



City of Bedford Newsletter

December 2019

Christmas in Bedford Falls

Christmas in Bedford Falls will be held on Saturday, December 14 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. in Historic Downtown Bedford.

Everyone is invited to enjoy a variety of activities - all FREE! Take a ride on Lolly the Trolley, visit Santa and Mrs. Claus (remember to bring your camera)... balloon fun with Balloon Bender, listen to holiday stories read by our Children's Librarian, puppet shows, a children's craft tent, hand bells and carolers, and much more.

Open House will be held at two locations: The Purr-fect Place (Valley Save-A-Pet) and the Bedford Museum. Visit merchants along Broadway.

You will be able to enjoy hot chocolate and S'mores with the Scouts of Troop 447 at "Scout Alley", located behind Veterans Park along Broadway. The Scouts will provide a fire to keep you warm and to toast marshmallows! Remember to bring nonperishable food items to "fill the truck" to help local food pantries and holiday baskets.

The Girl Scouts will be present as well, and will be in charge of collecting pet food and pet supplies (blankets, toys, etc.). These items will be given to local animal shelters.

We look forward to seeing you in "Bedford Falls" in Bedford, Ohio on Saturday, December 14th from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Christmas in Bedford Falls --- "It's a Wonderful Life" is being brought to you by the City of Bedford.

Snow Removal

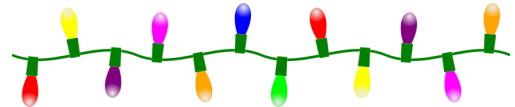
When snow accumulations exceed two inches, a parking ban is put into effect. No parking on any city streets. It is the property owner's responsibility to clear snow from the sidewalk. Additionally, we request that residents clear fire hydrants in front of their homes. When having your driveway and sidewalks cleared of snow, all snow is to remain on your property.

Lights out for Hunger

Please join the Cities of Bedford, Walton Hills and Oakwood Village and turn off your holiday lights on December 18th, and then donate your electricity savings or more to, the "Lights Out for Hunger" campaign. Checks should be made out to The Southeast Clergy Council and sent to: First Baptist Church of Bedford, 445 Turney Road, Bedford, Ohio 44146.

Questions please call Beth 440-439-9755, or like us on Facebook "Lights Out for Hunger"

Reminder: The lights at the Bedford Square will be turned off the day of Lights out for Hunger on December 18, 2019.



Northeast Ohio Mind Challenge

Residents ages 50 and over. Coming in January of 2020 is the Northeast Ohio Mind Challenge. There will be teams from senior centers and local municipalities competing in a trivia challenge representing four regions of Northeast Ohio.

All participating cities will hold competitions to establish teams. Our competition will be held on **Thursday, January 23, 2020 at Ellenwood Center at 1:00 p.m.** Snacks and beverages will be served. There will be a maximum of six players per team with no limit to the number of Bedford teams we can enter.

Regional competitions will be held in February and later months. To advance to the next round, our team(s) must finish in the top 50% of competing teams in the region. In addition, the top scoring team from each city will automatically advance; this keeps all the cities alive for a few rounds. The Fact Finding Four and Mind Challenge Championship will take place in May.

If you are interested in registering for this program, please call (440) 735-6570.

Important Dates

- ◆ **Council Meeting**
December 2
8:00 p.m.
- ◆ **First Friday Community Organizations**
December 6
- ◆ **Christmas in Bedford Falls**
December 14
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Council Meeting**
December 16
8:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Christmas Eve - City Hall Closed**
December 24
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Holiday Refuse Collection

Tuesday, 12/24/19 - refuse collection will not be affected. Wednesday, 12/25/19 - refuse collection will be one day late (Thursday).

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Junior Cavaliers Basketball

The Parks & Recreation Department is pleased to announce a partnership with the Cleveland Cavaliers, bringing the Junior Cavaliers Basketball Program here to Bedford. Registration for the winter season has begun, registration deadline is December 7. Games will be played on Saturdays beginning in January. Check our website for additional information at www.bedfordoh.gov.

Winter Open Gym For Youth

Winter session of open gym at Ellenwood Center will run from January 13 - March 26 (no open gym 1/20, 2/17, 3/17). The fee is \$25 per person.

Grades 4-6: Mondays and Wednesdays
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Grades 7-9: Tuesdays and Thursdays
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Grades 10-12: Mondays and Wednesdays
5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Futsal



Futsal provides girls and boys a fun learning experience for young soccer players. Lessons are designed to enhance balance and coordination while teaching players to be comfortable with the ball. The program will run for six weeks on Thursday evenings at Ellenwood Recreation Center, beginning January 23. The cost is \$25 per Bedford resident, \$30 per non-resident.

Ages 6-8 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Ages 9-12 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Little Hoop Stars

Coaches from Jump Start Sports will run this instructional and recreational basketball program for children in Pre-K (must be 4 years old) and Kindergarten. Players are taught the basics of dribbling, passing, shooting, positioning, defense, and rebounding, and then apply what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games. All participants will receive a shirt and a participation medal. Times may vary based on enrollment. The program runs Tuesday evenings beginning January 14 at Ellenwood Recreation Center. The cost is \$55 per Bedford resident, \$60 per non-resident. Register online only at jumpstartsports.com.

Winter Break Camp

New this year! Bedford Parks & Recreation is offering 6 days of fun at our Winter Break Camp! You'll enjoy activities such as sports, games, arts & crafts, special guests and local field trips. Campers must bring a lunch each day, dress for scheduled activities, and bring extra warm clothes for outdoors. This program is for children currently in Grades K-5. Don't be left out in the cold, limited to the first 24 participants per day. The cost is \$20 per day for Bedford resident and \$25 per day for non-resident.

Camp Dates:

- Monday, December 23
- Thursday, December 26
- Friday, December 27
- Monday, December 30
- Thursday, January 2
- Friday, January 3

Camp Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- *Extended Care Available for additional fee*
- Before Camp Care 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
\$5 per day
- After Camp Care 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
\$5 per day

Location:

Ellenwood Center
124 Ellenwood Ave.