



# CHAMBER CHATTER

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## ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

**Aspen Woodside: Spaghetti Dinner Sept. 23 from 6-8 pm. See more info this page.**

**Christmas in Bedford Falls: The next meeting of the steering committee is September 13 at 7pm in the Chamber of Commerce office. If you are interested in helping, you are welcome.**

**Chamber of Commerce Dinner/Meeting: September 21 at Catered Elegance. See invitation for more details.**

**Business After Hours at DeVore Technologies Thursday, September 29 @ 6pm. Call Jonathan Franks @ 440-232-3846 for more info.**

**First Annual Autumn Harvest Day: Oct. 1 from 10am - 2pm. See this page for details. For more info, call City Hall at 440-735-6520.**

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## President's Message

### ..... Summer's Over and Fall is Around the Corner!

The Circus was successful and we would like to bring them back next year. Thanks go to the Bedford Board of Education, The Bedford Schools Administration and Grounds Crew, and the City of Bedford Safety Forces for making this a successful event.

The first of what I hope to be an action-packed networking/dinner meeting is set to go **on September 21<sup>st</sup>** at 6:00 pm. The program is by DeVore Technologies who are experts in MicroSoft products. This is a growing and very exciting company that has been in Bedford for 14 years. A flyer is attached describing their business. I don't know of many people who don't want to be better with their computer in some way, and DeVore can provide you with that education.

**The Bedford After Hours** is scheduled for **September 29<sup>th</sup>** at DeVore Technologies. Lori DeVore and her staff promise an entertaining evening of hands-on learning about how a high-tech company functions, a tour of their facility, networking and world-class hors d'oeuvres.

**October 1<sup>st</sup>** the Bedford Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring **Harvest Day** along with the Bedford Community Development Corporation and the City of Bedford. It will be on the square. Some of their marketing will be done on the Disney Channel. Currently, donations are needed for this event. Call Rebecca Corrigan for info about donating (735-6520.)

*Mike Guyer*

## Vice-President's Message

- Thanks to good weather and dependable help, our annual summer of Parties in the Park was again very successful. Sure, we had a few nights of threatening weather, but we were lucky and had 13 weeks without a rainout.

The bands were well-received, Anna Rose's catering did a terrific job of feeding the crowd, our kid's craft table was in full use and our help at the Chamber table with door prize tickets and 50/50 tickets was nothing less than awesome. We had a great summer of fun at the Commons and already we are planning for 2006.

If we may, we would like to editorialize for a moment. In the recent past, there has been some conversation about changing the format, the venue, of our Parties in the Park. There has been some talk about increasing the crowds by changing what we have been doing for 20 years. Well, we do not see any need or logical reason for any change. This year, we had 2 nights with crowds of over 800, 8 nights with crowds between 500-700, and 3 nights with crowds just over 400. What more can we hope for? This is NOT a weekend festival. We are still widely acclaimed as the very best in the area (and maybe all of Ohio) with the kind of weekly activity we produce. As they say, "If it's not broke, why fix it?"

Finally, we wish to say thanks to all those I made reference to in the above paragraph. It takes a combined effort of many to be as successful as we are. Also, thanks to the sponsors and those who provided door prizes. You are all the most important part of what makes our events so wonderfully successful!

**CHUCK & LOIS ST. JOHN,**  
**Party In The Park Chairpersons**

**NOACC NEWS**

**NOACC is offering seminars titled Workers' Compensation 101: Understanding Key Elements of Risk Management.** The next seminar will be on September 29 8:30am-noon in the Ground Floor Amphitheater at 6000 Freedom Square Drive in Independence. Registration begins at 8am and there is no charge. Reservations are necessary. For more info, call 216-447-1551.

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**What's Up At Light of Hearts Villa?**

Two workshops will be held regarding helpful solutions for caregivers. The first is on Saturday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> 9am-3pm; the second is on Saturday, Sept. 27 from 9am-3pm. There is no charge, but space is limited. For more info, call 440-735-3505.

**Bingo Volunteers** are still needed. Call Janet at 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

Free **Blood Pressure screening** every Monday 11 am – Noon. More info, call 440-232-1991.

**Mature Driving Course** presented by AARP Thursday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 12:30-4:30, Friday Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 12:30-4:30. Cost is \$10.00 for 2 days. For reservation, call Janet at 440-232-1991 ext. 560.

**AROUND ASPEN**

The 14<sup>th</sup> **Annual Memory Walk** will take place on **September 24<sup>th</sup>** at the Cleveland Metropark Zoo from 9am to 1pm. For more info, call Krista at 440-439-8666.

**Spaghetti Dinner** benefiting the Alzheimer's Association is **September 23 from 6-8pm**. Prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. It will be held in the main diningroom.

**Bedford Firemen's Clambake**

Plan to attend the firemen's clambake on **Sat., Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> from 5-11pm at Catered Elegance**. Beer & Wash will be provided. There will be a reverse raffle and sideboards. Tickets are only \$30/person. To purchase tickets, call **440-735-6542**.

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**BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

*Please note that the next Business After Hours event will be held on Sept. 29 at DeVore Technologies @ 6PM. Included will be a continuation of the topic Lori will speak about at our Sept. 21 dinner/meeting. They are located at 466 Northfield here in Bedford. For more info, please call Jonathan Franks at 440-232-3846. ALSO SEE ATTACHMENT.*

**October Business After Hours will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Aspen Woodside located at 19455 Rockside Road. Included will be a tour of the new Alzheimer's Unit. Call Krista for more info: 440-439-8666.**

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**FIRST ANNUAL AUTUMN HARVEST**

**DAY**

On **October 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am to 2pm**, the City of Bedford, Bedford CDC and the Bedford Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the **First Annual Autumn Harvest Day**. The event will include many activities for children, including pony rides, chalk art, pumpkin painting and pictures with fall cut-outs. **DONATIONS ARE NEEDED. FOR MORE INFO, CALL REBECCA CORRIGAN at 440-735-6520.**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CHAMBER MEMBERS:**

**ELSIE KASIGURAN, A BEDFORD RESIDENT.**

**POWDER & PERFORMANCE COATINGS**

**24 INDUSTRY DRIVE  
440-435-1910**

**APPLICATION OF POLYMER POWDER ELECTROSTATICALLY TO A METAL SURFACE.**

**OPEN HOUSE: 9/29 @ 5-8pm.**









