



9th Annual Kituwah Celebration Held



On Friday, June 18th beginning at 6:00 p.m., friends, family, community members, and consortium and other members from Cherokee Nation gathered together for the 9th Annual Kituwah Celebration. An estimated 20200 people attended this year and last year. Held annually, every June, the event is held to commemorate the Return of the Mother Town. In 1996, under Chief Dugan's leadership, Governor's Island or Kituhwa was purchased and returned to the tribe. Historians and elders refer to Kituhwa as the place we come from...or the place where our first fire was built. Special thanks to everyone who joined us and to the Fire Department for their assistance each year. We also extend a special thanks to the Warriors of Anikituwah for their participation.

(Excerpt from the National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form)

The town of Kituhwa according to James Mooney (199:15,182) was the nucleus of the Cherokee settlements when the Indians settled in the Southern Appalachians. The site was indicated on the Hunter map of 1730.



Young warriors, Connor McCoy and Winston Welch take the field with the Warriors of Anikituwah.

NEWS FROM OUR CLASSROOMS...

2 AND 3 YEAR OLD ROOM (Kathy, Angela, and Stacy)

During the month of May we learned about the farm. Study about animals and food that grows on the farm. We talked about the barn where animals stay and farm equipment. Iya had perfect attendance in May, congratulations Iya. Our lesson plan for June is Beach and Vacation.

Room 149 VJG, IP, VU, & SVOR

(1 and 2 year old room)

We have had a very busy month so far! Our theme is: The Beach. We have been doing a lot of water/sand play, the babies love it. So far we've made surfboard sun catchers, sand art, and sticker collages. We would like to thank everyone who helped us get ready for our ITERS Review, especially Kelly Driver who helped us the day of! ᎠᎵᎠ ᎠᎵᎠ!! We would also like to welcome our final four babies into our room! (GW\$; D00A, GG, & Ꭰ\$Ꭰ DGTᎠ) We would also like to encourage all parents to attend language classes!

News from Irene, Marlene, & Amanda

(3 and 4 year old room)

For the month of May (D0ᎠᎠᎠ) our class enjoyed walking in the parade for the "Week of The Young Child." Our hats go off to the parents who participated in the walk, ᎠᎵᎠ!! We have been learning about farm life and we also studied the sun (ᎠᎠ).

We have two birthdays this month: D0ᎠᎠ- May 15 and DᎠᎠᎠ-May 16. Perfect attendance for this month is DᎠ\$ᎠᎠᎠ and GGB.

Kindergarten Language camp

This month our children were visited by Paula Nelson. Paula introduced the children to traditional painting and the story of how the first paint was made. The children enjoyed banging on the rocks and mixing their own paints. Weather permitting our children travel to the farmstead trail every day and explore. The children love reading the different stories along the way. Every Wednesday and Friday our children go to the Ginger Lynn pool. Since then we have had two of our girls learn to swim. Congratulations Salalisi noli Iwodi. Next Friday our children will be visited by Ronnie Nelson. Ronnie will be demonstrating the traditional fire making....



Immersion

Singers!

Sharyn, Stacey and Tsali's class have been busy this month. They were asked to perform at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center for a National Methodist Convention. They also traveled to Tsali Care to sing for the residents there.

The students were also invited to sing at the Annual Kituwah Celebration. The crowd was very impressed. Thank you students, staff and children for your dedication to keeping the language alive and sharing your gift with the community.





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Dear Mrs. Jones

As the Cherokee Language Development Supervisor of the New Kituwah Academy. I'd like to thank you and your staff for your generous gift of the Children's Sandboxes for our new playground.

I want to thank the carpentry crew who built these sandboxes. I commend them for their hard work and working in the hot sun. It means a lot to the administrative staff, teachers and parent of this program.

Your gift will bring days of enjoyment for our children in Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grades.

Qualla Housing carpentry crew finishing up our beautiful sandbox with roof which matches our existing building. Please note the post and beam construction and the fine craftsmanship of this structure. We want to Thank Qualla Housing Director Ms Susie Jones, Administrative Assistant, Tamara Jackson, Rehab/Maintenance Manager, Buddy Lambert, Job Foreman, Fonzie McCoy, and construction workers James Long, Mose Oocumma, and Matt Pummer.

We want to say a special thank you for the materials and labor. Our children are anxiously waiting to jump into the sandbox. Our children made thank you notes to Qualla Housing Authority.

ANNUAL TRAIL OF TEARS WALK



On June 22, 1938 the troops began removing the Cherokee people in North Carolina to Fort Butler, located in present day Murphy, NC.

On June 19th, 2010 nearly 40 people gathered together for the 7 1/2 mile, Trail of Tears Walk. The event was started as a means to raise awareness about the Trail of Tears and to create the Ed Jackson Endowment Fund. The event was started by the Jackson family in Snowbird. Today, many people, including members of the Cherokee Nation travel annually to Robbinsville to participate in the walk. From young to old—everyone is honored to participate in such a wonderful event. Since 1987, when the Endowment was started, the Jackson family has raised and given out over 30,000 dollars in scholarships to students located in Snowbird.



JUNE WORD LIST)

1	June is my favorite month.	Dehaluyi ohisdodi agiyelvhoi.	ᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	Why?	Gadono?	ᖃᖅᓴ?
1	Because I got my per-cap.	Agwaniyosdi tsuligvwatlanv tsegi aginagisv.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	Me, too.	Aya skwo.	ᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇ.
1	What did you buy?	Doiyusdi tsawase?	ᖃᖅᓴᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇ?
2	I paid bills, what about you?	Dvgidugv dagwagwiyvhv, nihina?	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ, ᓇᓇᓇ?
1	I went to the beach.	Amegwo wagwedolv.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	Really?	Hawagi?	ᓇᓇᓇ?
2	Where did you go?	Gatsv witsedole?	ᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ?
1	Florida.	Tsuganowv.	ᓇᓇᓇ.
2	How was the weather?	Douste doyi?	ᖃᖅᓴᓇ ᓇᓇᓇ?
1	Hot, real hot.	Udilegi, doyu udilegi.	ᓇᓇᓇ, ᖃᖅ ᓇᓇᓇ.
1	We went to see where all the oil was on the beach.	Ogigadvnsv nusdv goi amegwonuyvdi.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	Really? What was it like?	Udoyugi? dousde?	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ? ᖃᖅᓴᓇ?
1	It was bad. The animals were getting sick.	Uyo nusdv. Amegwo anehi dunitsvgv.	ᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
1	My family was sad.	Uyo uniyelvvhv sidanelv.	ᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
1	We came home early and spent time at the river.	Ahidige daogenvsv. Amayi geyv wogedolv.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	My kids like to swim in the river.	Amayi geyv unadowosdi osda uniyelvho digwatseli diniyotli.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
1	Where do you go swim?	Gatsv hadawosgo?	ᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ?
2	Big Cove. Big Cove has the best swimming holes.	Kolanvyi ohisdodi adawosdi awadvdi Kolanvyi.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
1	Yes, it's true. I learned to swim in the river at Big Cove.	Udohiyuhi. Kolanvyi digeyv agwadolegww agwadawosdi.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	I'm too old to swim in the river, it's too cold. I go watch the kids swim.	Tsigayvli amayi geyv agwadawosdi. Uyvtsi. Diniyotli degag(a)dosdoi.	ᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
1	Me too!	Aya sgwo.	ᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇ.
1	I have to go to work now, I will talk to you later.	Hawa digiluwistanedi agwenvsdi. Denadagohvyu.	ᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ. ᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇᓇ.
2	Alright.	Hawa.	ᓇᓇᓇ.



More Kituwah Celebration Pictures!!!

Upcoming Events

July 10, 2010—IMMERSION FIELD TRIP—SPLASH COUNTRY

**July 12-16— BUILDING CULTURAL KITS IN THE LANGUAGE FEATURING NONNI-COOK PETERS WITH
THE AHKWASASNE FREEDOM SCHOOL, MOHAWK NATION**

July 22— SPEAKERS GATHERING IN SNOWBIRD

JULY 28—1/2 for all students,

JULY 28-DOYI INSTITUE BEGINS THAT AFTERNOON

JULY 29-DOYI INSTITUTE

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Summer Youth TPR

with Traditional Song and Dance
began on June 24, 2010.

Instructors: Lead, Myrtle Driver,
Micah Swimmer, and David G.
Jumper



HOORAY FOR INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES!!!

WCU hosted a group from Mexico and visited June 24th, 2010. The delegation stopped by for a visit at New Kituwah. The members of the delegation are:

Dr. Fabregas Puig, Rector, Universidad Intercultural de Chiapas (Indigenous Language, Eco-Tourism, Sustainable Life); Inez Paniaugua Solis, Director Mayan Artisan Program/ Grameen, Inc.; Dely Paniaugua, Director, Recreation and Culture (and Mayor's Rep); Hiram Marina, Producer, "Palenque Rojo" Theater Performance, Dr. Claudio Sartorello, Professor, Bi-lingual Education

As they say, a picture is worth a thousand words...they had a great visit at New Kituwah!

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