Marion Institute Announces New Partnership
by Katie Mannix, BioMed Program Coordinator

The Marion Institute is excited to announce that it is partnering with Vermont-based nonprofit Creative Lives to bring their training program to practitioners in southern Massachusetts and beyond beginning this July, 2021. Geared towards educators and others working in youth-facing roles, Creative Lives’ training program utilizes Ellen Tadd’s Framework for Wise Education™ to help practitioners and young people gain self-awareness and learn techniques that support inspired engagement with the world, wise decision-making, focus, curiosity, emotional stability, healthy relationships, responsible action, and resilience. To learn more, apply, or register for an upcoming informational session, visit www.creativelives.org/south-coast.

by Maureen Burford, MEd

Ellen Tadd’s Framework for Wise Education™ is based on her clairvoyant observation of our human energy system, or chakra system, and her many years of counseling work with individuals of all ages. Creative Lives, a Vermont-based nonprofit, utilizes Tadd’s Framework to help educators, parents, and young people gain self-awareness and implement techniques that address root causes of stress, anxiety and ADHD, and other impediments to learning.

What’s Growing On? May 2021 News from Grow Education
by Adam Davenport, Grow Education Program Manager

For Grow Education, May appreciation extends beyond Mother’s Day. On May 7th, we also celebrated School Lunch Hero Day! Our amazing FoodCorps member, Keri, spent the day crafting handmade cards with students for Jacobs Elementary School cafeteria staff. Our “Lunch Heroes” can often be overlooked, but they nonetheless show up every day to nourish our youth. Click here to read more about the heartwarming messages students sent to NBPS food services staff!

MI Welcomes New SFPC Program Manager, Christine Smith
by Liz Wiley, Executive Director

We’re pleased to announce that we have a new Program Manager for the Southcoast Food Policy Council, Christine Smith! Christine is excited to add to the critical and ongoing work of the Southcoast Food Policy Council.

Discovering the root causes of the injustices in the world drew Christine into activism, organizing and education. In collaboration with other partners, Christine worked on a yearly advocacy day at the Capitol in Maryland to address poverty-related issues, including food access, focusing on food as a human right. Christine worked with communities of color and rural residents to stand up for local food systems and food justice. As a Congresswoman for the Witches and the Warlocks, Christine worked with national partners to host a yearly advocacy conference with other organizations to support the work. When working on legislative immigration issues, Christine realized there was a need to address difficult dialogue and underlying dynamics that contribute to the dehumanization of immigrants when speaking about immigration. Christine has been working with people in Idaho as they work with the Marion Institute to support the Southcoast Food Policy Council. Christine is thrilled to work with the Marion Institute to support the Southcoast Food Policy Council.

FREE Virtual New Bedford Lyceum Lecture: Calling in the Calling Out Culture, with Loretta J. Ross - June 10th at 6pm

Join the Marion Institute, in partnership with the New Bedford Lyceum, for a candid discussion with feminist and anti-racist scholar-activist Loretta J. Ross. Ross’ work emphasizes the intersectionality of social justice issues and how intersectionality can fuel transformation. Ross is a visiting associate professor at Smith College (Northampton, MA) in the Program for the Study of Women and Gender where she teaches courses on white supremacy, race and culture in America, human rights, and calling in the calling out culture. Ross’ new book, Calling in the Calling Out Culture, is forthcoming in Fall 2021.

The Marion Institute is a Partner of the New Bedford Lyceum.

To register for this FREE event on June 10th, click here!
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