



CHAMBER CHATTER

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ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
MAY 18: ANNUAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE PIG ROAST. See
invitation mailed to you separately.

May 23: Chamber of Commerce Board of
Directors meeting at 7:00 pm.

2005 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Michael Guyer, L.P.C.C., *President*
Guyer Counseling
- Chuck St. John, *Vice President*
St. John Funeral Home
- Joanne Reardon, *Secretary*
Light of Hearts Villa
- Dale Witt, *Treasurer*
Dale Witt, CPA
- Laura Crow, National City Bank
- Rose Grossenbaugh, Bedford
Resident
- Trish Karabowicz, Bedford
Resident
- Nancy Lograsso, UHHS Bedford
- Rich Novak, Bedford Resident
- Dr. Joseph Vishey, DDS

NOACC NEWS

NOACC is partnering with HumanArc to help make employee insurance much more affordable for employers and employees alike. For more info: 216-447-9900 or 866-466-6222.

Also: Watch for the Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield postcard mailings.

President's Message

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The Pig Roast is less than 2 weeks away. I would like to remind everyone that this fun evening is open to anyone (adults). All of you Chamber members are encouraged to bring guests. Let me assure you that there will be much delicious food (provided by Catered Elegance) and beverages. It is especially a great evening when you and your friends reserve an entire table! So, don't be shy—send in those reservations ASAP!!!

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Unfortunately, the Circus will not take place on June 3, 4 of this year. The circus organizers have found it necessary to rearrange their schedule so as to economize on their fuel costs. It is tentatively set for the end of August. More information will be available during the summer months.

Mike Guyer

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THANK YOU TO KARL AMSTADT WHO SPOKE AT OUR APRIL MEETING. HE GAVE EVERYONE VERY USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT MAINTAINING A WEBSITE AND HOW TO MAKE IT WORK FOR YOUR BUSINESS.

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Businesses that would like to place their business card on the Chamber's website can do so for only \$75.00/year. Specials, coupons or other advertising that you would like to promote can be added to your advertisement. This is a great way to promote your business!

Vice President's Message

PARTIES IN THE PARK
Wednesday, June 8 will be opening day for the Bedford Parties in the Park sponsored by your Bedford Chamber of Commerce. Hopefully, we will have better weather than last summer, and all will go well. We begin at 7:00 pm and end at 9:00 pm.

Opening night will include the flag raising ceremony and ribbon cutting. Mayor Dan Pocek will welcome all. The music for the evening will be provided by the Tony Carmen Band. Hope to see all of you there!

Chuck St. John

Just a few members have not sent in their membership dues yet for 2005. Please check your records to see if you are one of those members. Thanks much!

Recruitment

Get another business to join the Chamber and receive \$25.00 off your dues!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Planning for the monthly Business After Hours is underway. Many chamber businesses have voiced an interest in sponsoring the event. The first After Hours will be held at Grande Oaks Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 24579 Broadway Avenue in Oakwood Village on Thursday, June 23rd from 5pm to 7pm. Join us for a networking opportunity. Refreshments will be served and a wonderful door prize will be presented. Please RSVP to Darla Perkins @ 440-439-7976.

Thanks to the efforts of member Todd Papes, our Chamber website is now "up and running". Be sure to log on and check us out at bedfordchamberoh.org

IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER, PLEASE CONTACT MIKE GUYER AT 440-439-4511.

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This is an historic year for the Bedford Historical Society. They have been here in Bedford for 50 years! Congrats to all who have given their efforts to making it a very special Society. They are sponsoring the Strawberry Festival on June 11,12,13. There will be fun and interesting things for everyone to do, so please plan to attend!

**CITY OF BEDFORD
2005 ACTIVITIES**

- May 30.....Memorial Day Parade @ 10:15 a.m.*
- June 3-5.....Rotary Rib Burn-Off*
- June 10-12.....Strawberry Festival*
- June 18.....Gospel House Songfest*
- June 24-26.....Italian American Brotherhood Festival*
- July 3.....Fireworks @ Chanel H.S.*
- July 4.....Parade @ 10:00 a.m.*
- July 16.....Street Dance*
- August 4-7.....Lion's Carnival*
- August 13.....Historical Society Flea Market*
- Sept. 9-11.....Oktoberfest*
- Sept. 16-18...Oktoberfest/Salvation Army Ribfest*

Welcome Our New Members

DeVore Technologies:

466 Northfield Road
Bedford, OH 44146
440-232-3846.
Jonathan Franks
Web development, computer training, application development

Protem Medical, Inc.

684 Broadway Ave. Ste. A
Bedford, OH 44146
440-786-7373
Ada Nworie
Sales in Medical Supplies & Eq.

Cleveland Southeastern Trails

43 Harrison Street
Bedford, OH 44146
440-232-4550
Don Sazma
Charter Bus & Tour Service

If you would like Chamber Chatter to be e-mailed to you rather than "snail-mailed", please send your e-mail address to:

**BEDFORDCHAMBER@
MINDSPRING.COM**

Thanks

**OHIO CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE NEWS**

Save the date for the biannual legislative retreat at Salt Fork State Park: September 7,8,9, 2005.

City Hall

Perhaps you have received your brochure from the Bedford Building Department. It has MUCH information regarding new construction, remodeling, fences, high grass, junk cars, etc. One is being mailed to each residence and business in town. Watch for it!

**WHAT'S UP AT LIGHT OF
HEARTS VILLA?**

Second Monday of Each Month
beginning April 11th, 2005:
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Seminar and Veterans Coffee Social
Learn about the new programs that exist to help veterans and spouses of veterans. These monthly seminars are FREE, so join us at 283 Union Street (corner of Northfield Rd. and Union St.) More info: 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

Exercise Program

Mondays 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Fee is \$1.00 per class . Southeast YMCA Certified Instructor.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS

Are still needed on Tuesdays at Catered Elegance. Call Janet Kodrich 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

55 ALIVE !

**Mature Driving Course
Presented by the AARP**

This 2 day classroom refresher course is especially designed for drivers ages 50 and over.

Date: May 16th & 17th

Time: 12:30 – 4:30 pm

Location: Light of Hearts Villa

Cost: \$10 for 2 day course

Reservations: Janet at 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

SOUP & BREAD

Attend a Spiritual Nourishment Gathering 11:30 – 12:30 pm

Tuesdays. This month, it is on May 17th. Reservations: 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

MEMORY SKILLS WORKSHOP

Would you like to help nourish and protect your memory? Find out how on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. So plan to attend on May 10th. These seminars are free and open to the public at Light of Hearts 283 Union St. right here in Bedford.
