

## Province 1 Indigenous People's Justice Network Invites You to a Book Study Series

The Province 1 Indigenous People's Justice Network invites you to join the first in a series of book discussions. Discussion of *The Gatherings: Reimagining Indigenous-Settler Relationships* by Shirley N. Hager and Mawopiyane will take place on Wednesday, **September 13**, 7:00-8:15pm on Zoom. Co-authors Rev. Shirley Bowen of the Diocese of Maine and Shirley Hager of the Friends (Quakers) Committee on Maine Public Policy will join the discussion.

*The Gatherings* shows how Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples can come together to create meaningful and lasting relationships. Indigenous and non-Indigenous people participated in a series of long weekend gatherings over several years, in an Indigenous-led traditional Council format. Assumptions were challenged, perspectives upended, stereotypes shattered, and friendships formed that have lasted many years. Seven Indigenous and seven non-Indigenous authors, collectively Mawopiyane (a Passamaquoddy word that translates "Let us sit together"), share their experiences of the gatherings in their own words.

To register for this book study, please click [here](#). *The Gatherings* may be purchased through any bookstore or online book outlet. The link to purchasing the book from the publisher is [here](#): See also the book's [website](#) where you can view many options for purchasing the book, find out "more from the authors," and read the many endorsements.

A teacher's guide for *The Gatherings* is available for free [here](#).

Save the dates for these additional book studies:

Nov. 8 – *This Land is Their Land: The Wampanoag Indians, Plymouth Colony, and the Troubled History of Thanksgiving*, by David J. Silverman

Jan. 10, 2024 – *Our Beloved Kin: A New History of King Philip's War*, by Lisa Brooks (Abenaki)

March 13, 2024 – *Path Lit by Lightning: The Life of Jim Thorpe*, by David Maraniss

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