



News in brief

IGNACIO

Casino announces Tribal Membership Forum

The Sky Ute Casino Resort Management Team invites you take part in an informal discussion on future plans for the enhancements of amenities and services at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The forum will take place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort Event Center on Thursday, Feb. 16. Dinner served at 6 p.m., forum starts at 6:30 p.m. Items to be addressed include the entrance of Northern Edge Casino into the marketplace, new strategic initiatives, technological enhancements, and the potential extension of alcoholic beverage service property-wide. Your input is very valuable as we position the Sky Ute Casino Resort to ensure that it remains the premier gaming and entertainment destination in the Southwest. Please make plans to join us and let us know you're coming so we have plenty of food for everyone. RSVP to Tracy McKellip at 970-563-1752 no later than Feb. 10.

Attention: Southern Ute, Native American elders

You are invited to come and share your culture and traditional expertise with the students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. You can choose the group size you will work with. You will be compensated with a stipend. For more information, call Georgia McKinley at 970-563-0253 ext. 2701.

Thought of being a member of Tribal Council?

Attention tribal members ages 13 to 19 years of age: Are you concerned about issues facing tribal youth? Committed to make a difference in our community that will have a positive impact on the tribal youth? Then the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council may be for you. Become a leader, role model and voice for the tribal youth. For more information, contact McKean Walton at 970-563-0100 ext. 2314. Sponsored by the Southern Ute Tribal Council.

Free bison meat available to tribal members

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

DURANGO

County accepting 2012 County Fair Theme

The La Plata County Fair Board is currently accepting theme ideas for the 2012 La Plata County Fair. Themes should reflect the family and community nature of the Fair. Please keep theme or slogan to 10 words or less. Artwork is encouraged and can be dropped off with theme concept submissions at the La Plata County Extension Office at the Fairgrounds or mailed to: La Plata County Fairgrounds, 2500 Main Ave., Durango 81301. Please label your submission(s) with your name and telephone number. Entries must be received by 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 23. The winner will receive a \$100 cash prize!

Information sessions for adult learners

Are you ready to earn your Bachelor's degree? Learn how at free informational sessions from Fort Lewis College. Sessions will cover opportunities for adult learners at FLC and explain how to enroll and apply for financial aid. Sessions are free and open to the public, and will be held every Wednesday at the Durango Public Library from 6 - 7 p.m., in Program Room 3. For more information, call 970-247-7670.

Legal affairs class coming to county fairgrounds

Colorado State University's La Plata County Extension will offer "Legally Secure Your Financial Future," a class designed to help evaluate and organize legal affairs related to life issues. The class consists of three sessions: organizing your important legal documents and records, advance directive and medical power of attorney, and estate planning concerning wills and trusts in Colorado. The second of two series will take place Feb. 13, 21 and 28 at the Lavenia McCoy Public Library in Bayfield. The cost for materials is \$50 for the three sessions or \$20 for each individual class. Pre-registration is required. Ccall 970-382-6463 to register.

NEW MEXICO

2012 Gathering of Nations dates announced

The world's largest gathering of Native American and indigenous people will take place in Albuquerque between April 26 and 28. The Gathering of Nations will be held at the University of New Mexico's University Arena (known locally as "The Pit") in Albuquerque and will begin on Thursday, April 26 with registration for singers and dancers. Later that evening, the Miss Indian World competition begins at 7 p.m. and will be held at the Hard Rock Casino and Hotel - Albuquerque. The crowning will take place on Saturday, April 28 at 7 p.m. at "The Pit." The much-anticipated grand entry, begins at noon on Friday, April 27. For more information regarding purchasing tickets, airfare and hotel accommodations visit www.gatheringofnations.com.



Many Moons Ago



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10 Years Ago

The three-man crew of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Forestry Fire Crew (left to right) Tom Morgan, Engine Boss Trainee, Howard Richards Jr., Engine Boss Trainee, and Warren Harris Engine Boss/Crew Leader, stand in front of their new Ford F-550, "6-Pack" crew-cab, Type 6 tanker/truck.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 8, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

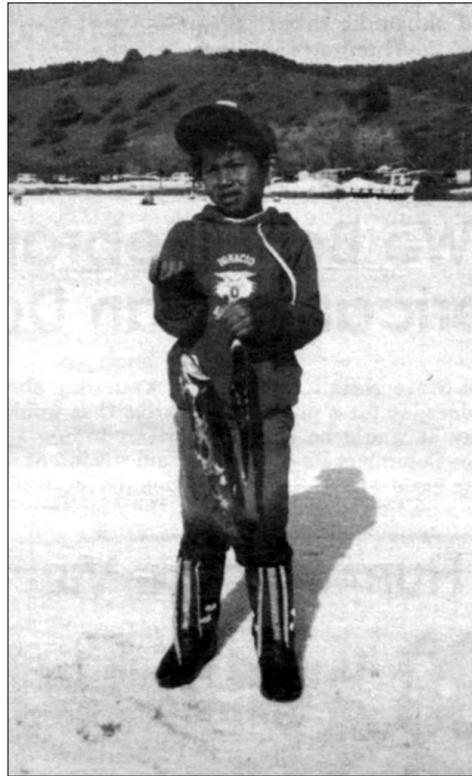


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20 Years Ago

Little Buddy Taylor won first place in the Junior Division Ice Fishing Contest at Capote Lake held Feb. 1 and 2, 1992. Over 100 individuals entered the 6 hour fishing derby sponsored by the Southern Ute Tribe.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 10, 1992, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



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30 Years Ago

It could be called the "Tournament of Champions" when every first and second place finishers of their respective district tournament attended the Colorado State High School Wrestling Tournament in Denver to determine the best in the state. Ignacio High School coaches at the Colorado State Wrestling tournament (left to right) Danny Jaques, Butch Melton, (kneeling), Duane Valencia and Lucus Gallegos.

This photo first appeared in the Feb. 26, 1982, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

SKY UTE CASINO RESORT

Release the Genie

2012 Jeep Wrangler Sahara

\$20,000 NCASH

Which one will you wish for on Saturday, March 3?

2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee

Register to win all month by playing the 'Genie's Lamp Kiosk Game & using your Bear Club Card to play the slots.

FREE \$25 CASINO CASH

BRING IN COUPON ANYTIME FOR \$25 IN FREE SKY UTE LOOT.

Expires: February 17, 2012

Must be 21 years of age or older. Must be a member of the Bear Club. You may only receive the \$25 in casino cash once during the promotion period. Management has the right to change or cancel this offer at anytime.

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