Nez Perce War Memorials 2023

“Please share all of your stories with our relatives”-Grampa Scotty

Pincher Creek/Fort Macleod, Alberta, Canada Fri. October 6, 2023 at 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Bears Paw Battlefield, Chinook, MT Sat. - October 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. sharp

For our Canada trip, we're offering $250.00 per car, and for the Bears Paw War Memorial, it's $150.00 per car. To ensure a smooth distribution process, funds will be given directly at each car, and a license will be required for verification.

Please take note of the deadlines:

- Canada Trip Sign-up: September 25, 2023, by 12:00 p.m.
  - Important: We need all names traveling to Canada & crossing the border in your vehicle and date of birth. Office of Legal Counsel is working with Bonners Ferry Checkpoint for easier passage for travelers.
- Bears Paw War Memorial Sign-up: October 3, 2023, by 12:00 p.m.

DUI or Criminal Record?

Canada Trip: Tribal Members with criminal records or with a DUI and DWI may be denied access to cross the border, travel at your own discretion.

Please don’t forget:

Drivers should have vehicle registration and proof of insurance in car with them as well.

To cross the Canada Border Adult:

Passport/or Passport Card; OR
Tribal I.D. Card (the new blue color) & and State Certified birth certificate; OR

Valid Driver’s License and a State Certified birth certificate

Bringing your own child under 18:

Passport/or Passport Card; OR
Tribal I.D. Card (the new blue color) & and State Certified birth certificate; OR

*Highly recommended: a consent letter/notarized statement from the other parent allowing child to be brought to Canada. More info here:

Bringing grandchildren, nieces, nephew under 18:

Please inquire the website listed. Notarized statements are required, custody documents, may be necessary for travel across the Canadian border.
**Currency Exchange:** More expensive to do at the border, may be able to use ATM, inquire with your bank, alert your credit/debit card companies on notice of travel.

**Other FYI:**

Please provide your cell number. We will try to verify that voice service will work. We could potentially have a sign out sheet for cell phones that we could have on loan from AT&T that will provide voice service.

**WhatsApp Group Chat**

To ensure we stay in touch and share our experiences in real-time, we'll be using the WhatsApp messaging app. This will be our primary communication channel for both updates and sharing special moments through pictures.

If you haven't already, please download WhatsApp and keep an eye out for an invitation to our group chat. This will ensure we all remain informed and connected throughout our group travel.

Transporting smoked salmon, smoked jerky, kous kous, mountain tea is being clarified with the agencies. Kous Kous has set off the drug dogs while crossing the border and a full search of the car had to go underway. For more information: [http://www.inspection.gc.ca/food/information-for-consumers/travellers/what-can-i-bring-into-canada-/eng/1389648337546/1389648516990](http://www.inspection.gc.ca/food/information-for-consumers/travellers/what-can-i-bring-into-canada-/eng/1389648337546/1389648516990)

**Canada Memorial**

1. Grampa Scotty places great emphasis on the power of stories. He wants every attendant to be prepared with written or oral stories to share with our Northern Relatives. If you’re unable to make it, we would still like to hear from our Tribal Members and your stories, please e-mail nptecsupport@nezperce.org please include name and enrollment number.

2. Reuniting with our Northern Relatives is a moment of our Nation’s history. We would love for our people to prepare a bundle for a giveaway to share. Coffee and tobacco are always appreciated. If you’re unable to make it but would like to donate, we might be able to help coordinate transportation of your gifts. To arrange this, kindly get in touch with NPTEC Support Staff (208) 843-2253.

3. Our gratitude runs deep for Vera Crow Shoe and the late Old Man and Old Lady, who has been instrumental in facilitating this reunion. A heartfelt thank you to the Piikani Nation for their warmth in hosting the Nez Perce Tribe. We eagerly anticipate the reconnection with our Northern Relatives, we have missed them dearly.
Travel Itinerary: Nez Perce Reservation to Pincher Creek, Canada & Havre/Chinook, MT

Thursday, October 5, 2023
Travel to Pincher Creek, Canada

- **Departure:** Nez Perce Reservation. Caravan option depart at 8 a.m. from the Pineewaus in Lapwai, ID.
- **Destination:** Pincher Creek, Canada
- **Estimated Drive Time:** 7.5 hours
- **Notes:** Ensure all necessary travel documents for border crossing are ready. Gas up vehicles and pack snacks or meals.

Hotel Recommendations in Pincher Creek:

1. Ramada by Wyndham Pincher Creek - 1132 Table Mountain St, Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0, Canada
   - 1(403) 627-3777
2. Super 8 by Wyndham Pincher Creek AB - 1307 Freebairn Ave, Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0, Canada
   - 1(403) 627-5671
3. Travelodge by Wyndham Pincher Creek - 1225 McEachern St, Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0, Canada
   - 1(403)904-8040

Friday, October 6, 2023
Canada Memorial

**10:00 a.m.** Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump World Heritage Site Address: secondary Highway #785, Fort MacLeod, AB, Canada

- **Activity:** Self-Guided tour and site visit

**12:00 p.m.** Lunch

- **Note:** On your own. Enjoy local cuisine!

**1:00 p.m.** Ceremony Memorial, Piikani Nation Multipurpose Center 1910 17 Ave, Brocket, AB T0K 0H0, Canada

- **Time:** 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**5:00 p.m.** Travel to Havre/Chinook, MT

- **Time:** Depart at 5 p.m.
- **Estimated Drive Time:** 4.5 hours
Hotel Recommendations in Havre/Chinook:

1. Chinook Motor Inn - 100 Indiana St, Chinook, MT 59523
   - 1 (406) 357-2248

2. Quality Inn - 601 1st St W, Havre, MT 59501
   - 1 (406) 564-1145

3. Best Western Plus Havre Inn & Suites - 1425 U.S. Rte 2, Havre, MT 59501
   - 1 (406) 265-2888

Saturday, October 6, 2023
Bear Paw War Memorial Rte 240, Cleveland Rd, South of Chinook, MT

10:00 a.m. sharp Memorial Starts
   - Lunch is served by our Fort Belknap relatives

Reminder Pow Wow at Ft. Belknap – All Nez Perce are invited.

- Time: To be determined