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SUMMER FIRE WATCH

Fire bans light up as dry season nears

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

If you're planning a camping trip this month, leave the s'mores at home.

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs' Southern Ute Agency implemented Stage I fire restrictions on Friday, June 8 across the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, citing high temperatures, dry fuel conditions and recent wildland fires. Among other things, the ban prohibits open burning of trash or yard waste, agricultural burning, campfires, and fireworks.

"We are asking that everyone be very cautious and use common sense with fire this time of year," said Howard Richards Jr., fire operations specialist.

A handful of local fires have already been keeping responders busy. The largest, the ironically named Little Sand Fire between Bayfield and Pagosa Springs, began with a lightning strike on Sunday, May 13. As of Monday, June 11, it had grown to nearly 8,500 acres and was just 30 percent contained.

Two others appear to have been caused by human activity. A bottle rocket sparked the Bear Creek Fire in Forest Lakes, while the cause



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Haze fills the morning air northeast of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on Tuesday, June 12, as a result of regional wildfires. The Little Sand Fire has been a prime contributor in recent weeks.

of the X-rock Fire in north Durango is still under investigation. Both have been extinguished.

This month also marks the 10-year anniversary of southwest Colorado's most infamous and damaging fire of recent years, the Missionary Ridge Fire. Over 39 days, it burned more than 70,000 acres, including 56 homes, and claimed the life of a firefighter who was struck by a falling tree.

Rich Gustafson, the agen-

cy's fire management officer, said restrictions are being enacted about three weeks earlier than usual due to the dry early months of this year.

"We've had a dry March and then really not a lot of recovery through April," he said, adding that May and June — the "critical period" — have not been better.

Gustafson said the agency is considering an elevation to Stage II restrictions, pending the signatures of Super-

intendent John Waconda and Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. If approved, those restrictions could take effect Saturday, June 16.

Stage II also prohibits smoking outside of designated areas and operating any internal combustion engine without a spark arrestor.

While Stage I restrictions are common, Stage II has only been necessary in a few years over the past decade, Gustafson said. The agen-

cy has never implemented Stage III, in which it considers closure of the reservation to nonessential personnel.

Additional restrictions apply to commercial and industrial operators. Check out the Drum's website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/drum or contact the BIA Fire Office at 575 County Rd. 517 or 970-563-4571 for a full list.

The La Plata County Board of County Commissioners followed suit on Saturday, June 9, enacting its own open burning ban on unincorporated and county-owned lands.

Butch Knowlton, the county's emergency management director, said neighboring parts of the country are already battling big flames.

"La Plata County has been experiencing hot, dry winds with low humidity, and we've had very little rain," he said. "Extreme drought conditions and larger wildland fires in the Southwest have led to equipment and personnel shortfalls which limit our response abilities."

Also declaring bans last week were Archuleta County, the San Juan National Forest, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management Tres Rios Field Office and others.

GROWTH FUND

Shift continues toward oil, away from reservation

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Red Willow Production Co. is undergoing changes of seismic proportions.

Over the past decade, two things have been true of Red Willow: It has been interested primarily in natural gas, and it has sought reserves mostly within the bounds of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. But over the course of the past couple years, both attitudes have changed, said Bob Zahradnik, operating director of the Growth Fund.

"We're in this huge shift from on-reservation to off-reservation, and another huge shift from being primarily a gas company to being an oil company — and both of these things are to your advantage," he said during a general meeting presentation to tribal members on Thursday, June 7 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Economics prompted the change, Zahradnik said. Natural gas prices have fallen from a high of nearly \$13 per million British thermal units in 2008 to a low of less than \$2 in April 2012.

"That hits us pretty hard and makes us have to adjust a lot of things," Zahradnik said.

Conversely, oil peaked at around \$134 per barrel in 2008 and crashed to around \$40 in early 2009, but has since steadily recovered to more than \$90 today.

The other catalyst was one the tribe has seen coming for years: It has already drilled much of what the San Juan Basin has to offer, and it's time to look for fresh reserves elsewhere. Zahradnik said that while most of Red Willow's past investment has been in local production, new forecasting suggests 80 percent of the company's revenues could come from off reservation going forward.

One area of particular interest is in the Gulf of Mexico, where the tribe owns portions of deepwater drilling projects that, according to forecasts, could account for a third of Red Willow's total oil volume by 2016. Plans call for increasing capital investment in the gulf over the next few years while spending in the San Juan Basin scales back.

"We're getting your portfolio more balanced," Zahradnik said.

In the meantime, Red Willow's earnings remain lower than budgeted due to the low natural gas prices. To offset the shortfall, the company has reduced operating expenses and invested more conservatively.

Panther Energy, a Growth Fund-owned company in Tulsa, Okla., continues to look for drilling opportunities in Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas. Zahradnik said several large companies are looking at buying the company, which the Growth Fund would consider under favorable terms.

On the gas gathering side, Red Cedar Gathering Co. continues to expand its system

TOURISM

Dancers promote 'geotourism'

By Rachel Shockley
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Heritage Dancers joined the National Geographic Society and partners from the Four Corners on Saturday, June 2 to invite tourists to experience the local history, culture and wilderness.

National Geographic has named the Four Corners area a "geotourism destination" and launched an interactive website and map to promote its many natural attractions. The launch of the Four Corners Region Geotourism MapGuide at Aztec Ruins National Monument in Aztec, N.M., drew dignitaries and visitors from all over to tour the ruins and enjoy cultural dancing with help from Ignacio-based drum group 12 Gauge.

Approximately 65 million

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Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute Royalty members Izabella Howe and Brianna GoodTracks lead dancers in an exhibition powwow at the National Geographic Four Corners Geotourism MapGuide launch at the Aztec Ruins National Monument in Aztec, N.M., on Saturday, June 2.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Spearheading the Southern Ute Cultural Preservation Department, Elise Redd and Tara Vigil set up an informational booth at the event. Also in their company was Southern Ute elder Ella-Louise Weaver.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

A visitor to the Aztec Ruins explores the extensive network of rooms in the site itself, architectural remnants of the ancestral Puebloan civilization that once thrived in the region.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

IGNACIO

TERO, ENVIRONMENTAL MOVING TO NEW BUILDING

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Tribal Employment Rights Office and Environmental Programs Division will be moving from the Annex Building during the last week of June to the new Justice & Regulatory Building located behind the Tribal Court. These divisions are part of the tribe's Justice & Regulatory Department.

CASINO TO HOST FISH AND WILDLIFE CONFERENCE

The 27th annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society's Southwest Regional Conference will take place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, July 24-26. This year's conference theme is "Honoring Mother Earth, Preserving Our Native Teachings, Adapting for the Future." Registration is on-site only and is \$175. Hotel rooms have been blocked at a rate of \$112 per night; to reserve, call 970-563-7777 or 888-842-4180. For more information, call Norman Jojola at 505-753-1451 or Joe Jojola at 505-563-3408.

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.

BAYFIELD

FIRECRACKER 5K RUN SLATED FOR 4TH OF JULY

Bayfield's Fourth of July Celebration will start at Joe Stephenson Park at 8 a.m. Registration forms are available at Your Running Store, the Bayfield Town Hall, Gardenschwartz, and online at www.skillsforlivingandlearning.org.

DURANGO

MEET THE TRUCKS

It's back! Skills for Living and Learning's Meet the Trucks fundraiser will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 30 at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. Admission is \$3 per person; kids three and under are free. Food and face painting will be available for purchase. "Honk free" from 10 to 10:45 a.m. What's better than a birthday party? A birthday party at Meet the Trucks! The \$150 Birthday Party Package for eight includes a reserved table with themed decorations including table cover, plates, cups, napkins, utensils and a bag favor of party favors; a sheet cake with theme decorations, hot dogs, chips and drinks; a choice of Monster Trucks, Race Cars or Construction Equipment theme; free passes for Meet the Trucks For eight children and two adults; and a choice of three 90-minute time slots between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Call 970-884-3259 before June 20 to schedule. For more info, visit www.skillsforlivingandlearning.org.

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 except for the second Wednesday of each month at the Durango Public Library from 6 to 7 p.m. in Program Room 3. For more information, call 970-247-7670.

MANY MOONS AGO



10 years ago

Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

Viewed from atop the Bayfield Center, smoke plumes from the Missionary Ridge Fire. The Southern Ute crew began work that night to stop the fire. This photo first appeared in the June 18, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



20 years ago

Arnold Santistevan/SU Drum archive

Miss Southern Ute Sheila Ryder leads guests in a round dance. This photo first appeared in the June 13, 1992, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



30 years ago

courtesy Sunshine Smith

First charter members and officers of American Legion Post 36 Taylor Washington Box: (standing) Herman Brown, Fritz Box, Walter Scott, Eddie Box Sr., Dorothy Box, Sunshine Smith and Mr. Pino; (seated) officers of Post 28 Trujillo-Sheets of Durango. This photo first appeared in the June 18, 1982, edition of The Southern Ute Drum. Photo taken approx. 1946.

Conversational Ute Class

Friday, June 15 - Aug. 3, 12 - 1 p.m.

Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum, large classroom

Open to all, just show up or call the Cultural Preservation Department for more information at 970-563-4788. Ute speakers will be teaching this class. Fine tune your skills in pronunciation and practice speaking Ute. All levels of knowledge are welcome.

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Oberly bids farewell



Christopher R. Rizzo/SU Drum

Ute Cultural Preservation Department Director Stacey Oberly, here pictured with Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum Executive Director Lynn Brittner, thanked fellow employees and supporters during an emotional farewell on Wednesday, May 30. Oberly is leaving her post to return to academia, where she will document Ute culture and language by video and audio.

Theme and Artwork Contest for the 92nd annual Southern Ute Fair

The Southern Ute Cultural Department announces Theme and Artwork Contest for the 92nd Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair.

Deadline to submit is 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug 10

All art work should be turned in or submitted to the Southern Ute Cultural Preservation Department located at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum PO Box 737 #88, Ignacio, CO 81137

Contact: Special Events Coordinator Tara Vigil at tvigil@southern-ute.nsn.us or 970-563-0100 ext. 3624

Cultural classes and programs

Scrapbooking

June 16
Southern Ute Education Center
Have fun preserving your memories, photos & souvenirs! Some supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. Bring your creativity & imagination.

Beginning Beading I

June 23, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Southern Ute Museum Craft Room
In this class you will learn the skills of bead working. This class is for beginners and for those needing a refresher. You will learn to make designs, and use color, in loom beading and lazy stitch. Please bring scissors, rippers, bead containers and a project bag. Optional- bring your own loom and supplies. Other Indians are welcome, must provide own supplies.

Beginning Beading II

July 7, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Southern Ute Museum Craft Room
In this class you will learn the skills of bead working. This class is for beginners and for those needing a refresher. You will learn to make designs, and use color, will make key chain using peyote stitch and a rosette or appliqued design of your own. Please

bring scissors, rippers, bead containers and a project bag. Optional- bring your own supplies. Other Indians are welcome, must provide own supplies.

Attention tribal members

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is now accepting applications on a first come, first serve basis. There 20 scholarships available at this time. The scholarships are for tribal members who are interested in attending a vocational training school or a junior college that have certificate programs. In order for students to attend any school it has to be an accredited and approved by (CHEA) Council of Higher Education Accreditation. There is no deadline for the certificate program, since some vocational training schools are year round.

Education Internship Program

The Southern Ute Adult Occupational Training Program is accepting applications for tribal members who are interested in working for six months as an intern.

Call Luana Herrera at the Southern Ute Education Department 970-563-0237 for more information or to sign up for any of these classes.

Powwow Trails

53rd Annual Eastern Shoshone Indian Days June 21 – 24

South Fork Road • Fort Washakie, WY
Contact: George Abeyta 307-349-5664

15th Annual Peoria Powwow June 22 – 24

60610 East 90 Rd. • Miami, OK
Contact: Frank Hecksher 918-540-2535
Email: fhecksher@peoriatribe.com

Northern Ute Celebration Powwow June 28 – July 1

Fort Duchesne, UT
Contact: Albert Lance Manning 435-219-2208,
Bruce Pargeets 435-828-7032, Judy Pargeets 435-725-4079
or Percel Cesspooch 435-401-8171

Sacred Stars Traditional Contest Powwow June 29 – 30

Mile Post 411 HWY. 163 • Monument Valley, UT
Contact: Ray Gray
Phone: 928-313-5414
Email: graydebbie_90@hotmail.com

UTE LANGUAGE

This is your language

'icha'ara muni 'apaghapi 'ura-'ay

By Tom Givón
UTE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

10. Ute verbs

Verbs are the most complex word-class in Ute, and indeed in any language. Verbs constitute the **core** of the meaning of most utterances. By using verbs, we can describe **states** or **events** we observe now, imagine as future, or remember from the past. Classifying the types of possible verbs means classifying the types of possible state or events in our world (see a later column).

In terms of their structure (**morphology**), Ute verbs most commonly begin with the **verb stem** followed by, potentially, a variety of **verb suffixes**. Unlike English, where verb stems can be, by themselves, full words (e.g. 'break,' 'sit,' 'jump,' 'give,' 'want,' 'think,' etc.), in Ute the verb stem must take at least some suffix(es), and possibly many. In this column and the next, we will consider the most common verb suffixes, which may be combined to yield increasingly complex verbal words.

10.1. The plural-subject suffix

For most verbs, the suffix **-ka** follows the stem when the subject is plural (but not dual). This suffix has several variants that are determined by the preceding vowel, as in:

SG-subject		PL-subject	
káa-y	'(s/he) is singing'	káa- qha -y	'(they) are singing'
'ivi-y	'(s/he) is drinking'	'ivi- kya -y	'(they) are drinking'
túsu-i	'(s/he) is grinding'	túsu- kwa -y	'(they) are grinding'
pə'ə-y	'(s/he) is writing'	pə'ə- qwa -y	'(they) are writing'
karɰ-i	'(s/he) is sitting'	karɰ- ka -y	'(they) are sitting'

For a small group of location or motion verb, totally different verb stems are used for plural subjects, as in:

SG-subject		PL-subject	
'avi-y	'(s/he) is lying (down)'	kwavi-y	'(they) are lying (down)'
paghay-'wa-y	'(s/he) is walking'	pəre-i	'(they) are walking'
pagha-'ni-y	'(s/he) is walking about'	miya-'ni-y	'(they) are walking about'
wunɰ-i	'(s/he) is standing'	yu'wi-y	'(they) are standing'
karɰ-i	'(s/he) is sitting'	yugwi-y	'(they) are sitting'
yuchi-y	'(s/he) is flying'	yáasi-y	'(they) are flocking'
pui-y	'(s/he) is sleeping'	kway-i	'(they) are sleeping'

10.2. The causative suffix

The causative suffix **-ti** is used when a human/animate subject causes a human/animate object to perform an action, as in:

a. Simple:	tuka-qha-y		
	eat-PL-IMM		'(they) are eating'
b. Causative:	'uway	tuka-qha-ti-(y)	
	3s/O	eat-PL-CAUS-IMM	'(they) are making him/her eat'

10.3. The benefactive suffix

The benefactive suffix **-ku** must be used when the action is performed for the **benefit** of some human/animate object, as in:

a. Simple:	kumɰy	túsu-kwa-y	
	corn/O	grind-PL-IMM	'(they) are grinding corn'
b. Benefactive:	mamachi	'uway	kumɰy túsu-kwa-ku-y
	woman/O	the/O	corn/O grind-PL-BEN-IMM
			'(they) are grinding corn for the woman'

10.4. The passive suffix

The passive suffix **-ta** is used when one wishes to mask the identity of the subject, as in:

a. Active:	kumɰy	túsu-kwa-y	
	corn/O	grind-PL-IMM	'(they) are grinding corn'
b. Passive:	kumɰy	túsu-kwa-ta-y	
	corn/O	grind-PL-PASS-IMM	'someone (PL) is grinding corn,' 'corn is being ground'

10.5. Tense-aspect-modality suffixes

The tense-aspect-modality (T-A-M) system of Ute is complex, and what we give here is just the tip of the iceberg. In general, **tense** has to do with the **time** of the event/state relative to the **time of speech**: preceding (past), simultaneous (present) or following (future). **Aspect** has to do with the internal temporal organization of the state/event. And **modality** has to do with whether the event is considered real or unreal. The most common T-A-M forms in Ute are:

a. Immediate:	káa-ka-ta-y	'some people (PL) are singing'
	sing-PL-PASS-IMM	
b. Future:	káa-ta-vaa-ni	'someone (SG) will sing'
	sing-PASS-IRR-FUT	
c. Anterior:	káa-kha-ta-qha	'some people (PL) sang'
	sing-PL-PASS-ANT	
d. Remote:	káa-ta-puga	'someone (SG) sang' (long ago)
	sing-PASS-REM	
e. Habitual:	káa-kha-ta-miya	'some people (PL) sing'
	sing-PL-PASS-HAB	

10.6. Negation

Ute uses a pattern of **double negation**, with both a prefix and suffix. The negative suffix **-wa** always appears on the verb. The negative prefix **ka-** can either appear on the verb or, in its full form **kách-**, as a word somewhere earlier in the clause. Compare:

a. Affirmative:	wúuka-qha-y	'they are working'
	work-PL-IMM	
b. Negative-I:	ka-wúuka-qha-wa(-y)	'they are not working'
	NEG-work-PL-NEG-IMM	
c. Negative-II:	kach-amú wúuka-qha-wa(-y)	'they are not working'
	NEG-they work-PL-NEG-IMM	

Many of the tense-aspects in Ute have their own special negative-suffix pattern, as in:

a. Future, AFF:	káa-vaani	'(s/he) will sing'
	sing-FUT	
b. Future, NEG:	ka-qhaa-vaa-'wa-ni	'(s/he) will not sing'
	NEG-sing-MOD-NEG-FUT	
c. Anterior, AFF:	káa-qha	'(s/he) sang'
	sing-ANT	
d. Anterior, NEG:	ka-qhaa-na	'(s/he) didn't sing'
	NEG-sing-ANT/NEG	
e. Remote, AFF:	káa-puga	'(s/he) sang (long ago)'
	sing-REM	
f. Remote, NEG:	ka-qhaa-pua	'(s/he) didn't sing (long ago)'
	NEG-sing-REM/NEG	

In the next column we will finish the discussion of the structure of verbs.

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KIDNEY CORNER

Key info in the urine

By Dr. Mark Saddler
DURANGO NEPHROLOGY
ASSOCIATES

"My doctor asked me for a urine specimen. What was he looking for?"

There are many tests that can be done on a urine specimen. The most common is urine analysis, commonly called "urinalysis." This is usually collected as a "clean catch" urine specimen, from the middle of the stream of urine, with care taken to avoid contamination of the urine.

The initial step is to do a "dipstick" test. The dipstick is an ingenious way of testing for a number of chemical constituents of the urine in a single step. It comprises a plastic strip with small squares at intervals along the strip.

Each square has a chemical indicator designed to look for a specific substance in the urine. One square turns green when there is protein in the urine, another changes color when there is blood in the urine, and so on.

There is some variation in the exact types of substances



tested, but most test for protein, blood, white blood cells (and sometimes other indicators for urine infection), and another shows how concentrated the urine is. This test takes one to two minutes and is very useful for screening for a variety of problems in a short time.

With regard to assessing the urine for protein, dipstick urinalysis is useful for screening. However, it's often important to measure the absolute concentration of this protein in the urine more accurately.

This is done by a separate chemical analysis in the lab. The protein concentration can be very useful for monitoring the success of treatment, for example when treating dia-

betic kidney disease.

The next step in a routine urinalysis is to examine the urine under the microscope. The urine sample is placed in a centrifuge to concentrate the cellular elements, then a slide is made with a drop of the concentrated urine.

Usually, no staining is necessary, so this can be done quite quickly — the centrifuge usually takes about five minutes. This enables a direct view of the cells in the urine and this can be tremendously useful in diagnosing the type of kidney disease.

White blood cells are usually present in urine infections, and in some forms of inflammation of the kidneys. Red blood cells are always abnormal, though they can of course come from anywhere in the urinary tract, and the shape of the red cells can give a clue to where they came from.

Small amounts of protein coming through the tubules of the kidneys can sometimes form "casts" that can trap cells or fragments, which can give important diagnostic clues about kidney disease.

Client of the year



courtesy Visiting Angels of Southwest Colorado

Visiting Angels Home Care of Southwest Colorado honored Angelina Weaver on Saturday, May 26 with its first annual Client of the Year Award. Weaver was recognized for making the lives of those who work with her at Visiting Angels better through her perseverance, cheerfulness and overall gracious manner in receiving care. Surrounding Weaver are proud family members (left to right) Casey Naranjo, Angelina Weaver, Nathan Maze, grandfather Alden Naranjo Jr., (back row) Katrina Martinez, Ashley Vicenti, father Dennis Vicenti, Starlene Naranjo and Arlan Vicenti.

United Blood Services mobile drives June 11 – 16

MONDAY, JUNE 11

Mancos Community, Community Center
3:30 – 6:30 p.m.
130 Grand Ave., Mancos

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
910 East Third Ave., Durango

Pagosa Springs Community
CrossRoad Christian Fellowship
2:30 – 6:30 p.m.
1044 Park Ave., Pagosa Springs

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

Pagosa Springs Community
CrossRoad Christian Fellowship
2:30 – 6:30 p.m.
1044 Park Ave., Pagosa Springs

Maria's Bookshop
3 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
960 Main Ave., Durango

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

Morehart Murphy Auto Center
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
33 Parker/30 Parker, Durango

Red Mesa LDS Church, Church Gym
3 – 6 p.m.
6848 Hwy. 140, Hesperus

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

Storyteller Theaters
11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
900 Trans Lux Dr., Durango
One movie ticket will be given to each donor.

Give a pint and get a pint of delicious Dreyer's ice cream. Dreyer's ice cream for donors at selected blood drives in May and June. We thank our sweet heroes at Dreyer's for donating your pint of yummy ice cream. You don't even have to share!

Durango Office
146 Sawyer Dr., Durango
Weekly Draw Hours
Monday & Tuesday: 1 – 6 p.m.
Friday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday: Blood Mobiles
Saturday: CLOSED

Any donor that wishes to donate at any of the Colorado area drives please call to schedule an appointment or get more information at 970-385-4601. Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. or sign up online at www.bloodhero.com. Donors please have identification at time of donation.

SUNUTE UPDATE

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



TRI-UTE MEETING

Join us at the Multi-purpose Facility on Wednesday, June 20 at 5:30 p.m. for a Tri-Ute informational meeting. Food will be provided. We are also looking for volunteer coaches. If you are an interested youth or coach, please come and receive more information regarding the upcoming Tri-Ute Games in Towaoc on July 24 - 27.

TRI-UTE GAMES

Now accepting participant and coach/chaperone registrations at SunUte front desk. Ages 9-18. Sports: Basketball, volleyball, golf, archery, bowling, swimming, cross country, ultimate warrior (triathlon), skateboard, handgames. All enrolled members and descendants of the Southern Ute, Ute Mountain Ute and Northern Ute tribes are eligible. Games will start July 24 and end on July 27 in Towaoc, Colo.

SUNUTE SUMMER SWIM LESSONS

Registration begins May 4. First session begins June 4. We are offering two-week sessions starting June 4. Classes will be 40 minutes long on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A two-week session is \$36. Enrolled tribal members are free. Maximum of six children per class. Maximum age is 4 years old. Provided in cooperation with the American Red Cross' Learn to Swim Program. Sessions: June 4-15, June 18-29, July 9-20 and Aug. 6-17. If you want a specific time, please sign up soon. Levels: Level 1: Comfort. Introduction to water. Submerge face, kicking, bobbing, floating, and introduction to front crawl. Level 2: Stroke development. Front crawl, back crawl, breaststroke, elementary backstroke and rotary breathing. Level 3: Skills building. Deep-water treading, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, butterfly, flip turns, diving, etc. Parent/tots class: Only offered during Session 1 at 9 a.m. This class is for children ages 6 months to 3 years. Parents or guardians will have fun in the water with their children exploring water, games and safety. Times: 9 – 9:40 a.m., 9:45 – 10:25 a.m.,

and 10:30 – 11:10 a.m. (Level I, II & III). Classes may be divided by age depending upon enrollment. Sign up at the front desk after May 4 and pay for the class to hold your spot.

GEOCACHING CLUB

Fun way for kids to hike and learn how to use a GPS device to find hidden treasures and caches. Two three-week sessions will be offered. Session 1 will be every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting June 12 and ending June 26. Session 2 will be every Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting June 15 and ending June 29. Ages 8-14. \$30 fee; tribal members are free.

ADVENTURE CLUB

Kids will have fun biking, hiking, rock climbing, and exploring the outdoors. Starts July 5 and will take place every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Last day of club is Aug. 2. Ages 8-18. \$20 fee; tribal members are free.

FLAG FOOTBALL OFFICIALS WANTED

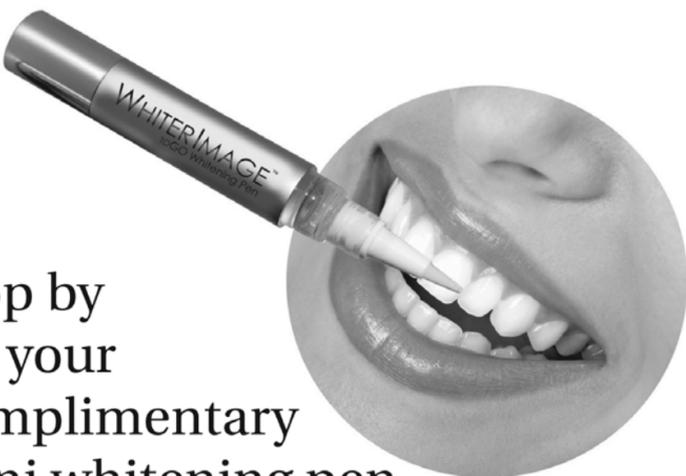
Previous experience or knowledge of flag football rules required. Games will be on Sundays starting July 15 for men, women, and co-ed. For information, call Susan Velasquez at SunUte.

SAN IGNACIO SOFTBALL TOURNEY

July 28-29 for men and women. \$300 entry fee. Deadline to register is Thursday, July 26 at 5 p.m. We take phone payments, and accept Visa, Mastercard and Discover. First-, second- and third-place prizes. All-tourney and MVP awards. Men's team will hit their own core .44, and women will hit core .47. Only approved ASA bats on current bat list will be allowed!

ARCHERY CLUB

Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Archery Club has started at the SunUte Archery Range. Registration is still open. Youth ages 8 to 17 welcome. No experience necessary. Learn basic archery fundamentals and have some fun doing it. Free!



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Students head to D.C.



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Parents wish their sons and daughters well as the students stand for a group portrait alongside group leaders outside the Southern Ute Education Center before their Albuquerque departure on Monday, June 4. The group is travelling to Washington, D.C., with chaperones from the Southern Ute Education Department in an educational expedition. Students and faculty have been raising funds at various events in anticipation of the summer field trip to the nation's capital.

Youth ready for summer work



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute Summer Youth Program worker Chloe Siebel and others gather for an orientation session in the Multi-purpose Facility on Monday, June 11.

International students return



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Eddie Jr. and Betty Box opened their doors once again to the travelling educational experience that is AFS Intercultural Programs during Bear Dance weekend. On Tuesday, May 29, the students paid a visit to Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council, finishing with a group portrait in Veterans Park. The young travellers hail from countries across the globe, including Tunisia, Thailand, Italy, Syria, Brazil, Morocco and Kuwait. The program, which explores cultures of the American West, is based out of California and has a longstanding history of visiting the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.



Attentive on day one, summer interns sit alongside their peers during the orientation session.

Education Department Director La Titia Taylor stands with Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. during welcome remarks.

To all Southern Ute graduates

There was a misprinted date on all invitations that were sent out to this year's high school and college grads. The date printed on the invitations was Friday, June 23 the day is incorrect. The correct date of the graduation banquet is Saturday, June 23. So please keep this in mind when making plans to attend.

Thank you, from all of us at the Education Department.

ROAD RUNNER TRANSIT

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HEAD START UPDATE

HEAD START NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start/Early Head Start program in Ignacio is now accepting applications for the 2012-2013 school year. Head Start serves children from three to five years of age and Early Head Start serves prenatal women, as well as children from six weeks to three years of age. We encourage families of children with special needs to apply. There is no charge to qualifying families, regardless of income.

OUR SERVICE AREA FOR RECRUITING HAS EXPANDED

Our service area for recruiting has expanded. The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start/Early Head Start program is now taking applications for enrollment in the Bayfield area: west to County Road 509, south of U.S. Highway 160, and east to County Roads 526/523. Transportation is available for Head Start students only. For an application or for more information, call, stop by, or visit www.sucap.org. Contact a Head Start/Early Head Start family advocate at 970-563-4566.

Summer Computer Build this June

For Southern Ute, JOM, & Descendant Students Grades 6-12

Keep the Computer You Build!



Space is limited so register soon. Only 10 spots available.

Date: 06/20/12-06/22/12

Time: 9:00am—4:30pm

Where: Southern Ute Department of Education Building
330 Burns Ave.
Ignacio, Co 81137

Join us this summer to build real working computers and learn the importance of continuing your math and science education.

Contact: Michael Kirsch (970) 563-0237 ext. 2795 for registration information. Please leave a message if no one is available

EDUCATION UPDATE

EDUCATION ANNOUNCES GED TEST DATES

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: June 1, July 13 and Aug. 3. The test is held the first Friday of every month at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953. Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 ext. 2784 or 970-749-1953 for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program.

The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will be thrown out and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.

EDUCATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

The Southern Ute Education Department would also like to announce that the deadline for full-time scholarship requests for the 2012-2013 academic school year will be July 2 at 5 p.m. Incomplete or late applications WILL NOT be considered for full time. NO EXCEPTIONS!



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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio High School defender Jasmine Red blasts away, to safety, a Telluride attack during road action in 2012. She was an Honorable Mention All-SWL selection this season.

IHS GIRLS' SOCCER

Kickers collect All-SWL nods

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Late-arriving laurels are indeed better than none at all.

After enduring another lump-filled, lesson-learning season on the Southwestern League's pitches, three Ignacio Lady Bobcat soccer standouts received All-SWL recognition.

Now-senior Destinee Lucero and now-graduated Abeth Okall were IHS's representatives on the 20-player First Team, while now-junior Jasmine Red was one of the loop's 10 Honorable Mention choices.

Lucero led the Cats (1-11-0 overall) with four goals during the 2012 season, often set up for scoring chances by Okall, and Red — usually a defender — found the back of the net once.

Head coach Andrew Fenity revealed, as an aside at IHS's Athletic Banquet, he won't be back in 2013. He said he had informed the team at its final group dinner, prior to the great gathering, hoping to lessen the sting.

It didn't really work as hoped.

"It became a real cry-fest," he admitted, hardly denying participation.



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio head coach Andrew Fenity congratulates Angel Paul (5) in Pagosa Springs for her work this spring after the Lady Bobcats' final match. Fenity has revealed that after a few seasons, he will turn over the program's reins to someone else in 2013.

2012 ALL-SWL FIRST TEAM

Blake Faucett, Alamosa
Amanda Martinez, Alamosa
Tayleur Hillis, Alamosa
Sanna Penton, Bayfield
Keenan Moreta, Bayfield
Jaylie Ross, Bayfield
Effie Nistler, Bayfield
Lindsey Reinmuth, Bayfield
Grace Stults, Center
Abeth Okall, Ignacio
Destinee Lucero, Ignacio
Maddy Davey, Pagosa Springs
Anissa Lucero, Pagosa Springs
Audrey Jossi, Ridgway
Lauren Gleason, Ridgway
Allie Morris, Ridgway

Halli Benasutti, Ridgway
Ryan Hanley, Telluride
Toni Hill, Telluride
Sonja Erickson, Telluride

HONORABLE MENTION

Alamosa — Nicole Broyles
Bayfield — Breetta Moe, Jordyn Harrison
Center — Latisha Valencia
Ignacio — Jasmine Red
Pagosa Springs — Katie Blue
Ridgway — Grace Benasutti, Leta McNatt
Telluride — Molly Mitchell, Jessi Solomon

IHS BOYS' BASKETBALL

Cat has All-State claws

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Who are all these guys? Ignacio's Shane Richmond had just a few days to figure out the answer, and then one day to utilize it as part of the Black Team at the 56th Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games, held June 5-9 in Alamosa.

Of course, the final product — not just for the Black, coached by Class 2A Evangelical Christian Academy's Don Bost and Olathe's Lance Ready, but also the White, Red, and Blue crews — was what drew fans to the courts at AHS and, ultimately, Adams State College's Plachy Hall. But the experience of being summoned to ball with many of Colorado's best had to be honor enough for the Bobcats' rock in the paint.

A Denver Post Honorable Mention All-2A selection, Richmond's one-off teammates included ECA's Cameron Dillavou, OHS's Taylor Carlson (H.M. All-3A), Simla's Dustin Jenkins (H.M. All-1A), 4A Windsor's Aaron Schmidt, Montrose's Nate Hawley (H.M. All-4A), Green Mountain's Ryan Stephan (H.M. All-4A), 1A Bethune's Wiat Ziegler,



Joel priest/SU Drum archive

Ignacio's Shane Richmond will play in the Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games June 5 - 9.

Fountain-Fort Carson's Brent Jackson (H.M. All-5A), and 3A Manitou Springs' Jesse Megyeri — the lone Post First Team All-Classification choice on the roster.

The San Juan Basin League also had a 1A representative in Norwood's Nick Rushing, named to the White, led by Ken Rutt of Westminster-based The Academy (3A) and 1A Walsh's Ryan Renquist.

Recently-retired Dick Katte of 2A state champs Denver Christian and Ryan Voehringer of 3A Valley

(Gilcrest) skipped the Red at the ASG's, with 4A Broomfield's Terrence Dunn and 2A Byers' Jeremy Kerns guiding the Blue.

Attempts to receive results from Games Director Sandy Beasley had not been successful before the Drum's deadline. ASC Associate AD/Sports Information Director Chris Day said in an email that no "official" statistics would be kept, though there would be an unofficial book for basketball — perhaps simply to keep track of who all saw action.

Ignacio Men's Summer Softball League (through June 4)

Team	W	L	Pct.	Us/Them
Duke's Deadly Doz.	6	0	1.000	164/64
Pine Valley Church	5	1	.833	93/71
SoCo/D.W.A.I.	3	3	.500	116/87
Heroes' Jag. Bmbrs.	2	4	.333	91/124
Poquito C'mprss'n	1	5	.167	52/93
GM Crew	1	4	.200	58/135

Ignacio Co-Ed Summer Softball League (through June 6)

Team	W	L	Pct.	Us/Them
Chix-N-Stix	6	0	1.000	148/43
DTF	3	3	.500	60/106
S & S	2	4	.333	56/82
SunUte	1	5	.167	51/84

Men's games played Monday nights, starting 6:30 p.m., at Silva Memorial Field.

— compiled by Joel Priest



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Who: **Enrolled Tribal members and Tribal Descendants**

Age Groups: **9-18**

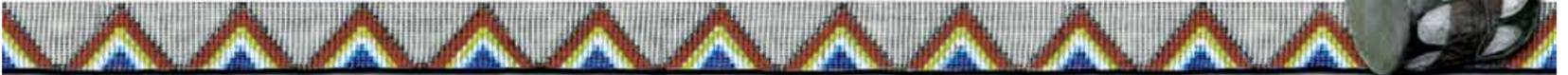
The purpose of the games is to come together so our children can get to know each other better, to foster friendship between the Northern Ute, Southern Ute, and the Ute Mountain Ute tribes.

For more information please contact the SunUte Recreation Department.

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****Coaches/ Volunteers needed****





Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute Heritage Dancers encourage participation during their dance performance in Aztec, N.M. Greg Bison leads the round dance.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

A visitor reads up on the history of areas within the ancestral Puebloan site as a small group explores the underground chambers and connecting corridors.

DANCERS HEADLINE GEOTOURISM EVENT • FROM PAGE 1

“geotourists” from around the world are looking for experiential vacations where they can rub shoulders with the locals, according to National Geographic. The new map provides more than 800 suggestions, recommended by locals.

Geotourism MapGuides Coordinator Jim Dion said he hopes the map will answer the question: “What can people do here in this place that they can do no place else?”

“Travelers are risk averse,” he said. “By indexing sites and introducing people to these sites before they commit, we can inspire people to go to places they wouldn’t normally go.”

“I love dancing. It’s my tradition. I dance for my family and my people, and for people who aren’t able to dance.”

– Greg Bison, tribal member

By attending local events, visiting local places and patronizing local businesses, geotourists will get a glimpse of what life is like here in the Four Corners — and National Geographic is betting they’re going to like it. The locals might, too: Statistically geotourists spend

more money, stay longer, and care more about the culture and environment of the places they visit.

Members of the Southern Ute Royalty led the procession of Heritage Dancers during a grand entry exhibition at the ruins. Women, followed by the men, showcased several styles of dancing and regalia for the crowd. The Southern Ute Cultural Preservation Department also manned a booth to answer questions and promote Ute culture and heritage.

AZTEC FIESTA DAYS

The Heritage Dancers also performed at Minium Park for the annual Aztec Fiesta Days later that day. Crowds of locals and visitors cheered on the 18 dancers as they exhibited the beauty and athleticism of traditional Native American dance. They finished the events with a round dance, inviting spectators to experience a little Ute culture for themselves by joining in.

“I love dancing,” said Heritage Dancer and Southern Ute tribal member Greg Bison after the round dance. “It’s my tradition. I dance for my family and my people, and for people who aren’t able to dance.”

Regarding how many people he has taught to dance, he said simply, “I’ve lost count.”

MAKING OF THE MAP

The Four Corners Region Geotourism Map-



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Fancy Dancer Greg Bison moves to the drums during the Men’s dance exhibition.

Guide is a culmination of two years of collaboration between tribes, governments, businesses and locals. All 800-plus sights were recommended by locals and reviewed by National Geographic Maps and the Four Corners Region Geotourism Stewardship Council.

Print maps can be purchased for \$11.95 and show 100 of the total sites, broken into four categories: archeology; outdoor recreation; water and geology; and art, music, and culture. Captions

and information on select sites make it easy to find events or places that are interesting to visit.

All the sites can be explored in detail online at www.fourcornersgeotourism.com. Here locals can also make recommendations to add to the map over time.

Places and events on the map include the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum, the Chimney Rock Archaeological Area, the Ute Mountain Roundup Uteodeo, and Ute Mountain Tribal Park.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Ignacio-based drum group 12 Gauge provides traditional drumming for the cultural presentation.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Randy Doyebi Jr. dances during the Aztec Fiesta Days celebration, which took place at Minium Park on Saturday, June 2.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute tribal members don traditional regalia as part of their cultural dance performance.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The great kiva is a reconstructed centerpiece for the Aztec Ruins cultural site, offering an opportunity to explore the cultural history of the region.



Youth take to fishing at Capote



Kicking back in the cool of the morning, anglers fish from the banks.



A small blue gill was reeled in to the young, enthusiastic angler who hooked it.

On Tuesday, June 5, the SunUte Community Center's Recreation staff hosted a fishing field trip to Lake Capote under pristine blue skies. Open to youth from eight to 18, the staffers gave summer students a chance to get their lines in the water and share some quality outdoor time with peers on the tribally owned reservoir.

Photos by **Jeremy Wade Shockley**
The Southern Ute Drum



Brothers took to the water as a team, netting some of the first catches of the day.



Some took it upon themselves to tie and bait their own hooks during the Lake Capote excursion.



A floating pier made for an added adventure, while others fished from the shore.

FLY FISHING

Bass fishermen have more gear than fly fishermen

By **Don Oliver**
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Not long ago, a friend of mine asked me to fish in a bass tournament the local bass club was hosting.

Having never fished in a bass tournament, I jumped at the chance. After accepting the invitation, I let my friend know I would be using my fly rod. I was assured no one would laugh at me; I just needed to fish a bass tournament-legal fly rod.

A legal fly rod is a rod no longer than eight feet. This was no problem. Being a well-equipped fly fisherman, I thought I had more equipment than anyone in the area. Was I ever wrong!

After the invitation was made and accepted, I started to remember how bass fishing was when I was a kid. That was a really long time ago. Back then, you went fishing with a casting rod, maybe a spinning rod, and a tackle box made out of something other than plastic holding maybe a dozen lures.

You got into an 18-foot aluminum boat powered by an 18-horsepower motor. You caught bass, put them on a stringer, cleaned them, then cooked and ate them. My, how times have changed!

I was told — a day before we were to fish, presumably so I wouldn't back out — that we would meet at 4:45



a.m., then drive an hour to the lake to meet all the other fishermen. We met the others at sunup, and that is when I began to notice the extent to which things have changed since I was a kid.

All the boats were 20 feet long, would hold only two people, and looked like rocket ships. They were all powered with motors having at least 200 horsepower and had trolling motors big enough to pull a water skier. All of this was towed by a three-quarter-ton diesel pickup.

To get everyone out of the marina in an orderly fashion, numbers were drawn for a starting position. You would have thought it was an Indy car race. When the "go" signal was given, everyone blasted off in an orderly fashion.

It was then a race to get to your favorite spot before someone else did. The boat I was in was going so fast that my jowls, once cute baby fat, were now flapping in the wind. Once at our first spot, the

boat captain manned his platform, grabbed one of the six rods lashed to the deck, and started fishing. I took my one fly rod, tied on a fly, and began to make my picture-perfect casts.

My first cast came after my boatmate had made 50 casts and changed rods twice. Not only did he have six pre-rigged rods on the deck, he had six more stowed in the rod locker, and a dozen plastic boxes full of lures in the tackle box locker. I had one rod and two fly boxes containing 50 flies: the sum total of my equipment.

Even with such a paltry array of equipment, I did catch a fair number of bass. I used three flies: a popper, a clouser, and something that looked like a small guppy. Now, I didn't win, but I didn't finish last. And I had a great time.

If you want to start bass fishing, in tournaments or just for yourself, I suggest you take the following items. Have a bass-legal rod plus an 8- or 9-weight rod, a floating line, with a 15-pound leader attached to it.

Bass are not particularly leader sensitive, so a 7-foot leader will be just fine. For flies, use streamers, hoppers, poppers, or anything that a bass would eat. Bass will eat anything.

Also, if you can get a rocket ship that doubles as a boat, bass fishing will take on a whole new dimension.

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EXAMPLE OF THE TAG.
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CULTURAL DEPT. THANK YOU

I would like to thank EVERYBODY who participated in our Bear Dance weekend of events. I hope you all had a good time and hope to see you all next year! I would especially like to thank the hard-working employees, companies, volunteers and Bear Dance Chief Mathew Box and Sub Chiefs Jake Ryder and Jonathan Chevarillo for making this year yet another blessed one. Without you all this would not have been possible.

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Events coordinator*

Southern Ute Cultural Preservation Department

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The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum for allowing me to utilize the museum to present my PEX (Professional Exhibition).

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*Once again thank you.
Respectfully,
Yvonne Phillips*

WHO AM I?

Stuck in the middle

*By Tim Yaw
NUUCIU BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH*

In my last column, we looked at the physical, or natural, realm of existence that is governed by our senses of hearing, sight, smell, taste and touch.

Natural science tells us that anything that cannot be detected by one of these senses does not exist. We disproved that theory by presenting the real person, the soul. The emotions and desires of our soul cannot be seen until they are manifested to the natural realm through the human body.

So although we cannot hear, see, smell, taste or touch our soul, emotions like love and hate are shown through the flesh, proving our soul exists. Unmanifested morality cannot be seen, yet it exists, and science has not been able to prove why people strive to be good or evil.

This is the supernatural, or spiritual, realm we proved through the functions of the soul's emotion, desire and will.

We further evidenced that our soul, as well as the natural realm, was created by an unseen creator in the spiritual realm. We cannot see this creator, but he is evidenced through the natural realm.

In proving this creator through miracles that cannot be explained by natural research, we showed him to have a personality that includes intelligence and love. Because this creator has a personality, we found him to be a person, and gave him the name God.

God has revealed himself to his human creation through the design and complexity of his creation. He has further revealed himself through a written autobiography we call the Bible.

As we previously saw, God's greatest revelation of himself was when he appeared and walked with his creation as the God-man, Jesus Christ. Further, we learned the purpose of Jesus Christ was to reconcile hu-

manity to him by paying a sin debt we were unable to pay that separated us from God. The penalty of our sin is an eternal separation from God.

The Bible tells us that God originally created humans as spiritual beings physically existing in the spiritual realm. How then, as spiritual beings, do humans exist in the natural realm today?

This is a legitimate question, and it goes back the time of creation. God created the existence we see today in five days. On the sixth day, God created man from the dirt of the Earth, then created woman from the man.

The man and woman lived in harmony in the presence of God. All animals were tame and God provided plants for food. Among the plants was a tree, which provided never-ending life for the couple. There was also another tree, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, in this utopia, of which the couple was not allowed to eat.

A created angel of God who became prideful and desired to be above God tempted the woman to eat from the forbidden tree, which she did, as well as convincing the man to eat of it.

This fallen angel, commonly referred to as Satan or the Devil, gained control over the man and woman because of their disobedience to God. They were separated from God, which resulted in an eventual physical death — as well as a spiritual death, which is the separation from God we have been talking about.

All humans to this day come through the sexual union of the man and woman and are born with a sin nature that is bent away from God. In other words, people are born prideful with a self-centered nature geared toward self-satisfaction. We strive to be good but are unable to do so completely.

The Bible tells us that no human is good, and all have fallen short of the righteousness and holiness of God. Because God can only have

a relationship with humans who are righteous and holy like him, sinful humans are separated from him.

This spiritual battle between Satan and God still exists today. The battle basically revolves around Satan's attempt to control humans by keeping them from the desired relationship with God. No matter what humans do or how good they think they are, they can never be righteous and holy without God's intervention.

Thus the need for Jesus' death and resurrection as atonement for human sin. As we have seen, sincere belief in what Jesus did for humankind is the only way our separation from God can be reconciled.

Satan still tries to convince humans there are other ways to be reconciled with God, thus deceiving them into an eternity of total separation from God. God made hell for Satan and his demonic angels, and Satan desires to take as many humans as he can with him.

As you can see, we are stuck in the middle of this spiritual battle, and we must choose a side. There is no in-between; we are either on the side of evil or the side of good. God has provided a way to the good through belief in Jesus Christ.

I encourage you to seek God's direction through Jesus today, so you will not have to live an eternal torment being separated from God. Go to God in prayer and ask him to reveal his desire for you.

In the next issue, we will look deeper into the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and fully examine the consequences of the disobedience of the first man and woman and how we are still affected by their action today. We will see why we have a tendency to want to do good and why we are unable to do so. With this knowledge, we will be able to understand who we are compared to our righteous and holy Creator.

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Birthdays, thanks & remembrances



Mattox, grand children, Jarius, Kayra, and Kayren and my significant other Ron for celebrating with me my graduation from Fort Lewis College.

I am truly blessed to have each of you in my life. Your words of encouragement and support have helped me to achieve in obtaining my BA degree in Early Childhood. I pray one day that I can give you back as much as you have given me.

Yvonne Phillips

IN REMEMBRANCE OF ANNA MARIE SCOTT

Anna Marie Scott was born to Flora Shoshone and Frank Howe. She was well known and respected in her community and was involved in various Tribal departments. Along with being involved in her community she also cared for children, which she later adopted. Anna's aunts and uncle were Edith Shoshone Burch, Jane, and Mary Shoshone along with her uncle Henry Shoshone, Jr.* This family was well known for their land which part of it was given to the town of Ignacio, which is why the town park is known as Shoshone Park.

As of today this family has grown over the years and will always remember her as a independent lady who cared and always had words of wisdom to share.

**She also had a brother named Rudolph Louie-Howe*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY BROTHER

Franklin Thompson on June 15.

From Rebecca and Mariah Thompson

BEAR DANCE THANK YOU

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Melinda Ortiz for her thoughtfulness and generosity.

Mel presented me with Bear Dance shirts on Friday before Bear Dance. The shirts were handcrafted by Jennifer GoodTracks. Thank you both!

I look forward to many Bear Dances in the future.

*Many thanks...
Jeremy Wade Shockley*

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MY FAMILY

Mom Phyllis Escalanti; aunts, Elsie Calabaza and family, Margie Borst and family, sisters and brothers, Becky and family, David and Lisa and family, Toni and Bev, Al and Joleen and family, my three children, Andre, Ashlea and Anthony

SHIFT CONTINUES TOWARD OIL • FROM PAGE 1

on the reservation, especially on the east side. Red Cedar gathers gas from 27 customer companies, treats it, and pipes it to an interstate pipeline.

"This has been a wildly successful investment for the tribe," Zahradnik said. "One percent of the entire United States natural gas supply flows through your pipe."

Aka Energy, which operates plants in southern New Mexico, among other places, treats another half a percent, he said. Aka is currently pursuing opportunities to contract for gathering services on the Marcellus Shale, a huge underground rock formation with untapped reserves that runs under parts of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia.

On the real estate front, the GF Real Estate Group continues to see success in its buildings in Denver, Kansas City, Lakewood and Durango. Recovery is the name of the game, Zahradnik said, as many real estate investments took place just before the economy tanked in 2008.

Zahradnik also gave an update on Southern Ute Alternative Energy, which has lagged behind other Growth Fund companies in generating a profit. It has abandoned plans for the Wheatgrass Ridge Wind Project with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe in Idaho and is exploring alternative uses for its Solix project that originally aimed to generate biofuels from algae. "This has been more of

a challenge. I won't lie to you," he said. "We're not seeing results."

Last on the list was the GF Private Equity Group, which is also shifting gears as its venture capital ambitions have fallen flat. Zahradnik said the group is increasingly investing in managed funds for diversification.

Following the presentations, tribal members had relatively few questions. Darlene Frost suggested getting rid of Solix, which Zahradnik said will happen unless it meets benchmarks.

Williamette Thompson, an auditor for Red Willow, urged tribal members to encourage their kids to earn college degrees so they could return to work for the Growth Fund.

*Thank you, from the
JOM Committee*



The JOM Committee would like to extend their thanks to the following, our JOM Banquet was successful because of you! Southern Ute Tribal Council.

Speakers Beth Santistevan, Bruce LeClaire and Liz Kent.

The NAYO Drum Group 'Young Bucks'. Clarence Smith, Elwood Kent, LaTitia Taylor, the Perry kids, and Ellen Baker.

We appreciate you!

Next issue

June 29

Deadline

June 22

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**astryker@
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TRIBAL OBITUARIES



SCOTT - Anna Marie Howe Scott, 88, last of the Shoshone family and a longtime resident of Ignacio, died May 29, 2012, in her home in Ignacio.

Anna was born March 8, 1924, to Frank Howe Jr., and Flora Shoshone Howe at her uncle Ed Howe's house on 172 north of where the new casino is now located.

She was raised in Ignacio, then moved to Mancos Creek with her father and mother and brother. She spent summers at their camp, and as a young lady she attended Ute Vocational School, where she graduated in a class of five students in 1945. The only one left is Chris Baker. In August 1946 she married Walter M. Scott. They lived in the Boys' Dormitory, later moving to North Carolina. When Walter finished his bachelor's degree, they moved back home and Walter got his master's degree from Adams State in Alamosa.

Walter started teaching school in Ignacio and Anna went to work for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and she was a council member under Council Chairman John Baker, Sr. she was in Council for two terms at a time when Council met in the old Rec Hall at Ute Park. She then worked for Tribal Services with Phoebe Heath, Isabel Kent, Vinnie Valdez, and Mack O'Neal. She retired in the 1980s.

Anna was Grand Marshal for the 91st Southern Ute Fair. Anna raised three sons and one daughter, a granddaughter and a grandson. She was well known in the community and she will be remembered for her spunky attitude and cheerful giggle and smile. She will be greatly missed by her family and close friends.

Anna was preceded in death by husband, Walter Scott, and son Clayborn Scott.

She is survived by son Daniel Weaver, Sr., grandson Daniel Weaver, Jr., daughter Roberta Scott, and granddaughter Krista Weaver, all of Ignacio. She is also survived by five grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

A rosary was recited at St. Ignatius Catholic Church Monday, June 4, 2012. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, June 5, 2012, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Burial occurred at Ignacio East Cemetery in Ignacio. Dinner was held at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility.



Casino does its part



courtesy Tracy McKellip/Sky Ute Casino Resort

Members of the Sky Ute Casino Resort management team hit the road, literally, on Wednesday, May 30 to spend the morning cleaning up trash along State Highway 172 north of the casino. As part of the Colorado Department of Transportation's Adopt-a-Highway program, the casino has taken care of the same stretch of road for 15 years. Pictured (left to right) are Leah Biard, Edward Box III, Lori Williams, Karena Miller, Melissa Kerrigan, Dustin Weaver and Leora Lucero.

Quoth the raven, 'Nevermore'



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Kirk Lashmett, water quality specialist for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Environmental Programs Division, holds a juvenile raven he rescued after it became entangled in twine hanging from its nest on the morning of Thursday, June 7.



Lashmett carefully cuts down the raven. He later delivered it to the Southern Ute Tribal Rangers, who planned to take it to a rehabilitation center to treat a broken leg.

The raven dangles precipitously from its nest.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Fence construction

The Southern Ute Wildlife Division is requesting proposals for 1.8 miles of fence construction adjacent to the La Plata River, located near Red Mesa, Colorado. Please email bzimmerm@southern-ute.nsn.us for the project

bidding documents or call 970-563-0130. The Southern Ute Tribe utilizes a hiring preference for certified Indian-owned businesses. For more information on receiving this preference, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

For fiscal year 2012-2013

Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Education of Ignacio School District 11 JT for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013.

Said budget is filed in the office of Superintendent of Schools where it is available

for public inspection. Such proposed budget will be considered for adoption at the scheduled board meeting on June 28, 2012 at the Board Meeting room at 5:30 p.m.

Any person paying school taxes in said district may at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget file or register his objection thereto.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Janitorial services of the SunUte Community Center

Owner:
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
SunUte Community Center
P.O. Box 737
290 Mouache Circle
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0214

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for a Professional Service Company to submit proposals to provide janitorial services to the SunUte Community Center located within the exterior boundaries of the reservation.

Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's SunUte Community Center Department located at 290 Mouache

Circle in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 1 PM MDT, Friday, June 22, 2012.

Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact Precious Collins for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0214 or pcollins@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. 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.

Colorado NRCS announces application cutoff date for 2013 EQIP funding

Deadline is Monday, July 2

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Colorado recently announced an application cutoff date of Monday, July 2, 2012, in order to be considered for 2013 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Submitted eligible applications that are received after July 2, 2012, will be considered during a later time and will be processed throughout the fiscal year as needed.

The accelerated timeline for EQIP is intended to provide program participants and NRCS staff more time for quality conservation planning and economic impact analysis. All applications will be evaluated and funded on a watershed basis, with local and watershed workgroup input on conservation priorities.

"Over the years, we have seen exceptional support from landowners for the EQIP program," said Phyllis Ann Philipps, NRCS State Conservationist, CO. "This earlier-than-usual deadline allows us to provide better assistance in helping them conserve our natural resources."

NRCS continually strives to put conservation planning at the forefront of its programs and initiatives. Conservation plans provide landowners with a comprehensive inventory and assessment of their resources and an appropriate start to improving the quality of soil, water, air, plants, and wildlife on their land. EQIP is an incentives program that provides financial assistance for conservation systems such as animal waste management facilities, irrigation system efficiency improvements, fencing, and water supply development for improved grazing management, riparian protection, and wildlife habitat enhancement.

Interested applicants may apply at their local Ignacio NRCS Office located at the Tribal Agriculture Division 655 CR 517, or give us a call 970-563-0178 for more information. Applications MUST be received in your local NRCS Service Center by close of business on Monday, July 2, 2012.

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CORRECTIONS

In a photo spread in the June 1 issue of The Southern Ute Drum, Rudley Weaver's son should have been identified as Joseph Weaver. Also, Terry Knight should have been identified as a Vietnam era veteran. In a fishing photo spread, a youth should have been identified as Jawadin Corona.

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

If interested contact the following companies for details or contact the Tribe's Division of Wildlife and ask for Josh at 970-563-0130 ext. 2412, or email at jbatchel@southern-ute.nsn.us.

Mild 2 Wild: 970-247-4789
Mountain Waters: 800-748-2507
Outlaw River Tours: 970-259-1800
Durango RiverTrippers: 970-259-0289
Duranglers (fly fishing guides): 970-385-4081

SUIT TRIBAL MEMBERS RECEIVE FREE WHITEWATER RAFT GUIDE TRAINING

If interested contact the Tribe's Division of Wildlife for more details on how to sign up for training preparing you to become a whitewater raft guide.

Contact Josh Batchelor, Parks Recreation Manager at 970-563-0130 ext. 2412, or email at jbatchel@southern-ute.nsn.us.

Trainings are made available on a first come first served basis and are only available in June.

In the Southern Ute Tribal Court

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

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.:2012-NC-072 NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Yvette Valdez, Civil Subject
Notice is hereby given that Yvette Valdez has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Yvette Sage. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than June 29, 2012 at 5:00 pm. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.
Janie Herrera, Court Clerk



Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job announcements

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

Gas Volume Analyst I

Closes 6/15/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. To monitor natural gas production volumes; nominate natural gas to gas gathering and transportation pipelines; maintain gathering and transportation contracts.

Petroleum Engineer II

Closes 6/22/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. Completes engineering evaluations and projects consistent with RWPC priorities and concerns with direction from Drilling and Production Manager. Implements and follows technical procedures. Assist with economic analysis using ARIES, help prepare internal recommendation memos. Assists Operations personnel, outside operated partners, and contractors as needed to implement projects; coordinates and recommends procedures for field operations, rig work, and well testing as needed.

Petroleum Engineer III

Closes 6/22/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. Leads and generates engineering evaluations and projects consistent with RWPC priorities and concerns with direction from Drilling and Production Manager. Leads and generates technical procedures. Performs economic analysis using ARIES and writes internal recommendation memos. Assists Operations personnel, outside operated partners, and contractors as needed to implement

projects; expedites the implementation of field operations, rig work, and well testing as needed.

Petroleum Engineer IV

Closes 6/22/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. Leads and completes engineering evaluations and projects consistent with RWPC priorities and concerns with direction from Drilling and Production Manager. Leads and completes technical procedures and project reporting to optimize reserve recovery and capital efficiency consistent with Growth Fund priorities and concerns. Performs economic analysis using ARIES and writes internal recommendation memos. Assists Operations personnel, outside operated partners, and contractors as needed to implement projects; expedites the implementation of field operations, rig work, and well testing as needed.

Petroleum Engineer V

Closes 6/22/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. Leads and completes engineering evaluations, development of technical procedures, and project reporting to optimize reserve recovery and capital efficiency consistent with Growth Fund priorities and concerns. Assists Red Willow Production Company management, operations personnel, partners, and contractors as needed to implement and manage production projects. Reviews both operated and partner operated field operations, rig work, and well testing as needed.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs
Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Health Services Driver

Closes 6/22/12
Southern Ute tribal member only. Provides transportation and other needed services for Southern Ute Tribal member Health Services clients. This position for Southern Ute Tribal Members, is grant funded for one year, and continuation of employment is contingent upon continued funding. Pay grade 13, \$11.59/hour.

Recreation Manager

Closes 6/25/2012
Responsible for the operation of the Tribal Recreation Program in the SunUte Community Center including planning, budgeting, implementing and supervising recreational program of interest to Tribal members of all ages including children, teens, young adults and senior citizens. Pay grade 19, \$42,932/annual.

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, seven days a week! The job hotline lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Wildlife Advisory Board vacancies

Southern Ute tribal members needed for Wildlife Advisory Board. The Tribe is seeking enrolled SUIT members wishing to fill THREE vacant seats (3-year terms each) on the Tribal Member Wildlife Advisory Board. This 8-member Board works closely with the Wildlife Division in planning and recommending actions related to Tribal hunting and fishing programs. Board members not already employed by the Tribe are eligible for \$20/hr compensation for meeting attendance. Meetings are held several times throughout the year, and a commitment to attend and participate in all meetings is expected. Interested tribal members must submit a brief letter of interest to the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, please contact the Wildlife Division at 970-563-0130. Letters of interest will be accepted through Friday, August 3, 2012.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Powwow Committee vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has four Powwow Committee Member vacancies. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members or a Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian Powwow Committee

is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interests individuals are urged to submit a letter of intent to Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Gaming Commission vacancies

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

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

restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality;

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

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and a letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, June 29. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE



COMMUNITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Applications due July 1st, 2012

For more information, contact Marissa Rocha, CPO, @ 970.563.0100 x2694 or mrocha@southern-ute.nsn.us

Your input is needed! Our Club will have its own Board of Directors to create its vision, plan programs, develop funding, and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization.

- There are 5 Tribal Member seats available (out of 10 seats total)

Applications available at:

- SunUte Community Center
- www.southern-ute.nsn.us/bgclub

CAMP VENTURE 2012

When - June 24th-June 29th
Ages - 6th grade -12th grade
Where - Southern Ute Youth Camp Grounds

Fee - \$50.00 for the entire week. Scholarships will be available at the Tribal Education department 970-563-0235 contact Julie Stone.
 Any questions please contact Zach B Youth Services @ 970-563-4127 or Crystal T. SUPD @ 563-0246 ext. 3317.

Registration packets will be available at:

- SUCAP
- SUIT Boys and Girls Club
- Teen Center
- SunUte
- So. Ute Education Center
- SUPD

Registration packets are DUE @ SUCAP Admin by June 18th, 5 PM!!









Are you an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member, 18 or over, and registered to VOTE?

The Southern Ute Election Board is searching for **ONE REGULAR** and **ONE ALTERNATE** Board Member!

These are tribal appointments and paid positions.

If you are interested in applying for either the **REGULAR** or **ALTERNATE** Board Member position, submit your Letter of Intent to the Human Resources Department at the Leonard C. Burch Building (Tribal Office) by **Friday, August 3rd**, before 5:00 p.m.

Have questions? Please phone 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305. The Election Board is located on the Second Floor, East Wing, of the Tribal Office.

Don't Forget to exercise your Tribal Voice... VOTE!



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Johnson O'Malley recognizes students' achievements



Guest speakers included Bruce LeClaire, family/school coordinator for the Durango School District; Southern Ute tribal elder Elizabeth Kent; and Beth Santistevan, Southern Ute higher education academic advisor.

Local Native American graduating high school seniors gathered at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Multi-purpose Facility on Thursday, May 31 to receive recognition for their academic success so far in the annual Johnson O'Malley Banquet. The JOM board members are Velma Armijo, chair; Sky Sandoval, vice-chair; Naomi Russell, secretary; and members Robert Perry and Tamera Reynolds.

Photos by Christopher R. Rizzo
The Southern Ute Drum



Xavier Watts-Hight accepts a gift from Johnson O'Malley Chair Velma Armijo.



Graduate Natelle Thompson sits with proud family members at the ceremony.



Nicholas Santistevan shakes hands with Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Lady Ramona Y. Eagle and others at the awards ceremony before receiving his gift.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Friday, June 15



Sunny 86°

Saturday, June 16



Sunny 86°

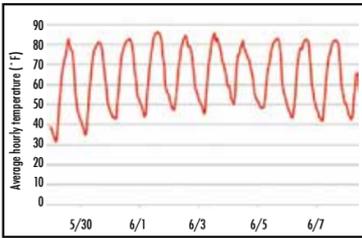
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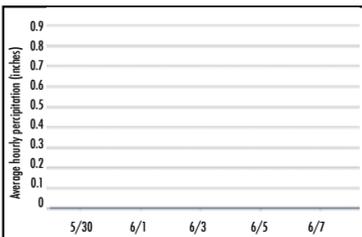


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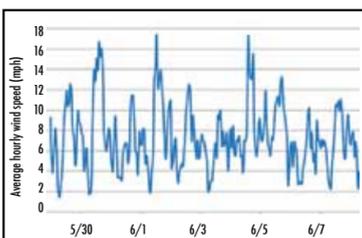
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High	86.0°
Low	31.7°
Average	63.7°
Average last year	60.3°



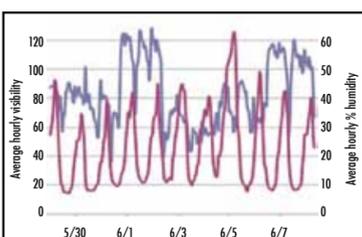
Precipitation

Total	0.00"
Total last year	0.00"



Wind speed

Average	7.0
Minimum	1.5
Maximum	17.4



Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	83.2
Average humidity	22.9%

Air quality
Good



Southern Ute Tagu wuni Sun Dance July 13-16, 2012 Ignacio, Colorado

Chiefs: Kenny Frost
Hanley Frost



ALL DANCERS, SINGERS AND VISITORS WELCOME

- Because of the sacred nature and solemnity of the Sun Dance, the rules of good manners and decorum must be observed by all, at all times.
1. The entrance to the Medicine Lodge should have a clear passage at all times.
 2. Children should not be allowed to play around the Medicine Lodge.
 3. Women on their menstrual cycle are not permitted near the Medicine Lodge.
 4. Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on the Sun Dance grounds.
 5. Cameras, tape/video recorders, food and water are not allowed in the Medicine Lodge area.
 6. No metal chairs allowed inside the Medicine Lodge.
 7. No cell phones!

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