

News Update This Week...

Upcoming Newsletter for Union Church: If you would like to submit something for our next Newsletter, which will look ahead to the summer, please submit to Paula by Monday, May 6th? Thank you. Photos, articles, reflections are all welcome!

Community Celebration of Springtime: Originally scheduled for May 1st has been postponed. More info will be shared at a later date.

Cinco de Mayo-The annual Cinco de Mayo gathering will be held Saturday evening, May 4th, beginning at 5:30 with dinner at 6:15pm. There is a sheet in the foyer for those who are interested in helping out again. All are welcome. Thank you.

***NEW CONCERT DATE: MICHELLE CURIE & FRIENDS @**
Vinegar Hill Music Theatre ... Monday Aug. 26th @ 8pm! The Outdoor Garden Bar opens at 6:30pm for cocktails, and doors open at 7:15 for the show. For tickets go to: www.vinegarhilltheatre.com OR call 207 985-5552.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT BENEFIT WALK

FOR SEEDS OF HOPE – JUNE 1 & 2: It's not too late to register to walk in the two-day Hope 2-Day benefit for one of our mission partners, the Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center in downtown Biddeford. Join Union Church walkers **Nancy Bancroft and Debbie Lamb** in the 20-mile walk (10 miles each day) in our beautiful Biddeford Pool, Fortunes Rocks, and Granite Point neighborhood. Or if walking isn't for you this

year, would you consider sponsoring a walker? Each walker has pledged to try to raise \$800 – the cost of a week's worth of food at Seeds of Hope –and Nancy and Debbie (and perhaps other walkers from Union Church?!) would warmly welcome your support!

Sponsoring a walker is easy to do: 1) go to seedsofhope4me.org, click on the “sponsor a walker” button, and write in the name or names of the walker(s) you'd like to sponsor OR write in “Union Church walkers” and your donation will be divided equally; or 2) write a check made out to “Seeds of Hope” and give it to one of the walkers. **100% of your donations will directly support Seeds of Hope's programs and your donations are fully tax deductible.** **To register for the walk**, just go to seedsofhope4me.org and click on the “Register to walk here” link. **Thank you!**

For Your Reflection: “In nature, nothing is perfect and everything is perfect. Trees can be contorted, bent in weird ways, they're still beautiful.” — Alice Walker

“To see a world in a grain of sand, And a heaven in a wild flower, Hold infinity in the palm of your hand, And eternity in an hour.” — William Blake

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