

Iroquois Genealogy Society

BUFFALO CREEK TIMELINE

- Spring 1780** British establish settlements at Buffalo Creek. Approximately 1200 Residents. Territory is multi-national relocation area. Residents Include: Senecas, Cayugas, Delawares and Onondagas.
'Central Fire' of Haudenosaunee located here in Onondaga Village (Seneca St and Ridge Rd)
- June 1780** 400 people reside at Old Smoke settlement near Buffalo Creek.
- 1789** Census of Indians on Seneca lands (Kirkland?)
- 1790 or before** Old Smoke dies at home on Smoke's Creek at Buffalo Creek.
- 1792** Census
- 1797** Treaty of Big Tree reduces Seneca country to 11 reservations, Establishes boundaries of Buffalo Creek Reservation.
- 1810** Ogden Land Company purchases preemptive right to purchase Lands from Holland Land Company.
- 1812** Congress declares war against Great Britain.
- Dec 1813** Buffalo captured by British forces; burned down.
- Post 1815** Census of Six Nations: 474 Senecas, 210 Onondagas and 125 Cayugas At Buffalo Creek.
- Oct 1815** Farmers Brother (abt 1719-1815) passes on. Originally buried at Buffalo's Franklin Sq. Re-interred at Forest Lawn. Head warrior from his clan (snipe), distinguished by the name of Long Plover(Snipe)
- 1817** Construction of Erie Canal begins.
- 1823** John Seneca, Seneca White, James Stephenson and Tall Peter Baptized at Buffalo Creek. Seneca Mission Church congregation Established.
- Aug 1826** 'Treaty' resulting in loss of approximately 33,000 acres. Never ratified by Senate.
- 1828** Christian Indians begin construction of Seneca Mission Church.

- Aug 1829** Seneca Mission Church dedication
- 1830** Red Jacket passes on. Wolf clan.
- 1831** Asher Wright, missionary, arrives at Buffalo Creek
- Summer 1831** Mary Jemison moves to Buffalo Creek from Gardeau.
- 1832** Buffalo incorporated as a city.
- 1833** Mary Jemison passes on.
- 1835** Young King (leader of Mission Senecas, Turtle clan) passes on. B. 1754
Near Canandaigua, NY. Served as runner for Senecas. Veteran of War
Of 1812-received pension in 1816. First Seneca Chief to convert to
Christianity, became leader of Christian faction at Buffalo Creek.
- 1836** Land sales peak at \$150/improved foot, \$75/unimproved land in
Buffalo.
- 1838** Jack Berry passes on. Former runner for Red Jacket, leader of Pagan
Settlement at Buffalo Creek, Jack Berry's Town, now Gardenville.
- Jan 1838** Treaty of Buffalo Creek
- Aug 1838** Council House at Buffalo Creek burned to ground
- July 1839** Quaker Friends delegation visits Buffalo Creek
- 1839-40** Census of Buffalo Creek
- May 1842** Compromise Treaty of 1842 Buffalo Creek; Allegany and Cattaraugus Reservations
Returned.
- 1843** Buffalo Creek Mission abandoned; during next 2-3 yrs congregation
moves to Cattaraugus Territory.
- 1845-46** Haudenosaunee people leave Buffalo Creek for Cattaraugus,
Tonawanda, Six Nations, Onondaga and other reservations.

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