

LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Labor Day marks the unofficial end of the summer season. It also marks the return of several of our activities and the beginning of a busy Fall schedule for the Lower Makefield Seniors.

Art Class resumes on Friday, 9/5 at the Community Center; Meet and Greet resumes on Tuesday, 9/9; Book Club is meeting on Wednesday 9/10; Movie Matinee is back on Saturday 9/20; and a new session of Mah Jongg instruction starts on Tuesday 9/30. Check the calendar for the start times of these activities. Stitch & Chat and the Board of Directors meetings are moving back to the Township Office Building in September.

October is also shaping up to be a busy month, with all our weekly activities, as well as the multi-day trip to Villa Roma in the Catskills, 10/20-23, and the LMS Health Fair at the Community Center on Saturday, 10/11, from 10 to 3. We are currently arranging for health care providers and vendors to attend this event. If you have any suggestions for booths or can help, please contact me.

Twenty months as the President of the Lower Makefield Seniors has gone by very quickly. It will soon be time to elect a new group of Officers and Directors. The Nominating Committee has started the process of finding people willing to be candidates for these positions, which are vital to the functioning of our organization. Please see the article from the Nominating Committee and consider being a part of the team directing our organization.

Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

<u>President</u> – Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164 <u>Vice President</u> – Roseann Clark 215-493-0340

Secretary – Noreen Murphy 301-530-8710 <u>Treasurer</u> – John LaBar 267-789-3993

<u>Directors</u> – Michael Agin, Meryle Borochaner, Sally Haulman, Eric Huber, Joyce Linder

Newsletter Editor: Andrea Lamantia

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Art Class: Friday 10:00am

Coordinator: Ann Goren (215-962-1099)

Bridge:

Monday 9:00am

 Bridge Basics: Players with basic bridge knowledge who want to improve their skills with review, analysis, and discussion after each hand is played Coordinator/Instructor Eric Suber (215-321-7815)

 Beginning Bridge: Instruction for new players Coordinator: Dave Burkhardt (267-767-6164)

Tuesday 12:00pm

Open Seating – Partner not required

Coordinator Alan Handler

Wednesday 9:00am

Duplicate – (Partner required) Please arrive 15 minutes

before start time

Coordinator: John LaBar (267-789-3993)

Thursday 10:30am

Open Seating & Basic Instruction

Friday 11:30am

Duplicate – (Partner required) Please arrive 15 minutes

before the start time

Coordinators: Paulette LaBar (267-789-3993)

Martha Zintl (973-715-6172)

Book Club: Second Wednesday each month 12:45pm

Coordinator: Ellie Hammill (215-321-1763)

Chair Yoga: Thursday 9:30am

Games Day: Wednesday 9:00am

Card & other Board games of your choice Coordinator: Beverly Carter (215-321-3454)

Hearts: Friday 1:00pm

Coordinator: Ed Stack (216-776-0019)

Line Dancing: Saturday 10:00am

Coordinator: Mary Ellen Eckman (215-493-8854)

Mah Jongg: <u>Monday 12:00pm and Friday 12:30pm</u> Coordinators: Meryle Borochaner (215-736-3184) Judy Henderson (215-208-1433)

Movie Matinee: Third Saturday each month 1:30pm

Coordinator: Russ Bukwa (215-791-5612)

Pinochle: <u>Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:30pm</u>

Intro to Pinochle: Wednesday 1:00pm

Coordinator: Anthony Cardone (215-493-6019)

Stitch & Chat: <u>Wednesday 10:00am</u> Coordinator: Peg Boysen (215-321-1688)

NEW MEMBERS

Lower Makefield Seniors welcome...

- Dawn Dowd
- Gerri Maus
- Joyce Persicketti



Please introduce yourself to these new members at the next Meet and Greet and invite them to participate in our many activities.

MEET AND GREET

Summer break is over and we're ready to resume Meet and Greet on the second Tuesday of the month. Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

- <u>September 9</u>: Lower Makefield Township Police K9 Officer Steve Tamburo and his partner "Judge."
- October 14: Medicare Plan Consultant to speak about Medicare and Health Insurance Plan options.
- November 18: (Center closed on the 11th for Veterans Day) Members of the Stitch and Chat group will display some amazing handmade items created while deepening their relationships with one another.

Our annual holiday luncheon is being planned for December. Details will be shared in upcoming newsletters.

BRIDGE SCORES

Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

6/4/25	N/S E/W	Lynn Marsh/Harriet Leib Vic Ameye/Jeanne Ameye
6/11/25	N/S E/W	John LaBar/Paulette LaBar Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
6/18/25	N/S E/W	John LaBar/Paulette LaBar Susan Cridge/Barbarann Stauffer
6/25/25	N/S E/W	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
7/2/25	N/S E/W	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
7/9/25	N/S E/W	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson
7/16/25	N/S E/W	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers Kathy Klausner/Sally Haulman
7/23/25	N/S E/W	John LaBar/Paulette LaBar Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
7/30/25	N/S E/W	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers Tom Salmon/Alan Handler

Friday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

6/6/25	N/S E/W	Beverly Steinhagen/Tom Nailos Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
6/13/25	N/S E/W	Martin Abrahamson/Ken Goldstein Alan Handler/Tom Salmon
6/20/25	N/S E/W	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
6/27/25	N/S E/W	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
7/4/25	No Scores	
7/11/25	N/S E/W	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
7/18/25	N/S E/W	Ann VanEerden/John VanEerden Dave Burkhardt/John LaBar
7/25/25	N/S E/W	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber Diane Pennett/Myrna Shervin

BOOK CLUB

Join us Wednesday, September 10 at 12:45 for interesting and lively discussion. The current selection:



"An unsuspecting artist uncovers her late mother's secrets and unravels her own hidden past in a beguiling novel by the USA Today bestselling author of "When We Believed in Mermaids".

The October selection will be made at September's meeting.

Questions? Contact Ellie Hammil (215-321-1763)

MOVIE MATINEES

(At Lower Makefield Community Center)

Saturday, September 20th – 1:30pm

"CONCLAVE"

Drama/Mystery/Conspiracy Thriller – **PG** (2h) Cast: Ralph Fiennes, Stanley Tucci, John Lithgow

When Cardinal Lawrence is tasked with leading one of the world's most secretive and ancient events, selecting a new Pope, he finds himself at the center of a conspiracy that could shake the very foundation of the Catholic Church.

Saturday, October 18th - 1:30pm

"HERE"

Drama/Coming of Age – **PG-13** (1h 44m) Cast: Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Paul Bettany

A generational story about families and the special place they inhabit, sharing in love, loss, laughter, and life.

\$1.00 COVERS THE COST OF POPCORN / SODA ALL ARE WELCOME – BRING A FRIEND!

Movie ratings are provided. Please research the selections to determine if there may be content you would find objectionable, so an informed decision whether or not to attend can be made.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: LEARNING TO PLAY MAH JONGG!

Are you ready to dive into the exciting world of Mah Jongg? We're thrilled to offer a fantastic introductory class where you'll learn the basics of this classic game and gain a solid understanding of how it's played, This is the perfect opportunity for you to join others in learning a game that's both fun and engaging!

Lessons are free to LMS members. The only thing you will need is a 2025 National Mah Jongg Card. If you do not have one, I can provide you with a generic 2025 Mah Jongg card at a cost of \$6.00 each. If you're interested in attending, please send me your name, email address, cellphone number and whether or not you would need a 2025 Mah Jongg Card. We can't wait to see you there and kick off this new adventure together!

Sessions are planned as follows:

* Start Date: September 30, 2025

* Duration: 5 classes

* <u>Day</u>: Tuesday (SEE SCHEDULE BELOW)

* <u>Time</u>: 10:00am - 12:00pm except on Meet & Greet Tuesday (10/14), when it will be held following the M&G (12:30pm- 2:30pm)

* Location: Srs Frank Fazzalore Classroom

** Note: There is no class on 10/21 **

Schedule of sessions:

* Tues. 9/30

* Tues. 10/7

* Tues. 10/14 (After M&G)

* Tues. 10/21 - no class

* Tues. 10/28

* Tues, 11/4



Feel free to reach out if you have any questions. Happy playing!

Meryle Borochaner (215)736-3184 or email me: <u>mimmie121@yahoo.com</u>

COMEDY CORNER...

New outlooks???





TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE - EXCITING ADVENTURES AWAIT!

Hello everyone!

We're thrilled to bring you the latest updates from your Trip Committee! Our first multi-day adventure is just around the corner, and we can't wait for all the fun and relaxation that Villa Roma will bring from October 20-23, 2025. We are anticipating a fantastic experience filled with great activities, lovely company, and beautiful scenery. Be sure to keep an eye out for pictures and stories in our future newsletters!

Looking ahead, we're gearing up for one of our most beloved day trips – the holiday show "Deck the Halls" at the American Music Theatre on December 11, 2025. We might be a bit early in the season, but we all know how quickly time flies! Attached, you'll find a reservation form to secure your spot. Extra copies are also available at the Community Center, so feel free to pick one up.

But wait, there's more! We're excited to share that we have five trips already planned for 2026, with lots more in the works to make it an unforgettable year. Here's a sneak peek at what we've lined up:

** March 12, 2026 **

Li Greci's Staaten - "An Irish Celebration"

** May 14, 2026 **

Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

"Some Enchanted Evening" featuring the memorable songs of Rodgers & Hammerstein

** June 16, 2026 **

Shore Club – "Let the Good Times Roll - It's Roy Orbison, Carol King & Billy the Piano Man Joel"

** July 9, 2026 **

Fulton Theatre - Enjoy the classic "West Side Story," plus lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord

** December 3, 2026 **

American Music Theatre - Join us for their annual magical Christmas Show Lunch at Hershey Farms included

We're feverishly investigating more exciting venue options to add to our calendar, and we believe these upcoming trips will entice you to join us for more wonderful adventures!

In case you missed our July Trip to Fulton Theatre where we saw CATS, we're including a synopsis and pictures.

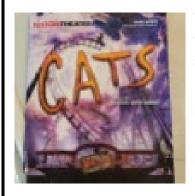
Stay tuned for more details, and let's make some incredible memories together!

Warm regards,

Meryle Borochaner

On behalf of The Trip Committee

TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE - "CATS"



What a fantastic day trip the Lower Makefield Srs enjoyed on July 10, 2025! The excitement of heading to the Fulton Theatre in Lancaster, PA, to witness the iconic play CATS was exhilarating. Before the show, our adventure started at the newly rebuilt Hershey Farms Restaurant. What a treat! The delicious food and warm atmosphere ensured that no one left hungry or disappointed. From the moment the curtains rose, it was clear that we were in for an unforgettable experience. The staging was breathtaking, perfectly complementing Andrew Lloyd Webber's enchanting

music. The choreography was spectacular, drawing us into the world of the Jellicle Cats. And let's not forget about the performers! Their incredible talent and energy truly brought the story to life, leaving us all in awe—one could easily mistake it for a Broadway production! This trip will surely be remembered. (We had a full bus, so apologies if you are not among this selection of photos.) Here's to many more successful outings like this one! Information and sign-up sheet for our year-end day trip to the American Music Theatre's holiday show is included in the newsletter.

















A FEW WORDS FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It's time to start thinking about our upcoming November election when we will vote and choose the members of our 2026-2028 Lower Makefield Seniors Board of Directors. We will be electing a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six Directors. November sounds far away, but the Nominating Committee is tasked with presenting a slate of candidates at next month's October Meet & Greet. To do this, we are asking for your help.

Being on the board is an opportunity to meet new people, enjoy new, worthwhile experiences, share your thoughts and ideas, and be part of the group who will lead and direct our organization over the next two years.

Would you consider running for any position? Please do some serious thinking. Our Board can only function well if we have good, willing people to step up and take part. Doesn't matter if you've never done anything like this before, we've all lived through a lot and have unique life experiences from which to draw. Current board members are eligible to run for another term in any position. There will be a sign-up sheet available on the counter in our classroom at the end of the hallway in the Community Center. Please consider signing up for any position that may interest you. Or convey that information to one of our nominating committee members.

Perhaps you have someone in mind you would like to see run, if so, please contact or speak with any of the committee members listed below, and we will follow up with them to see if they would be willing to serve.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or know of anyone willing to serve, please be in touch!

Nominating Committee

Beverly Carter Phone: 215-520-7237 Email: bac3454@aol.com

Doreene Kaplan Joanne Westall

WHAT'S GOING ON IN SEPTEMBER – COMMUNITY EVENTS

FLEA MARKET

Saturday, September 6th – 8:00am-2:00pm

Antiques, arts, crafts, and flea market, with white elephant tables. Live music, delicious homemade luncheon, desserts, vegetarian fare, and more!

Yardley Friends Meeting

65 North Main Street, Yardley PA

TROLLEYS IN BUCKS COUNTY & YARDLEY

Thursday, September 11th - 7:30pm

Join Mike Szilagyi, author of "Bucks County Trolleys", as he shares photographic images of the golden age of trolleys, and stories of the equipment, operators, users, and routes with information specific to Yardley.

Old Library by Lake Afton

46 West Afton Avenue, Yardley PA

FIGHT THE FALL Open House!

Thursday, September 18th - 3:30-6:30pm

The event is all about raising awareness, preventing falls, and connecting with the community. Partnered with **Taylor Made Podiatry, GreenLight Mobility, and Cornerstone Caregiving**.

- Exciting raffles win a big screen TV,
 Beats headphones, wireless speaker
- Small bites and refreshments

FYZICAL Fairless Hills

405A S Oxford Valley Road, Fairless Hills PA

YARDLEY HARVEST DAY

Saturday, September 20th - 10:00am-5:00pm

A community-wide, family-friendly exhibitor's event, featuring unique crafters and artisans, businesses, kids and adult entertainment, and delicious food.

Yardley

West Afton Avenue, Penn Valley Drive, Buttonwood Drive, and Buttonwood Park

ART ON THE FARM

Sunday, September 21st - 10:00am-4:00pm

An annual outdoor art festival featuring a fine arts and fine crafts market, where visitors can purchase one-of-a-kind pieces directly from the artists/artisans. Live music all day, delicious food and treats, face painting.

AOY Art Center

Patterson Farm 949 Mirror Lake Road, Yardley PA

5K ANY WAY COLOR FUN RUN FOR ACCESSIBILITY

Sunday, September 28th – 8:00am

Lower Makefield Township is hosting this fifth annual 5K event, which is open to runners, walkers, and rollers ("any way" you prefer) of all ages and abilities. All proceeds support Lower Makefield Parks and Recreation in their ongoing goal of making community parks better accessible to all citizens.

Macclesfield Park

1000 River Road, Yardley PA (Need more info? Call 267.274.1100 or email www.lmt.org)