

by Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

You've probably seen a bumper sticker or two like these:
I'd rather be fishing.
Shut up and fish!
I fish, therefore I am.
If you've ever been too drunk to FISH... you're doing it wrong.

Anglers statewide will have an opportunity to get on the water and try turning their slogans into substance this weekend, and that opportunity comes with no price tag. The Colorado Division of Wildlife's annual Free Fishing Days will run June 6-7, enabling newcomers to bait a hook along with those still baiting the “one that got away.”

The DoW's report (online at wildlife.state.co.us/Fishing/Reports/StatewideConditions/) lists where people can take advantage of the costless casting, but other rules and regs will still remain in effect. Those include things like bait restrictions in certain areas, needing a Habitat



photo Joel Priest/DRUM Freelance

With Free Fishing Days up this weekend, fishers may face quantity limits despite the lack of licensing fees. But a little catch-n-release is just as fun as seeking something for the wall or for the frying pan.

Stamp to enter a State Wildlife Area, and limits on how many fish may be kept.

With more than 2,000 ponds, reservoirs and lakes, and better than 10,000 miles of rivers and streams to choose from, it's hard for fishers in Colorado to tire of testing new locations. And with no license required this weekend,

it's a great time to try and find some!

Because throughout the rest of the year, anglers ages 16-64 need to purchase a license before hitting the water. An annual resident license costs \$31, and an annual non-resident license runs \$61. One-day or five-day licenses are also available.

ATTENTION ALL SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

The Southern Ute Drum is asking all Southern Ute Tribal Members, 18 years old or older, to contact the Southern Ute Drum Offices if they have not been receiving your Drum. You may, call, fax, email or mail, and even come into the Drum offices. As a Southern Ute Tribal Member you are entitled to receive the Southern Ute Drum free of charge.

We have been receiving some complaints and have had many newspapers and other publications, i.e., Tribal Calendars, Annual Reports, Fair Premium Books, etc., returned to the Drum due to bad address, no forwarding address or an individual may have deceased. We are working with the Tribal Information Services Department in updating our mailing lists, your assistance is greatly appreciated (see names listed below for T.I.S. Dept.).

DRUM CONTACT INFORMATION:

Phone: (970) 563-0100 or (970) 563-0118 • Fax: (970) 563-0391
Email: sudrum@southern-ute.nsn.us • Mailing: PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137
Physical: 356 Ouray Dr., Leonard C. Burch Bldg., 2nd Floor (West wing)

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter as we strive to make sure every Tribal Member 18 and over gets their Drum. If you are a Tribal Member and you would like the Drum please call us! The Drum is also available online at <http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/DRUM>

Thank You - The Southern Ute Drum Staff

Attention all Tribal Members Listed

Please Give Tribal Information Services A Call at (970)563-0100, Ext. 2302

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

(Discount price dependent on companies listed fees)

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

- **Mild 2 Wild:** (970) 247-4789 or www.mild2wildrafting.com
- **Mountain Waters:** 800-748-2507 www.durangorafting.com
- **Outlaw River Tours:** (970) 259-1800 or www.outlawtours.com
 - **Durango RiverTrippers:** (970) 259-0289
 - **Durangers (fly fishing guides):** (970) 385-4081



Tri-Ute, CCIA Join In Towaoc, CO



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Sky Ute Casino Resort Honor Wall



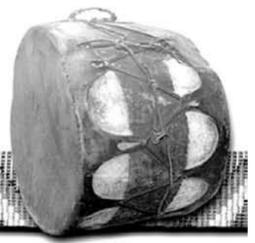
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Friday May 22nd, 2009, Southern Ute Royalty, Miss Southern Ute, Eleanor Frost, Junior Miss Southern Ute, Brianna GoodTracks-Aliers and Little Miss Southern Ute, Izabella Valdez were present for the Blessing of the Honor Wall. Along with others that were honored for their past and present achievements while in the Tribal Organization. The Honor Wall is located in the Sky Ute Casino Resort and ready to be viewed by everyone. All past and present Tribal Chairmen, the current Tribal Council Members, current Elders Committee and Current Southern Ute Royalty pictures were placed on wall. Blankets were given to the relatives of the Tribal Members who names were used for the meeting room suites. All honoring for the "Honor Wall" was held by the Sky Ute Casino Employees.

Descending from top, l-r: Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) with Tribal Dignitaries and the Ute Mountain Ute Royalty. Attendees from the CCIA Meeting participated in the beginning of the Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance on Friday, May 29, 2009. Lieutenant-Governor of Colorado, Barbara O'Brien, and Southern Ute Chairman, Matthew Box, each made their way into the Bear Dance corral. Ute Mountain Ute Chairman Ernest House, Sr., addresses those in attendance, during the Tri-Ute Meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2009. The three Ute Leaders during the Tri-Ute Meeting. Ute Mountain Ute growlers. Southern Ute Royalty, Miss Southern Ute Eleanor Frost and Brianna GoodTracks-Aliers with Ute Leaders, Curtis Cesspooch, Matthew Box and Ernest House, Sr.



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The 2009 Old Spanish Trail Association Annual Conference

Media Release

Old Spanish Trail Association

OSTA invites you to participate in the 2009 Old Spanish Trail Association Annual Conference in Ignacio, Colorado. Hosted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on June 5-7, 2009 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum has collaborated closely with the Old Spanish Trail Association since 2002.

Enjoy rooms with balconies, great views, good food and service, a nice quiet meeting place. Meet others who share your interest in the Old Spanish Trail. The Sky Ute Resort, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and OSTA have arranged a real opportunity for on-the-trail-luxury at bargain prices.

Our program will emphasize the living heritage of the Trail that passed very near to this beautiful building.

- You will meet the breed of sheep that provided the wool for OST trading.

- You may meet and greet George Yount and his wife, if they can remember the route.

- You will be stirred by the "Rolling Thunder Boyz" Drum Group of local high school age Utes.

- You will be charmed by the courtesy of the Southern Ute Royalty.

- You will hear about the Ute heritage of this area and the trail, emphasizing Ute place names and their meaning. You've heard before that this was an "Older Ute Trail" long before it got the name "Old Spanish Trail."

- You will hear of recent Trail Progress by the BLM and NPS administrative team.

- You can help guide OSTA's strategies in our annual membership meeting.

- You can see and hear about exhibits in Ignacio, a new museum, and efforts elsewhere to help Americans and other visitors to sense the significance of their trade route.

- You can then go out to see where the Main Branch crossed the S. Ute lands and where the Armijo



Theme: Keeping Alive the Heritage of the Old Spanish Trail

Welcome!

For generations there has prevailed much misinformation about the Uto-Aztec people who first populated the Western Hemisphere.

As most of you know, many of the 2,700 miles of the Old Spanish National Historical Trail go through the traditional homeland of the Ute People (Nuche). Our ancestors roamed through most of Colorado and Utah. For centuries, we traded with Paiutes, Chemehuevis, Serranos, and coastal peoples to our West, as well as with the Pueblos and Apaches in northern New Mexico.

We now welcome you to what remains of our original homeland. Here we intend to tell the stories of our culture's ancient traditions to modern travelers following the OSNHT. Sharing our traditions goes way back in time. Our new resort and our coming new museum facility invite people to our traditions of trade and sharing. We welcome you to our home, to study how the OSTA can help to "Keep Alive the Heritage of the Old Spanish Trail."

James M. Jefferson, Ph.D.

Southern Ute Tribe Historian and OSTA Director-at-Large

Route followed the lower Mancos River on Ute Mountain Park lands.

New Board Meeting (20 minutes)

Banquet, Fun, and Presentation

GENERAL SCHEDULE

Friday, June 5

OSTA Committee Meetings
National Board Meeting, with Federal and Chapter Leaders
Board meets with Southern Ute Museum Staff/Board - New Museum Plan
Early Bird and Board Reception to meet Elders and local celebrity

Saturday, June 6

Convention Registration
Convention open with Ute Drum, Welcome, and Ute Blessing
Theme Introduction, OSTA President
Papers/Presentations
Lunch on own (several attractive restaurants in the resort)
Annual Membership Meeting (1 hour)
Paper plus a demonstration of live Churro Sheep

Sunday, June 7

Field Trips (participants may disperse at end of field trip or stay another night)

1) Find Southern Ute trail traces E. from Ignacio, followed by a \$10 guided tour of the Chimney Rock Archaeological Site (USDA Forest Service). OR
2) Guided tour in Ute Mountain Tribal Park-see a segment of Armijo's Route, old Ute home sites, rock art, plus archaeology of the ancients. Tour cost \$24.00.

Monday, June 8

Optional visits on your own: e.g., Mesa Verde NP, Anasazi Heritage Center and Canyon of the Ancients, San Juan Skyway, Aztec Ruins NM, Farmington Museum and Nature Center, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Trading Posts.

Follow-up sessions of committees, trail monitors, etc. to be announced.

Bear Dance PowWow Results

MENS & WOMENS ADULT/GOLDEN AGE

Men's Golden Age

1st Lewis Cozad, Mountain View, OK
2nd Tommy Draper, Kirtland, NM
3rd Greg Reoock, Mesa, AZ

Men's Fancy

1st Isaiah Bob, Montezuma Creek, UT
2nd Quannah Henry, Smithlake, NM
3rd Marvin Pinnecoose, LV, NV

Men's Grass

1st Neal ThunderHawk, Shiprock, NM
2nd Randy Broke Shoulder, Gallup, NM
3rd Kendrick Slim, Bloomfield, NM

Men's Straight

1st Wahren Hamilton, Shawnee, OK
2nd Kelvin Grant, Macy, OK
3rd Michael Grant, Bloomfield, NM

Men's Northern Traditional

1st Taite Honadick, Parker, AZ
2nd Nathan Largo, NM
3rd Merle Eagle Speaker, Blankfoot, ID

Women's Golden Age

1st Carmen Clairmont, Lakewood, CO
2nd Mabel Cozad, Mt. View, OK
3rd Priscilla Schrock, Gallup, NM

Women's Northern Traditional

1st Vikki Joe, Montezuma Creek, UT
2nd Michelle Wave, Towaoc, CO
3rd Tamara Toya, Gallup, NM

Women's Southern Traditional

1st Dyanni Smith, Shawnee, OK
2nd Sharon Broke Shoulder, Gallup, NM
3rd Mychal Grant, Bloomfield, NM

Women's Jingle

1st Shannon Beets, Shiprock, NM
2nd Janue Eagle Speaker, Blackfoot, ID
3rd Tashina Barber

Women's Fancy Shawl

1st Patricia Benaly, Farmington, NM
2nd Kristen Sayer, Bloomfield, NM
3rd Rachele Lee, Bloomfield, NM

DRUM CONTEST

1st Mile Post 30, Hogback, NM
2nd Two Guns, Parker, AZ
3rd Southern Guns

JUNIOR & TEEN GIRLS

Junior Girls Fancy

1st Danielle Bear, Chinli, AZ
2nd Denise Stanley, Chinli, AZ
3rd Jessie Yazzie, Farmington, NM

Junior Girls Traditional

1st Shaundeen Bear, Chinli, NM
2nd Tasha Small, Ft. Duchesne, UT
3rd Korah Curley, Indian Wells, AZ

Teen Girls Fancy

1st Sasha Jishie, Lukuchukai, AZ
2nd Wynema Redbird, Chinli, AZ
3rd Raini Dae Badback, Towaoc, CO

Teen Girls Jingle

1st Dinette Chee, Shiprock, NM
2nd Alyssa Woody, Bloomfield, NM
3rd Dee Dee Pacheco, Bernallio, NM

Teen Girls Traditional

1st Janelle Chee, Shiprock, NM
2nd Tierra Draper, Kirtland, NM
3rd Majerle Majado, Ft. Duchesne, UT

JUNIOR & TEEN BOYS

Junior Boys Grass

1st Seik Nez, Blanco NM
2nd Josh Benally, Kirtland NM
3rd Wawbdi Clairmanot, Lakewood NM

Junior Boys Fancy

1st Travontea Becenti, Farmington, NM
2nd Misyn Clairmont, Lakewood, CO
3rd Odalis Vertillio, Kirtland, NM

Junior Boys Traditional

1st Donovan Chee, Shiprock, NM
2nd Lyndrih Yazzie, Blanco, NM
3rd Kesnan Begay, Shiprock, NM

Teen Boys Grass

1st Kirby Austin, Kayenta, AZ
2nd Aaron Woody, Blanco, NM
3rd Ishmael Begay, Shiprock, NM

Teen Boys Fancy

1st Lance Yazzie, Farmington, NM
2nd Randen Robinson, Montezuma Creek, UT
3rd Jarid Yazzie, Farmington, NM

Teen's Boys Traditional

1st Ian Stevens, Albuquerque, NM
2nd Michael Cayon Grant, Bloomfield, NM
3rd Segundo Henry, Smithlake, NM

Free Concert in the Grass

... with Percussionist, Vocalist and Composer Valerie Dee Naranjo



Percussionist, vocalist, composer Valerie Dee Naranjo, known for her pioneering efforts on West African keyboard percussion, is originally from Southern Colorado. She plays percussion and arranges for the Saturday Night Live Band and has recorded and performed with Broadway's The Lion King, Tori Amos, The Philip Glass Ensemble and many others.

Your FREE Concert in the Grass!

WHEN: 5:00p.m., Sunday, June 7th

WHERE: Multi-Purpose Field East of SunUte

Bring your chairs or blankets and picnic on the grass.

PLEASE - No Alcohol or Dogs.

Sunrise Special

\$2.99

Two Eggs cooked your way, Breakfast Potatoes, and two Pancakes!

In the Aspen Room from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Your choice of Ham, Bacon or Sausage for \$4.99

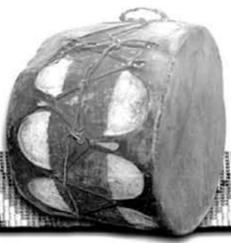
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Bear Club

Must be 18 or older to participate. Must sign up or already be a member of the Sky Ute Casino Resort Bear Club. Management reserves the right to change or cancel this promotion without prior notice. Please see the Bear Club Player Rewards Center for further information.



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Request For Proposal (RFP)

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES
SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

To request a copy of the RFP, contact:
West Office Exhibition Design
Attn: Kate Bell, Exhibit Developer
225 Third St.
Oakland, CA 94607
(510) 251-9633

West Office Exhibition Design is requesting proposals from qualified professional photographers for original photography which will be incorporated into exhibitions at the new Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum. The photographs will document contemporary life on and around the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

Responses to the RFP will be received by West Office Exhibition Design, at the above address until 5:00 PM PDT, July 2, 2009. Submittals

received after that time may not be accepted and may be returned unopened.

In accordance with the requirements of The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) for contracting and subcontracting, preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned companies must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at (970) 563-0117.

West Office Exhibition Design reserves the right to reject any and all submittals, to waive any informality in submission and to accept those deemed, by its officers, to be in the best interest of the project.

Request For Proposal (RFP)

MOBILE STORAGE SHELVEING
SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

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

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

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

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

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

Request For Proposal (RFP)

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING AND INSPECTION
MULTI-PURPOSE/MEMORIAL CHAPEL

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

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe requests proposals from firms to provide construction materials testing and inspection services for the new Multi-Purpose/Memorial Chapel.

Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 3:00 PM MDT, Thursday, June 18, 2009. Submittals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Marquita Gonzales for a copy of the RFP at (970)

563-0138 or mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us.

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

Advertise In The Southern Ute Drum

(970) 563-0118 • PO Box 737 MS#96, 356 Ouray Dr., Ignacio, CO
sudrum@southern-ute.nsn.us

Father's Day is Sun., June 21st!

If you would like to submit a Father's Day wish, please do so by Mon., June 15, 2009. Submit to Amy Barry or any Drum Staff member, contacts are on Page 2. The Drum will be distributed on Friday, June 19, 2009

For Sale

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

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

Home Chore Program In Ignacio

Serving eligible residents 55 years and older within the Ignacio School District, SUCAP Senior Center has begun a Home Chore Program performing safety checks within your home, install grab bars if feasible, check/install smoke or carbon monoxide alarms, and minor home repairs.
Information please call Kathy (970) 563-4561

Public Notice

Thriftway Store, 15051 Hwy. 172, Ignacio, Colorado, has applied for a Retail Liquor Store Liquor License.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council will consider the issuances of a Retail Liquor Store License on June 15, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. in the Tribal Council Chambers, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, Colorado.
Any questions regarding this application may be

directed to Ms. Janelle Doughty, Director of Justice & Regulatory, at (970) 563-0292.

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

Request For Proposal (RFP)

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR
LAKE CAPOTE DAM ABSORPTION BED WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM

OWNER:
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
(970) 563-0138
Contact: Sandra K. Stiles, Construction Project Administrator

Separate sealed bids to provide construction services for the Lake Capote Dam Absorption Bed Wastewater Disposal System shall be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, CO 81137 until 2:00 P.M., MST, on Thursday, June 25, 2009. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., MST, Thursday, June 18, 2009 on site at the entrance of Lake Capote Dam located at Hwy 160 E. and Hwy 151.

The Request for Proposals may be picked up at the Construction & Project Management Dept., 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday or you may contact Marquita Gonzales at (970) 563-0138 or mgonzales@southern-ute.nsn.us.

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

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

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

IN PROBATE NO. 09-014-PR
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: HAROLD JEROME GROVE, JR., Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009 AT 10:00 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.
Dated this 13th day of MARCH, 2009.
DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk

said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.
Dated this 5th day of MAY, 2009.
DOLORES ROMERO, Deputy Court Clerk

IN PROBATE NO. 09-080-PR
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NAOMI ELIZABETH RABBIT LOPEZ, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009 AT 10:00 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer

IN PROBATE NO. 09-086-PR
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: SHONIE SPRINGER BAKER, Deceased. NOTICE TO: HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN SAID ESTATE: THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBE OF THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION, IGNACIO, CO. GREETINGS: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009 AT 9:00 AM**. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.
Dated this 20th day of MAY, 2009.
KELLY HERRERA, Deputy Court Clerk

Drum Corrections:
Shonie Springer Baker: Misspelling of name, published as Shonie Spring Baker, should have been Shonie Springer Baker.
Harold Jerome Grove, Jr.: Case No. was published as 09-0180-PR, should have been published as 09-014-09.
Naomi Elizabeth Rabbit Lopez: Case No. was published as 09-014-PR, should have been published as 09-080-PR. Full name not published, Naomi Elizabeth Rabbit Lopez.
Clifton Joseph Greany: The court date was published as Monday, May 29, 2009, should have been published as FRIDAY, May 29, 2009.
The Southern Ute Drum apologizes for these misprints.



Summer Fun at the Rolling Thunder Lanes

The Manic Mondays Specials

11am - 1pm	\$ 2.00 per game
1pm - 3pm	\$ 2.50 per game
3pm - 5pm	\$ 3.00 per game
5pm - Close	\$ 3.30 per game

2 for Tuesday Special

Buy 2 games and get 2 games free or pay for 2 players
On Mini-Golf & get 2 players for free
11am - 7pm

Wacky Wednesday Special

Bowling & Mini-Golf Tournament - Prizes include free Games, Logo Pins & free meals 11am - 5pm Sign up at Bowling Center Front Desk on Wednesday's

\$ 2.00 Thursday Special

Every Game just \$ 2.00
11am - 7pm

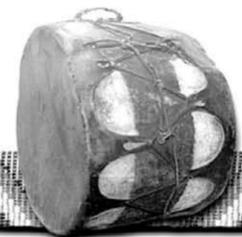
Summer Time Special no game over \$ 3.30 June 1 - July 31.





All event, promotions, and tournaments are subject to change or cancellation by management at any time.

14324 Hwy 172 N. Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-7777
www.skyutecasino.com



SUCAP

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

Family Health Coordinator

Open Until Filled - SUCAP Head/Early Head Start Full-time. Requires RN license. Responsible for nutrition services, coordination & tracking of health/wellness, medical, dental services for 127 children. Maintain current health records for all enrolled children and respond to their daily health needs. Work with families to coordinate care w/community providers. 12 month position. Competitive salary, excellent benefits.

Home Chore Aide

Open Until Filled - SUCAP Senior Center To assist elderly persons with light housekeeping on a weekly basis. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid Colorado Driver's License and be insurable by SUCAP and Tribal insurance. Must have or be able to obtain CPR and First Aid certification within 45 days of hire. Must pass the criminal history background check.

Home Chore Handyman

Open Until Filled - SUCAP Senior Center Get paid to work with great people! Mow and trim lawns, use weed eater and blower to keep lawns and

yards neat, do regular maintenance and repairs on equipment. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds.

Outpatient Counselor

Open until Filled - SUCAP Peaceful Spirit Full-time, High School Diploma/GED required. BA in Behavioral Health or related field preferred. Must have or be able to obtain CAC II certification within 6 mos. Min 1 year experience working in substance abuse or related field. Must pass criminal history background check. Must work well with public, have valid Colorado Driver's License and be insurable by SUCAP.

Multisystemic Therapist (MST)

Open Until Filled - SUCAP Peaceful Spirit Preferred Requirements: MA in Psych, Social Work, Counseling or related subject(s). Minimum Requirements: related BA and significant clinical exp in family therapy & treating serious antisocial behavior in youth using cognitive behavioral techniques. Precise record keeping skills a must. Training provided in MST model. For info on MST go to www.mstservices.com

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - POSITIONS

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 Phone: (970) 563-0100 • Fax: (970) 563-0396
*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Financial Literacy Program Trainer

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

Gaming Investigator II

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

Patrol Officer

Open Until Filled - Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the

life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community.

CHR - Elders Services

Closes 6/10/09 - Responsible for providing assistance in the coordination and development of activities for elderly and physically or mentally handicapped Tribal members. Performs community health representative duties to include patient transport and monitoring, conducting classes, and providing community education on Tribal health issues.

Forest Technician

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

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

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

SOUTHERN UTE GROWTH FUND - POSITIONS

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

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

Field Instrument and Controls Technician

Closing Date 6/9/09 - Red Cedar Gathering Co. All instrumentation, controls, PLC maintenance, calibrations, and repairs, including engine compressor, field generators, and dehydration controls equipment.

Administrative Assistant

Closing Date 6/10/09 - Red Willow Production Co. Provides general office and clerical support and is responsible for various paperwork, meeting arrangements, and special events.

Water Truck Driver

Closing Date 6/9/09 - GF Utilities Provides the delivery of water to customers and the safe operation and general maintenance of all Water Haul Program Equipment.

Reservoir Engineer III

Closing Date 6/12/09 - Red Willow Production Co. Creating, updating/maintaining complete reserve bookings, researching and creating evaluations for new acquisitions, divestitures, proposed production enhancements, and exploration projects, preparing follow-up economics on existing projects, and, creating volume, expense, investment forecasts.

SKY UTE LODGE & CASINO - POSITIONS

Human Resources Department: (970) 563-1311 • Fax: (970) 563-1419
PO Box 340 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • Office Hours 8 am - 5 pm

Indian Preference Employer • All Applicants Welcome • Apply online: www.skyutecasino.com

Bingo

Bingo Staff - PT
Facilities
Facilities Staff - FT/TMP
Food/Beverage, Banquet, Rest.
Restaurant Busser - FT/TMP
Restaurant Cashier - FT/TMP
Restaurant Wait Staff - FT/TMP
Round/Line Cook - FT
Hotel/Lodge
Bell Attendant - FT
Cleaning Attendant - FT
Front Desk Staff - FT
Gift Shop Sales Clerk - PT/TMP
Room Attendant - FT
Room Inspector - FT/TMP

Marketing

Admin. Assistant - FT/TMP
Security
Patrol & Events Officer - FT
Security Officer - FT/TMP
Surveillance
Surveillance Agent - OC
Table Games
Table Games Craps Dealer - FT/OC
Table Games Craps Supervisor - FT
Table Games Multi-Game Dealer - FT/OC
Transportation
Valet Attendant - FT



Preference Given To Qualified Southern Ute Tribal Members & Other Native Americans.

Position Abbreviations
FT: Full-time, PT: Part-time
OC: On-Call, TMP: Temporary

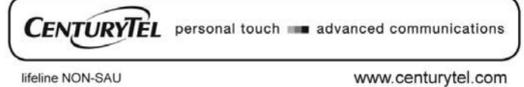
CenturyTel offers telephone assistance to individuals living on Tribal Lands

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

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

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

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



House For Rent

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

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Vacancy

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

TERO

Tribal Employment Rights Office
TERO Office • PO Box 737 #34, 116 Mouache Dr., Ignacio, CO, 81137
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Plant Engineer

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

Plant Manager

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

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

Research Associate

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

TERO is currently taking applications for the new museum construction. If you have any skills in electrical or construction please apply at TERO. You will need to bring a Photo ID, Social Security Card and TRIBAL ID or CIB with you. We are also in need of flaggers, electricians, heavy equipment operators, CDL truck drivers, archaeologist, archaeologist technicians, gas field technicians and rafting guides. There are not any current closing dates for these positions. All applicants must contact TERO to apply and for more information.

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