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BE IN THE KNOW

OPPORTUNITY

Come one, come all

3/8 Music on Main

Join us **March 8** for a night of **traditional bluegrass music** with Old Eleven, a Music on Main Concert bringing world-class music to our small-town community. Many of the musicians perform at Gather for Bluegrass Brunch on Sunday mornings or offer acoustic music lessons at 317 Main. Tickets at the door (cash or check \$15 per adult, \$12 for seniors, \$10 for youth).

4/6 Heart in Hand Gala

The annual fun **Heart-in-Hand Gala is April 6**, raising nearly \$10,000. The Gala offers donors a meal as only our in-house Chef Extraordinaire Cindy Guernsey and her team can prepare, followed by a Live Auction led by Tom Carlisle – bid on 10 fabulous food-and-fun offerings. Donation of \$75 is requested to reserve your place at the table.

CELEBRATION

Living our Mission

Parsonage now '95 Main Project'

The **'95 Main Project**' is transforming the Parsonage rental property into a rooming house model, continuing our mission of supporting New Mainers in their quest for Portland area housing. This is a joint project of Yarmouth Compassionate Housing Initiative (YCHI) and First Universalist Church. It will yield the church's planned rental income, while offering 4 affordable private bedrooms with shared spaces for the rest of the house. 44 people from the Yarmouth community have stepped up to make this happen by April. To join the Project, contact the office at office@uuyarmouth.org

2/9 Maine Farm Supper Success

We also celebrate the **Maine Farm Supper** success, serving over 100 delicious personal pot pies. A good time was had by all!

TRANSPARENCY

The Future is up to YOU – Engage!

It takes a Village – aka Congregation

The **Annual Campaign** is nearing completion – have you participated? Reportedly, as of 2/24, 75% of goal is in hand, while waiting for 32 more commitments.

To keep up with the **Big Topics** the Board addresses, check out the Gathering Room board to see the Board Agenda, usually 3 Questions on important topics. As always, meetings are open; if a topic interests you, come see the Board in

action – 2nd Mondays 6-8 pm. The 95 Main Project will continue as a major topic, as well as income & expense projections for this year and next. (Minutes and Financials are also posted.)

To make the numbers work while having great fun, show up to **Music on Main** concerts, and the big **Heart-in-Hand Gala** in April.

It takes a village/congregation!