

Cherokee Community of the Inland Empire
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General Meeting Minutes
12/19/09 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Location: Sherman Indian High School
9010 Magnolia Ave.
Riverside, Ca. 92503
Bennett Hall

Attendees: Adults - 49 Youth – 17

Wendi welcomed all and began the meeting with announcements:

Today's meeting will be primarily sharing Cherokee traditional stories by those attending.

Those who signed up for a food basket can pick them up today.

Cook Book project: recipes to be put into the CCIE Cookbook are due today.

Language Class Surveys are due today. A Class date will be announced after the surveys are received.

The second CCIE Language Class will begin about the end of January.

Election Committee members are needed to begin the Election process for Council seats. anyone interested, please contact Mary.

Wendi led all in the Lord's Prayer and Theresa led the singing of Amazing Grace in Cherokee.

To honor those students who completed the Cherokee Language Class, Wendi awarded them each with a Cherokee Dictionary and a Certificate of Completion. Our very first Graduating Class!

Storytelling participants and stories:

Joey – Cherokee Rose and Trail of Tears story

Linda – an 1838 Trail of Tears and songs of hope

Theresa – an action story of Rabbit and dancing

Wendi – story of the Ice Man

Otter – story of Fire

Mary – story of how the Indian was made

All the stories were interesting, well told and enjoyed by all.

CCIE member Todd blessed the food and the Elders were invited to begin the Potluck line.

All were invited to participate in the craft projects in process: Gourd Rattles, bead painting and making beaded earrings.

While crafting and fellowshiping, all enjoyed the singing, accompanied by drums and flute.

The next General Meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 16th.