



HEDDING HIGHLIGHTS

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Fantabulous Food & Fenomenal^{*} Fluesy!

WHEN: Saturday, July 27, at 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Chautauqua porch and vicinity

HOW MUCH? \$10 per person; kids 5 and under free. Free seconds (after everyone has been served). Cash or Venmo.

* Yes, Mother, we know it's misspelled. It's cute and funny. If you don't like it, don't look at it.

The Date Book

Friday, July 26, 9:30 a.m., the Studio.....Growth Group
7:30 p.m., the Library.....Poetry reading by Ian Davidson
Saturday, July 27, 5:30 p.m., Chautauqua steps.....Food and Fluesy!
Sunday, July 28, 9:30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Choir rehearsal
10:30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Worship service
Rev. David Collum, preacher
4:00 p.m., volleyball courts.....Volleyball game (weather permitting)
Tuesday, July 30, 9:30 a.m., the Studio.....Ladies' Auxiliary craft workshop

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▲ Around and About

The Annual Meeting of the Hedding Camp Meeting Association will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 10, in Chautauqua Hall. Any cottage owner wishing to vote by proxy for the Annual Meeting (because you cannot attend the meeting) can obtain a proxy voting form from my cottage at 28 Chautauqua Ave. Please fill it out and leave it with me. If I am not there, please help yourself to a form. The forms are on the bench near the porch door. Please fill out the form and leave it in the envelope provided on the bench. I need to have all the proxies done by noon on August 9, the day before the Annual Meeting. This helps to make the check-in process smoother. Please remember that only cottage owners can vote by proxy. Thank you!

— *Tori Munley, Secretary of the Association*

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I'm writing to share the news that my brother, Andy Witherell, died unexpectedly in February at age 66. He leaves his wife, Kathy Pryce, five children, and a new grandson.

Andy and I came to Hedding for several weeks every summer when we were kids with our parents, Cynthia and Jack Witherell. We would stay with our grandparents, Marjorie and Woody Woodward, in the Wigwam. More recently, Andy and his family visited several summers beginning in 2013 when our dad and Susan Peace married.

We published a notice in the *Washington Post* that can be found under his name (type Andrew) at Legacy.com. His life was too short but very full and well lived.

— *Nancy Witherell*

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I'll be doing a one-hour reading tonight, Friday the 26th, in the library at 7:30 p.m. Poems about animals, trees, weather, seasons and birds.

— *Ian Davidson*

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After being without a drivable car for almost four weeks, I took the advice from a person working here

in Hedding. My new and trusted mechanic is Mark Gosselin. He is very skilled, dependable, and knowledgeable. His address is 72A Route 125, Brentwood NH 03833. Tel. or text at 603-235-9337.

— *Cynthia Tripp*

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A big shout out to Lou Powers on turning 70, on July 28! Happy birthday!

— *Judi Powers*

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Cheri and Mumford Blotz sent us this note: "Dear Hedding friends, we're sorry we won't make it to the cottage this summer. Our former company, Kreem-O-Lishus Mayonnaise, has expanded its product line, [see recent ads. —Ed.] and they need so many new employees that they have called us out of retirement. So it's back to the old emulsifying machine for both of us!"

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This recognition is a little late but thank you to the Ladies for your work sponsoring the Fourth of July parade. I believe this year was a record turnout for little ones. Everyone was so creative with their costumes and I loved seeing the support all received from friends, parents, grandparents etc. What a way to start the season. Thanks to the Day Camp Chairs for bringing back the old tradition of baking days at various cottages with the campers. I had the pleasure of sponsoring a group of boys this week and we had many laughs. I hope the other volunteers had as much fun as I did. The campers were excited to sell their creations at the bake sale. I would also like to thank the HAA Committee for their work on coordinating another successful Olympic Day. It was a joy to see all the children on Chautauqua Avenue with smiles a mile long. They were so excited and really enjoyed the competition. The cookout and ribbon ceremony that followed were also great. The side dishes donated by all were delicious and it gave me an opportunity to catch up with old friends.

I encourage all to stop....look around....and appreciate the wonders here at Hedding.

— *Barb Wilkin*

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EXCERPTS OF HEDDING HISTORY

BY JAMES A. ROBERTSON, HISTORIAN

A "Special Despatch to the Boston Globe" was sent August 27, 1874, reporting the start of the camp meeting that year. Four well-loaded railroad coaches came from Concord en route to Hedding. At Manchester, eight more cars were added, giving the train 1000 or more passengers. At Raymond three more crowded cars were added. This was but one train. There were others from Manchester and from Portsmouth. The Concord and Portsmouth Railroad made arrangements with the Boston and Maine to take their cars from South Newmarket Junction to East Epping without transferring the passengers. Also in 1874 the Nashua and Rochester Railroad was building west from Rochester and had just been completed to Epping. The Portland and Rochester Railroad made arrangements with the N & R to run several trains a day to Epping for the camp meeting week. These were the first revenue trains on the N & R. There were more than forty barges to bring people from the East Epping station to the grounds and close to that number from what would become "Camp Station" on the N & R Railroad.

Thinking of the effort these thousands of people made to come to Hedding to hear the word of God preached in the Public Circle and in the Society ments makes me wonder why the attendance is so low Sunday mornings. There is no cottage on the grounds as far as half the distance to the old railroad stations.

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H.A.A. News

Forty kids participated in Olympic day this past Saturday. We could not have asked for a better day — perfect weather and incredible sportsmanship across all ages. Thank you again to all the volunteers that made the day run smoothly!

Our next event will be the two-man golf tournament on August 17. A signup sheet for this tournament as well as for the Hedding Open scheduled for August 31 will be posted at the Studio. Please sign up in advance there or with a committee member so we can get a head count started.

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| Doug Wilkin | John Peach |
| Meghan Smith | Bill and Eliane Stilwell |
| Jen Fuller | Lou Powers |
| Danielle Dwyer | Chrissy Copeland |
| Will Pecoraro | Larry Powers |
| Liz Gibson | Richard Hanes |
| Kathy Lord | Peter and Anna Wicks |
| Jen Lawrence | Tom and Tracy Dwyer |
| Jenni Lamb | Sandy Bower |
| Kevin and Amanda Feeney | John and Diane Angus |
| Heather Fuller | Steve, Lindy and Madison |
| Greg and Jules Angus | Doherty |
| MaryJane Anderson | Carrie Holt |
| Kyle and Laura Fuller | George Fisher |
| Diane Crowell | |

Thank you for your support!
 — Your H.A.A. Committee Members

The Fair!

Hello, Heddingites! The Fair is just a week away. We cannot believe how quickly this summer is flying by. We have a couple of new updates:

- There will be a cornhole tournament. There will be 10 people per team; signups will be at 10:00 a.m. at Chautauqua Hall with TJ Regan.
- A very special guest is traveling all the way from Walt Disney World for a Meet and Greet at the Studio.
- Remember to come dressed in costume — judges will be determining who came in their Disney best!

Special thanks to Johnny Fuller for helping us set up the sign at the entrance.

Looking forward to this awesome, spectacular and magical day!

— Steph, Jen, Ann and Mark

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The White Elephant Table is looking for gently used treasures to sell. Please bring your items to our table on the day of the Fair, or if you can't bring them that day, they can be dropped off at 2 Hartwell Avenue. Thanks!

— Dorothy, Deryn and family

Religious LifeLines

Rev. David Collum of the Pocket Testament League will be preaching this Sunday. Rebecca Munro will be in the Studio at 10:00 a.m. for the children grades 4 and up for Sunday School, and again after the Children's Message for the younger children. Refreshments will be served in the Studio after the service.

Last week's flowers were given in loving memory of Al and Glen (Benny) Wilkin by Doug and Barbara Wilkin. Greeters were Michael and Cheryl McGovern. Growth Group will meet on Friday morning in the Studio at 9:30 a.m.

The Memorial and Communion Service will be held on Sunday, August 4. Please email or text Jen Lawrence at (603) 608-9939 with your name or names of loved ones to be read at the service. Interim District Supt. Jackie Brennan will be the preacher. Also, that evening, Tenley Westbrook will be performing at Chautauqua Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Our Camp Meeting Week speaker this summer is Rev. Kelly Conner, pastor of two United Methodist churches from Wilmington, Delaware. We look forward to welcoming her to Hedding. Tom Dwyer and the "Cook Crew" will be serving our meals again; menu will be at the back of the *Highlights*.

— Cheryl McGovern, Secretary, RLC

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So who is this Christian God and how do we know anything about him? The first thing we need to understand is that God wants us to know him. In chapter 1, verse 19 of the apostle Paul's letter to the church in Rome, he writes: "For the truth about God is known to them instinctively, God has put this knowledge in their hearts." Another way God reveals himself to us is in creation; his awesomeness can be seen by us as we look around us. All power and beauty originate in God.

More specifically, God has chosen to reveal himself to us using written language in his word, the Bible. This is how we know that our creator is not only all-powerful and all-knowing but just, kind and loving. Ultimately, God revealed himself by the son, Jesus, coming among us as one of us and dying for us. We who have believed and trusted Jesus with our lives now have God the Holy Spirit living inside us and leading us into all truth.

It is written in Proverbs 1:7, "Fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. Only fools despise wisdom and discipline." This "fear" that is mentioned is a reverence and understanding of God, resulting in a humble understanding of who we are in comparison. God's desire is not to overwhelm us with his awesomeness, but to restore us to a loving relationship with himself, all because he loves us.

We may be the "fools" (morally deficient ones) written about, but we are given the opportunity to become

wise. It is written in Colossians 2:8, "Don't let anyone lead you astray with empty philosophy and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the evil powers of this world and not from Christ. For in Christ the fullness of God lives in a human body and you are complete through your union with Christ. He is the ruler over every ruler and authority in the universe." Jesus invites you to trust in him in every part of your life, every day.

— *In Christ's love, Will Kenney*

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Booster Fund donations gratefully received this week are from:

Meg Carr
Penny and John Davis
Elaine and Bill Stilwell
Chautauqua Association
Charla and George Fisher
Jen Fuller and Meghan Smith

See you at church!

— Jenni Lamb

When I was a Kid...

My first memories of Hedding are when my in-laws, Edgar and Hazel Mary Woodward, bought the cottages at #12, 13 and 14 Public Circle in 1951 from the Gibbons family. Then, in 1952, my parents, Earl and Verna Brennan, bought the cottage next door at #11 Public Circle. During that time, while Don was in the service for two years, I came to Hedding to stay with family during the summer. The cottage was originally built as three separate living spaces for the ministers and their families. It was called Gibbons Gables because of the three distinct roofs. As our family grew, we opened it up to be one big living space for everyone. I have enjoyed 73 years at Hedding, spending time with many friends and making memories with my family.

— Jackie Woodward

Day Camp

Thank you to all of the cottages who handed out candy last night! It was just the energy the campers needed to help them power through the campout.

Hedding Day Camp Calendars are ready for sale. Tickets can be bought at ice cream night, at the Fair and Day Camp Show, at 11 Hartwell Avenue or by Venmoing @Hedding-DayCamp. In comments, please note calendar and complete name and number for the ticket.

If you want to volunteer your time to run an activity with our Day Camp or Teen Camp, please contact Jacqueline or Will. We will be delighted to help arrange the details.

Camp should be available for all our children. We have a fund available, if you need any financial support, please contact Danielle, Robyn or Shandra. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please speak to any Day Camp Committee member.

— *Co-Chairs: Shandra Wall & Robyn Renzelman
Jen Lawrence, Dannielle Dwyer, Jenn Clark
Ross Clark, Anne Kinney, Brenda Zimmerman
Stephanie Regan, and Jami Stoll*

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Hello, Heddingites! I cannot believe it's already the end of our fourth week of Day Camp! Thank you again to all of our baking volunteers last week and everyone who donated to the bake sale at the Olympics — it was a big success. The campers loved being able to spend time at different cottages and bake. This week, we did lots of practice for our show, spent a rainy afternoon in Chautauqua Hall, and got a lot of work done on our Fair crafts. Our annual campout also took place last evening. Thank you to everyone who volunteered in some way, whether it was through letting Day Camp borrow your tents, helping with our festivities, or offering out candy during our trick or treating festivities.

Next week, we will be heading to Fort Foster since our planned trip there got rained out. If you are interested in driving, please let me know. Next weekend, don't forget to check out the Day Camp table at the Fair, and the Day Camp show at 6:30. Thank you all for all of your help so far making this summer so wonderful!

— *Jacqueline Fuller*

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It has been another fun week with a big group in **Kiddie Camp!** This week the campers talked all about feelings. They learned the signs for a few of them, and a new song! We discussed not only our own feelings, but the feelings of other people and how our actions can affect others. The campers also worked hard on some beautiful Hedding sun catchers. They brought this batch home, but keep your eyes open for some at the Fair! The books we read this week were *What If I*

Know My Feelings?, *Hey Little Ant*, and *I'm Not Scared, YOU'RE Scared*.

Thank you to Penny Davis, Sharon Powers, Linda Heath, Liz Lord-Gibson, (I know there were more...my apologies if you were left off this list) for all the snack donations this week. Also, a big thank you to Bill and Elaine Stilwell, Cheryl McGovern, and Fennis Dembo for your donations as well.

Have a wonderful weekend!

— *Erica Tweedie, Kiddie Camp Director*

Library/Thrift Shop

There is a new addition to the Children's Library. There are book bags for you and your children to sign out, take home, and read together. Each book bag contains a stuffed animal: a dog, an alligator, a cat, and a frog. Also, in each book bag is an assortment of books that connect with each animal. Please check them out. Happy reading!

— *Barbara Cullen and Donna Crowell*

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It never ceases to amaze me at how the Thrift Shop is completely empty at the beginning of the summer and in just a couple of weeks it is full to overflowing. This summer is no different, and the Thrift Shop again is full. Along with the usual kitchen items (dishes, mugs, platters, cook ware, pots and pans, appliances) and knickknacks, there is a large supply of craft items (yarn, material, patterns, other craft supplies), bike helmets, walkers, pillows, bedspreads, towels, pocket-books and other items. The clothes department is full and new items continue to come in. There is particularly a large selection of extra large and plus-size women's clothes, so come down and check it out if you are in that category. I would like to thank all who have donated this year.

The last date to donate is **August 6**. I would like to remind people that if you try on something, please hang it up after your done.

This place is run by volunteers only, and we need everyone to do their part to keep it neat and tidy as possible. All money made at the Thrift Shop goes to the Ladies to be used for the benefit of Hedding.

— *Liz Kenney*

Diane's Cottage Salon
Men, women and children
8 Cass Avenue
For appointment, call 617-365-2596
or leave message

Ladies' Auxiliary

Fifteen ladies attended this week's program. Deb Clinton led devotions, and Lindy Doherty and Jen Lamb provided refreshments. Carol Carr led a great discussion of the book *Lessons in Chemistry*. We have three copies in the library if you would like to read it, or you can listen to it on audio through the app Libby, which you can use to access books and magazines through your home library card. There is also an app called Hoopla with which you can access movies and music using your home library card. We did a book swap and talked about books that we have read since last summer. We will be looking for suggestions for the book discussion for next year.

On Tuesday, July 30, we will be holding a craft workshop. There will be refreshments with laughter and lots of talking. The meeting is at 9:30 in the morning in the Studio. Please join us.

We will be having a Paint Night on Monday, August 12, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Jenn Clark's sister, Martha, will be leading us. The subject will be lady slippers. There is a signup sheet on the Studio bulletin board.

The Ladies' annual luncheon has been moved to Wednesday, August 14. We will be going to Zorvino Winery in Sandown. There is a signup sheet on the Studio bulletin Board. Please bring cash for your lunch.

There is a program for Ladies' Day during Camp Meeting Week, Wednesday, August 7. The Camp Meeting minister, Kelly Conner, will lead us in the morning with Joe Sheppard accompanying us on the piano for hymns. In the afternoon we will be do tours of some cottages. At 12:00 noon there is a lovely lunch (cost \$10) for anyone on grounds who would like to go. There is a signup sheet at the porch of Community House.

— *Lindy Wicks Doherty*

P.S. We're already looking for Fair Chairs for the 2025 Fair. If interested please see me.

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Here are some of the books that ladies are reading here on the grounds. Check them out if you are looking for something new to read...

The Women by Kristen Hannah
James by Percival Everett
March by Geraldine Brooks
Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt
Good night Irene by Luis Alberto Urrea
Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See
The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides
Mad Honey by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan
The Book Women of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson
Northwoods by Daniel Mason
Unorthodox by Deborah Feldman

Chautauqua

Fluesy is b-a-a-a-ck! Join us tomorrow, Saturday, at 5:30 for tasteful tunes and tasty tacos — well, actually nifty native nachos, topped with a luscious blend of exotic cheeses from around the world and specially imported genuine ersatz Wagyu beef from Chautauqua's own cows, lovingly raised on Hedding pine needles and Spring water. Hand-selected condiments complement the culinary chef d'oeuvre, and your sweet tooth will be sated with a selection of hand-curved dessert delights.

Ten bucks gets it all, and kids 5 and under eat for free. (ID checks will be required for anyone with facial hair claiming to be five.) See you there!

New members this week:

Dot Dwyer*	Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wall*
Melissa Higgins*	Erin Stilwell
Evan Silva*	Mr. and Mrs. John Angus
Jackie Woodward*	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Capodilupo
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davidson*	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stilwell
Mr. and Mrs. Mike McGovern*	Mr. and Mrs. Doug Wilkin
Mr. and Mrs. Tim Sheppard*	Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roche
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith*	

* inadvertently left off last week's list. Our apologies.

From the Trustees

The Trustees would like to extend a special thanks to Larry Powers, Lou Powers and Paul Grimes for their assistance in installing close to 80 fire alarms in our public buildings — part of our phase I Epping Fire Department Project. In Phase II, Dave Krantz sprayed the Chautauqua Hall curtains with special fire retardant solution.

Trash removal is one of our biggest expenditures. We ask everyone to assist us in managing this expense. If you are strong enough, we ask that you toss your bags to the back of the dumpster, break down boxes, and take items other than household trash to the local dump.

“STOP” signs were painted on the cross roads of Dutton Ave and Wesley Park. This is a dangerous corner and we ask that all drivers heed these stop warnings.

The Trustees are working with Comptroller Barbara Wilkin to put projections together for future projects and season 2025 operational budget. She has asked that anyone who has not yet paid their 2024 assessment, visit her at 6 Chautauqua Avenue or contact her at (603) 819-1714 to set up a payment plan.

A shade sail has been purchased for the pool area and will be installed shortly.

— *John Fuller, Chair*

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