

PASSAMAQUODDY MEDICINE TRADITIONS

Fredda Paul, Passamaquoddy tribe of Maine, with Leslie Wood

Universalist Unitarian Church ~ 479 Main Street, Norway

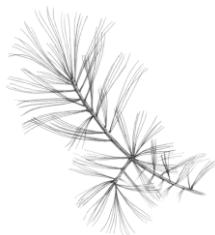
Saturday, March 17 10am – 12 noon



Fredda Paul, a Passamaquoddy elder from the Pleasant Point reservation, is carrying on the medicine tradition as he first learned it from his grandmother. As a teenager, he would be given drawings of plants and sent out to collect the medicine his grandmother needed. Much of this work was done in secrecy because during these times native lore was either scorned or forbidden.

Fredda's wife, Leslie Wood, is a writer and educator who grew up in Kentucky. The two of them have been involved in a project to preserve the fast-disappearing native knowledge of healing with plants. For his dedication to keeping the medicine tradition alive, Fredda received an honorary doctorate from Unity College in 2007.

Come join us at the Farmer's Market to learn more. From 10 am to 12 noon there will be a talk and slide show of Passamaquoddy medicine plants. Conditions that respond well to these traditional medicines include: insomnia, headaches, earaches, eye infections, coughs, back pain, shingles and eczema. As time allows, there will be opportunity afterward for questions. A 16-page newsletter and some traditional medicines will be available to purchase. As part of the program, we will be introducing some Wabanaki songs – if you have a shaker or drum, bring it along.



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