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## Southern Ute Indian Tribe • General Meeting • April 29, 2016

Sky Ute Casino Event Center • 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Lunch will be provided

An agenda is forthcoming and will include both the Permanent Fund and Growth Fund. If you have any questions, contact the Tribal Council Affairs Office at 970-563-0100, ext. 2319.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

## Tribe welcomes new HR Director

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

After years of searching, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe has hired the new Director of Human Resources for the Tribe's Permanent Fund. Kerrie Kellerman, of Farmington, N.M. started her new position for the tribe this past week.

Kellerman started her HR journey at the University of New Mexico where she received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, with a concentration in Human Resources. It was while she was attending college that she first realized she loved HR and being around people.

"I'm a very people focused person," she said.

Since then, she has gained experience working in HR for big organizations including, Home Depot, San Juan College, and most recently BHP Billiton – where she spent the last six years.

"I'm really excited to be here," she said. "Learning the culture for me is important ... not only the culture of the tribe, but the culture of the Permanent Fund and the business culture."

Since the beginning of her career, Kellerman has enjoyed being challenged. She views challenges as a way she can continue to grow, peralized she loved HR and being around people.



Kerrie Kellerman

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### LAKE CAPOTE

## 'Lake Capote, the Southern Utes answer'

*Editors Note: The following are excerpts from a 1966 article by T. Ralph Bennett about Lake Capote titled "Lake Capote, the Southern Utes Answer." The article would've been printed in the Ignacio Chieftain newspaper in 1966-1967. Lake Capote reopened for the 2016 season last week and this article sheds some light on the lake's history. For the full version of the article visit [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com).*

River with his brothers, Ed and Ben, to establish the well-known Pargin ranch by Chimney Rock.

In time various parcels of Ute land in the present vicinity of Capote Lake were put up for sale. Doll Pargin buying them successively until he had holdings all in one block of some 1,700 acres there east "the rock"; some of these plats were original allotments belonging to Southern Ute Tribal Members. The property then, as now, traversed by Stollsteimer Creek, was known as the Flats Ranch.

Seeing the possibility of a lake thereon, with a trout-rearing project in mind to supply both the tourists and the restaurant demand time, the Pargins built the lake in 1948, an installation that required two years to complete. After Doll Pargin's death his son, Leon Pargin, was made the administrator of the estate, selling the ranch and lake back to the Southern Ute Tribe in July, 1963.

Under the direction of a government fishery management biologist, Mr. Bob Azevedo, the Tribe set about reconditioning the lake for future sportsman patronage. First the lake level was lowered a few feet by drainage.

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The Lake Capote site has an interesting history. (And by the way, the spot is not named for the author, Truman Capote, but for a band of Utes who in the early days were called the Capotes, to distinguish them from the other Ute bands – the Mouache, Weminuche, Uncompahgre, Yampas, and Uintahs).

Some time in the 1876 Doll Pargin came in a wagon train to these parts from Kentucky, along with his father, Daniel Pargin. The Pargins homesteaded what is now the Rathjen ranch on Beaver Creek.

Later Doll, father of Leon Pargin, who was currently Republican candidate for state representative from La Plata County in November elections, went on over to the Piedra

"I just want to see the museum continue to operate, especially for the kids," said tribal elder Dixie Naranjo. "It portrays so much of our history. Every time my grandkids went there, they always showed excitement. I want to see it stay for everybody, and I think we can make that happen if we all come together."

Tribal elder Pearl Casias criticized the Museum for its management of handling artifacts. "I have artifacts that have been in my family for years, and I never once exhibited anything at the museum because I didn't trust what was going on down there."

"As Southern Utes, we need to be addressed about these things that mean a lot to us," Conrad Thompson said. "We're not going to come to conclusions if we keep pointing fingers at each other. We need to all work together in bringing our history to the light."



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Tribal member Nathan Strong Elk addresses his concerns regarding the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum.

"There's been a cooperative effort with Tribal Council and the Museum Board of Directors," said council lady Amy J. Barry as she addressed tribal members. "Unfortunately, the museum has not been self-efficient for years. I can't speak on behalf of the council members who aren't present at this meeting, but I believe the museum was due for a change. My platform will always be the voice of the people, whether it's a popular opinion or not."

Tribal members expressed worries about the many pieces of artifacts displayed in the museum that tell hundreds of years of Southern Ute history. Tribal Council added that the current pieces are in the process of being inventoried. "The museum is a vault of our history," tribal member and SUCCM employee, Venessa Carel, said. "If we as Southern Utes aren't running the museum ourselves,

then I don't think any of the artifacts in there are safe." Carel, who donated pieces to the museum, stated that she will be taking them back.

Other tribal members voiced their opinions regarding the transition.

"The museum is a very personal thing to me because our relatives and ancestors have their stories displayed there," said tribal elder Sage Remington. "If we don't have history and a story to tell, then we're nothing."

### SUCCM

## Tribal members share concerns about museum

Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

At a tribal member hosted meeting Tuesday, April 5, tribal members voiced their concerns regarding the future of the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM). The tribe announced last month that the Museum will dissolve its nonprofit status, and the tribe will manage the museum and its collection going forward.

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### TRIBAL HEALTH

## Run to raise awareness

By Trennie Collins  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

With April being Child Abuse Prevention Month three major organizations are coming together to try to prevent a horrible thing that is very common, even in our small community, child abuse. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio School District and the Town of Ignacio have joined together to help bring awareness to the issue by hosting a Fun Color Run.

"If this is not talked about, this will never be addressed and it will never go away. This event will hopefully bring to light what adults can do, kids can do to prevent and to get help," Robin Duffy-Wirth, SunUte Fitness Manger at SunUte Community Center said.

The Southern Ute Social Services Division does 15-20 child abuse investigations a month, that includes; child abuse, sexual assault and child neglect.

"We want to bring awareness to our community that this does happen here, it is very prevalent in our community," Division Head of Southern Ute Social Services, Shelly Thompson said. Even though the run is meant to bring awareness and to have fun these entities have ensured that they are sending a message, a message of love and support.

The Color Fun Run started from Social Services and the Southern Ute Police Department wanting to collaborate to show support for the community.

Now the collaboration has sparked the interest of depart-

ments within the Tribe's Permanent Fund, Growth Fund and entities of the Town.

Over 1,000 kids and community members are expected to participate in the event to bring awareness to child abuse.

The Southern Ute Police Department and Social Services have ensured that there are trained professionals there to help provide support for the kids.

With Social Services trying to expand their reach they are looking to not only protect our youth, but also help their parents.

"The only way we are going to heal each other is to help each other," she said. The Division of Social Services is always looking for foster parents and child care providers. "We want to keep our kids

in our community."

The Fun Color Run will have two registration tables, one at the Ignacio High School and another at the Ignacio Middle School. Two course levels will be available for different abilities. The Ignacio School buses will run after this event to take the kids home. If you would like to support our youth you are welcome to come out and remember to wear a white shirt.

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent or childcare providers please contact the Division of Social Services 970-563-0209. There will also be a Foster care Recruitment Dinner held on April 28 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Facility, childcare and dinner will be provided.

See flyer on page 7.

## Baby bison born



courtesy Jesse Lasater/SU Bison Management

The first bison calf of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's bison herd was born Monday, April 11. The young bison are born with an orange color but will eventually turn brown after about three months. The orange color is a form of camouflage for the baby calves as most predators are unable to see the difference between the color orange and the color green. This helps bison calves blend in with the surrounding grasses and vegetation.



## LAKE CAPOTE, THE ANSWER • FROM PAGE 1

Then all the existing fish, a population of rough fish such as carp and suckers having by that time heavily infested the waters, were killed by an application of the chemical "rotenone", which suffocated them, the bodies floating to the top for collection and disposal.

Then the lake was refilled and stocked with several thousand strong and healthy trout of nothing smaller than catchable size. This was in October 1964. Five thousand more were stocked the following spring and more have been added at regular intervals.

During May of 1965, the lake was fertilized in accordance with the biologist's recommendations. The purposes of the fertilizer were to increase the rate of fish growth by stimulating food production and to produce a "bloom" in turn, reduced the amount of light which reached the bottom of the lake, thereby, retarding the growth of pondweeds which are such a nuisance to fishermen.

Since the lake was losing quite a bit of water by seepage, the Tribe also in 1965 attempted to reduce water losses from this source. A narrow trench was dug in the dam where the seepage was the worst. The trench refilled with a mixture of soil and bentonite, which stopped most of the seepage in that part of the dam.

Because Capote, elevation 6,400 feet, is a comparatively shallow lake from which aquatic growth cannot be completely eradicated, the Tribal committee, upon the advice of their fish culture consultant, purchased an aerator pump which extended 1,750 feet of one-inch diameter plastic pipe from the shoreline in front of the boat dock into the lake. During the hottest months, air from twin-generator compressors is forced through these pipes to provide fresh oxygen for the fish. As the forced air bubbles go to the surface, the fish concentrate in the vicinity affording a lively catch indeed.

The same device is used in the winter to supply an oxygen deficiency cause by the decomposing aquatic plants under the ice, to prevent suffocation of the fish. Such scientific man-

agement is indispensable to the success of Capote Lake or any other similar project.

North of the lake some 500 yards, the Tribe has built a modern campsite for camper visitors, complete will all modern facilities, heated shower baths, toilets, tables, grates, and garbage disposals. Present capacity is 19 camp units. In increasing numbers, tourist visitors to the area have established base camp there while taking other Basin attractions such as the narrow gauge train trip to Silverton out of Druango, Mesa Verde National Park, Navajo Dam and others. Total charge for the campground accommodation is \$1.50 per night per party, subject to change. No charge at all is levied for picnicking at the Lake Capote Site, which also affords clean, sanitary toilets and a well stocked small grocery, sundries and sporting goods store.

The campground is left as nearly like the forest reserve areas as possible, with the original native flora and fauna intact; while young scribe was photographing the facilities, he was also fortunate enough to snap a wild grouse in the bushes, as shown in one of the accompanying pictures.

In charge of the Capote preserve this year—and likely next—was property custodian and manager, Joseph Rael a member, as is his wife Patricia, of the Southern Ute Tribe.

Helping Joe manage the capote complex is Erdman Tobias, also a Southern Ute Tribal Member. Tobias does such details as cleaning the campground, emptying and disposing of the garbage, scrubbing and disinfecting the shower rooms, toilets and boats, and is assisted in this work by Mr. Rael. Because of Lake Capote's commanding view of the surrounding country, it also serves as a fire lookout, with Joe as warden.

The past July a gentleman by the name of James E. Martin of Englewood, Colorado, engaged in a construction project at Fort Lewis College in Durango, was fishing from a boat at Lake Capote with some friends. As one of these friends, an elderly man, stood up in the boat to raise the anchor, the boat

capsized. This gentleman pitched overboard, but as he was wearing a life jacket he was in no danger; but as Mr. Martin tries to assist his friend, Martin's foot became entangled in one of the submerged fish lines, which in turn was caught on the anchor. Having no life belt on himself, Martin was having a little difficulty hanging onto the capsized boat.

Hearing the cries of distress, Rael and an Ernest Vigil went across the lake to their rescue in another boat, Rael diving down with a knife in his teeth and cutting the line fouled with the anchor, soon getting both victims safely back in the boat which was easily righted.

Grateful for his rescue, Martin advised Secretary of the Interior, Udall, of the men's heroism in rescuing them. On August 19, 1966, Rael was a proud recipient of a letter from Udall in Washington which said in part: "Your quick thinking and unhesitating actions, with complete disregard for danger to yourselves, doubtless averted a tragic loss of life."

"I wish to commend you for your prompt and courageous action in the face of danger." And that's one to show one's grandchildren!

For the 1966 season, May 23 through September 26, Lake Capote sold 1,853 fishing permits. These 1,853 fishermen caught an approximate total of 9,821 trout, fishing a total of 1,929 hours. Some 2,000 campers patronized the grounds during the four months they were open.

Your scribe would say, by virtue of the good things, he has heard others say who have patronized the Lake Capote Recreation Area, that the Utes have a good thing going there. Possibly they will expand it, with the addition of more acres to permit fee hunting and increased facilities at the site, possibly construction of a motel, service stations and restaurant in the future years to come; thereby making it a tourist haven.

Certainly, your correspondent hopes that they will. Enterprises like these are a must for the Four Corners Area if our tourists are to be made and kept, happy.

## Many Moons Ago



Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

### 10 years ago

Michael Coffman, Regional Service Director for Boys and Girls Clubs of America was in Ignacio on Monday, April 10, and also met with Senator Salazar. The opening of the Boys and Girls Club is slated for April 21. Coffman's job is to work with all the clubs to make sure the kids get what they need out of the Boys and Girls Club. Coffman wants the Southern Ute Boys and Girls Club to be the best Boys and Girls Club in Native America and in Colorado. Pictured with Coffman (far left) are council members, Michelle Olguin, Ramona Eagle, John Washington, Matthew Box and Chief Professional Officer of the Boys and Girls Club McKean Walton.

This photo first appeared in the April 14, 2006, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

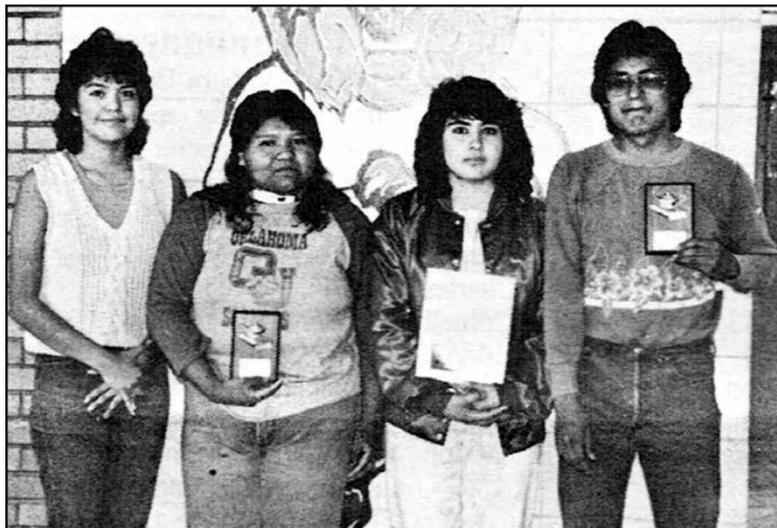


John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

### 20 years ago

Family and friends support Diane Millich as she casts her troubles away at the Gathering of Native Americans.

This photo first appeared in the April 12, 1996, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

### 30 years ago

Awards were presented by Stacey Rivera, Native American Youth Organization (NAYO) President, to Dora Hatch, Shelly Thompson and Tommy Weaver, for their outstanding contributions and hard work for NAYO during the 1985-86 school year.

This photo first appeared in the April 18, 1996, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## NEW HR DIRECTOR • FROM PAGE 1

sonally and professionally. Now with the tribe, she has taken over a vital position that has been vacant for over two years. Needless to say, she will be facing a new set of challenges in her role here at the tribe.

"Sometimes it's hard to find the right fit," Kellerman said about the tribe's long search for a HR Director. "But sometimes the right fit is what it takes."

Kellerman isn't shying away from the responsibility

of her new endeavor and feels the current HR Department is a good team to start building with.

"I think they got a good core team ... they are doing the best they can with the resources they have, so we're going to find ways to make it better for them and the tribe," she said. "I'll be looking at a lot of things, keeping things that are doing great and moving things around that need improvement."

She said she brings to the tribe her integrity, and her commitment to a fair process.

"My most important goal is to make sure we're efficient, fair and people oriented."

Kellerman is happy to be staying in the Four Corners Area for work. She has strong ties to the area, growing up in Farmington, and now raising a family there — two sons and a daughter — with her husband.

## Annual Spring Clean-Up April 25 – April 30

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

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

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

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

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

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

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





## CULTURAL UPDATE

### Powwow dancers needed

**Event #1:** Employee Appreciation Day – June 3 starting at 9 a.m. at the Sky Ute Casino Resort; **Event #2:** Indian Motorcycle Riders Group – June 10 starting at 8 p.m. at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. For more information on these events Please contact Special Events Coordinator, Tara Vigil at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.

### Ute vendors wanted

The National Native American Purchasing Association (NNAPA) is asking for any Ute vendors for their NNAPA Procurement Training Conference, April 25-27, 2016. The conference is being held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. For more information about being a vendor, please contact Edward Box III, Culture Education Coordinator at 970-563-0100, ext. 2306.

### 24th Spring Contest Powwow

Hosted by the Northern Colorado Intertribal Powwow Association. April 16-17, 2016 at the Northside Aztlan Community Center, 112 Willow Street in Fort Collins, Colo. Contact for more information at 970-498-0290 or via email at ncipa.pw@gmail.com. Check out the website at for further info ncipa.weebly.com.

### Ute Language Classes

Ute Language Classes will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small Classroom every Monday. Classes start at 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

- April – 18, 25
- May – 7, 14, 21, 28

### Tribal Membership Classes

Tribal Membership Events will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small classroom. The classes will start at 5:30 p.m. till at 8 p.m. (Limit 20 participates)

- April 20, 21 - Beaded Gauntlets Class
- April 27, 28 - Make-up session/Beaded Gauntlets
- May 4, 5 - Beaded Shawl Pin
- May 11, 12 - Make-up session/Beaded Shawl Pin

Contact Edward B Box III, Cultural Education Coordinator-Temp at the Southern Ute Cultural Dept., 970-563-0100, ext. 2306 or via email at ebox@southernute-nsn.gov.

### Tribal Elder Events

Tribal Elder Events will be held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) in the Large/Small classroom. The classes will start at 10 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. (Limit 15 participates)

- May: 3, 5, 10 – Ribbon Shirt
- May: 17, 24 – Wreath Making
- May 18, 19 – Moccasin Class
- May 25, 26 – Make-up session/Moccasin

### Seeking Bear Dance Feast Cook

The Bear Dance Chief is seeking a Head Cook for the 2016 Bear Dance Feast, Monday, May 30 starting at 12 p.m. The Culture department will supply all the food for the stew, the ingredients for the fry bread, the corn, drinks and condiments. The Head Cook will be responsible for cooking the stew, fry bread and corn to feed approximately 600 people at 12 p.m. The feast will be cooked at the Bear Dance grounds with the exception of the fry bread, which can be made at the Multi-Purpose Kitchen. The facility will be open at 7:30 a.m. for use. A stipend will be given to the Head Cook. If you are interested please call the Culture Dept. at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624. Open to Southern Ute tribal members. If no tribal members call in by April 30 at 5 p.m. then it will be open to the public.

### 96th Annual SU Tribal Fair Theme And Art Work Contest

The Southern Ute Culture Dept. would like to announce the 2016 Logo and Theme Contest for the 96th Annual Southern Ute Fair. This Contest is open to ALL Ute members. All Medias of art will be accepted until May 30 at 5 p.m. Artwork shall be no bigger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with respective artwork. Artwork must be signed by the artists. Selected artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Dept. and will be featured on all items associated with the 96th Annual Southern Ute Fair. A stipend will be rewarded to the winner plus one t-shirt with the Fair Logo and Theme. Winner will do a short interview with the Public Relations Dept. OR may write a short paragraph explaining the Logo and Theme which will be featured in the 2016 Fair Premium Book. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES! Submit to the Southern Ute Culture Dept. PO Box 737 #88 Ignacio, Colo., 81137 OR Contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.

### Beading Challenges

Each month the Cultural Dept. will offer a monthly beadwork challenge. The challenge is open to all bead workers. The winner will be selected by the Elders at the Elder Luncheon. If you have any questions please call the Cultural Dept. at 970-563-0100, ext. 3620. Be on the look out for our flyers with information and template of the each bead challenge design.

- May 20 – Beaded Floral

### Tribal Elder Lunch

Lunch will be held at the SUCCM Large/Small Classroom at noon.

- Friday, May 20

## Elders gather, make dresses



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Tribal elders gathered at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Tuesday, April 12 for a dress making class hosted by the Culture Department. Elders boasted their creativity with a variety of colors, patterns, and material. Jacqueline Frost (left) stitches together a dress.

## Vets attend awards banquet



courtesy Rod Grove

Local veterans attended the United Veterans Committee of Colorado's 44th Awards Banquet, Sunday, April 10 in Denver, Colo. The banquet honors veterans, legislators and other individuals and organizations for outstanding activities and accomplishments on behalf of the Colorado's veterans' community. Left to right: Howard D. Richards Sr., U.S. Army; Pete Gomez, U.S. Army; and Rod Grove, U. S. Army.

## 3-Part Ute Cultural Series

### Part 1: RITES OF PASSAGE



Presentation for Young Tribal Members



**Schedule:** Friday, April 22, 2016 (5 PM—7PM)

- Male Rites of Passage

Saturday, April 23, 2016 (9 AM to 5 PM)

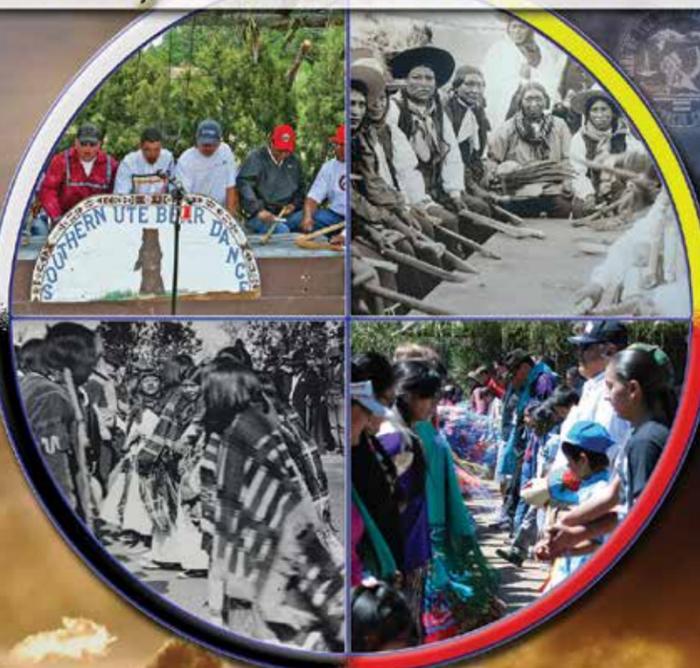
- Female Rites of Passage

**Location:** Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum Classroom  
Parents are encourage to attend with their family.

For more information, please contact the Edward Box III at (970) 563-0100, extension 2306.

## Southern Ute Bear Dance

• May 27th - 30th 2016 •



**BEAR DANCE CORRAL BLESSING**  
10:30 am Friday, May 27th

**BEAR DANCE FEAST 12 pm Monday, May 30th**  
• BEAR DANCE CHIEF - Matthew Box •

• NO SHORT DRESSES OR BAGGY PANTS WHILE DANCING •

• PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING IS PROHIBITED; EXCEPT BY MEMBERS OF THE UTE TRIBES.

• THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, INJURIES, THEFT.

• THE PINE RIVER IS RESTRICTED •

• FOR MORE BEAR DANCE INFORMATION, CALL 970-563-0100 EXT. 3624 •

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE BEAR DANCE POWWOW

MAY 27 & 28, 2016  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Ignacio, CO

### BEAR DANCE POWWOW HEAD STAFF

Bart Powaukee - MC  
Fort Duchesne, Utah

Randy Medicine Bear - AD  
Loveland, CO

Michael Grant Sr. - Head Man  
Bloomfield, NM

Snow Wing Arrow Top Knot Wagner - Head Lady  
Cortez, CO

Daniel Cesspooch - Drum Judge  
Fort Duchesne, Utah

Andrew Frost - Head Gourd Dancer  
Ignacio, CO

Mile High - Host Northern Drum  
Lakewood, CO

Bad Company - Host Southern/Gourd Drum  
Fort Collins, CO

**GOURD DANCE**  
- Friday, May 27 • 5 p.m.  
- Saturday, May 28 • 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

**GRAND ENTRY**  
- Friday, May 27 • 7 p.m.  
- Saturday, May 28 • 1 & 7 p.m.

**REGISTRATION**  
- Opens: Friday, May 27, 5 p.m.  
- Closes: Saturday, May 28, 2 p.m.

**CONTEST CATEGORIES**  
- Golden Age: 55 & older

Men and Women

- Men's Categories: 18-54 yrs.  
Fancy, Grass, No & So, Traditional

- Women's Categories: 18-54 yrs.  
Fancy Shawl, Jingle, No & So Traditional

- Teen Boys: 13-17 yrs & Junior Boys: 7-12 yrs  
Fancy, Grass, Combined Traditional

- Teen Girls: 13-17 yrs & Junior Girls: 7-12 yrs.  
Fancy, Jingle, Combined Traditional

- Tiny Tots: 6 yrs & younger Exhibition, each session

- Drum Contest: Combined 1st, 2nd, 3rd places

**POWWOW CONTACTS**

- Corliss Taylor: 970-799-3149

- Mike Santistevan: 970-563-0255

- Cindy Winder: 970-563-0100, ext. 2301

**POWWOW INFO**

- Arts & Crafts Vendors: Ramada Cloud, 505-402-8846

- Food Vendors: Kendra Alexander, 970-563-5541

- \$50 each day (10x10) inside booth rates.

Powwow will be inside fairgrounds arena. All arts & crafts vendors, inside arena. All food vendors, outside arena. All vendors, bring your own setup.

**MISC. INFO**

- Admission is free

- Camping is free

- The Powwow Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries, or theft.

- No drugs or alcohol allowed

**96TH SOUTHERN UTE FAIR POWWOW SEPT. 9-11, 2016**



**SUPD**

## One text could wreck it all

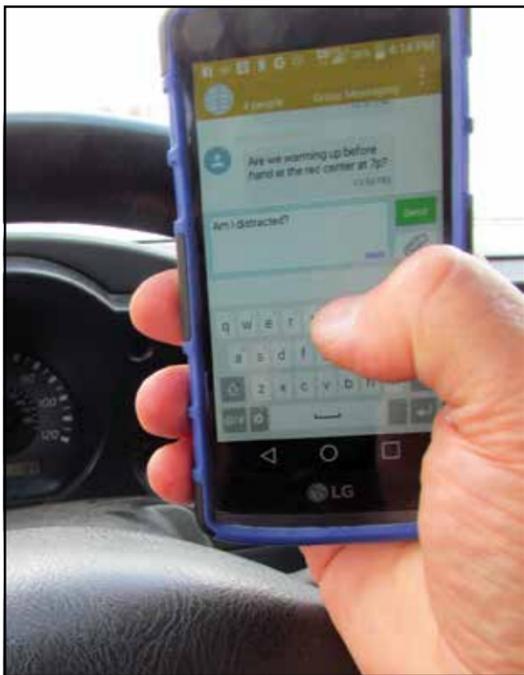
Staff report  
SOUTHERN UTE POLICE DEPT.

Distracted driving is a reality. A driver that is texting is twenty times more likely involved in a crash than an undistracted driver. According to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA), in 2014, 3,179 people were killed and estimated 431,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver.

Distractions can be texting, phone calls, adjusting the radio, setting a gps, eating food, picking something up off the vehicle floor, applying makeup and reading. Anything that distracts you from driving can kill you.

Texting is now involved in 10 percent of the fatal crashes involving 15-to 19-year-old drivers. It is estimated that 20 percent of all Colorado drivers regularly text while driving. The American Auto Association (AAA) did a study in which they asked young drivers if they had ever been a passenger in a vehicle while their friends were texting and driving – 95 percent answered, yes.

Writing or reading a text message takes your eyes off the road for an



courtesy Don Folsom/SUPD

average of five seconds. At 55 MPH, that's like driving the length of a football field – blindfolded according to NHTSA. Most drivers will have the odds stacked against them each time they take their eyes and their mind off driving.

Southern Ute Police Officers are aware of the problem and have responded to calls where drivers have gone off the road and into the bar ditch or rear-ended other drivers because of being distracted.

Tribal Law allows for the charges of Careless Driving or Reckless Driving depending on the circumstances. If someone runs through a stop sign or misses their turn, they may receive a different violation. A crash investigator with the Colorado State Patrol has told me that he has found cell phones stuck into the glass from a high-speed impact. The cell phone could tell what had happened even when the driver was no longer alive to tell the story.

**SUIMA**

## Academy students step up to the challenge

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The recent renovations to the SunUte Community Center gymnasium left the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) students without a gym for Physical Education activities. Instead of looking at the closure negatively, SunUte and SUIMA staff took it as a challenge to engage students in alternative ways. The two decided to train students on cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid.

"We wanted the kids to be doing something effective and meaningful," Fitness Director Robin Duffy-Wirth said. "CPR is such a good tool for all people to have"

During the CPR classes students have been learning the anatomy of the body, how to recognize signs of distress and how equipment, such as an automated external defibrillator (AED), work.

"They are also learning that they have a responsibility to people around them," she said. "Even if in the event something happens and the kids are afraid to respond they know to



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy Upper Elementary students practice CPR on dummies, during their Physical Education hour Monday, April 11.

call 9-1-1, and that's what's really important."

Some students will become certified at the end of the training, and some won't, just due to the fact that some kids don't quite have the strength to do chest compressions, Duffy-Wirth said.

The children are learning quick and making connections to real life scenarios. Duffy-Wirth said her time spent with the children has been eye opening.

"[The training] is relevant to them because they have had relatives or friends that have been injured and need help. And now they just have the confidence to respond, and

possibly save a life"

Duffy-Wirth feels passionately that everyone in the community should become certified so the community in turn becomes a healthier place – especially now that children in the community are stepping up to the responsibility.

SunUte Community Center holds CPR trainings regularly. Those classes are open to all tribal members for free. Tribal members can call SunUte, 970-563-0214, and ask to sign up for the next available class. Tribal employees are also offered the classes at an expense that can be paid by their Tribal Department.

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## Help alleviate hunger at Empty Bowls fundraiser

Staff report  
IGNACIO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It's that time of year again! Time to join together, enjoy beautiful art, and help alleviate local hunger. This April 21, Ignacio Elementary will be hosting its 3rd annual Empty Bowls fundraiser to help those in need of food. Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades will be making custom clay bowls

that will be available for purchase. The \$10 purchase of a hand-made bowl comes with a ticket to the main event, a soup tasting and silent auction, held at the Ignacio Elementary School on Thursday, April 21 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The purchase of 4 bowls/tickets is \$35.

Tickets will also be available the night of the event or you can pre-purchase tickets through Ignacio Elementary

School. If you are interested in helping out the event, please contact art teacher, Lisa Brown, 970-563-0650, ext. 362 or lisbrown@ignacioschools.org. We are also looking for those interested in donating items for the silent auction or buying tickets for families in need.

It has been a spectacular and delicious event in the past ... You don't want to miss it!

## Recruiting foster parents



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Velma Armijo, Social Services data manager, answers questions about foster care recruitment from Maretas Frost and Justin Lang at the Social Services Open House event Wednesday, April 13. The event was held to provide information on how to become a tribal foster parent or childcare provider. Social Services will be hosting another recruitment meeting and dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 28 at the Multi-Purpose Facility.

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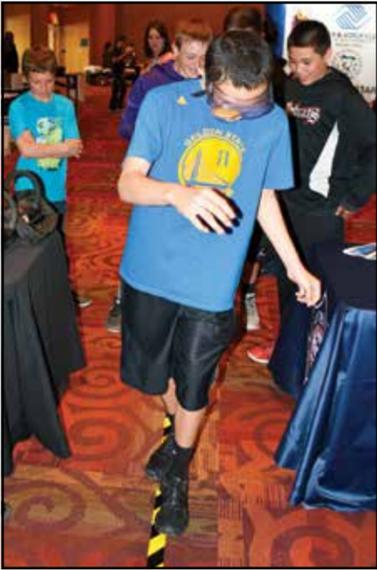


## Career fair packs casino



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy Upper Elementary students play a card game with students and teachers who attended the Career Fair on April 13.



Tribal elder, Russell Box talks to the Forestry Division at the 15th Annual Career Fair held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on Wednesday, April 13.

Triston Thompson takes on the challenge of the drunk goggles while his friends watch.

## Get ready for Kindergarten



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Montessori Head Start families got the chance to meet with Kindergarten teachers from Bayfield Elementary, Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy, and Ignacio Elementary to discuss head start students transitioning to Kindergarten on Wednesday, April 13.

## Garcia, BGC certified



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

On Monday, April 4 Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe board member, Anna Marie Garcia, received a Spillett Leadership University Certificate – The School of Board Leadership and The Professional Association – for successfully completing the Foundation Level. This is an online training for board members of Boys & Girls Clubs.

## OTTENS FOUNDATION

# Scholarship support for Native social work students

**Staff report**  
OTTENS FOUNDATION

The John and Sophie Ottens Foundation recently provided a commitment for an additional \$400,000 in scholarship support for Native American students at the University of Denver's Four Corners Master of Social Work (MSW) Program, based in Durango, Colo. The foundation established the scholarship fund in 2012, and the additional gift will be used to support recruitment and retention of Native students.

"It's the mission of our foundation to support Native Americans in Four Corners states in health and health education, including social work," explains Dr.

Henry Hooper, the foundation's board president. "It's so unusual to have a private university like DU offering a program like this, and we also know there's a major need in the area for professionals who can provide leadership roles, both on and off the reservations. We've been so pleased with the way the program has introduced a Native American focus into its classes, and that fits our mission very well."

The Four Corners MSW Program was founded in 2002 by DU's Graduate School of Social Work to help meet the human services needs of rural and tribal communities in the Four Corners region that includes southwestern Colorado, Ari-

zona, Utah and New Mexico. The program enables Four Corners residents to earn the MSW degree in or near their home communities.

About 25 percent of Four Corners students come from the area's many Native tribes, the curriculum includes two specialized courses on Native social work, both taught by Native faculty. A Native Advisory Council is among the community partners providing ongoing guidance to the program.

Learn more about the Four Corners MSW Program by visiting [www.du.edu/social-work](http://www.du.edu/social-work) and clicking on "Academic Programs," or contact program director Wanda Ellingson at 970-247-9773 or [wanda.ellingson@du.edu](mailto:wanda.ellingson@du.edu).

## Head Start learns to garden



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Southern Ute Montessori Head Start students joined their families for a "Gals & Kids" breakfast as they enjoyed a morning meal consisting of scrambled eggs, fruit, bagels, and milk. Jeff Ogden, owner of Roots Natural Foods in downtown Ignacio, held a discussion about natural foods while displaying a variety of gardening tools, pots, and soils. Head Start students and family members serve themselves a healthy breakfast.

## Two-wheeled rodeo at IES



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Jaelyn Austin maneuvers through the maze of cones, obstacle, stoplight and signs during the annual Bike Rodeo held at the Ignacio Elementary School on Wednesday, April 13. The Bike Rodeo coincided with "Gray Matters" a program designed to educate how the brain works and ways to protect the brain and head from injury. The rodeo is held by the Durango Police Dept., through a grant from Bicycle Colorado and awarded by CDOT as part of the "Colorado Safe Routes to School program." The grant made it possible for DPD to purchase bikes, helmets, chalk, and educational material as well as a trailer to haul all the rodeo gear to various schools in La Plata County.

## EDUCATION UPDATE

### Relay For Life 'Family Dance'

On April 22, Ignacio Schools Relay for Life Team will be hosting their annual Family Dance. Everyone is invited to come dance with D.J. Oscar Cosio from 7 – 9 p.m. at the Ignacio Elementary Cafetorium. As in the past few years there will be a bake sale and you will have the chance to design a luminaria for any of your

loved ones who have battled cancer. The luminarias will be displayed at the Relay for Life event at on June 27. We will also have a door prize drawing donation for some "one of a kind" Bobcat Collectibles. Please plan to attend and bring the family! You may contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661 if you have any questions or would like to help with this wonderful event.

### Explorer's Club hosting yard sale

On Saturday, April 30, the Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a huge yard sale in the parking lot at ELHI.

You can rent space for \$15, all the profits from your sales are yours.

If you would like to reserve a space please contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661.

### IGNACIO SCHOOL DISTRICT FURNITURE DISPERSAL SALE

Ignacio School District will be holding a dispersal sale of old furniture and items no longer needed in the district.

\*Saturday, April 16, 2016 8AM-2PM  
\*Saturday, April 23, 2016 8AM-2PM

In the lot across from the High School on Becker Street (where the storage trailers are located).

First come, first served. DONATIONS will be taken for each item to assist the School Board Scholarship Fund.

\*WEATHER PERMITTING



## Golden students make annual visit to Tribe



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Golden High School students round danced as Yellow Jacket sang a Taos Round Dance song, as part of the Southern Ute Culture Department's presentation. Special Events Coordinator Tara Vigil, Cultural Education Coordinator Edward Box III and NAGPRA executive assistant Mikki Naranjo also spoke as part of the presentation.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Southern Ute Tribal Council members gave 'golden' Tribal seal pins and welcomed the Golden students to the reservation in Council Chambers on Tuesday, April 5.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Ferlando Fonseca spoke about his role as a Southern Ute Police Department Officer. Tribal Rangers, Babe Lansing (left) and Amara Roberts, and Gaming Director Apprentice Matthew Box also spoke of their jobs with the tribe.

**Golden High School students visited the Southern Ute Tribe – their fifth year – as part of their Senior Seminar, Cultural Studies class. The graduating seniors visited with various departments, and entities of the tribe. More photos can be seen on the Drum's website [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com).**



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Golden students were treated to a special early morning visit with the newest members to the Southern Ute bison herd, Wednesday, April 6.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Students tried their hand at the audio and video boards at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The students also tried their luck at a few games on the training tables.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Golden High School students were eager to ask questions of The Southern Ute Drum staff during a lunch meeting on Wednesday, April 6.

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**Who: Enrolled UTE Tribal Members and Tribal 1<sup>st</sup> Descendants Ages: 9-18 yrs**

**When: June 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> 2016**

**Where: Towaoc, CO. Ute Mountain**

**Sports: Basketball, Volleyball, Golf, Archery, Bowling, Hand Games, Swimming, Cross Country & Ute Warrior Challenge**

To be part of Team Southern Ute call SunUte Rec. at 970-563-0214.



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# Olympian visits Fort Lewis College

By Esther Belin  
PEACEFUL SPIRITS

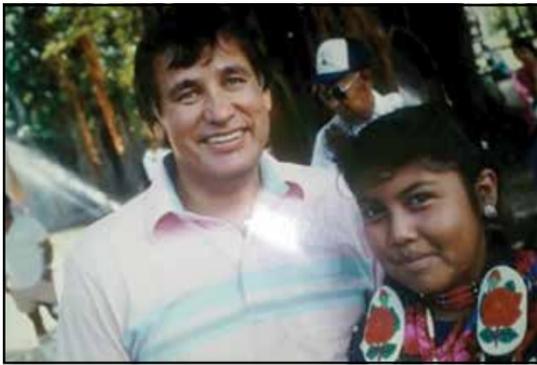
On Tuesday, April 5, 10,000 meter gold medal winner, Billy Mills, gave a heartfelt talk to a near capacity audience.

Mills engaged the audience emphasizing a mindfulness about the journey each person is traveling.

He stressed to the majority Native American audience the importance of creating a common ground in a global world. As examples, he discussed the effects of misperceptions on identity. He overcomes racism by focusing on the strength of his identity as an Oglala Sioux.

He ended his talk with an inspiring video sequence of athletes who found strength in their spiritual and cultural beliefs.

There were numerous tribal members in attendance and Mills stayed about an hour after his talk to greet everyone who lined up to meet him.



photos courtesy Maretta Frost

Maretta Frost then 15-years-old, first met Billy Mills (top photo) in Hawaii during a two-day powwow honoring Pearl Harbor. Frost and her family recently met Mills again, this time at Fort Lewis College after a keynote speech by the Olympian gold medalist winner on Tuesday, April 5.



Youth of all ages came out to dance in a powwow held in their honor, Saturday, April 9 at the Ignacio Middle School.

# Kids take charge

**The Healing Spirits Children's Powwow gave the kids a chance to lead their own powwow last Saturday, April 9. From powwow staff to the headman and lady dancers, the youth were able to pull off a one-of-kind powwow all ages could enjoy.**



Arena Director, Cesar Thompson and Powwow Emcee, Bird Red assured the Children's Powwow stayed on track.

Photos by Sacha Smith  
The Southern Ute Drum



Orion Watts leads little sister Olyvia around the dance floor during an intertribal on Saturday, April 9.



Micco Wesley and son Meskvlvw make their way around the cake walk circle during the Children's Powwow.

# Poet, and didn't know it



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Poets, young and old, gathered to speak words untold. The Healing Spirits aftercare program held a Poetry Slam in the Multi-Purpose Facility, Friday, April 8. Starla took the mic for her poem in the adult category slam competition. Peaceful Spirit provided a meal, and prizes were donated and awarded to the winners of the first annual poetry slam.

**BGC CLOSED April 18 - 22**

Call 970-563-4753 for more information.

## Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

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- Wed. April 6 @ 5:30 \*
- Wed. April 13 @ 12:00 \*
- Wed. April 20 @ 5:30
- Wed. April 27 @ 12:00
- Wed. May 4 @ 5:30
- Wed. May 11 @ 12:00
- Wed. May 18 @ 5:30
- Wed. May 25 @ 12:00

**\*\*Tribal Members Only\*\***

All meetings will be held at Sun Ute. ALL PARENTS MUST ATTEND ONE MEETING.



# Summer Club 2016

June 13 - August 5, 2016

**REGISTRATION OPENS Wed. April 6th, 2016**

Tribal Member/First Descendant Club Members are FREE

Community Members are \$20.00/week

Club Members can be signed up AFTER attending one mandatory Parent Enrollment meeting. Payments can be made at Sun Ute Front Desk. You can also pay for the entire summer to secure your spot!

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**APRIL 27, 2016**

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## IHS BOYS TRACK

# Gram, Cundiff close to titles

*IHS boys sixth at home meet*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Perhaps with one longer stride, one stronger pump of the arms, or even one cooperative gusting tailwind, there could have been at least one first-place award from the April 9, 2016, Abel Velasquez Invitational still in town.

Nonetheless, with two runner-up performances and a few more top-10's, the Ignacio boys managed to finish sixth at their home meet with 20.5 accumulated points. 3A Bayfield won the AVI championship with 148.5, easily holding off 4A Montezuma-Cortez's 107.5 and 2A Mancos' 86.

Closest to an individual victory for the hosting Bobcats was junior Bryan Gram, whose 54.10-second effort in the 400 meters ended up being only three-quarters of a second slower than M-CHS junior Elisha Vaquera. And honoring Velasquez well in the discus, sophomore Natoni Cundiff launched the apparatus 111 feet, two inches and settled for second after



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Freshman, Lakota TwoCrow makes it over the pole at the Abel Velasquez Invitational Track Meet held on April 9. TwoCrow placed 7th in this event.

BHS junior Sam Westbrook flung it a winning 125'5" 19th (13.85) and 20th (13.88) respectively.

Fellow soph Mitchell Neil took tenth in the specialty, with a 69'2" maximum, and also placed tenth in the shot (29'8") while Cundiff (33'1") ended up fifth but a full ten feet short of M-CHS senior Victor Perez.

Sophomore Rhai Price tied for sixth in the high jump at 5'1", and also helped

– with Gram, junior Colten Smithson and soph John Valdez – the 4x100m relay finish sixth in 50.76 ticks. Valdez, Price and Neil also turned in top-20 efforts in the 100m dash, finishing 12th (13.01),

Freshman Lakota TwoCrow tied for seventh in the pole vault (7'0") and also took 15th in the long jump (11'10") while sophomore Parker Smithson placed 14th (14'2") and Gram eighth (17'4"). Smithson also finished 20th in the 800m run, clocking 3:29.23.

Up next, Ignacio will compete at Bayfield's Pine River Invitational on Saturday, April 16, then head down to Aztec, N.M., for its two-day B&B Invitational on April 22-23 inside Fred Cook Memorial Stadium.

## IHS GIRLS TRACK

# Perez paces IHS girls at AVI

*Lady Cats fifth at home meet*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Gaining (or helping gain) Ignacio four top-four finishes, and thus the team points attached to each, one could say Azala Perez certainly put her best foot forward – just to try one-upping it with her very next stride – time and time again at the April 9, 2016, Abel Velasquez Invitational.

With the Lady Bobcats ultimately finishing fifth in their home meet's final standings, the junior sprinter registered IHS' top individual result against clock and competition; her 13.74-second effort in the 100-meter dash trailed only Dolores freshman Aryelle Wright (13.43) at the finish line.

Doubling the distance and placing fourth (in 29.35 seconds), Perez not only pressured Wright (2nd, 28.59) again but showed well in staying near 3A Bayfield juniors Maddi Foutz (1st, 27.92) and Amber Johnson (3rd, 28.61). Joining junior Jaylynn Herrera, senior Chrystianne Valdez and freshman Kiana Valdez on Ignacio's 4x100m relay, Perez helped the unit clock



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Alana Watts whips around the shot put circle and hurls the shot put to an personal best distance of 30' 0" placing her 3rd for the Abel Velasquez Invitational Track Meet.

a fourth-place 57.99, and did likewise with the 800m medley (2:16.11; same personnel, save for junior Rachel Cooper replacing the younger Valdez).

Cooper also placed seventh in the open 800, with a time of 3 minutes, 5.85 seconds.

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## AAU wrestlers grapple in N.M.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

35 pounder, Stephen Romero works on pinning his opponent at the AAU Youth Wrestling Farmington Invitational, Saturday, April 2. AAU Wrestlers will have their final matches of the season in piedra Vista Saturday, April 16.

## IHS BASEBALL

# SJBL, Bobcats take command

*Ignacio downs ranked DC, Nucla*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Led by senior Tucker Ward's 3-for-4, three-run work with the bat, complemented by classmate Austin McCaw's 3-for-4, one-run day, Bobcat Baseball took the early lead in the 2A/1A San Juan Basin League standings on Saturday, April 9, with a 9-5 home win over Nucla backing up their 11-6 defeat of Dove Creek on the 5th.

Improving to 4-0 after Spring Break, to 2-0 in league and 5-3 overall, Ignacio wasted no time in pouncing on Mustang junior Devyn Rummel (L; CG) for four runs in the bottom of the first inning, and added one in the second, one in the third, two in the fourth and one more in the sixth – more than enough for junior Zach Weinreich (W; 5 IP, 4 R) and McCaw (2 IP, R) to work with as NHS attempted to fight back.

Ranked tenth in the CH-

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Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Juanito Medina (6) disrupts the throw to the plate while scoring a run during non-league play versus 2A Center at IHS Field. The Bobcats routed the Vikings 16-1, for the first of four straight wins – as of Monday, April 11 – after Spring Break. IHS' season-opening nine-game home stand ended on April 12 versus Dolores.

## IHS SOCCER

# Soccer shows promise in SLV

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Even the largest fuel tanks can hold only so much.

And unfortunately, after burning through just about all the juice they could bring out to the San Luis Valley the day before during a hearty loss at Alamosa, there simply wasn't much more Ignacio could consume than fumes as they succumbed 10-0 at Center on Saturday, April 9.

Improving to 1-5-1 overall, 1-4-1 in the 3A/2A Southwestern League, the Lady Vikings – the circuit's lone qualifier for the inaugural CHSAA Class 2A State Tournament last season – got four goals before halftime and six after in dropping the Lady Bobcats to 0-5, 0-5 prior to an



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Selena Cook (24) collides with Alamosa's Elise Tolley (4) in a battle for possession during road action April 8 at AHS.

April 12 visit from Pagosa Springs (5-2, 5-1).

At AHS, senior Darby Bolt's first-half hat trick had already all but ensured that the struggling Mean Moose wouldn't fall on their home turf. But it took something of that magnitude to more or less subdue the visitors

in a half which saw Ignacio throw more aggression at Alamosa – whether they were the two-time defending SWL champs or not – in 40 minutes than probably ever before.

To wit: Not only did the

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## Shooting for the 'Stars'



photos courtesy Erika Atencio

The Shootings Stars basketball team took 2nd place in the girls 7th grade division of the 2016 Southwest Cactus Slam in Phoenix, AZ March 26 – 27. Pictured (left to right) top row: Coach Anthony Manzanares, Ebonee Gomez, Shelcie Gosney, Jayden Brunson, Avaleena Nanaeto and Coach Adam Tucson. Bottom row: Monika Lucero, Laci Brunson, and Charlie Valdez.

The Shootings Stars basketball team took 2nd place in Farmington at the NM Wildcats Tournament, after a double overtime championship game. Pictured (left to right) top row: Coach Chris Valdez, Shelcie Gosney (All-tourney), Avaleena Nanaeto, Ebonee Gomez and Charlie Valdez. Bottom row: Kourtney Schurman, Laci Brunson, Jayden Brunson and Monika Lucero.





## COMMUNITY WISHES

### HAPPY 5TH BIRTHDAY!

Happy 5th Birthday to our Granddaughter Natalia Rae Peña and Happy 1st Birthday Victoria Mae Peña!! Grandma and Grandpa love you both very much and hope you have the best Birthday! May God Bless you both always.

*Grandma and Grandpa Peña*



## Struttin' their stuff



courtesy Wendell Vigil

These turkeys were seen struttin' their stuff enroute to a Red Willow location, on March 31 in Bondad. One of the many perks of working in the oil field.

## National Telecommunicators Week

April 10-16, 2016

Each year, the second full week of April is dedicated to the men and women who serve as Public Safety Telecommunicators.

Our staff helps numerous lives by answering emergency calls, dispatching emergency professionals, and by providing moral support and compassion to citizens in distress.

Associated with emergency response is self-control under pressure and critical decision-making within seconds.

Many people don't stop to think about the faceless individual who answers the 911 calls until they experience an actual emergency themselves.

My hat is off to all of our Public Safety Communications Officers, fondly known

to me as Dispatchers. I could go on and on about how important they are, all of the difficult tasks they perform daily, the different hats they wear such as crisis negotiator, EMT on the phone, mastering all of the computer data-systems we use in our everyday work, managing high stress incidents, but I will spare you all of that.

I can tell you how they make us all shine when the chips are down.

We are proud to honor our Communication Officers for their commitment to the community and citizens of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation for saving lives and protecting property.

Thank you, to all who endure this most challenging and tough job!

Amelia Enriquez  
Dolores Gallegos  
Amanda Lucero

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## NEW EMPLOYEES



### Darian Price

**Job title:** Detention Officer

**Description of duties:** Responsible for care of the inmate, his/her welfare, and keep inmates safe and secure.

**Hobbies:** Hanging out and playing with my wife and kids, fishing, cooking, playing catch, and just enjoying life.

**Family:** Marlene (wife) and kids LaeLena, Tristyn, JazLynn 'J.

**Tribe:** Ute Mountain Ute

**Additional comments:** Thank you to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for this wonderful opportunity.

## SunUte basketball courts closed

The SunUte Community Center gymnasium/basketball courts are CLOSED to replace the basketball court's heating/venting and air-conditioning (HVAC) system, and is scheduled to be completed in May. For more information contact the SunUte Community Center at 970-563-0214 or visit our website at [www.sunute.com](http://www.sunute.com).

### MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY/CHAPEL/UTE PARK

#### Reminder:

The deadline to schedule events is **5PM WEDNESDAYS** to allow for scheduling of staff. No events will be scheduled after the deadline with the exception of tribal member funerals.

**PLEASE READ YOUR CONTRACT BEFORE SIGNING.**

#### A THREE DAY NOTICE

is required to cancel events.



Multi Purpose Facility 970-563-4784  
356 Ute Road, Ignacio CO 81137

## ATTENTION!

**MPF STAFF WILL NOT DISCLOSE ANY USER INFORMATION ON EVENTS AT THE MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY, CHAPEL, OR UTE PARKS; UNLESS THAT EVENT IS A POWWOW, PUBLIC MEETING, YARD SALE, ETC.**

MPF Staff thanks you for your cooperation.



United States Environmental Protection Agency

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY BONITA PEAK MINING DISTRICT

#### THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) ANNOUNCES THE PROPOSAL TO LIST BONITA PEAK MINING DISTRICT IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, COLORADO ON THE NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST (NPL)

The NPL is a list of sites across the nation that are contaminated with hazardous substances, commonly known as Superfund sites. The public is invited to comment on the proposal during a 60-day comment period beginning April 7, 2016.

Comments may be submitted using one of the following methods:

Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and follow the online instructions for submitting comments using Docket # EPA-HQ-OLEM-2016-0152.

For written documents, please send the original and three copies to the following address:  
Docket Coordinator, Headquarters  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
CERCLA Docket Office (Mail Code 5305T)  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20460

For hand delivery or express mail, please send the original and three copies to the following address:  
Docket Coordinator, Headquarters  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
CERCLA Docket Office  
1301 Constitution Avenue, NW  
EPA West, Room 3334  
Washington, DC 20004  
(8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Mon – Fri)

The documents regarding the proposal to list the Bonita Peak Mining District are published in the Federal Register and may be found at the following locations:

Silverton Library  
1117 Reese Street  
Silverton, CO 81433

Office of the Navajo Nation Library  
Arizona Highway 264, Post Office Loop Road  
Window Rock, AZ 86515

Farmington Public Library  
2101 Farmington Ave  
Farmington, NM 87401

EPA Superfund Records Center  
1595 Wynkoop Street  
Denver, CO 80202-1129

Durango Public Library  
1900 East Third Ave.,  
Durango, CO 81301

To request copies of administrative record documents call:  
303-312-7273  
800-227-8917 ext. 312-7273 (toll free Region 8 only)

For questions or additional information, contact:

Rob Parker, Site Assessment Manager, at 800-227-8917, ext. 312- 6664  
Cynthia Peterson, Community Involvement Coordinator, at 800-227-8917, ext. 312-6879

Or visit the EPA Region 8 website: <http://www2.epa.gov/region8/columbia-falls-aluminum-reduction-plant>

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## Drum Deadline

Next issue:  
April 29

Deadline:  
April 25

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

### THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

A biweekly newspaper owned and operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Ignacio, Colo.

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$29 per year • \$49 two years**  
**PHONE: 970-563-0100 • DIRECT: 970-563-0118**  
**TOLL FREE: 1-800-772-1236 • FAX: 970-563-0391**

#### MAILING ADDRESS

The Southern Ute Drum: PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137

#### PHYSICAL ADDRESS

356 Ouray Drive, Leonard C. Burch Building, Ignacio, CO 81137

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## PUBLIC NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC Unauthorized grazing on Tribal lands

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violators of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief.

If you have livestock trespassing on Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until **APRIL 20, 2016** to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133.

Signed by Pearl E. Casias, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, June 9, 2011.

## Pine River Indian Irrigation Project

*Southern Ute Agency/ BIA will start collecting Water Request Tickets beginning with 2016 Irrigation season in accordance to records of delivery as required in 25 CFR 171.600*  
2016 Irrigation rate \$18.00 per Acre

Water Request Ticket forms are available at the Irrigation office 811 CR 517, BLDG 51 Ignacio, CO.  
Ph.# (970) 563-9484

OMB # 1076-0141  
Expires: 06/30/2009

**WATER REQUEST**  
SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY  
PINE RIVER IRRIGATION PROJECT  
IGNACIO, CO

REQUESTER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME OF REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ SERIAL NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

CANAL / LATERAL: \_\_\_\_\_ HEAD GATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF ACRES TO IRRIGATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF CROP GROWN: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVERSION AMOUNT REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME ON: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME OFF: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DITCH RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
REQUEST must be in at least 72 hours and not over 7 days prior to desired time of water delivery. WATER USERS must be responsible for water until returned to canal. Use one request for each turnout.

## Looking for a Summer Job?

Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
Ignacio, CO



**Boys & Girls Club is looking for summer staff.**

Experience working with youth preferred, but not required.

Boys & Girls Club Summer positions begin May 23, 2016. Summer Program runs June 13-August 05.

For more information please contact the Boys & Girls Club staff at 970.563.4753.

If interested please go to the Southern Ute Tribal website, look under the "jobs" tab for application.

<http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/>

Must pass pre-employment drug test.  
Must pass a background check.

Native American Applicants please call TERO-Tribal Employee Rights Office (970) 563.0100 ext. 3100



## Are you an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal member? 18 or older, and registered to VOTE?

**The Southern Ute Election Board is searching for ONE (1) Alternate Board Member!**

**This is a Tribal appointment and a paid position.**

If you are interested, please submit a Letter of Intent with a phone number to the Human Resources Department at the Leonard C. Burch Building by **5 P.M., FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016**

The Election Board is located on the second floor (east wing), of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building. If you have any questions, please call 970-563-0100, ext. 2303 or 2305 or our direct line 970-563-4789.

**IT'S YOUR VOTE • IT'S YOUR TRIBAL COMMUNITY**  
**Southern Ute Election Board**  
P.O. Box 737, #32 • Ignacio, CO 81137-0737

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### ROYALTY COMMITTEE VACANCY

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

### ETHICS COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Ethics Office is accepting letters of interest from tribal members to fill TWO vacancies for "Alternate Member-At-Large" on the Ethics Commission. Qualifications are: Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at least 18 years of age or older; Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality; Have a familiarity with tribal government; Satisfactory completion of a background investigation for criminal history showing no convictions or guilty pleas for felonies or any misdemeanor involving dishonesty. The Ethics Commission meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice and Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way by May 27, 2016. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

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Applications are available at [www.bgcsu.org](http://www.bgcsu.org)

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



## Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

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

### \*Count Team Staff (Part-time w/Benefits)

Closing date 4/18/16  
 Retrieves, counts and calculates the daily revenue produced by the gaming revenue departments. It is the job of the Count Team to pull the containers, and count or verify the funds according to the regulatory requirements and procedures set by the Southern Ute Division of Gaming's Internal Control Minimum Procedures and the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must have cash handling experience. Must have computer and calculator experience.

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

Closing date 4/15/16  
 Deals blackjack (Class 3), three card poker, roulette and specialty games while providing a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must have 6 months experience as a table games dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in blackjack, three card poker, roulette and specialty games.

### \*Poker Dealer (Full-time)

Closing date 4/15/16  
 Deals the various games of Class 2 poker while promoting a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. Must have a High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in poker.

### \*Surveillance Agent (Full-time)

Closing date 4/18/16  
 Ensuring a safe and secure environment for Casino customers and employees by observing, reporting and recording gaming and non-gaming activity using surveillance equipment to abide by all procedures, gaming regulations, and policies and protect the Southern Ute tribal assets from illegal and questionable activities. Must have High School diploma/equivalency. Must be at least 21 years old. Must have prior experience in Surveillance, a Casino gaming department, or equivalent. Knowledge of Table Games including Blackjack, Three Card Poker, various Poker Games, Craps and Roulette preferred.

*\*Must be at least 21 years old.*

## Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs](http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs). If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.  
**ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE**  
 Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact information on file. P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137  
 Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777  
 Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

### Cultural Media Tech (Temporary)

Closing date 4/17/16  
 Creating audio and video documentation of language and culture teaching and activities, creating language and culture learning technological tools, editing the material, and copying and archiving the material. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

### Director of Strategic Planning

Close date 4/17/16  
 Working with Tribal Council to develop short and long-term strategic objectives to include operational and financial planning for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Researching and developing tax strategies regarding Tribal Member distributions; developing training material for Tribal Council Members regarding the Tribe's Financial Plan and other strategic plans; as well as developing materials and providing education for the Tribal Membership on the Tribe's Financial Plan and other strategic plans. Will assist Tribal Council in facilitation of strategic planning session involving the Tribe's entities and tribal membership when deemed appropriate.

### Patrol Officer Trainee

Closing date 4/17/16  
 Trainee position for uncertified individuals interested in a career in law enforcement with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The trainee will be required to attend and successfully complete an approved basic police-training course. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Water Resources Technician

Closing date 4/19/16  
 Under the supervision of the Division Head, with day-to-day direction from Division professional staff, provides technical level support to professional staff to ensure that Southern Ute Tribal water resources are managed in a manner that promotes their wise use, development, and conservation while complying with Tribal policies and any applicable federal or statutory regulations. Pay grade 18; \$18.96/hour.

### Active Kid Care Leader

Closing date 4/20/16  
 Provides childcare and physical activities for the Active Kid Care program to meet the needs of children ages toddler through 6 years. Pay grade 10; \$9.01/hour.

### Detention Food Service Cook

Closing date 4/20/16  
 Assisting the Food Service Coordinator to facilitate all kitchen food service preparation and cleaning duties. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

### FLC – Summer Work Program

Closing date 4/20/16  
 Summer work position for an enrolled local Native American. The length of the summer work program is two months. This program involves working within the Air and Water disciplines within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Environmental Division. Technical aspects include working with and performing various tasks within ambient air monitoring, air permitting and compliance, stream monitoring and riparian restoration resulting in a well-rounded, technical understanding of a Tribal environmental program. Pay grade 13; \$12/hour.

### Referral Coordinator Health Services

Closing date 4/22/16  
 Maintains ongoing tracking of patient referrals for in-house/out sourced services, ensure that referrals are addressed in a timely manner, keep physicians updated with accurate documentation in system, sets up appointment, maintains insurance authorization, ensures complete and accurate registration, demographics and current patient insurance. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Certified Pharmacy Technician

Closing date 4/25/16  
 Works under the supervision of a pharmacist and provides technical support of the pharmacy department at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pay grade 17; \$17.20/hour.

### Boys & Girls Club Program Aide (Part-time)

Open until filled  
 Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Dentist

Open until filled  
 Providing administrative, clinical, health promotion and disease prevention, and educational services for the Dental Division. Organizes and supervises the work of the dental program to ensure that effective dental services are provided and quality standards are met.

### Family Practice Physician

Open until filled  
 Providing comprehensive medical services and primary care with special emphasis in family medicine to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center (SUHC).

### Nurse Practitioner (2 positions)

Open until filled  
 Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Supervisory Physician.

### Teacher Trainee (TERO Intern)

Open until filled  
 Under the direction of the Southern Ute Department Education Teachers, the Teacher trainee/Program Aide will assist the Education Staff in the teaching and tutoring responsibilities for K-12 Tribal students attending the Ignacio Public Schools. Provide the TERO employee with direct teaching experience through student contact in the public schools and in after school tutoring programs, opportunities to participate with professional teaching staff in the public schools and within the SUIT education Department and other experiences relative to a career in the teaching field. Temporary position, not to exceed 6 months or 24 hours per week. Position starts at \$12.09/hour.

### TERO Boys & Girls Club Summer Program Aid (Temporary)

Open until filled  
 Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. These temporary positions (76 days) are for members of a Federally recognized Indian Tribe. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Tribal Health Department Director

Open until filled  
 Professional executive management position with overall responsibility for the health services system and supervision of a variety of health related programs operated by the Southern Ute Tribe, which provides health services or health related services. Leadership for the design, implementation and effective operation of the health system in coordination with the Tribal Council, the Executive Officer, the Member Health Benefits Committee or any other similar advisory group, and the department leaders who at any time may have information or programs that interface with the health services system. Provides leadership and general supervision to divisions within the Department ensuring compliance with policies and procedures. Provides information and support on health services and the health status of the Tribal members to the Tribal Council.

## Southern Ute Tribal Member Only

### Lifeguard Full Time

Closing date 4/22/16  
 Lifeguard activities at the Community Recreation Center swimming pool, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 12; \$10.91/hour.

### Culture Education Coordinator

Closing date 4/22/16  
 Design and development of the cultural and language curriculum which shall be used in teaching and instruction to tribal members, staff, clients and community. Responsible for working with the Ute Language Teachers, Elders, and Southern Ute tribal members on an individual basis, sharing ideas and materials on how to assist in learning and retaining Ute language and culture. Assists tribal members, staff, clients and the community in reaching the goals and objectives of the Culture Department. Incorporating the Ute history, culture, and folklore into the language and culture curriculum and instruction. Pay grade 20; \$23.51/hour.

### Summer Youth Employment Program Workers

Open until filled  
 Under general supervision of the Youth Employment Program Coordinator, Youth Employment Program Aide, or Tribal Department Directors, Division Heads, or Managers, the Youth Employment Program Worker performs job duties as directed and participates in activities provided within the SUIT Education Youth Employment Program. This summer program is designed to provide employment from June to August 2016, with extensions available to make up hours missed due to illness or absence.

### Lake Capote Maintenance Laborer

Closing date 4/21/16  
 Under general supervision of the Lake Capote Resident Manager, the Maintenance Worker will: greet guests, collect fees for fishing/camping/small concessions; clean, maintain, and repair grounds, facilities, and buildings; and assist with site development and improvements. This position is seasonal/full time, 8-month schedule. Pay rate; \$12/hour.

## SUCAP – Job announcements

Southern Ute Community Action Program  
 Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-4517 • Fax: 970-563-4504  
 Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices • [www.sucap.org](http://www.sucap.org)

### Para Educator

Closing date 4/22/16  
 Southern Ute Montessori Head Start is hiring a part-time/16 hours a week Para Educator to assist teachers and BOCES providers with special services. One-year experience working in preschool program required. Early Childhood experience preferred. Must pass background checks and have current DL.

### Early Care Educator

Closing date 4/22/16  
 Exceptional opportunity for those who love children. Southern Ute Montessori Early Head Start has one full-time position available. High School/GED and CDA, AA, or Infant/Toddler Certification required; BA in Early Childhood Education preferred. Must pass background checks. Pay based on education/experience.

## 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

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

#### In the Estate Of,

**Case No.: 2016-PR-0035**

#### Annette Rock Sage, Deceased

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on May 10, 2016 at 2 PM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 5th of April, 2016  
 Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

#### In the Estate Of,

**Leroy Weaver, Deceased**

**Case No.: 2016-PR-0015**

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

before the Tribal Court at the above address on May 2, 2016 at 4 PM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 25th of March, 2016  
 Kara Cuthair, Deputy Court Clerk

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

#### In the Estate Of,

**Case No.: 2016-PR-0032**

#### Nathan Luther Cloud, Deceased

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on May 3, 2016 at 2 PM. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.

Dated this 28th of March, 2016  
 Paula Trujillo, Deputy Court Clerk

### LEGAL NOTICE TO NELSON NARANJO:

Take notice that the SUIT Division of Social Services has filed a petition in dependency and neglect naming you as a respondent, in the case of *In the Interest of L. N. and D. V.*, 16 DN 09 (SUIT Tribal Court). You are hereby notified that a hearing is set in this matter on **TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016, at 3:00 P.M.** in the Southern Ute Tribal Court, 149 C.R. 517, Ignacio, CO 81137, (970) 563-0240, which you are expected to attend. Termination of the parent-child relationship is possible if the petition alleging that a child is dependent or neglected is proven. You may contact the Tribal Court to obtain copies of documents filed in this case.

Dated this 3rd day of March 2016.

Peg Rogers

Attorney for the SUIT Division of Social Services, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137, 970-563-0100

## Ignacio School District

### Job announcements

Application/Information:  
 970-563-0500 ext. 221  
 Information, job descriptions and application can be found at: [www.ignacioschools.org](http://www.ignacioschools.org)

Ignacio School District is accepting applications for a **Physical Education Teacher** for the 2016-17 school year. Application at [www.ignacioschools.org](http://www.ignacioschools.org). Deadline to apply: April 22, 2016

## Food Handler Training

Thursday, April 28, 2016  
 10 am to 12 pm; or 2 pm to 4 pm  
 (attend AM or PM class, not both)  
 Sky Ute Casino Resort, Ignacio, CO

Reminders:  
 • IHS classes are free and open to everyone, no matter location.  
 • No RSVP – just show up on time. Bring pencil/pens; paper optional.  
 • IHS Food Handler Cards are not a permit to sell food. Check with Tribal Administration or Event Coordinator for specific requirements.

Other Options:  
 • IHS Food Handler Class/Certification online – FREE! Available 24/7  
 • Go to: [www.ihs.gov/foodhandler](http://www.ihs.gov/foodhandler) – questions/problems, see below

Questions? Contact: Alyssa Bernido, Indian Health Service  
 • Office: (970) 563-9443 or cell: (970) 382-1674  
 • Email: [alyssa.bernido@ihs.gov](mailto:alyssa.bernido@ihs.gov)

\*\* Please note – the class on May 3, 2016 is cancelled.



## FLY-FISHING

# Polarization helps you see fish

By Don Oliver  
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My business card proudly proclaims me “a fly fishing consultant” with my world headquarters a post office box. As a consultant I am happy to sell or give my opinion about anything to do with fly-fishing to anybody wanting it. I recently received an email from a friend asking my opinion about polarized sunglasses, and what he might purchase. Having worn polarized sunglasses for over 50 years I figured this would be an easy opinion to give. However, after doing some research, I found more than I ever wanted to know about polarized sunglasses.

My initial research took me to the reliable sources of Safari and Wikipedia. Those two provided 687,000 results. More than I had time to review. So I culled the best and have the following to report.

The process to polarize glass was invented by Edwin Land in 1929. And his company, Polaroid Day Glasses, produced the first pair of Polaroid sunglasses in 1937. So why all the fuss about a pair of sunglasses? This new process made it possible to see through the glare on the water and magically see the fish below. Sounds simple, but it is lot more complicated. Light waves from the sun travel in all directions. When the light waves intersect with a horizontal surface, the light is reflected towards you in a horizontal plane. This creates lots of glare, and makes

tion for seeing, choosing polarized sunglasses is fairly simple. I suggest you go to your nearest fly fishing shop and visit with them. Let them know where you fish, i.e. salt or fresh water, how many days a week you're on the water, and if this will be your only pair of sunglasses. Also, have a budget in mind. You can spend anywhere from \$10 to a \$1,000. Try on everything in your price range, and pick the pair that fits best, not looks best.

If like me, the eye fairy comes around every couple of years, the rules of selection change. I wear bifocals; so polarized glasses with a magnifier in the bottom won't work. For this situation you'll need to go to an optical store and have a polarized prescription filled. Shop around; you will be surprised at the difference in prices of frames and lenses. However, don't buy just because of price. Find out from the optician where the lenses are manufactured and how long they have been in business. You might even ask, “are these polycarbonate lens with brinephobic coating on the outside of the lens and optical grade anti-reflective backdating inside?” That came from an Orvis catalog.

Another option, if you like the regular glasses you wear, is get some type of clip-on or fit-over. A number of my fly fishing friends do this. But, like everyone else, they have to buy a quality product and not something from the five and dime. Remember, these are your eyes, take care of them.

it hard to see. According to the information I found on the Internet, “By using a sheet of vertical polarizing material, the horizontally-polarized component can be significantly attenuated, reducing the overall light level reaching the eye. This improves contrast, and thus perception of the scene.” In simpler terms, the polarized material is attached to the lens vertically, thus negating the horizontal glare coming off the water. There's more.

My research also found out that the time of day you are wearing your polarized glasses could effect how well you see the fish. The experts say, “Maximum polarization is obtained when the sun is at about 37 degrees from the horizon (in theory 100% polarization at the Brewster angle.)” All this information, and all my friend wanted to know was who I thought was a good frame and lens manufacturer, and what color lenses should he get. (Lens color is a whole other column.)

If you are fortunate enough not to have had a visit from the eye fairy presenting you with a prescrip-

## Youth soccer kicks into 2016



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The Bayfield and Ignacio Youth Soccer league began action on Stephenson's Fields in Bayfield Saturday, April 9. Dewayne Hendren (left) shows his foot skills as he maneuvers aside Chris Walker Jr., towards the goal. Full schedules can be found on the Bayfield Parks & Rec website ([www.bayfieldgov.org/services/recreation](http://www.bayfieldgov.org/services/recreation)) or by following them on Facebook.

## BOBCATS TAKE COMMAND • FROM PAGE 1

SAANow.com Class 1A poll going in (and remaining so afterward, in the 4/11 update), Nucla touched Weinreich for four in the top of the third with Rummel, at the top of the order, hit by a pitch and junior Graden Steffan and senior Caden Colson following with consecutive singles to spark the guests' initial rally, in which all nine players came to bat. Rummel later doubled leading off the sixth and eventually scored, but the comeback gained no additional traction as Steffan (2-3, BB), Colson (2-4) and junior Sladen Hendrickson went down in order against McCaw.

Senior Mason Riddle, sophomore Cord Colson (1-4) and freshman William Gabriel (1-3, BB) then went down 1-2-3 in the top of the seventh to seal the deal as NHS dropped to 3-7 over-

all, 1-1 SJBL.

Sophomore Kruz Pardo scored two runs for IHS, while junior Juanito Medina, sophomore Kai Roubideaux and senior Anthony Manzanares each scored one in the victory.

Against DCHS, Manzanares scored three runs and went 4-for-4 with four singles and stole two bases. Pardo (2-3, BB) also scored three times and McCaw twice on 3-4 stickwork.

Ward was 2-4 with a double and a run, and senior Chance Hine 0-3 with a walk and a run as the Cats passed their first test against senior Jorddan Ernst and the reigning 1A State Champions – then No. 5 in the classification's rankings, and down to No. 7 in the April 11 poll.

Ernst singled and scored his first time up, but was thrown out 2-3 his next at-bat, and went down on

strikes his final two tries. Senior Colin Hobbs scored twice in defeat and reached base in three of his four plate appearances as Dove Creek couldn't solve Ward (W; 5 IP, 5 R, 8 K) and Medina (2 IP, R, 3 K).

“The team is starting to become a team,” Ignacio head coach Bert Miller said. “They're playing together, they know what the other guys can do. They're playing as a team, instead of individuals ... and we're improving every day!”

Still an ‘Others receiving votes’ team on the bubble of the April 11 Class 2A top-10, up next for the Bobcats will be their first SJBL doubleheader – and their first action away after nine straight home dates – of the spring, on Saturday, April 16, at Dove Creek. First pitch against the Bulldogs is currently set for 2 p.m.

## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

<p><b>Friday, April 15</b></p> <p>Partly sunny 54°F 40% chance of showers</p>	<p><b>Saturday, April 16</b></p> <p>Mostly cloudy 49°F Rain/snow likely 70%</p>	<p><b>Sunday, April 17</b></p> <p>Mostly cloudy 51°F Chance of rain/snow showers</p>
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### Weather data for April 1 – April 11

	<p><b>Temperatures</b></p> <p>High 68.4° Low 20.8° Average 44.7° Average last year 44.4°</p>
	<p><b>Precipitation</b></p> <p>Total 0.110” Total last year 0.000”</p> <p>Total (4/1 – 4/11) 0.030”</p>
	<p><b>Wind speed</b></p> <p>Average 5.7 Minimum 0.9 Maximum 22.9</p> <p>Avg. (4/1 – 4/11) 7.6 Min. (4/1 – 4/11) 1.0 Max. (4/1 – 4/11) 22.6</p>
	<p><b>Visibility &amp; humidity</b></p> <p>Average visibility 107.0 Average humidity 42.6%</p>
	<p><b>Air quality</b></p> <p>Good Air quality descriptor: 43</p>

Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs      Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

## SOCCER SHOWS PROMISE • FROM PAGE 1

Lady Cats actually manage a shot on junior Alison Doyle, one of many newer faces on Martin Wolfe's depleted roster – already lacking the since-graduated Tayleur Hillis/Taylor Nye scoring tandem – but squad newcomer Cortney Wilson-Baker's tenth-minute try was firmly on target.

And with every intent of offsetting sophomore Katie Parkins' fifth-minute finish of classmate Jaqueline Palacios' set-up pass, it would have then put IHS in a position which the program possibly had never been – level, and competitive with a league power.

Bolt alertly countered in short order with her first goal coming in the 12th, and struck again in the 19th before Ignacio – urged on by a hyper-vocal coaching

staff of skipper Oscar Cosio and assistants Savannah Davis and Alisha Gullion – regained its early composure and did its best to keep the Moose away from goalie Gibran Silva.

Making her debut as Cosio's option – one out of, well ... nearly none – to spell concussion casualty Lanie Webb in net, the senior newcomer was initiated in pretty much the same way as the sidelined freshman.

At times facing multiple shots in swift succession, Silva totaled 18 saves unofficially (Webb had made 17 versus Telluride on March 10), but with Bolt nailing a 56th-minute penalty kick and netting a fifth goal in the 62nd – putting AHS up 7-0 at the time – there was little doubt of the outcome. Though after having near-

ly denied Doyle a shutout, Ignacio wasn't about to fall by mercy-rule on this occasion until the match was nearing its regulation end anyways.

Senior Elise Tolley, who'd cashed in a Bolt feed in the 60th for Alamosa's sixth goal, scored in the 80th to cap the 10-nil (Parkins had completed her own hatter by marking in the 66th and 73rd) win, helping the Moose improve to 2-4 in league and 4-5 overall.

Ahead on the schedule for IHS – which also amazed AHS by gaining four corner kicks (Alamosa gained seven, by comparison) – Ridgway comes to town for a 4 p.m. kickoff on Friday, April 15. The Lady Cats then travel to THS for an 11 a.m. start the following morning, before then preparing for a 4/19 visit from Bayfield.

## PEREZ PACES IHS GIRLS • FROM PAGE 8

In the field, Chrystianne Valdez took third in the pole vault with a best of 7'7", and junior teammate Lea Monroe tied for sixth at 6'7". Kiana Valdez placed third in the high jump, with her 4'5" only an inch short of both second-place Andie Miller of 3A Pagosa Springs and winner Cameron Elder of DHS.

Senior Lillianna Romero came in third in the discus,

her best throw covering 84 feet, 11 inches. Freshman Rosaleigh Concepcion finished 15th at 53'4", and fellow freshman Heather Kerrigan took 17th (43'0") as PSHS' Keena Murphy won with a 111'0" best and 4A Montezuma-Cortez's Tayla Topaha followed at 108'1".

And in the shot, junior Alana Watts earned the Lady Cats more third-place points with her 30-foot

maximum, which trailed only Murphy (31'2.5") and BHS' Tiarra Christensen (31'4"). Kerrigan finished 16th with a 22'6" heave, and Concepcion's 19-footer held up for 24th.

All told, IHS amassed 45.5 points at the event. BHS won with 153, M-CHS was second with 115, with DHS (98) and 4A Durango (53.5) following to fill out the top five.

## 2016 Abel Velasquez Invite standings

**BOYS:** 1. Bayfield 148.5, 2. Montezuma-Cortez 107.5, 3. Mancos 86, 4. Durango 67.5, 5. Dolores 51, 6. **IGNACIO 20.5**, 7. Pagosa Springs 18, 8. Dove Creek 7.

**GIRLS:** 1. Bayfield 153, 2. Montezuma-Cortez 115, 3. Dolores 98, 4. Durango 53.5, 5. **IGNACIO 45.5**, 6. Dove Creek 28, 7. Pagosa Springs 27, 8. Mancos 24.