



# City of Bedford Newsletter

## February 2020

### City of Bedford State of the City Address

The State of the City Address will take place on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at Light of Hearts Villa, located at 283 Union St. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch being served at noon.

Mayor Stan Koci and City Manager Michael S. Mallis will be giving the address at 12:30 p.m. A luncheon buffet will be available at cost, \$15 per person, with reservations. However, those wishing to attend the State of the City Address without lunch can do so free of charge.

Credit card payments accepted at [www.eventbrite.com/e/89601525575](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/89601525575) or check payable to City of Bedford, 165 Center Road, Bedford, OH 44146

RSVP by Friday, February 7, 2020 <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/89601525575> or [citymanager@bedfordoh.gov](mailto:citymanager@bedfordoh.gov) or 440-232-1600.

### Bedford Downtown Chocolate Walk

The Bedford Downtown Alliance will host their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chocolate Walk fundraiser on Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.. Enjoy the afternoon walking Bedford's historic Downtown, collecting chocolate treats, eating and shopping. Tickets are \$20 and the event is limited to 200 tickets. The event is intended for adults aged 21 and older.

Ticket holders will be given a map of participating businesses, bag to collect their sweet treats and a free glass of wine ticket. This event will take place rain (or snow!) or shine and tickets are non-refundable. All proceeds will benefit the Bedford Downtown Alliance, a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to revitalizing and sustaining historic Bedford Downtown.

Tickets available online at [www.BedfordDowntown.org/chocolate](http://www.BedfordDowntown.org/chocolate)

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February 18  
8:00 p.m.

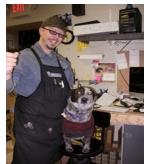
City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of Presidents' Day.

There will be no change in refuse pick-up.

### Bedford's Coolest Bikers

Bedford is a biker town - bicycles that is! Thanks to Mike and Laura Hulett, the owners of The Broadway Cyclery, Bedford is quickly becoming a biker's paradise. Providing mountain, touring, cargo, and commuter bikes since 2010, The Broadway Cyclery is a full service shop perfectly positioned to meet the needs of cyclists riding on Bedford Reservation's mountain bike trails and support the growing network of urban bike trails in Cleveland and Akron. The Cyclery's original start was on the other side of the street but when the opportunity to buy the historic former drugstore at 665 Broadway presented itself, the bike shop found its home.

The cozy shop is an active hub of bike enthusiasts, biking beginners and neighborhood visitors, some coming in just to visit Zooey, the Hulett's spunky cattle dog. Rounding out the family is Mike's "biker chick" wife, Laura.



Mike is committed to sharing his passion with the community. The Cyclery was the first corporate member of Bike Cleveland and Mike is working with Cleveland Metroparks hoping to create a bikeable connector between the Bedford Reservation and Viaduct Park. In addition, they are members of CAMBA, the Cleveland Area Mountain Bike Association. He conducts a 10-20 mile group ride every Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. starting at Egbert Road and occasionally stopping for refreshments at Tinkers Creek Tavern. All riders are welcome.

Mike and Laura hope that their business' unique spirit will be a spark for other creative endeavors in town like a brew pub or wine bar. Meanwhile, the Hulett's are enjoying coasting around town and encouraging others to re-experience the joy of the view over the handlebars.

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Broadway  
Cyclery 440.735.BIKE [2453] [thebroadwaycyclery.com](http://thebroadwaycyclery.com)



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### Parks & Recreation Department

**NEW!** Residents were mailed a catalog of upcoming program offerings. Our staff is excited to bring you recreational and educational opportunities the whole family can enjoy. Please take a look through our brochure and see all of the new wonderful programs and activities for children and adults of all ages.

#### Local Motion with Jaki

This program will make you sweat while having a fun cardio experience to a musical fusion of club and urban dance styles. This program is for beginners and experienced dancers.

Instructor: Jaki Ward

Location: Ellenwood Center Room 4

Session I Dates: Mondays, February 3, 10, 24, March 2 (No class 2/17)

Time: 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Fee: \$25 per participant

#### Daddy/Daughter Dance

Join us for an unforgettable evening that provides special time for fathers and daughters. Music from Terry Macklin Entertainment, refreshments and a complimentary keepsake photo from Venditti Studio. Space is limited, register early!

Girls in Grades K-5 and their father, grandfather, uncle or special adult friend.

Location: Ellenwood Gym

Date: Friday, February 21

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$15 per couple, \$5 per sibling

*Save the Date: Mother/Son Dance will be on March 13.*

#### Parent & Child Toddler Play

This program builds gross motor, creativity and problem-solving skills through interactive games, play and music. Meet other local parents and share ideas and support.

Ages: 18 months - 3 years old and caregiver

Location: Ellenwood Center Gym or Room 4

Dates: Tuesdays - February 18, 25, March 3, 10, 24, 31

(No class 3/17)

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Fee: Free (Pre-registration required)

#### Preschool Gym

Get your body moving through movement, fitness, games and music. Our weekly creative play date will promote balance, coordination, spatial awareness and gross motor skills. Parents are encouraged to stay and play.

Ages: 4-5

Location: Ellenwood Center Gym or Room 4

Dates: Tuesdays - February 18, 25, March 3, 10, 24, 31

(No class 3/17)

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Fee: Free

(Pre-registration required)

#### Spring Soccer

Boys and girls ages 5 to 12. 8-weeks on Saturdays beginning in April. Participants receive a game shirt. Players must provide and wear their own shin guards. Soccer cleats are recommended. Deadline to register is March 7. In-person registration being offered Saturday, March 7 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$55 resident/\$65 non-resident

#### Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Alzheimer's and other dementias cause memory, thinking and behavior problems that interfere with daily living. Join us to learn how to recognize common signs of the disease and the importance of early detection and diagnosis and Alzheimer's Association resources.

Presenter: Alzheimer's Association Staff

Location: Ellenwood Center Room 4

Date: Thursday, February 20

Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Fee: This program is free of charge however pre-registration is required

#### Morning Senior Yoga

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done sitting on a chair or standing on the ground while using the chair for support. It is beneficial for people with limited mobility and for those who want to practice yoga at their home or workplace. Please bring your own yoga mat. Pre-registration required.

Instructor: Dawn Rivers

Location: Ellenwood Center Room 3

Session I Dates: Tuesdays - February 4, 11, 18, 25

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$10 resident/\$15 non-resident

For the latest information from the Parks & Recreation Department, visit

[www.bedfordoh.gov](http://www.bedfordoh.gov), like us on Facebook @bedfordrecreation, and follow us on Twitter @bedfordrec.