

CHAMBER CHATTER



September 2009

The Official Publication of the Bedford Chamber of Commerce

Save The Date...

Christmas in Bedford Falls

Saturday, December 12, 2009

12:00 Noon to 4:00 P.M.

Join us for "It's A Wonderful Life" event and visit the many other activities provided by the Bedford Downtown Businesses.

Contact the Bedford Chamber of Commerce at (440) 232-0115 or bedfordchamberoh.org for further information.



Cuyahoga County Public Library ~ Southeast Branch

Summer Programs

Tuesday Book Group

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009 7:00 P.M.

Join us for lively discussion on a diverse selection of authors. The group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The October book is *Picking Cotton* by Jennifer Thompson-Cannino.

Ellenwood Book Discussion

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2009 1:00 P.M.

The Southeast Branch is holding a monthly book discussion at the Ellenwood Recreation Center, 124 Ellenwood Avenue in Bedford, the first Wednesday of every month. The October book is *Executive Privilege* by Philip Margolin. Copies of the book are available at the Southeast Branch Library and at the Ellenwood Rec Office.

Meditation: Its Uses and Health Benefits

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

Learn how the focused relaxation techniques of meditation can reduce "mind clutter" and promote a feeling of peace, serenity and calm. Registration required.

Computer Essentials

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7 AT 7:00 P.M.

Computer illiterate? This class offers an overview of basic computer parts, using the mouse and keyboard and an Introduction to the Microsoft Windows operating system. Registration required

Family Game Night

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 7:00 TO 8:30 P.M.

Come to the Southeast Branch for an evening of games and refreshments. Share some fun family time at the library! Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. To register, call (440) 439-4997.

For more information contact:

Cuyahoga Public Library ~ Southeast Branch
70 Columbus Road, Bedford • (440) 439-4997

2009 Chamber Golf Outing

**Friday, September 11
Astorhurst Country Club**

*EVENT SPONSOR: UH BEDFORD
MEDICAL CENTER*

\$85.00 per person ~ Foursome \$340.00
Dinner only \$35.00 ~ Noon Shotgun
Price includes: Lunch 11:00-12:00
18 holes of golf with cart and steak dinner

EVENT SPONSORSHIP \$1000.00

Name on program cover
Signage on sign-in table and door prize table
One hole sponsorship

BEVERAGE SPONSORSHIP \$750.00

Recognition in program
Signage at lunch and dinner
One hole sponsorship

*LUNCH or DINNER SPONSORSHIP
\$500.00*

Recognition in program
Signage at lunch or dinner buffet
One hole sponsorship

HOLE SPONSORSHIP \$100

Program recognition
Signage on golf tee box

DOOR PRIZES

Any door prizes you would like to donate
will receive program recognition! All Items
MUST be received by Sept. 7, 2009.

**Please contact Mike Romito to donate
or sponsor: (440) 232-1441**



Bedford Chamber of Commerce September Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2009

Networking 6:00 P.M. • Dinner 6:30 P.M. • Program 7:15 P.M.

Catered Elegance • 1160 Broadway Avenue • Bedford, Ohio, 44146

Guest Speaker: SCORE

Counselors to America's Small Business

Outreach Director, Carl Gedeon

Menu: Chicken with Lemon Wine Sauce
Spring Mix Salad, Rolls and Butter
Mixed Vegetables
Cheese Cake
Coffee and Beverages

Reservations are required by Monday, September 14.

Name _____

Company _____

Number Attending _____

Cost: \$15/person (all attendees)

To RSVP: Call (440) 232-0115, fax (440) 232-0521, or

Email: bedfordchamberoh@sbcglobal.net

SCORE®

Counselors to America's Small Business

On September 16, 2009, at the Bedford Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting, SCORE Cleveland will present a session on resources available to help entrepreneurs to start, develop, and manage their businesses. The event will include time for individual Q&A. SCORE is a 45 year young national organization dedicated to being the number one counseling resource to America's small businesses. It consists of over 10,000 volunteer counselors with broad management expertise.

Featured speakers will include Carl Gedeon and Tony Coletto. Mr. Gedeon spent most of his career with BP America/SOHIO managing R&D projects, corporate finance, and pension investments including venture capital partnerships. Mr. Coletto ran a company in the aviation industry and is an authority on government contracting.”

Carl Gedeon, Score



Berwyn Technologies

Berwyn Technologies will continue to offer a **50% labor discount** to residents and businesses in the city when they purchase products from us. Residents and businesses in Bedford get free pickup/delivery as always. Senior citizen discounts are also available. Thanks!

Chris Bulanda

Visit us on the web! www.berwyntech.net

NOACC NEWS

Do not forget to check the NOACC website for all of the member discounts you can receive, including the sign-up for BWC and health insurance with discounts to benefit our members. Go to www.bedfordchamberoh.org and click on the link to NOACC for your savings!

Southeast YMCA

CPR Training - Every Month

Do you or your staff need CPR training? The Southeast YMCA offers a Red Cross CPR certification class each month. Times: 6:00 P.M.–10:00 P.M. For more information, call Kyle Wilkinson at (216) 663-7522.

*Maureen Mizerak, Executive Director
Southeast YMCA*

460 Northfield Road, Bedford, Ohio 44146
Phone: (216) 663-7522 · Fax: (216) 663-9043
Email: mmizerak@clevelandymca.org

Member-to-Member Discounts

WE NEED YOU!

We are looking for businesses that would be interested in offering member-to-member discounts to other Bedford Chamber businesses and their employees. This would be a great way to promote your business and support other businesses in our chamber. If you are interested please call our office at (440) 232-0115.

CITY OF BEDFORD

For Our Safety – November 3, 2009

The residents and businesses of Bedford have been hit hard by this recession and the City of Bedford itself is no exception. The City of Bedford in the past few years has been facing large reductions of State of Ohio revenue that is normally paid to the city. The City has also experienced a drastic decrease in local income tax dollars. These reductions in revenues have led to an annual 2.7 million dollar budget deficit.

The City of Bedford will be placing a Safety Services Levy on the ballot on November 3rd of this year to address this shortfall. It will be used to maintain the current staffing levels in the Police and Fire operations. This allows for our operating budget to continue with the critical safety services that we require as a community.

Bedford Police Department and Fire Department facts:

Presently the Bedford Safety Forces are undermanned:

- The Police Department is currently operating understaffed. The department has already decreased 11.5% (4 Officers) since the beginning of 2009.
- The Fire Department current operating understaffed. The department is operating with a 17% reduction in daily staffing.
- The safety forces are already stretched very thin. Bedford's ability to respond quickly to fire, medical and police emergencies will be dangerously limited if the 8.9 mill November 3rd levy does not pass.
- The last time the City had sought a levy was 15 years ago in 1994 (Paramedic Levy).

The Safety Services Levy will cost the average homeowner (\$100,000 home) \$15.00 per month. **Please consider the consequences of a failed levy for our community. Please consider the value and safety that will be provided to our citizens for \$15.00 per month.**

The City of Bedford Administration





Holy Spirit Academy is looking forward to beginning its 6th year! Catholic education for grades K-5. Call (440) 232-1531 for information.

Also...

Cookbooks For Sale

Cookbooks to support Holy Spirit Academy School are still available for sale. They are \$8.00 and make great gifts! Contact: Lisa DeLuca at (440) 439-2537.

Holy Spirit Academy
470 Center Rd., Bedford 44146

UH Bedford Medical Center Free Community Education Talks

6:00–7:00 P.M.

Community Room in the lower level of UH Bedford Medical Center, 44 Blaine Avenue,

Cardiac Care

Thursday, October 1

Pains You Shouldn't Ignore

Thursday, November 5

Reservations required:
(216) 767-8852

Light of Hearts Villa 20th Anniversary Event!

Craft Fair

Saturday, October 11, 2009
11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Sell your "HOMEMADE" crafts, wares and one-of-a-kind creations to over 500 that attend this event annually!

Tables are limited so call today...

Call Lynn Veres at (440) 232-1991,
ext. 507 for pricing and availability!

See page 6 for more Anniversary information.

Chanel Firebird Boosters 2009 Casino Bus Trip

To Mountaineer Racetrack Casino in West Virginia

Saturday, October 3, 2009

This is a ONE DAY TRIP – Leave at 10:00 A.M. and you're back by midnight. It's a great way to meet Chanel parents – Maybe you just need a day away...

Bring your friends – Have some fun!

Cost \$30.00 (includes \$15.00 of Casino Coins)
(That means the trip only costs you \$15.00.)

Alcoholic Beverages Permitted!

Bottled Water and Snack Provided!

50/50 Raffle and Bingo on the Bus!

Reserve your seat NOW – Limited Seating

We will be leaving from St. Peter Chanel High School.
Each bus can accommodate 54 people.

When: Saturday, October 3, 2009

Bus leaves at 10:00 A.M. and returns at midnight

Where To: Mountaineer Racetrack Casino in West Virginia

Each person will need to present a valid state issued photo ID.

Any questions please call Gina DeBaltzo at (216) 780-4063.



Chanel Student Wins Multiple Science Awards

St. Peter Chanel High School is proud to announce Freshman John Boykin of Brunswick has recently won the following science awards. Boykin was invited to present his project at the Great Lakes Science Center and received an award from the Mayor of Brunswick for his outstanding achievements.

Northeastern Ohio Science and Engineering Fair held at John Carroll University

- His science project was titled "Can recycled plastics be used to improve infrastructure concrete for bridges, roads, and highways as well as reduce environmental waste, pollution, and cost?"
- 1st Place Environmental Science Category
- 1st Place ASM International
- 1st Place Society of Plastics
- Best Project in Earth Science
- First Energy Award
- Outstanding Project to participate in International Sustainable World Energy, Engineering & Environment Project Olympiad

Mohican District Science Fair

- Superior Rating
- Governor's Award for Excellence in Recycling and Litter Prevention Research

Ohio Junior Science Academy held at Bowling Green State University

- 1st Place Podium Presentation

International Sustainable World Energy, Engineering & Environment Project Olympiad held in Houston, Texas

- Honorable Mention

State Science Fair held at The Ohio State University

- Excellent Rating
- 1st Place The Edison Welding Institute and The Edison Materials Technology Center
- Governor's Award for Environmental Protection

St. Peter Chanel Annual Ladies' Tea

Sunday, September 20, 2009 • 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

St. Peter Chanel High School is proud to announce the hosting of their Annual Ladies' Tea. All ladies of St. Peter Chanel High School (Moms, grandmothers, aunts, students, alumni, and friends; past, present, and future!) are invited to enjoy a relaxing afternoon featuring Karen Robbins, author and inspirational speaker, "My Ship Came In...But It's An Ark!!" Appetizers and baked goods will be served. Located in the St. Peter Chanel gymnasium at 480 Northfield Rd., Bedford. The cost is free!

R.S.V.P. to (440) 232-5900 or email outdoorpro@sbcglobal.net

Photo opportunity available.

St. Peter Chanel Annual Golf Outing

Fr. Gilbride Golf Outing

St. Peter Chanel High School will be holding their 23rd Annual **Fr. Gilbride Golf Outing** at Astorhurst Country Club on Sunday, September 20, 2009. Proceeds from this event benefit the Scholarship Fund at Chanel and assists those students with financial needs. Corporate and Hole sponsorships are available.

Honoree, Ed Treat '66

Sunday, September 20, 2009

Lunch at 11:30 A.M. • Shotgun start at 12:30 P.M.

Astorhurst Country Club

7000 Dunham Road, Walton Hills, OH

\$110.00 per golfer

Includes: lunch, beverages, snacks, prizes, steak dinner, golf, and cart

Jule Kennedy: (440) 232-5900 ext. 133 or 144





LIGHT OF HEARTS V I L L A

20TH ANNIVERSARY ~ MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

October 11, 2009

Light of Hearts Villa is a not for profit independent and assisted living facility for seniors. We depend on our friends and benefactors to help us meet the needs of seniors in our residence and in the greater community through our Outreach Services.

Will you help us make this 20th Anniversary Annual Fall Fundraiser the best yet? Some 500-600 people attend this dinner, raffle, boutique and bakery.

Specifications

To ensure accurate listing, all checks and information needs to be received by Light of Hearts Villa no later than September 11, 2009. A business card with identifying information should be included.

If there are any questions, please contact Janet Kodrich at (440) 232-1991.

Major Event Sponsorship

\$2000.00+

Acknowledgement on Sponsorship Poster at Entrance, including logo
Verbal recognition by name during each of the 3 seatings
Written recognition in the program (handed out at the door)
4 Complimentary Dinner tickets at the seating of your choice

Meal Sponsorship

\$1000.00

Acknowledgement on Meal Sponsor Poster at Serving Line
Verbal recognition by name during each of the 3 seatings
Written recognition in the program (handed out at the door)
2 Complimentary Dinner tickets at the seating of your choice

Dessert Sponsorship

\$500.00

Acknowledgement at Serving Line
Verbal recognition by name during each of the 3 seatings
Written recognition in the program (handed out at the door)
2 Complimentary Dinner tickets at the seating of your choice

Patron Sponsorship

\$100.00

Written recognition in the program (handed out at the door)
Acknowledgement on Poster in the Boutique

Sponsorship Information

Company Name _____ Contact Person _____

Mailing Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Sponsorship Level Chosen _____ Amount Enclosed _____

I am paying by Check (enclosed) made out to: *Light of Hearts Villa*

I am paying by Credit Card: Visa Mastercard

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Signature: _____ Expiration Date: _____

I am making my donation through your website: www.lightofheartsvilla.org/donations

Complete, enclose a business card and send to: Light of Hearts Villa – Attn. Janet Kodrich

Submit by September 11, 2009

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Bedford, OH 44146

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A Message From The Vice President

Fall is around the corner!

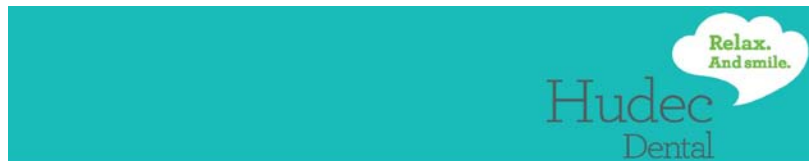
This month kicks off our dinner meeting series. SCORE will be presenting for the September meeting. They are a not for profit business consulting consortium funded by the small business administration. Their services are FREE to businesses. They can help with permitting, taxes, marketing and business planning. These are just a few services they offer.

Included in this presentation will be ways of obtaining government contracts.

Hope summer went well and looking forward to fall!

See you at the meeting,

Mike Guyer, Vice President



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Getting the Bite on Mouthguards

Helmets, kneepads, shin guards...if you're an avid athlete or the parent of one, you know the importance of proper protective gear. But did you know that up to 40 percent of all sports injuries involve the face? Protect your smile and your mouth with a comfortable, custom-molded mouth guard to dramatically reduce the risk of sports-related oral injury.

ADA & ASD Advice

The American Dental Association and the Academy of Sports Dentistry recommend mouth guards for athletes who participate in:

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