

# SUMMER SHARINGS

Holyeeeeeeee its August, nearly time for BACK TO SCHOOL events...actually some schools have started already...and some stop at the end of May...its all over the place depending on where and what school you are attending...



Red Raad has their outdoor BACK TO SCHOOL event next Thursday, August 18, 2022 from 10 am to 2 pm on the south patio off Level 3 in THE ORANGE HUB. Haircuts, pancakes, clothing, backpacks filled with goodies, school information, agency information, club information, door prizes and refreshments are available. Come join us for family fun filled activities!!

Red Road is continuing to work on the September 25-28, 2022 event at River Cree Resort in Enoch First Nations. Our monthly zoom, and in person meeting

is August 23, 2022 at 9 am; whereupon our itinerary will be set. Our keynotes so far; Elder Dr Tom Porter, Haudenosaunee; ManApe Lamere Anishnabe Lakota; Dr Clifford Cardinal Cree Dene Lakota; Dr Calvin Pompana, Sioux Valley Dakota; Belinda Joe, MA, Crow Creek Brule Lakota and hostess Dakota 38+ 2 with the Chief of Crow Creek Brule Lakota and 17 year old 2021 Rider Grandson Dakota 38+ 2

Crow Creek Brule Lakota; Professor Michael Jackson UBC Delgamuukw and Haida decisions amongst many others; Chief Louie Osoyoos, Rob Louie

BMAAAC, LM, JD Kootenai FN; Alicia Morin JD Cree Enoch FN.....



We have an artists showcase; recovery; student's governance panel; youth initiatives panel; together with Elders plus throughout.

Our outdoor events include Elders, guitar making, drum making and crafters showcase.



a family panel of panel; LGBTQ 2s+ Living Hope; Veterans

Tipi Talks with making, regalia



Our 4 days includes working on an Indigenous law bundle for Turtle Island (briefly outlined in the Spring message); a youth horseback memorial ride based on the Dakota 38 +2 riders, (some of whom will attend the gathering to help us prepare for this endeavour); a horse and buffalo parade; motivational speakers; and traditional and non-traditional activities for

youth and families; plus, further work on our longhouse residence framework, for our abandoned Indigenous babies in the urban regions, to be moved along towards actual construction. Therefore; 4 days at River Cree this year (rather than the just over 2 days that we had last year); *as we have lots to share and discuss*. The poster and registration forms are on our website [www.redroadjourney.ca](http://www.redroadjourney.ca) - the rates are very reasonable. AND/OR get involved!

Aside from the September event...

We have our Moon Gathering Thursday 7 pm, August 11, 2022; outside at the south end of the Telus World of Science. Our gathering will be mixed this time to reflect on our roles in community; and to have our songs, stories and drums shared.....see poster on website. This is the night of the Perseid Meteor



Shower which is also Pte San Win day or Wohpe day as she came to Earth at this time to share our star way of life with the Buffalo people. ManApe Lamere will be sharing more of this understanding in September; with winter counts.



Kids Summer Camp, Triple P Parenting, Positive Indian Parenting, Cultural Creations with Tamlyn, Indigenous Court, Sharing Circles, Men United (see poster), Friends of Bill W and Friends of Lois W, Nooners on Mon and Wed; Food Hampers Monday 1:30 pm, Exercise with our counselors and Elders, summer field trips, children's programs, TWEEN programs with Bent Arrow, and Tipi Talks....are all happening this month...and more next month....get involved!!!

Our calendar and events are posted on the [www.redroadjourney.ca](http://www.redroadjourney.ca) website and facebook. **Join us** where and when you can. AND YES, we are not perfect... We STILL have all kinds of tech issues...our landline phones are generally good now... tho' the message is not always up to date....our website is STILL an ongoing construct...though it is getting easier to navigate!!! Once again it is [www.redroadjourney.ca](http://www.redroadjourney.ca)

AND; in closing, a little more from Richard Wagamese, What Comes From Spirit, 2021- I lost another relative this past week; and Wagamese's words always touch the heart deeply:

WITHIN ME ARE TREES. Within me are bird songs, tides, winds, the shift of glaciers. Within me is a child's cry, an old one's whisper, a heart bursting with joy, love, grieving, sorrow, the calmness of prayer and a shout from the rooftops. Within me is life. Within me is wonder. Within me is the potential and possibility of everything and anything. But I need to stay connected to life in order for that to occur. When my everyday waking consciousness is tuned to life and not my own self-seeking wants and dreams, I become that consciousness. I become alive again. Today. Everyday. How cool is that?



7 sacred values of our Lakota Sioux: Love, Courage, Honesty, Generosity, Chastity, Silence, **Respect**...

May the Creator of the Universe surround you with **respect** as you in turn show **respect** to all of Creator's Creation

**Mitakuye Oyasin**

**Red Road**

