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## C-Change Conversations Event to Be Co-Hosted by Rusticus and Bedford Garden Clubs and Bedford 2020 on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at Bedford Playhouse

**Bedford, NY (Oct. XX, 2018)** — Two local garden clubs, Rusticus Garden Club and Bedford Garden Club, will be hosting a special event in conjunction with Bedford 2020, on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Featured will be guest speakers from C-Change Conversations who will present their nonpartisan, scientifically-based "*C-Change Primer*." The event will provide an opportunity for community members to hear a presentation about the potential impact of climate change on our economy, geopolitical security, health and safety.

The C-Change Conversations presentation will be held at the Bedford Playhouse beginning at 7:00pm. The program answers the five questions most asked by Americans about climate change. The C-Change Primer is a nonpartisan, multi-media seminar on the science of climate change, developed in consultation with scientists, business leaders, and public policy experts working on climate change.

The Executive Director of Bedford 2020 will share specific action steps that community members can take right here at home following the C-Change Conversations presentation. This event promises to be an opportunity for community members from across the political spectrum to learn more about the realities of climate change and its dangers – as well to talk about solutions and how we can actively get involved to meet the challenges we face going forward.

"We are very excited to co-host this important event with the Bedford Garden Club and Bedford 2020," said Laura Kaplan, President of the Rusticus Garden Club. She went on to explain: "The presentation will focus on risk factors resulting from the changing climate, and how that is affecting our communities and beyond, as well as the ways in which our Garden Clubs are supporting the C-Change initiative."

**About the Hosts:** Established in 1939, **Rusticus Garden Club** is a member of The Garden Club of America. (<http://rusticusgc.org/>) Two years before the national Garden Club of America was founded in 1913, the **Bedford Garden Club** (<http://bedfordnygardenclub.org/>) took root in the pre-Revolutionary Westchester town that bears its name. Both clubs support conservation efforts as part of their mission and throughout their history have completed and are still actively engaged in projects relating to civic planting, conservation education, and horticulture. **Bedford 2020** (<http://bedford2020.org/>) leads, organizes and promotes a community-wide effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 20% by 2020 and to create a sustainable community that conserves its natural resources.

**About C-Change Conversations:** This all-volunteer group promotes nonpartisan discussion about the risks and opportunities associated with climate change. The Primer is constructed with scientific information to create awareness of how climate change will affect people personally and has been seen by more than 4,000 people across the country.