

Queen Lady Passion (Dixie Lee Deerman, R.N., NLC)

1976 – Went public as a Witch at 13, in 1976

1981 – Multi-scholarship graduate, Hudson High, TX, 1981

1981-83 – Fine Arts major, Angelina College, Lufkin, TX

1988 – Licensed Registered Nurse graduate, Angelina College

1989-1993 – Director, lockup units for the criminally insane; adolescents; and adults in crisis, TX

Bruja for Hispanic neighborhood, Lufkin, TX

1993-1994 – ICU, Neo-natal, OB/OR, etc. R. N., regional hospitals, Asheville, NC

1994-1995 – Elderberry R.N. Care Plan Coordinator, Asheville

1994-Present – Founded Coven Oldenwilde, an NC 501 (c)(3) charitable religious nonprofit near Billy Graham's "Cove Training Center" (now a library-museum)

1995 – Put oldenwilde.org online (one of the earliest, continuous, most informative Wiccan websites)

1995 – TV series *Extra!* Filmed conducting Asheville's first public Witch ritual. Concomitantly front-page covered, *Asheville Citizen-Times*. On video CD *Oldenwilde Magic* via: oldenwilde.org

1995-2015 – Led 20 years of huge public Halloween rites afterward, 2006 attended by 6,000.

1995-Present – Craft clergy for thousands of Pagan/Wiccan inmates nationwide (see daily updated map @: oldenwilde.org/prisons)

Taught, magic at colleges and universities (Brevard, Transylvania Co., UNC-A, USC-Wofford, Warren-Wilson, WNCU, etc.)

De-ghosted area homes to enable their resale

Manned a 24/7 crisis hotline for folk worldwide needing legal, magical, medical, and personal advice

Archived 8 huge volumes of published articles, features, and press coverage

1998 – Won Marketta Laurila trophy and plaque for local free speech activism

1999 – Present

Registered, Backyard Wildlife Habitat # 46961 from National Wildlife Federation for dozens of years

2001 – Set national legal precedent for winning *Deerman v. Beverly Corp. of America* which thwarted NC "hire-and-fire-at-will law, improving NC public healthcare statutes

Contracted author of mass-market magic books, Sterling Publications, Park Ave., NY, NY

2003 – Testified, in Raleigh legislators about cannabis' medicinal benefits

2004 – Rescinded, NC's anti-divination statute 14-401.5

2005 – Published illustrated *The Goodly Spellbook: Olde Spells For Modern Problems*

2006 – *The Goodly Spellbook* translated into Italian (*Il Libro Incantesemi: Antiqua Formule Problemi Attuali*)

Interviewed, long call-in show, BBC radio London during European book-signing tour

Included as a resource in book *Drawing Down the Moon*

2006-2008: Stopped a millionaire developer from building a 14-storey luxury condo to dwarf Asheville's iconic City Hall

Lived outdoors downtown for 3 ½ months to preserve public parkland, two entwined century-old magnolias, and an old haunted jail beneath them from the developer's ax

2010 – Made the developer convert the 1800s-era building beside them all into popular people's pub Pack's Tavern

Published illustrated eBook *Ask-A-Priestess: Magic Answers & Spells From a Real Witch*

Featured, *Witches & Pagans* magazine ("Southern, Pagan & Proud: A Visit to America's Bible Belt")

2011 – Featured, *Spirituality & Health* magazine ("Add Some Real Witchcraft to Your Cooking")

2012 – Published illustrated e-Book *Simply Savory: Magical & Medieval Recipes*

Featured, *Mountain Xpress* newspaper ("Witchin' in the Kitchen: Deciphering the Magic of Food")

2014 – Published illustrated Sterling/Ethos 10th-anniversary edition, *The Goodly Spellbook: Olde Spells For Modern Problems* (new material added)

2017 – Published illustrated Sterling/Ethos series *Rituals & Sabbats: Sacred Rites and Seasonal Celebrations*, and *Candle Magic: Working with Wax, Wick, & Flame*

Featured, Vox.com ("I Spent the Eclipse with Asheville's Witches")

2018 – Published illustrated *Pagan Prisoner Advocate's Guide*

2019 – Featured, *Asheville Citizen-Times*, efforts to preserve town's tree canopy

2020 – *Rituals & Sabbats* Italian translation *Sabba e Rituali: Riti Sacri e Celebrazioni Stagionali Per Tutto L'anno*

Succeeded in 13-year spell to force Asheville City Council to preserve entire city tree canopy

2021 – Co-founded Rhododendron Creek Community, a West Asheville, NC neighborhood association

Won Correcting the Narrative Award from thecommunitynow.us, honoring "unrecognized success stories in the inmate community"

2022 – Published color-illustrated paperback *It's In The Cards: How To Tarot Like A Pro*, detailing her 43+ years' expertise in reading playing cards, Tarot, and Lenormand decks for clients worldwide

2023 – Featured in Travel article, *National Geographic Magazine*, "Paganism is on the rise – here's where to discover its traditions"

(<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/travel/article/where-to-go-to-explore-pagan-culture>)