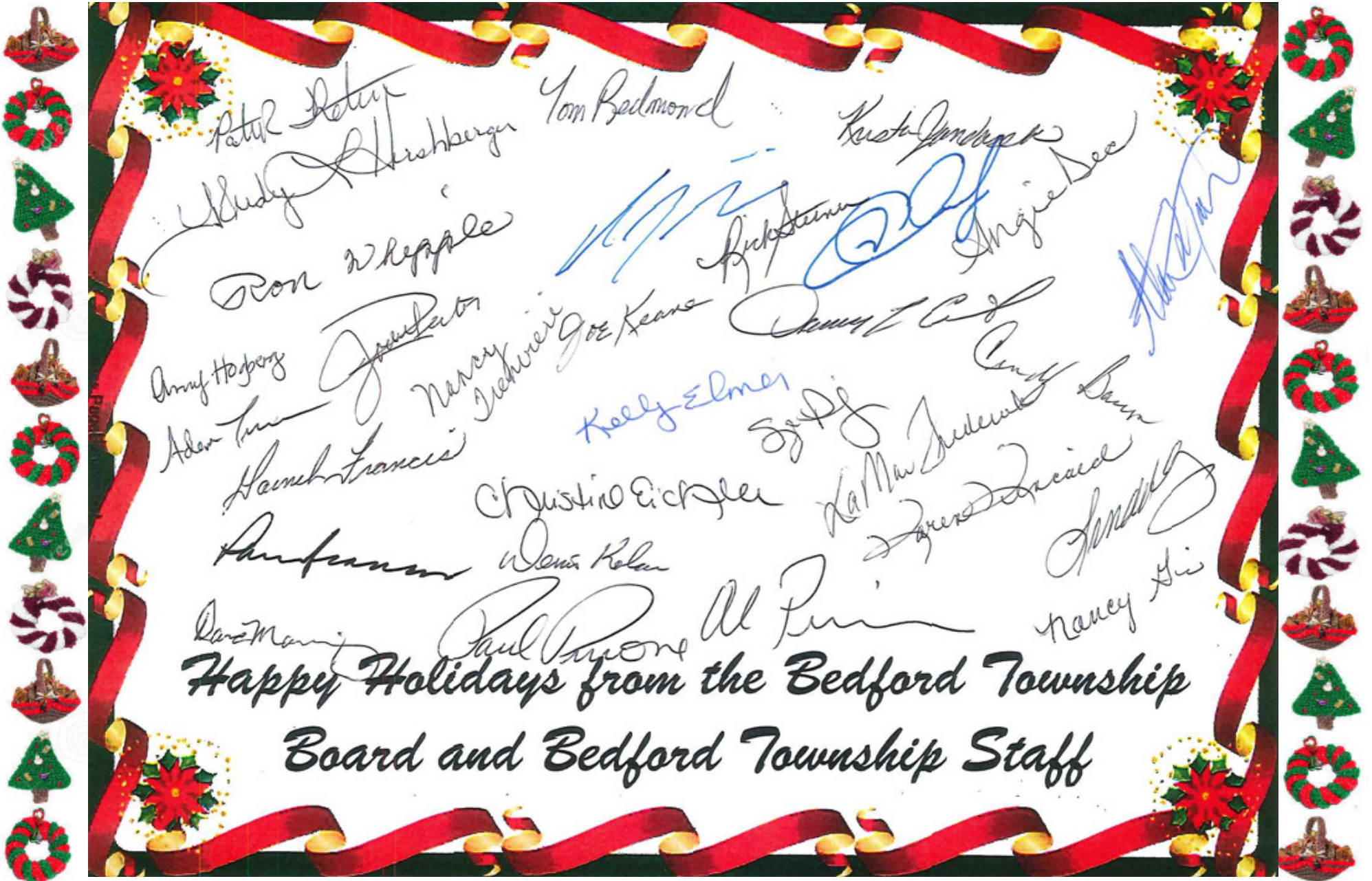




# BEDFORD TOWNSHIP THE TOWNSHIP UPDATE

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## TAX DEPARTMENT ALERT 2017 WINTER TAX BILLS

The 2017 Winter tax bills were mailed on or before December 1, 2017, and can be paid any time between December 1, 2017 and February 14, 2018 without late penalty or interest being assessed.

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING WHEN PAYING YOUR TAX BILLS

- Please make your check payable to the Bedford Township Treasurer for the exact amount of your tax bill only. We cannot accept overpayments and carry over amounts to future tax bills.
- Please **DO NOT** combine tax payments with water or sewer payments on one check. Each account is separate, and must be paid by a separate check.
- Please make certain that your check is dated and signed, and that the written amount and the numerical amount are identical.
- We **DO** accept partial payments on tax bills between **December 1, 2017** and **February 14, 2018**. Interest on the unpaid balance must be added after **February 14, 2018**.
- If you have refinanced your home mortgage or paid off your mortgage in the last year, please call our office. Many times the banks or mortgage companies do not let us know that you have an escrow account for payment of your property taxes.
- We offer **Direct Debit** or **ACH** payment as an optional method for payment of your taxes. **Authorization forms are available in the Treasurer's Department or online at [www.bedfordmi.org](http://www.bedfordmi.org).**
- For your convenience, you may pay your tax bills by mail (using the envelope provided), or in person at the **Bedford Township Government Center, 8100 Jackman Road, Temperance, Michigan 48182** (convenient drive-up window, drop box or inside service counter), the **Lambertville Branch office of Fifth Third Bank**, or any **Branch office of Monroe Bank & Trust in Monroe County**.
- Tax bills can also be paid by debit card or credit card (a 3% user fee is charged). We are authorized to accept **VISA, MasterCard, Discover Card, and AMEX** cards.
- If your **2017 Summer Tax bill** is not yet paid, there will be interest and penalty assessed. Please visit our website or call the **Bedford Township Treasurer's Department** at **(734) 224-7342** for the current balance due.

### Treasurer's Department News

By: Paul R. Francis, Bedford Township Treasurer



### PLEASE NOTE: YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DEFER PAYMENT OF YOUR 2017 WINTER HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAXES UNTIL APRIL 30, 2018, IF....

- You are a senior citizen (age 62 or older).
- You are an eligible veteran, eligible service person, eligible widow/widower, paraplegic, quadriplegic, hemiplegic, totally and permanently disabled or blind.
- Your total 2017 Household Income (taxable and nontaxable) is \$50,000 or less.
- The taxable value of your homestead does not exceed \$135,000.

**IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR DEFERRED PAYMENT OF 2017 WINTER PROPERTY TAXES, YOU MUST FILE 2017 Michigan Homestead Property Tax Credit form MI-1040CR or MI-1040CR-2 with the State of Michigan, and PROVIDE THE BEDFORD TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S OFFICE WITH A COPY ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 14, 2018. WITHOUT A COPY OF THESE FORMS, THE TOWNSHIP CANNOT GRANT DEFERRED PAYMENT.** If you have any questions regarding deferring payment of your 2017 Winter tax bill, please call the **BEDFORD TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT AT (734) 224-7342**.

**NOTE: R.S.V.P. VOLUNTEER HELP WITH BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST SENIOR CITIZENS** in preparing these tax forms at the Bedford Township Government Center (Conference Room C) on Monday, February 5, Wednesday, February 7 and Friday, February 9, 2018 between the hours of 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (**BY APPOINTMENT - PLEASE**). Please call the **Bedford Township Treasurer's Department** at **(734) 224-7342** to arrange an appointment. Walk-ins will be served on the first come, first served basis between scheduled appointments if time permits. **PLEASE BRING PROOF (FORMS W-2, 1099, ETC.) OF ALL 2017 INCOME SUCH AS WAGES, SOCIAL SECURITY, IRA'S, PENSIONS, INTEREST, DIVIDENDS, AND ANY OTHER INCOME YOU MAY HAVE RECEIVED IN 2017, PLUS MEDICAL HEALTH, DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE PREMIUMS PAID IN 2017. YOU MAY ALSO QUALIFY FOR A HOME HEATING TAX CREDIT, SO BRING YOUR HOME HEATING BILL AMOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD 11/1/16 - 10/21/17.** ■



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 8 AM - 5 PM  
 Monday - Friday

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Trudy L. Hershberger	Clerk
Paul R. Francis	Treasurer
R. LaMar Frederick	Trustee
TC Clements	Trustee
Rick Steiner	Trustee
Nancy Tienvieri	Trustee
Dennis Kolar	Building Inspector
Alan Matlow	Assessor



To access the complete Bedford Township Website from your Smart Phone download a QR Code Reader and scan the above code.

### Township Office Directory

(Dial 734.847.6791 and the extension or email address shown)

<b>Supervisor's Office.....7322</b>
Paul Pirrone, Supervisor
<b>Clerk's Department.....7323</b>
Trudy Hershberger, Clerk
<b>Treasurer's Department.....7342</b>
Paul R. Francis, Treasurer
<b>Finance Department.....7325</b>
David Manning, Finance Director
<b>Planning Department.....7331</b>
Karen Kincaid, Planning Administrator
<b>Building Department.....7330</b>
Dennis Kolar, Building Official
<b>Assessing Department.....7353</b>
Alan Matlow, Lead Assessor
<b>Ordinance Department.....7350</b>
Damon Cecil, Supervisor
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Adam Massingill, Fire Chief
<b>Sheriff's Department</b>
<b>Bedford Township</b>
<b>Non-Emergency</b>
<b>734-847-6146</b>
<b>Emergency.....911</b>
Monroe County Non-Emergency
(734) 243-7070
(Bedford Substation)
Detective/Sergeant.....7315
Detective.....7316
Deputy.....7318

### Township Offices Will Be Closed For The Following Holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King's Birthday
- President's Day
- Good Friday (afternoon)
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veteran's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Friday following Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve

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# Bedford Senior Community Center ...a Great Place to Go!

**I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLIGHT OUR SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER** and the services they provide for our residents. This center has been such an asset to Bedford Township and its residents for so many years. I would now like to take the opportunity to thank them for all they do. In addition, I am looking forward to working with them on finding a new location that will accommodate their growing needs.

Mission Statement for **The Bedford Senior Community Center** is dedicated to providing the highest quality recreational, social and supportive services to mature adults. It is our goal to foster a warm environment where individuals can explore and enjoy activities and services designed to promote health and welfare of the 55+ population while fostering their independence.

The **Bedford Senior Citizens Program** began in 1970, when the Bedford Public Schools adopted the philosophy of Community Education and hired a director to develop a community curriculum with programs and services for all ages. During the first year, programs and activities were sponsored for the seniors and plans were developed for a permanent Senior Center. Plans became a reality on September 13, 1971 when the seniors moved into their Center, the former Samaria School, provided by the Bedford Board of Education. A \$317,100 addition was added to the building through a Federal Grant in 1977.

**Dianne Carroll** the **Director**, has done an outstanding job of running the center and developing programs for our Seniors. Some of the programs include, outside vendors come in on a regular basis to provide educational seminars, hold one-on-one consultations for Medicare, provide free medical screenings. In addition, Counseling Health screening, Referral services for various agencies, Legal services, Outreach, Volunteer Opportunities, Monroe County Library in Motion Lending Library, Internet access and Meal Programs. The other program that is vital to Bedford is the Meals on Wheels program and they are always looking for volunteers to help deliver.

The Senior center on any given day is bustling with actives that range from fitness to line dancing just to name a few and they are always looking for new activities. If you like Movies they show them once a month. Please check the Center for times and titles.

If you are looking to have lunch and be in the company of others, then please come and enjoy a hot nutritious meal. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Center. These meals are provided on a suggested donation basis of \$3.00. Reservations must be called in every day between 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. call **(734) 856-3330**. If you love history lunch with the Seniors is a great time to learn about Bedford and life in general. So many of our Citizens have been in Bedford for years and have many stories to tell and pass on to others.

Many wonder how the center is maintain financially. The Monroe County senior citizens millage provides the largest percentage of the total operating budget for the Bedford Senior programs. The Bedford Senior Center also receives funding through Bedford Township, and United Way of Monroe/Lenawee Counties. Other sources include: USDA-Federal Food Reimbursement, Private donations from local citizens, clubs and organizations and Membership fund raising. If you are looking to leave money to a charity the Senior Community Center is a deserving cause.

The **Bedford Senior Community Center** is located at **1653 Samaria Road, Temperance, Michigan**. If you have questions please call **(734) 856-3330** and **if you need a ride to the Senior Center** call **Bedford Dial Ride** at **(888) 664-5984**. I hope to see you all at lunch someday at the Senior Community Center. **HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY!** ■



## From The Supervisor's Desk

By: Paul Pirrone  
 Bedford Township Supervisor

## From the Downtown Development Authority

# Digging to China?

**W**ELL, WE HOPE NOT! Lots of folks have been wondering what on earth is going on at the former **Buddy's gas station** at the corner of **Secor** and **Sterns Roads**. What appears to be an attempt to fashion a crater is actually a toxic cleanup project by the **Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)**. The site has been tested and the soil was found to contain the effects of gasoline spillage at some time. Since the cause of the spillage appears to be unclear at this time, the **DEQ** has considered this an "orphan site" and, thus, the responsibility of the state. At the urging of the **Bedford Downtown Development Authority**, the **DEQ** appropriated funds to test and, ultimately to clean up the site. All affected soil on the site is being removed to a special toxic landfill, which is lined and closely monitored, and then replaced with clean soil. We can now look forward to a new use for this premium site. ■



## FROM THE BEDFORD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

# The Plastic Plague

**C**ONGRATULATIONS BEDFORD! According to **Dan Rock** of the **Monroe County Office of Recycling and Green Programs**, we are recycling 20 tons of material every month at the Bedford Township Hall bins, more than any other township in the county. And this doesn't even count what we recycle through our private trash collection services. **Keep up the good work!**

But we can do even better. Plastic bags are a case in point. They cannot be recycled with other plastics as they clog up the sorting machinery. Thus, we should not dispose of them in regular recycling bins, not even to contain otherwise recyclable materials. In landfill sites they take around 300 years to photodegrade at which time they break down into tiny toxic particles that contaminate the soil and waterways and enter the food chain when animals accidentally ingest them. Not to mention how plastic bags are currently filling our oceans and, no doubt, our beautiful Great Lakes.

**Kroger Stores** offer containers where you can recycle your plastic bags. However, the **Monroe Conservation District** challenges us with a few "fun" facts to use reusable bags instead.

- 1) 14 plastic bags contain enough petroleum to drive a car one (1) mile.
- 2) 380 billion plastic bags are thrown away in the United States each year.
- 3) Cities spend up to **17¢ per bag** in disposal costs, wasting millions of tax dollars.

So, whether you are a "Go Blue" fan or not, let's all **GO GREEN** and properly recycle, or better yet, reduce our use of plastic bags altogether. ■



## Videos on Bedford Website: [www.bedfordmi.org](http://www.bedfordmi.org)

You can access the videos of the Township Board Meetings on the website. On the left side of the home page under Quick Links, "click" on Video of Bedford Township Board Meetings, then "click" on the date you want to view.







# Election News

## 2017 is almost over and our Department is looking forward to the many changes 2018 will bring.

**T**HE NOVEMBER 2017 SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION went well, the 18 mill Non-Homestead Millage and Headley override issues passed easily, as I'm sure you read in the newspapers. My department and election inspectors had a chance to work with the new election equipment and other than a few minor glitches, all went well. I would like to thank my staff and election inspectors for all of their hard work on Election Day, they're a big part of the reason it all went so well. I would also like to thank all of the precinct locations (**Mt. Carmel Church, Compelled Church, Northwest Christian Church, Assembly of Christian Church, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Christ the King Church, United Methodist Church, and the Bedford Branch Library**) for allowing me to use their facilities on Election Day.

In addition, please take note of the Election Inspectors Application on page 4 of this issue of the newsletter. We will have at least two elections in 2018, and are always looking for new inspectors to "man" the polls on Election Day. So, if you would like to actively participate in the election process and have the time, please fill out the form and either drop it off at the Township Hall or mail it to me at:

**Trudy L. Hershberger, Clerk  
Bedford Township Hall  
8100 Jackman Road  
Temperance, MI 48182**

You must be 18 years old or older and a registered voter, to serve. You will be trained to handle the election equipment and be paid for both your training and while working on Election Day. I hope you will consider applying, Bedford Township

has 14 precincts and we need lots of workers to help us on Election Day.

I would also like to inform you of the changes to my staff. After 25 years of serving and working at the Township Hall, my Deputy, **Garnet Francis** is retiring. While I will miss her and her years of experience, I am happy to announce that my new Deputy is **Nancy Gin**. Nancy has worked in my department for the last 2+ years, as my Administrative Assistant. She is a hard worker, with a strong work ethic and has been a great asset to the Clerk's Department. I look forward to being able to continue to give Bedford the excellent service our department has been

**The Clerks Corner**  
By: Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk



known for. I have also hired a replacement Administrative Assistant, **Angie Dec**. Angie has been helping in my department for the last few months as a seasonal employee and has impressed me with how quickly she has learned the responsibilities of my department in the short time she has been here. She will also be an excellent addition to my department and the township hall in general.

As I mentioned earlier, Bedford Township will have at least two elections in 2018, a Primary Election on August 7, 2018 and a Gubernatorial Election on November 6, 2018. I will be sending out more information on these elections as we progress into the new year.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a very **Merry Christmas**, and a **Happy New Year**, I look forward to continuing to serve all of you in the coming year. ■

**T**his is the second in a series of reports on Monroe County Agencies that provide support or services to citizens of Bedford Township. In the first report, I described the work of the **Monroe County Mental Health Authority**. In this report, I will outline the support and services of the **Monroe County Commission on Aging**.

The Commission is comprised of nine (9) members, each chosen by a county commissioner. Bedford Township has two members. The mission of the Commission is to recommend prudent spending of public tax dollars to promote the health, dignity and independence of Monroe County residents sixty years and older. In 2016, over 7500 senior residents of Monroe County were served by the programs funded by the Commission.

The Commission is supported by the county-wide Senior Millage that has been approved by voters of Monroe County on numerous occasions. The annual budget of the Commission is about 3 million dollars annually and appropriates funds to about 28 separate programs in Monroe County. Most of these programs are delivered at centers or facilities in a secure, cordial, social environment.



### Monroe County Service Agencies

By: R. LaMar Frederick,  
Bedford Township Trustee

Some of the funded services for seniors are **Adult Day Care, Emergency Needs, Legal Services, Utility Services and Home Care**. For example, the **Bedford Township Senior Center** is a multi-purpose center serving Bedford Township areas. Activities at the Center include games, studies, physical activity and hot meals at the Center. The Center also delivers "**Meals on Wheels**" daily to over 100 seniors homebound in the Bedford Township area. (*Volunteers to deliver meals are welcome.*) This meal may be their only hot meal of the day. A senior can schedule the "**Health Van**" for transportation to non-emergency medical appointments. Over 170 seniors in Bedford utilized this service.



The Commission provides support to the **Monroe County Senior Legal Services Organization**. This Organization provides legal assistance to residents of Monroe County who are at least 60 years of age with the greatest need. During 2016, over 170 Bedford senior citizens were provided legal services. Similarly, the Commission provides support to the **Monroe County Opportunity Program** which identifies older citizens of the County in need of community services. These services include personal care, shopping, home chores, lawn care, home maintenance and respite care. The Programs also assists in securing home fuel and assistance with gas and electric utilities and distribution of USDA excess commodities to qualified seniors. **The Self and Family Behavioral Health Care** facility specializes in geriatric grief counseling, depression and mental and behavioral health counseling to help the senior attain mental health stability. This facility is separate and distinct from the **Monroe County Mental Health Authority**.

Many Bedford seniors participate in the **Monroe County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)**. The special talents of these seniors are used to reach the entire county with attention on health, nutrition, safety in the home and volunteering at events focusing on seniors as well as tutoring math and reading in schools. The volunteers provided nearly 25,000 hours of their time to these projects. To review other programs supported by the Commission, go to their website at [www.co.monroe.mi/commonaging](http://www.co.monroe.mi/commonaging) or call the **Monroe County Commission on Aging Director, Jeff McBee** at 734.240.3290. ■

## Bedford Township Fire Department Update

By: Adam Massingill, Fire Chief

### Happy Holidays Everyone!

#### We wanted to share a couple of notes with you as we wind down 2017 and look toward 2018:

This summer we were fortunate to receive a grant from the Lions Club for the purchase of emergency alert devices for Hearing Impaired residents. These devices attach to beds and provide audible, visual, and motion alarms to alert residents of smoke, carbon monoxide, or weather emergencies.

We still have devices available for residents in need of these alarms. Contact the **Bedford Township Fire Station at 734-847-2359** if you would like more information. Once again, we would like to express our thanks to the Lions Club for helping make our community a safer place to live.



Beginning in January, the department will be updating our Strategic Plan. The current Strategic Plan was developed in 2014 and intended to span from 2015 through 2018. We will be seeking community members to help us shape the future of the department by participating in planning sessions beginning early next year. We believe your input is important as this is your department. Any residents interested in being involved with this process are asked to contact the fire department.

The department expects to take delivery of a new ambulance by the end of the year. We continue to work toward providing an advanced level of care for our residents. Our goal is to gain local and State approval to provide this high level of care to our residents early in 2018.

The department has been meeting with various groups in the community to discuss the progress we have made as an organization this year and to share challenges as we move into next year. We would love to get out in the community more to share our message.



We would be happy to meet with your organization at your event or host your organization at one of the three stations located in the township. Please contact us at your convenience to schedule a time.

We also feel it is important to meet with individuals who have questions, comments, or concerns regarding the fire department. We welcome residents to stop into the station, share a cup of coffee, and get a tour. We respond to nearly eight calls per day now so we may not always be at the station. It may be wise to call ahead to ensure someone is available.

**The Mission of the Bedford Township Fire Department is to Save, Serve and Protect the Citizens and their Property to the best of our ability!** ■



# A Time of Thanks!

By TC Clements, Trustee / Park Board Liaison / Law Enforcement Committee Chair

**W**ithout question this is one of the greatest times of the year as an American! Within sixty days on a calendar we stop and appreciate those things that really matter most. On **Saturday, November 11** we recognized our **Veterans** and the immeasurable sacrifices, so many have made for the betterment of our country and freedom. We then move to Thanksgiving where we are thankful for the crops we are blessed to have and the family that loves us and supports us. We then roll into Christmas and other observations where we focus on our faith and the blessings associated with it. We then celebrate a new year and all the wonder and hopes that come with those dreams.

Since having been elected to be **YOUR** Trustee I have changed my focus a little through the holidays. I remain incredibly thankful for everything I mentioned above. But, I am reminded and so thankful for my community, my neighbors, and for the spirit of Bedford. Having not been a lifelong resident of Bedford I have had the experience of living in other communities. Many of them were fun or had something about them that made them special but they were not... **ARE NOT BEDFORD!**

We are different here. There is a sense of community and small town charm that is missing in some other places. In Bedford a trip to the grocery store isn't just about buying food. It is about seeing and talking with neighbors. Walking into one of our locally owned restaurants means shaking a neighbors hand, catching up on each others week, and learning about what is going on in their

world. Routine trips to sporting events, PTA meetings, church functions, and little leagues are as much to do with spending time with friends and neighbors as they are about the competition or the event.

I am thankful that in my service to **YOU** as **YOUR TRUSTEE** and as a liaison to the Parks Board that good work has been done for our community. I am thankful that our parks continue to be a place where my neighbors gather to play, socialize and enjoy our community. I am thankful that we continue as a board to look for ways to minimize the cost of government while balancing the needs of our neighbors.

At a time of year where we all focus on our blessings and those things that make us thankful, I just wanted to point out how thankful I am to live here, raise my children here, and be a part of Bedford Township and Monroe County. I am thankful for each of you as my neighbors that we routinely can be proud of how we treat and support one another. Proud of a community that still sees value in family, faith, friendship and manners. Proud of a community that while not perfect, strives to be the best.

I am thankful to have been elected by **YOU** to represent **YOU**. We have amazing opportunities in our future and I am thankful to work with you to turn those opportunities into realities. ■



## Bedford Park Board News

By: Connie Velliquette, Lew Smith, Jerry Goodridge, Joan Dunton, and Sally Dunn

**A**S WE MOVE INTO OUR WINTER SEASON, citizens can still enjoy Bedford's beautiful parks by taking a leisurely walk on one of our trails at **Ansted Park, Indian Creek Park, or White Park.**



Ansted Park Walking Trail



Indian Creek Playground & Walking Trail

We have accomplished much this past season including upgrading benches at **Parmelee Park** and renovating the skate park structure; establishing a way station for Monarch butterflies at **Ansted Park**; and enlarging the west parking area at **White Park**. We also just completed the **Bedford Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan**.



With the help of **Community Education** the pickleball players have started playing regularly at **White Park**. This group is scheduled to start playing indoors now that the weather has cooled down.

For more information contact **Community Education Director, Nancy Crandell, 734-850-6019**, for indoor location and time.

The Bedford Park Board members are starting to plan for 2018. We wish all our residents a **Peaceful and Happy Holiday**. ■

PLEASE CLIP HERE AND RETURN

## State of Michigan Election Inspector Application

(Complete in your own handwriting and return to your local City/Township Clerk)

### Personal Information

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #'s Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered in  City or  Township of \_\_\_\_\_ Pct # \_\_\_\_\_ Ward # \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Political Party Affiliation (**REQUIRED**; must be a recognized state party & may not be Independent):

Republican  Democratic  Libertarian  U.S. Taxpayers  Green  Natural Law

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or election crime?  Yes  No

### Education and Experience Information

Education Background (include highest grade completed or degree held) \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Background (include current or last place of employment and type or work performed) \_\_\_\_\_

Languages other than English that you speak (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate your computer experience (data look-up, database processing, creating .pdfs, etc.):

1 = not experienced, 5 = very experienced

1  2  3  4  5

Past experience as an election inspector, if any (include name of jurisdiction) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have transportation?  Yes  No

Will you work at any polling place?  Yes  No If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

### Signature and Certification

I CERTIFY THAT I am not a member or a known active advocate\* of a political party other than the party identified above. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* A "known active advocate" of another political party is defined to mean a person who 1) is a delegate to the convention or an officer of another party; 2) is affiliated with another party through an elected or appointed government position or; 3) has made documented public statements specifically supporting by name another political party or its candidates in the same calendar year as the election at which the person will serve as an inspector. "Documented public statements" means statements reported by the news media or written statements with a clear and unambiguous attribution to the applicant.

ANY FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS APPLICATION WILL DISQUALIFY THE APPLICANT.

Approved by State Director of Elections (June 2015)