

“ We chose Bedford because it has a great family atmosphere with lots of kids. We also take advantage of the playgrounds, and of course, the pool. Bedford is very affordable and centrally located to almost everything in the Raleigh metro area, which also makes it very attractive.”



Here is what Mike McDonnell had to say about the Bedford at Falls River way of life:

Welcome New Homeowners
 Wakefield Development Company and the Bedford at Falls River Community would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new homeowners. Each month, we are thrilled to see all of the new faces around the neighborhood. It's families like you that make Bedford a truly wonderful place to live!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW HOMEOWNERS



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A BLIZZARD OF NEW ACTIVITIES TO KEEP BEDFORD WARM



Winter in NC

The weather outside might be frightful, but inside the Bedford Clubhouse, it's just delightful. A new year has ushered in a new calendar of events for Bedford residents to take part in and assures that no one will be left out in the cold.

A "Dancing Like the Stars" class begins mid-January. The first nine-week session will focus on basic ballroom dance steps. Learn to waltz, foxtrot and tango. Long-time residents and dancers Marsha and Carmen DiBattista will do their part to get Bedford residents on a par with

Emmitt Smith. That should get everyone warmed up!

Adult Friday Night Socials were popular over the summer and will begin again in January. Bring your own drink and an appetizer to share. Entertainment will be provided. We'll bask in the warmth of friendship January 26 and February 23 from 7:00pm-11:00pm.

Bingo has been added to the Over 55s Club activities and will be played on the first Tuesday of each month. If you are over 55, keep an eye on the calendar for this very warm and active group.

The Bedford children have not been forgotten. In addition to Kids' Night Out on

January 13, a Family Game Night has been added to the calendar for January 15 and February 18. Bedford families are invited to bring their favorite board game to the clubhouse. After all, the family that plays together stays warm together. We'll order out for pizza!

Let us not forget the warmest holiday of the New Year. Love is in the air February 10 when we celebrate Valentine's Day! A very special evening is being planned that will warm your heart! Watch for ticket information.

So, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow! The myriad of activities at the Bedford Clubhouse is guaranteed to keep you busy and warm as we weather winter together!

DECEMBER GOOD NEIGHBOR OF THE MONTH AWARD



Good Neighbor Iris Karas

Have you seen the "Good Neighbor of the Month" sign in the community? Each month one winner is selected from all nominations and he/she is presented with the "Good Neighbor of the Month" yard sign and a gift certificate, and is featured here as well as in the online picture album.

Your Good Neighbor winner for December was Iris Karas, who was nominated by TWO neighbors! There seems to be a consensus that Iris is generous with both her time and her hospitality.

"Iris is always helping everyone," said Marjorie Marr. "She is kind and generous and deserves to be nominated for Neighbor of the Year, let alone the Month."

Nancy Turchick agrees. "No matter what she is doing, Iris is always there to help a friend."

Thank you, Iris, for being a good neighbor!

Keep the nominations coming. The form is available online at our website under Documents, or stop by the Clubhouse to pick up one. And, keep watching for the sign!

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LETTER FROM JOHN

Dear Bedford Residents,

With the close of 2006, Bedford enters the homestretch in terms of new home sales and land development. Another strong year of sales puts us in the position of being required to turn over the Homeowners Association. All of this means a lot in the very near future. You, as homeowners, will be called upon to take charge of your Homeowners Association and govern yourselves. For those of you who have been involved in similar positions in the past, this can be both an exciting and daunting challenge.

As a group, the new Board of Directors will be charged with managing a budget of well over \$1 million in a manner that best benefits the majority of the residents. I hope that you will give your full support to those elected.

Fall 2006 was an exciting time at Bedford with another strong showing in the Triangle Parade of Homes. We are also pleased to announce that for the second time in three years, Bedford was voted "Best New Home Community" in the state of North Carolina. Another recent highlight was the construction of the "Jimmy V" House in the Greenbriar Collection, built by 1st American Builders and co-sponsored by Wakefield Development Company. The net proceeds from the sale of the home are expected to generate over \$150,000 for cancer research. Thank you to all involved.

On that charitable note, I wish you all a healthy and prosperous new year.

Sincerely,

John Myers
President, Wakefield Development Company



COMMUNITY NEWS

2006—A PICTORIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

What a great year to live in Bedford! Residents came out in style for the Annual 4th of July Parade, boogied to the beat at the Concert on the Green, and climbed to new heights at the Fall Festival.



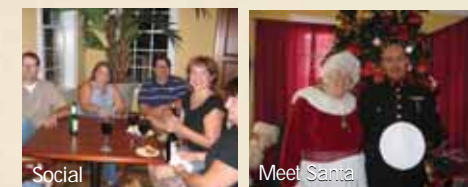
4th of July Parade



Summer Fun

Concert on the Green

While many lead very hectic lives, there was always time to eat, drink and be merry!



Social

Meet Santa



Supper Club

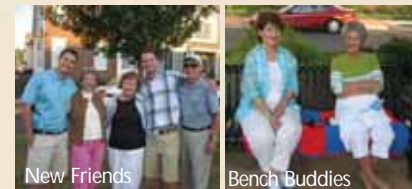
Quote of the Month: *If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.*

— Josh Billings

Friendships were formed. Some were celebrated quietly and some not so quietly.



Swim Party



New Friends

Bench Buddies

Overall, it was a wonderful year in Bedford at Falls River, and 2007 promises to be even better as new families join the community. A toast to Bedford!

WEBSITE INFORMATION

Even in today's high-tech world, communication can be a challenge. The best way to stay informed about what is going on in Bedford is to visit our website at www.bedfordhoa.com. This site is for Bedford homeowners only. Registering on the site will allow you to receive weekly e-mail updates so that you don't miss any of the great events taking place in your community.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

The Bedford Business Networking Group has been a tremendous help in making sure that events in the community run smoothly. Their service support for the Turkey Trot and Pancakes with Santa made sure that both events came off without a hitch. If you see a member, be sure to thank them for all they do to make Bedford even better.

Resident Jennifer Andrews has again sponsored the Bedford Directory, to be available soon. Be sure to pick one up at the Clubhouse if you don't otherwise receive one. Thank you, Jennifer, for this huge undertaking!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 3, Wednesday Seniorcise 8:30am - 9:30am	January 14, Sunday Dancing Like the Stars 6:30pm - 8pm	January 26, Friday Kids & Crafts 10:30am - 12pm	February 5, Monday Bridge Club 7:45am - 10am	February 15, Thursday Partners Bridge Tournament 7pm - 10pm	February 26, Monday Baby & Me 10:30am - 12pm
January 6, Saturday Power Yoga 8am - 9am	January 15, Monday Family Game Night 6pm - 8pm	January 26, Friday Friday Night Adult Social 7pm - 11pm	February 6, Tuesday Over 55s Bingo 7pm - 9pm	February 17, Saturday Power Yoga 8am - 9am	February 28, Wednesday Seniorcise 8:30am - 9:30am
January 7, Sunday Bedford Brownies 1pm - 4pm	January 17, Wednesday Chess Club 4:30pm - 5:30pm	Friday Night Social	February 7, Wednesday Chess Club 4:30pm - 5:30pm	February 18, Sunday Family Game Night 4pm - 6pm	
January 8, Monday Bridge Lessons 1pm - 3pm	January 18, Thursday Partners Bridge Tournament 7pm - 10pm		February 8, Thursday Over 55s Social 5:30pm - 7:30pm	February 19, Monday Yoga 1pm - 3pm	
January 9, Tuesday Mah Jongg 12:30pm - 4pm	January 19, Friday Ladies' Night Out 8pm - 11pm	January 28, Sunday Bedford Supper Club 6pm - 8pm	February 9, Friday Kids & Crafts 10:30am - 12pm	February 20, Tuesday Mah Jongg 12:30pm - 4pm	
January 11, Thursday Bridge Club 9:30pm - 12pm	January 22, Monday Baby & Me 10:30am - 12pm	January 29, Monday Yoga 6:30pm - 7:30pm	February 10, Saturday Chapel of Love Adult Valentines 6pm - 11pm	February 21, Wednesday Chess Club 4:30pm - 5:30pm	
January 12, Friday Kids & Crafts 10:30am - 12pm	January 25, Thursday Wine Club 7pm - 9pm	January 30, Tuesday Mah Jongg 12:30pm - 4pm	February 12, Monday Baby & Me 10:30am - 12pm	February 22, Thursday Wine Club 7pm - 9pm	
			February 1, Thursday Bridge Club 9:30am - 12pm	February 13, Tuesday Mah Jongg 12:30pm - 4pm	February 23, Friday Seniorcise 10:30am - 12pm
			February 2, Friday Seniorcise 8:30am - 9:30am	Valentine's Day	February 23, Friday Kids & Crafts 10:30am - 12pm
			January 13, Saturday Kids' Night Out 5:30pm - 9pm	February 4, Sunday Dancing Like the Stars 6:30pm - 8pm	



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

HOT SPINACH DIP WITH CHEESY CHIPS (SERVES 6)



Spinach Dip

19 oz. pkg. STOUFFER'S® Spinach Soufflé, prepared according to package directions

1 (3 oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened

1 (12 oz.) package tortilla chips

9 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese, divided

1/4 cup mayonnaise

2 tablespoons chopped green onions

Toppings: diced tomato, chopped green onion, Shredded Monterey Jack cheese

1. PREHEAT oven to 350°F
2. Combine spinach soufflé, cream cheese, 1/2 cup (8 tablespoons) Parmesan cheese, mayonnaise and 2 tablespoons green onion in a medium bowl. Transfer to a small baking dish; sprinkle with remaining 1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese. Place baking dish in center of baking sheet or ovenproof platter.
3. Arrange tortilla chips around dip. Sprinkle chips with tomato, green onion and Monterey Jack cheese.
4. BAKE for 20 to 25 minutes or until dip is hot and Monterey Jack cheese is melted.

Turkey Trot Results

The Bedford community came together once again to support the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina on November 1, 2006. The 3rd Annual 5K Turkey Trot resulted in over 100 participants, allowing for a donation to the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina of 345 pounds of food. Congratulations to all participants!

Toys for Tots Results

Bedford residents are awesome when it comes to giving! The angels disappeared quickly from the clubhouse and were generously replaced with new, unwrapped toys. Following Pancakes with Santa on December 17th, the Marines took the items donated by Bedford residents to Toys for Tots and distributed them where needed. Thank you to everyone who participated in making the holidays joyous for less fortunate children.