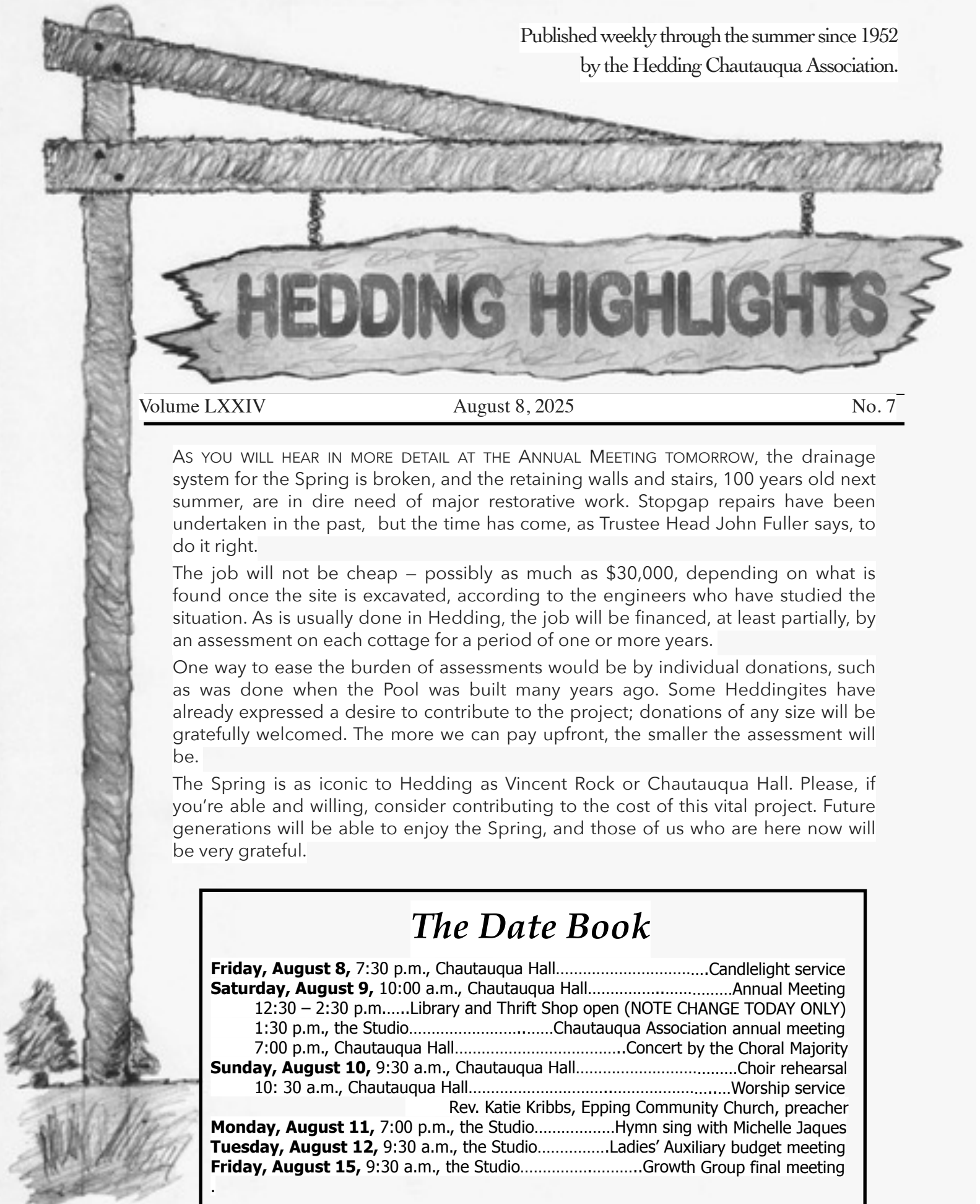


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AS YOU WILL HEAR IN MORE DETAIL AT THE ANNUAL MEETING TOMORROW, the drainage system for the Spring is broken, and the retaining walls and stairs, 100 years old next summer, are in dire need of major restorative work. Stopgap repairs have been undertaken in the past, but the time has come, as Trustee Head John Fuller says, to do it right.

The job will not be cheap – possibly as much as \$30,000, depending on what is found once the site is excavated, according to the engineers who have studied the situation. As is usually done in Hedding, the job will be financed, at least partially, by an assessment on each cottage for a period of one or more years.

One way to ease the burden of assessments would be by individual donations, such as was done when the Pool was built many years ago. Some Heddingites have already expressed a desire to contribute to the project; donations of any size will be gratefully welcomed. The more we can pay upfront, the smaller the assessment will be.

The Spring is as iconic to Hedding as Vincent Rock or Chautauqua Hall. Please, if you're able and willing, consider contributing to the cost of this vital project. Future generations will be able to enjoy the Spring, and those of us who are here now will be very grateful.

The Date Book

Friday, August 8, 7:30 p.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Candlelight service

Saturday, August 9, 10:00 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Annual Meeting

12:30 – 2:30 p.m.....Library and Thrift Shop open (NOTE CHANGE TODAY ONLY)

1:30 p.m., the Studio.....Chautauqua Association annual meeting

7:00 p.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Concert by the Choral Majority

Sunday, August 10, 9:30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Choir rehearsal

10: 30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Worship service

Rev. Katie Kribbs, Epping Community Church, preacher

Monday, August 11, 7:00 p.m., the Studio.....Hymn sing with Michelle Jaques

Tuesday, August 12, 9:30 a.m., the Studio.....Ladies' Auxiliary budget meeting

Friday, August 15, 9:30 a.m., the Studio.....Growth Group final meeting



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▲ Around and About

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Hedding Camp Meeting Association will take place at **10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 9** in Chautauqua Hall.

Any cottage owner needing to vote by proxy for the meeting can obtain a proxy voting form at my cottage at 28 Chautauqua Avenue. If I am not there, please help yourself to a form. They are on the double chair by the door on my front porch. Please leave the proxy with me or in the envelope provided on the chair.

I need to have the proxies in my possession by 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 7. This is earlier than usual because I will need to be away from Hedding all day Friday. So sorry for any inconvenience, but I will need to put away the proxies by Thursday night, August 7.

Please remember that only cottage owners can vote by proxy.

Thank you,

— *Tori Munley, Secretary of the Association*

On Saturday, August 9, due to Hedding Annual Meeting starting at 10:00 a.m., the Library and Thrift Store will be opening 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., instead of the usual 10 - 12 time.

— *Xia Ouyang and Alan MacDonald*

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Thank you to Joe and Mary Jane for collecting, compiling, editing, printing and distributing the news to the Hedding community in the Highlights every week. It's nice to get up-to-date news of the events each week and also to hear the reports from each association and committee in paper form. Thank you, Joe and Mary Jane, for providing this valuable service to the Hedding community.

— *Donna Crowell*

Thanks for your kind words, Donna! — *Eds.*

Chautauqua

Chautauqua is closing out another successful summer of service to Hedding. We're looking forward to new programs and new ideas next year as our current officers step aside to welcome new leadership.

PLEASE, Chautauqua members, come to our annual meeting on Saturday at 1:00 in the Studio!

There are important votes to be taken, and a budget must be approved for next season. It doesn't last long, and your voice matters!

New members:

Keith Brady
 Jan Jillette
 Mr. and Mrs. Jere Brady
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Capodilupo
 Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mylott
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone

Diane's Cottage Salon

Men, women and children

8 Cass Avenue

For appointment, call 617-365-2596

Ladies' Auxiliary

Wednesday's Ladies' Day went well. From beginning to end it was a success! It was a wonderful day of fellowship, learning, and luncheon with 32 ladies. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped to make it a wonderful event.

The Officers' Budget meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 10, on Lindy Wicks Doherty's cottage porch.

The Ladies' last meeting, to discuss the budget, will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Studio next Tuesday, August 12.

The Ladies' Luncheon outing will take place on Wednesday, August 13. We will be traveling to the Applecrest Farm in Hampton Falls. A copy of their menu is posted on the Hedding Facebook page. There will be a signup sheet at the Post Office. **ALL names are required by Friday August 8**, when Diane has to make the reservation.

— *Chris Copeland, secretary*

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Religious LifeLines

The final **hymn sing** of the season will be this Monday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Studio. If you enjoy the hymn sing at the beginning of each service during Camp Meeting Week, you'll love this time to request even MORE songs! I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

— Michelle Jaques

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Thanks to Rev. Gary McClenthen for leading our Memorial and Communion Service last Sunday. It's a beautiful way to honor our loved ones who have passed in the last year. Thank you to our flower girls, Aubrey Renzelman and Avery Stoll.

Flowers were given by the Davidson family in loving memory of Jane Davidson, the McKinley family in loving memory of John McKinley, the Crowell and Fuller families in loving memory of Maureen Crowell, and by the Stone family in loving memory of Joe and Rita Stone. Our greeters were Will and Darby Van De Veen, who will be venturing off to Ireland for a few years. We wish them all the best.

Our Camp Meeting Week speaker is Rev. Jeffrey Hunt of Dover, N.H. with his message, "Looking for Love in all the Wrong Places." The last Bible Study will be Friday at 1:00 p.m. with Will Kenney. Terry Herring will lead the Growth Group at 9:30 a.m.; both are at the Studio. Also tonight is the Candlelight Service starting at 7:30 p.m. Chautauqua Hall.

The Religious Life Committee cannot thank the Camp Meeting Week Cook Crew enough for their delicious meals starting with the brunch. Thanks also to the many volunteers who help in any way to make this week happen.

Please join us Saturday to night to hear The Choral Majority Gospel Choir in Chautauqua Hall at 7:00 p.m.! We hear our own Ross Clark is in it.

Sunday's service will be with Pastor Katie Kribbs from the Epping Community Church.

— Cheryl McGovern, Secretary RLC

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Good news for Hedding

If you were suddenly informed that you were inheriting 4.5 billion dollars, what would be your reaction? What if you were told that you could be adopted by the creator and master of the universe — how would you react? Well, consider yourself told. As it is written in Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus chapter 1, verse 5, "His [God's] unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. and this gave him great pleasure." How cool is that? Don't be left out. Come to Christ, who loves you and calls you to put your trust in himself. Start by reading his word, read the gospel of John in the Bible; you can ask God for the priceless gift of his salvation. Also, tell someone you asked.

— In Christ's love, Will Kenney

Day Camp

This week has been quite fun at Day Camp! Thank you to everyone who purchased the camper's crafts this weekend at the Fair, and to all who attended the Day Camp Show. The campers worked very hard on *Herbie and the Good News Garden*, learning the songs in a short time and many of our older campers memorizing lines to the show.

This week was great with our small yet mighty crew. Campers made artwork with Miss Erica at Arts and Crafts to display in Chautauqua Hall throughout Camp Meeting Week and for the Candlelight Service; they have been working hard to develop their swimming skills down at the pool, and playing games together. We also spent one afternoon discussing why Hedding is important to us and why we love it, and followed up by cleaning up some of our more visited spots on grounds. We also took our field trip this week to Aquaboggan, and the kids had a BLAST, as usual. Thank you to anyone who drove! Next week we will visit Fort Foster on Thursday to make up for our rain day at the beginning of the summer.

— Jacqueline Fuller

EXCERPTS OF HEDDING HISTORY BY JAMES A. ROBERTSON, HISTORIAN

On Monday, August 6, 1900, while on an early morning walk, Rev. Otis Cole saw smoke in the woods behind Vincent Rock. Upon investigating he "found the underbrush on fire for quite an area." The alarm was sounded by the bell at the preacher's stand in the Public Circle. A good number of the men on grounds responded, armed with buckets, axes, hoses, shovels, etc., and made their way to the scene. After a hard fight of half an hour, the fire was under control and had been kept from running up the pine trees.

That evening, the fire reignited. With the help of Epping and Newfields, the fire was put out after an hour-and-a-half fight. Three days later, a well-hidden spark ignited the brush again, causing another hour-long fight.

With any fire, "Yeah it's out" isn't good enough. You have to be sure, positive, without a doubt.

The *States and Union*, a Portsmouth newspaper, saw fit to point out a celebrity among the firefighters: Dr. Charles Parkhurst, a cottage owner and the editor of *Zion's Herald*.