



# HEDDING HIGHLIGHTS

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WE'VE COME TO THAT MELANCHOLY – AH, BUT SWEET! – TIME OF YEAR when the summer season is closer to the end than the beginning. The first few leaves, the weaker, genetically inferior ones, have fallen on our deck; the “grass” on our back “lawn” has pretty much stopped growing. (Quotation marks because everyone knows there’s no such thing as a real lawn in Hedding!) And we’ve actually needed an extra blanket at night once or twice.

That’s the melancholy stuff. The “sweet”, however, is just beginning. Late-summer air *smells* different, the woods start to take on new colors – and before long it will be so quiet here that we’ll wonder where everyone is. For us, it’s a time to catch up on painting projects and cottage repairs, and to sit on the porch with a good book from the Hedding Library and read, uninterrupted, for two whole hours, or until we decide it’s time for a nap – which may be sooner than we thought. In fact, now that I’ve finished this front page...

## *The Date Book*

**Saturday, August 19**, 9:00 a.m., the Rock.....HAA 2-man Golf tourney  
5:30 P.M., Chautauqua porch.....Chau-Nachos and Fluesy!  
**Sunday, August 20**, 9:30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Choir rehearsal  
10:00 a.m., Community House.....Sunday School for grades 4 and up  
10:30 a.m., Chautauqua Hall.....Worship service  
Pastor Brian Smith, preacher  
1:00 p.m., the Studio.....HAA annual meeting

**NO MORE ICE CREAM. DON'T BLAME US IF YOU FORGOT TO GET IT THIS WEEK. IT'S ALL GONE UNTIL NEXT SUMMER.**



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### ▲ Around and About

Thanks to Jen Clark for the S.W.E.T. classes this summer. Exercise and fun all wrapped into one.

— Carol Carr

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Forestry Committee is planning a brush cleanup on Saturday, August 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. We will be cleaning up the left-hand side (entering) from the gate to the pool. Please bring loppers, saws and whatever implements of destruction you have and join us there! All are welcome, and your help is greatly appreciated.

— Lou Powers

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To anyone contemplating getting their roof repaired or replaced, we highly recommend Bobola Construction (Blake Bobola 603-531-7570). They did an excellent job in only two days. Our roof was no small undertaking considering it is three stories high.

— Rick and Barbara Roche

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(A TRUE STORY)

It lurks, creeps closer  
With dread, we know it nears... BOO!  
Last. Day. At. Hedding.

'Til we meet again,

— Allan Fournier

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A huge shout out to a few people who work so hard throughout the year:

Thank you to Dave Krantz for his hard work every day keeping our community running smoothly. We appreciate you, Dave!

Thank you to our editors of the Hedding Highlights, Joe Sheppard and Mary Anderson. They do a wonderful job keeping us informed each week.

— (Name withheld by request)

[Thanks for your kind words, whoever you are! They are much appreciated. — Eds.]

## H.A.A. News

The **HAA annual meeting** has been moved to this Sunday, August 20, at 1:00 p.m. Hope to see you all there.

The **2-man tournament** is this Saturday, August 19. Cost is \$60 per person; price does not include a cart. The shotgun start has been moved to 9:00 a.m. A light breakfast at the clubhouse will be served at 8:15 a.m. Food will be served immediately after the tournament in the tent at the course. The Rockingham Country Club is holding a Rock Fest following our tournament. If you would like to attend this event an additional \$40 paid to the course is required.

**Horseshoe and shuffleboard tournaments** are next weekend, August 26, at 9:00 a.m.

Big thank you to Mike Parisi for selling Hedding T-shirts at the Fair in support of HAA.

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### New members:

- Kathy Lord
- Liz Gibson
- Bob Gibson
- Coulston and Aletta Henry
- Martha Lowe
- Elizabeth and Joseph Stone

— Monica Fuller

## The Fair: The Aftermath II

Thank you for all the volunteers at the Fair this year. What an incredible day! As promised, we would like to announce the top five tables this year. In order of highest money raised, they are: coffee shop, gifts/crafts, fair theme table, food table and luncheon. Sausages and Sandy's towels were a close sixth place. We certainly have skilled individuals here on grounds, and our tastebuds left happy that day. Thank you again to all our table volunteers. If you want more information about the money your table raised, please reach out.

Thirteen saplings have been planted on Boy Scout Road after several community members sponsored a tree on Fair day. They are marked off with tape and flags for everyone to visit. Cleanup of this area is still a work in progress, but they have been tucked into their new homes in the earth. Thank you to Jen Fuller, Shannon Dwyer and Adam Andersen for their help with this project.

— Lumberjack Fair committee members

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## Religious LifeLines

What a wonderful Camp Meeting Week! Thank you so much for all who helped make this happen, especially to Rev. Kevin Lowe for guiding us through the week with his message of Holiness, ending on Sunday with "Who Shall I Send?" This week's preacher will be Pastor Brian Smith, who is a resident of Hedding. Choir rehearsal is at 9:30 a.m.

Flowers on Sunday were given by Jennifer Fuller in loving memory of Stephen Fuller, the Woodward family in loving memory of Don Woodward, and by the Wicks family in celebration of their parents' 71st wedding anniversary. Greeters were Allan and Mickey Fournier.

We have only three services left until the season is over. The RLC will be meeting on Sunday, September 3 at 2:00 p.m. in the Studio. ALL are welcome to attend. We welcome any new suggestions for next year's calendar. If you have any ideas for entertainment that you would love to see, please let us know.

— Cheryl McGovern, RLC Secretary  
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A giant SHOUT OUT to the Camp Meeting Kitchen Crew. The Religious Life Committee is grateful for the wonderful meals, the fellowship and the significant financial contribution. What a blessing!

— Carol Carr  
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Greeters this week will be Bill and Elaine Stilwell.  
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### Good News for Hedding

I told previously how I was given two books at the same time, *Buddhist Yoga* and *The Good News New Testament*. Someone asked about the yoga book, so I will tell more. I had been doing yoga for years, attending some classes, meditating and reading Buddhist literature. I was driving a cab in Boston during this same period and even I realized what a jerk I was. I would even purposely bump people that I was angry with at red lights. I was fired by one company for giving someone the finger. All the yoga and meditation I was doing had not helped me to find peace or to be a kinder person.

I was also reading the New Testament and I was very impressed with Jesus. Toward the end of this period my mother, then in her late fifties, became a believer in Jesus. She would invite me for dinner and tell me about Jesus. I would tell her about Buddha, as I was not ready to hear the gospel message. She had started attending a church in Revere that had a coffee house in their basement on Friday nights. I started going, as I liked the music and the people there. They always preached the gospel and I kept going — God was drawing me and giving me understanding, so that for the first time I knew God's forgiveness and his love for me. This is the greatest thing that ever happened to me; the second greatest thing also happened there, I met my wife of 43 years, Liz.

So back to this question "Who is this Christian God?" Previously we considered God the father and Jesus the son. There is a third member of what is called the Trinity, and he is the Holy Spirit who is written about in God's word, Romans 8: 9-14: "But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you (and remember that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them are not Christians at all.) Since Christ lives within you even though your body will die because of sin, your spirit is alive because you have been made right with God. The Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you. And just as he raised Christ from the dead, he will give life to your mortal body by the same Spirit living within you. "So dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation whatsoever to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. If you keep on following it you will perish, but if through the power of the Holy Spirit you turn from it and its evil deeds you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God."

Have you truly considered Jesus? Try reading the Bible; start with the gospel of John. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the truth to you. You can enter into a personal relationship with our God by asking for forgiveness and trusting the Father, Son and Holy Spirit with your life. You can know the unexplainable peace, love and joy that God wants for you. Come!

— In Christ's love, Will Kenney  
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### Thank you to all that donated this past week:

Martha Lee and Kevin Lowe  
Lisa and Fred Thompson  
Lettie and Skip Henry  
Kathy Lord, Liz and Bob Gibson  
Jayna and Rick Lowe  
Sara Ann and Jere Brady  
Keith Brady  
Tom Robertson

See you at church!

— Jenni Lamb, Booster Fund

**RLC presents**  
**Two Movie Nights**  
**7:30 p.m. Outside, weather permitting —**  
**bring a favorite chair and a snack**

- Friday, August 18: the recently-released  
**The Jesus Revolution (Based on a true story)**
- Friday, August 25: **Steve McQueen,**  
**American Icon (true story)**

**Come and enjoy an evening at the movies!**

## Chautauqua

At last, they're b-a-a-a-c-k! The mellow musical musings of **Fluesy**, and perfect south-of-the-border **Nachos** with all the fixin's. As always, our nachos are organic, nitrate-free and plant-based, lovingly hand-formed and baked in an authentic Etruscan brick oven. Cheeses are a proprietary blend of 31 types, many from exotic foreign lands, including, for the first time, New Jersey! The hand-curated meats are dry-aged in locally-sourced pine needles for eight months, and free of all gluten, perfumes and parabens. The various veggie accompaniments, all plant-based, are a multifarious aggregation of the fruits of Mother Nature's harvest, each selected to complement and enhance the subtle, yet assertive, flavors of the cheeses and meats.

All this can be yours for a measly \$9 a person; free for kids 5 and under. Seconds are \$5. We'll accept cash or Venmo.

Come, eat, listen, have fun!

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### New Members:

- Bob Gibson
- Liz Gibson
- Kathy Lord
- Tim Sheppard
- Cynthia Tripp
- Mr. and Mrs. Jere Brady
- Rev. Kevin and Martha Lee Lowe
- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Biggins

Chautauqua is still looking for one or two adults willing to learn about the PA system in Chautauqua Hall and to run it for some church services and other events. You need to be here all summer, or at least every weekend, and to be a churchgoer. Please see Joe or Tim Sheppard or call 603-679-8783 if you're interested.

## Library/Thrift Shop

The summer is coming to a close, and the Thrift Shop will be having its \$1.00-a-bag sale beginning on Saturday, August 19 and continuing for two weeks. Thrift Shop will close on Sept. 2. It will be packed up on Saturday, Sept. 2 and I could use some volunteers to help me, even if it is only for an hour, so if you can help, please let me know or just come down. Last year, I packed it all up myself and it was just way too much work for one person. Also, please come down and pay any money that you owe before the summer ends. Thank you.

— Liz Kenney

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There are two new books for young adults in the library. Jerry Spinelli, a Newberry medalist and an ALA Top Ten Best Books for Young Adults author wrote both books. *Milkweed* is a story of an orphan in Warsaw during WWII. He is Jewish and wanted to become a Nazi until he suddenly changes his mind. A powerful story of occupied Warsaw and his change from wanting to be 'somebody' to being safe. *Stargirl* is an emotional tale of popularity and nonconformity. Check out these books to prep for the new school year. Enjoy!

— Barbara Cullen

from the Heartland!

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### EXCERPTS OF HEDDING HISTORY BY JAMES A. ROBERTSON, HISTORIAN

As I see the baseball field empty every Saturday afternoon, I can note that it was not always so. The Boston *Globe* in 1931 announced "BASEBALL GAMES WANTED. Every Monday morning the *Globe* will print applications for baseball games from managers of amateur and semiprofessional teams. Applications...in the Glove office by Friday night."

Among the listings in the May 28, 1931 issue:

"Hedding A.A., Hedding, Hedding N.H. semipros for Saturday at home during July and August: New Hampshire teams and teams in Northeastern Massachusetts preferred. Fred Cobb, 10 Lloyd St. Winchester, Mass."

Other than the love of the game, the "at home" location was to entertain the residents of Hedding on sunny summer days.

This was not a new idea. The Portsmouth *Herald* of Aug. 4, 1906 reported the Knights of Columbus and the soldiers of Fort Constitution would play a game at Wentworth-by-the-sea.

"The Hedding team is also contemplating a game with the boys in blue. Manager Wilkes of the Hedding team is perfecting arrangements and has offered to defray all necessary expenses."

We were offering money for teams to play with us?

# Ladies' Auxiliary

On Tuesday, the Ladies had their last meeting of the season. Deb Clinton led us with devotions, and we talked about “thin places” and whether Hedding counts as one. Lindy Doherty and Jenni Lamb provided refreshments, which were delicious (and gluten free). We voted in next year’s officers (see below) and on the budget for next year.

Our book for next summer is *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. This is a great book to read. There is a copy in the library to sign out.

We also will be doing a Yankee Swap-style book exchange next summer. More info on that to come.

I would like to give a huge thank you to all the ladies for their support and their fellowship. Also, thank you to my fellow officers — I could not do this without you. Thank you!

### Officers for 2024:

- President: Lindy Doherty
  - Vice President: Diane Angus
  - Secretary: Chris Copeland
  - Treasurer: Anna Wicks
  - Devotions: Deb Clinton
  - Library: Deb Clinton
  - Children’s Library: Barbara Cullen
  - Auditor: Carol Carr
  - Fair Chairs: Jen Lawrence, Stephanie Regan, Andrea and Mark Odian
  - Day Camp Representatives: Anne Kinney, Jen Lawrence
  - Religious Life Representative: Diane Angus
- Have wonderful seasons between Hedding.  
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—Lindy Wicks Doherty



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