

### 2019 Road Tour Report



### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Parks and Recreation Department continued to diversify. This year we expanded our programming, doubled our facility reservations, added new events, started mailing our Community Guide, we added a township Pickleball club and we have upgraded some of our facilities.

The Community Center is now a hub of activity, we offer programs for people for all ages seven days a week. This summer we offered summer camp which had over 80 children registered, and we hired 12 staff. Campers spent time doing crafts and outdoor activities including an environmental study at 5-Mile woods, the went on several trips throughout the summer and ended each week with some time at The POOL at LMT.

This year we employed 132 summer hires to work at The POOL, Camp LMT and for field maintenance. We implemented a different training program this year, this included: team building, CPR/AED, First Aid, sexual harassment, reporting and abuse prevention, safety, customer service and job specific training. Staff also completed a more extensive background check and physical prior to their hire to ensure their safety and the safety of the residents.

After a fun filled summer with Camp, The POOL, programs and sports seasons, we will launch into special events season in the P&R department. We will start the season with Community Day on September 1, 2019. The season will progress into our 9/11 Memorial, Halloween Monster Mash, Howl-o-ween doggie costume party, Veterans Day Parade, and ending with our Holiday Party.

There are several projects we are considering as we move into the future, including updating the Schuyler tennis courts, creating a comprehensive trail maintenance plan, rehabbing the 5Mile Woods building, improving the red stone tipple at Memorial Park, and adding a pavilion at the LMT Dog Park.

### Projects in progress:

- A grant application has been submitted for the Woodside Road bike path and we should hear more information this Fall.
- The design of the Community Trail project along Oxford Valley Road and Edgewood Road is progressing and construction will likely be complete in Spring of 2021.
- The Memorial Park expansion project will be rebid for a Fall bid opening and construction will be completed by Summer of 2020.

Please use this Parks and Recreation road tour report as an information resource of LMT Parks and Recreation's past, present and future assets.

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### RECREATIONAL FACILITIES COMMUNITY PARK

32.7 Acres

1050 Edgewood Rd

- Pool Complex w/Parking
  - Dedicated 1981
  - Paved Parking, 2 lots with 130 spots each, gravel parking is also available.
  - Olympic Sized Community Pool (lighted), diving area, intermediate and tot sized pools, snack bar, dual slides, diving boards, all pools are heated.
- Kids Kingdom Playground
  - Dedicated in 1992
  - Pavilion is available for Residents to reserve for parties
- Tennis Courts & Basketball Complex
  - o 4 lighted community tennis courts
  - o 1 lighted basketball court
- Community Softball Field (lighted)
- Nature Trail
- Picnic area with restroom facility and pavilion

Leagues: Home of the LMT Swim and Dive Team; Home of PAA

### 2019 Improvements

- Repainted Kids Kingdom added traction to some areas to prevent slipping
- New 500-gallon chlorine tank
- Three pools painted, caulked, and leaks addressed
- SafeSlide refinished and brought our slides up to code
- Pool wall repairs in the Olympic pool





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- Three new guard stands
- · New screens on concession stand
- Repaired air-conditioning and refrigeration unit
- Painted all doors, bike racks and gate blue
- Renovated guard shack to better equip the guards
- Infield mix added to all complexes, new bases and mound work

Non-Residents

Continued the trex overlay











### PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

- In 2019 we are starting a pool feasibility study
- 2020 Pool bathroom renovation
- Addition of slide maintenance plan
- Kids Kingdom restroom improvements
- Continued landscape of Pool and Kids Kingdom

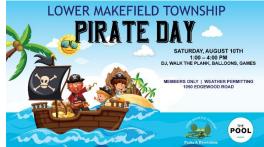




















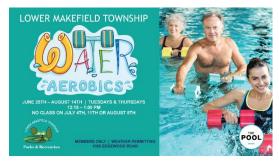


















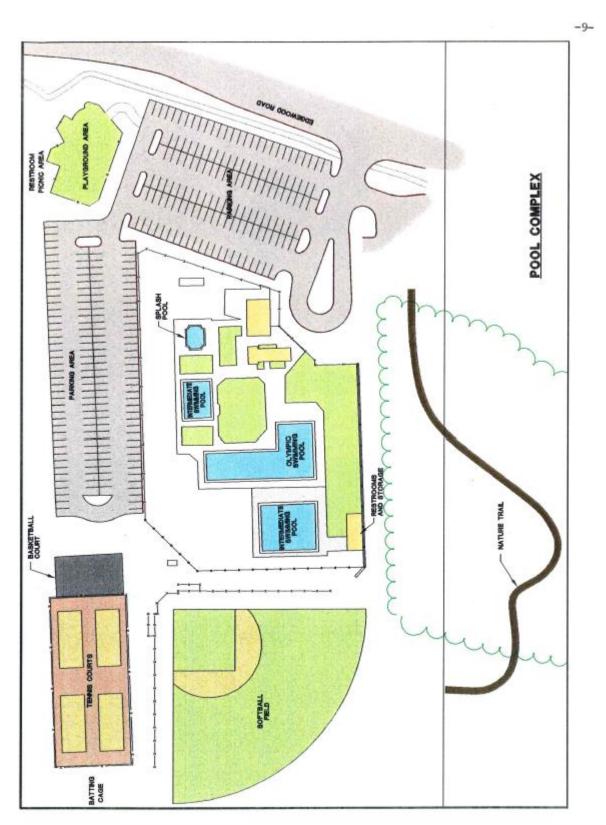






## LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP Parks & Recreation







### 2019 POOL CONSTRUCTION

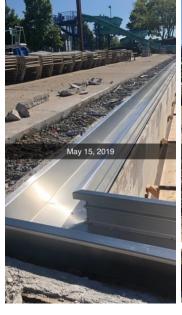
- Update the gutter of the Olympic Pool and reinforced the walls.
- Refinished the slide
- Added a new Chlorine Tank
- Gutted the lifeguard space to make it more functional.
- Replaced umbrellas, tables and chairs.
- Repainted all doors and gate guard areas.

















### JUNE 2019, PROJECT WRAP UP











After several delays in the project, The POOL opened June 8, 2019. There has been a lot of positive feedback from the members of the pool about the modifications.



### BASEBALL COMPLEX

### Edgewood Rd

- Greg Caiola Fields
- Convertible 50/70 field
- Convertible to 40/60 field
- 145 parking spaces plus additional gravel parking available
- Stoddard Field: 3, 60'
- Concession Stand
- 2x Sand Volleyball Courts

Leagues: Home of PAA Baseball

### 2019 Improvements

- Added new safety bases and pitching mound
- Continuous mowing
- Added new bathroom locks and toilet paper dispensers



### FRED ALLAN SOFTBALL COMPLEX

23 Acres

1500 Oxford Valley Rd

- Dedicated in 1999
- 3 softball fields, dugouts, water on 3 fields, electric on 2 fields
- Batting Cage
- 2 All-weather Bocce Courts
- tot play pieces
- Picnic area with concession stand
- Restroom facility and covered pavilion with a floor
- Walking trail/ bike path
- Approximately 120 paved parking spots
- Underdrains installed on all three fields in 2014

### 2019 Improvements

- New bases, pitchers' rubbers
- New bathroom toilet paper dispensers and locks
- Painted bathrooms



### MACCLESFIELD PARK

91.9 Acres

1000 River Rd

- Front 60 acres dedicated 1989, rear 30 acres dedicated in 1997
- 8 full size multi-purpose fields (6 lighted) for use as regulation soccer football and baseball fields. Including one all-weather turf field installed by YMS.
- 2, 90' lighted baseball fields
- 1, 75' lighted baseball field
- 4 sand volleyball courts
- 2 mid-sized soccer fields
- 5 mini soccer fields
- Tot lot play area
- Bike path and exercise stations
- Picnic areas and restrooms
- 2 pavilions, a concession stand, maintenance garage
- Access to the canal towpath
- Approximately 600 parking spaces, paved
  - o 400 front lot
  - o 200 rear lot

Leagues: Home of the Yardley Makefield Soccer, Lower Makefield Football Association, and Pennsbury Athletic Association

### 2019 Improvements

- Stadium lights ballast repairs light switch repairs
- Turf rehab on all fields in partnership with YMS

### Planned Improvements

- Fill parking lot cracks and resurface parking lots
- Update ADA Parking lot striping and signage
- Additional restroom capacity
- New door on our storage shed







### MEMORIAL PARK

63.5 Acres

1950 Woodside Rd

### Purchased 1996, \$1.5 million

- 9/11 Garden of Reflection
- 2 basketball courts
- 2 sand volleyball courts
- Community Garden Plots
- Restrooms with a covered patio
- 1 skinned softball field
- Secret Garden inclusive playground with ADA parking lot
- Multipurpose field with goals, benches
- Gaga court
- Pavilion available to rent for LMT Residents
- Library
- 1k loop for walking

### 2019 Improvements

- Entered a new maintenance contract for the Memorial Proper
- Removed protective fences on new trees in the arboretum
- Painted the bathroom
- Repaired motor on the fountain
- Replaced lights on memorial
- The project on the North Side of the park is slated for a Fall start and a Spring 2020 completion.

### Planned Improvements

- Pave or rubberize red tipple path
- Maintenance to the rubberized flooring at playground
- New permanent trash cans throughout the park and along path
- Benches in the new section of the park
- Consideration of bathrooms on the north side of the park

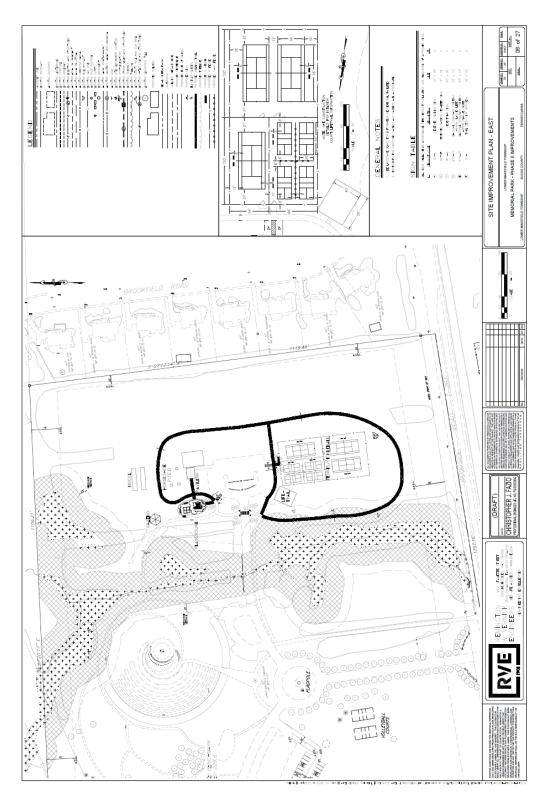






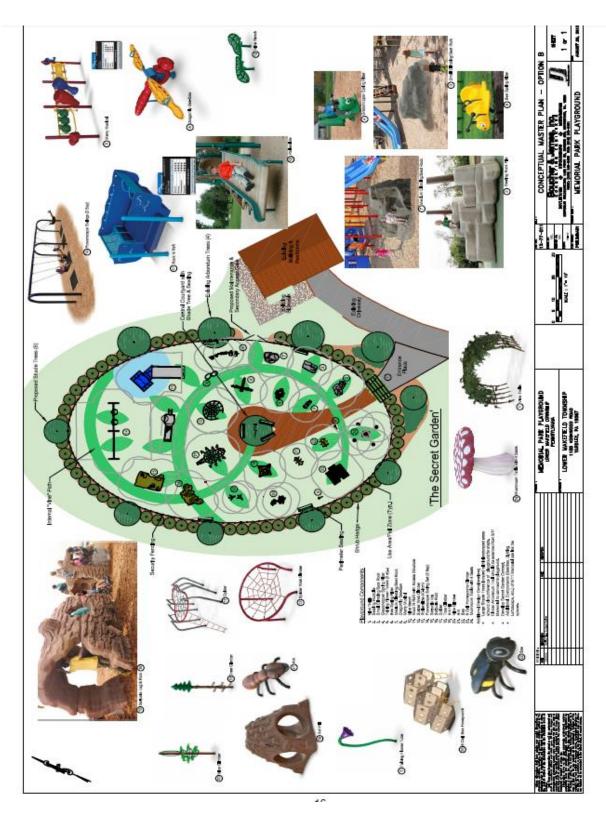












### FIVE MILE WOODS

298 Acres

1305

Big Oak Rd

- Purchased in 1979
- Nature center
- Ranger office
- Manor house
- 5 miles of nature trails
- Handicap accessible
- Gravel parking for 50 vehicles

### Planned Improvements

- Renovate and rehab the nature center and improve bathrooms
- Pave the driveway
- Add additional programing and education for the public

This year we collaborated with Silver Lake Nature Center and they hosted a water testing for our campers learn what is in our watershed.

#### Watershed Workshops with Silver Lake Nature Center



### Creek Study

Discover what's living in the water! From dragonflies to tadpoles, kids will use dip nets and other collection equipment to explore the many creatures who call the water home.



What to Know SLNC will provide all materials. We will be outdoors for the entire event. Do not put on hand sanitizer. They will kill the water bugs.

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Trails are open daily, from Sunrise to Sunset.

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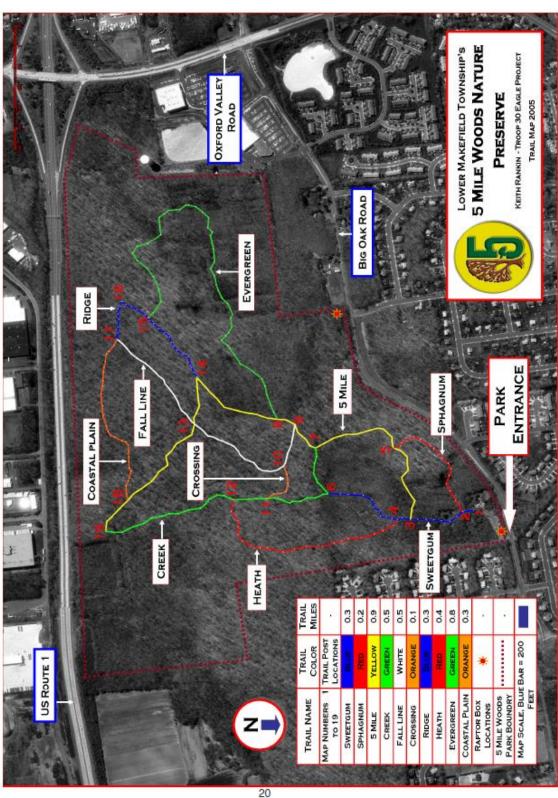
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### LMT BIKE PATHS

25 Miles

- Continue snow removal
- · Continued debris removal
- Continued patching

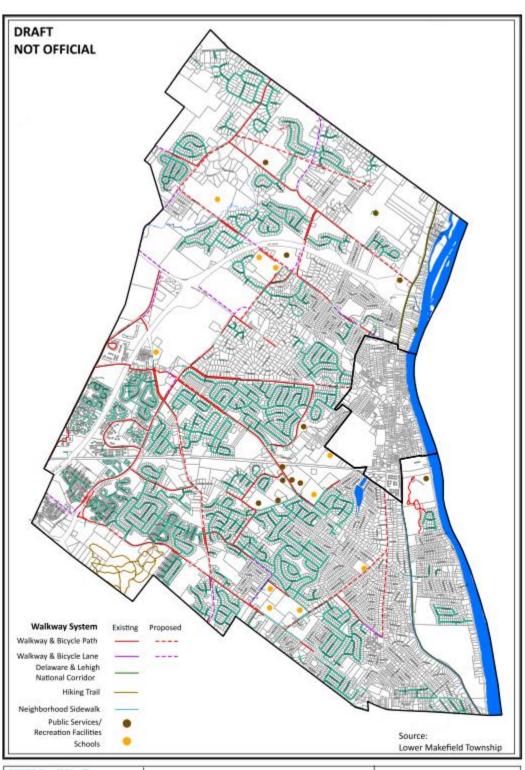
### Planned Improvements

- Create a gap analysis to develop and prioritize future projects
- Create a trail rehab plan
- Complete link on Woodside Road; Upper Hilltop to Merrick Road, possibly done in conjunction with scudders falls bridge restoration work and path extended down Woodside to Taylorsville Road.
- Complete new bike path along perimeter of Snipes tract, Quarry Road to Dolington Road
- Greg Caiola Complex; Oxford Valley Road between Edgewood and Roelofs Road; Greenway tiein. (in progress)
- Creamery Road link connecting existing path to Yardley Newtown Road; approximately 1500 ft.
- Resident request extension Dolington Meeting house to Farm View
- Request from resident to consider completing link on Lindenhurst to Woodside
- Continue resurfacing program as identified by Township engineer and Parks and Recreation.



# LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP Parks & Recreation





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Township of Lower Makefield Master Plan Update 2019 Map 8 Walkway System

### Dog Park

3.5 Acres

### 1950 Covington Rd

- Opened June 12, 2018
- Dedicated July 15, 2018

### 2018 Improvements

- Maintenance shed
- Real-time scan system
- Cameras
- Multi use water fountain
- 10 Benches
- 10 waste stations
- 2 large trash cans
- Donor items and signage
- Dedication Plaque

### Planned Improvements

- Continue to improve processes
- Add a shade structure in main entry
- Add shade throughout the park
- Add water fountains in large dog, small dog and rotational field
- Follow engineer recommendation for improvement and modification











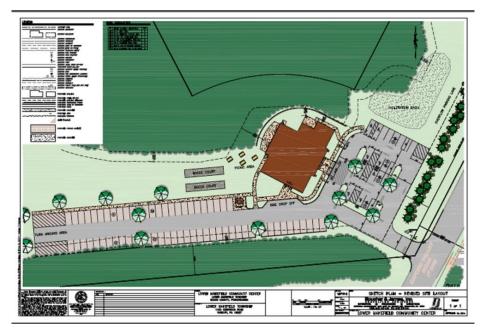
### **COMMUNITY CENTER**

- Opened January 16 2018 Dedicated March 12, 2018
- Large multi-purpose room
- 2 Classrooms
- Conference Room
- 2 Offices
- Small industrial kitchen
- 5,235 square-foot space
- Home of the Lower Makefield Township Seniors
- Home of the Newtown Quilters Guild
- Space available for scheduled programs, scheduled classes, senior programs, camps and lectures
- Dedication plaque

### **Future Considerations**

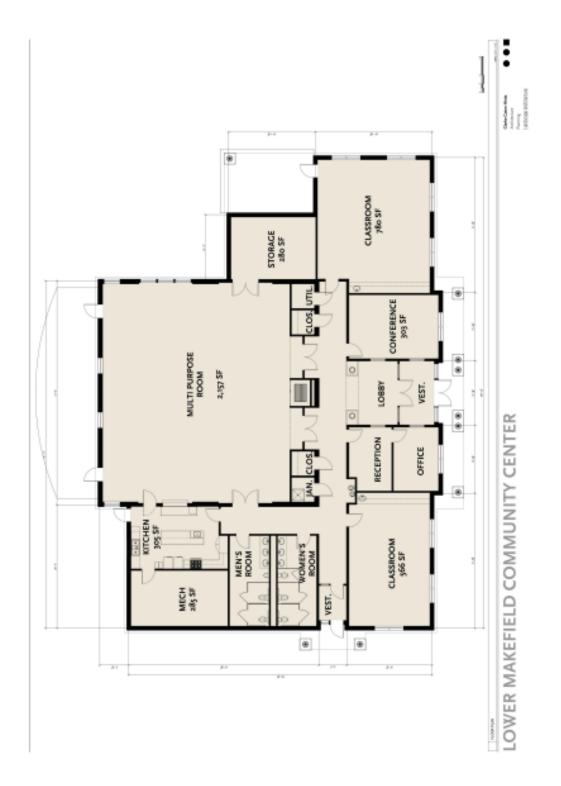
 Add permanent outdoor recreation area with items like horse shoes, ping pong, etc...











### **SNIPES FARM**

- Located on the corner of Dolington and Quarry Hill Roads
- Completing a needs assessment to determine the needs in the community for sports fields
- Balloon test were completed to test the site
- Plans are being reviewed with the concerns of the township residents



### POCKET PARKS VETERANS SQUARE

2.8 Acres

1660 Edgewood Rd

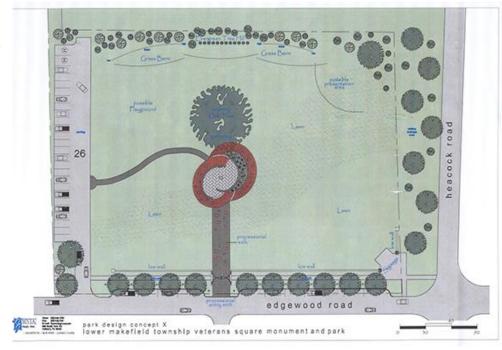
- Veterans Square Monument
- Weekly Farmers Market
- Tot lot play area
- Picnic area with benches
- Gravel Parking are for 50 cars
- Water fountain

### Improvements

- Walkway and plantings were installed
- Wood fiber playground surface
- Parking spaces marked weekly for Farmers Market
- Addition of mulch/sand in playground

### Planned Improvements

• Add lighting to the sign



### **HEACOCK MEADOWS**

8.2 Acres

Heacock/Bluebird/Covington

- 4.5 Acres of Heacock Meadows Pocket Parks
  - #1, #2, #3 and #4 off Cardinal Drive and off Bluebird Drive in Heacock Meadows Development.
  - Dedicated 1979
  - o 1 Tot lot
  - o Tennis court
  - 4 Pickleball courts

### 2018 Improvements

- Mulched playground
- Added a lock box with portable pickleball nets for the public's use

### Planned Improvements

· Replace tennis court fence

PEAKE FARM

1.69 Acres

Twig Lane

Tot lot playground

YARDLEY HUNT

3.1 Acres

Revere/Schulyer

- Schuyler Drive: 4 dedicated tennis
- Revere: 3 tennis/ pickle ball
- Paved parking areas approximately 12 vehicles at each location

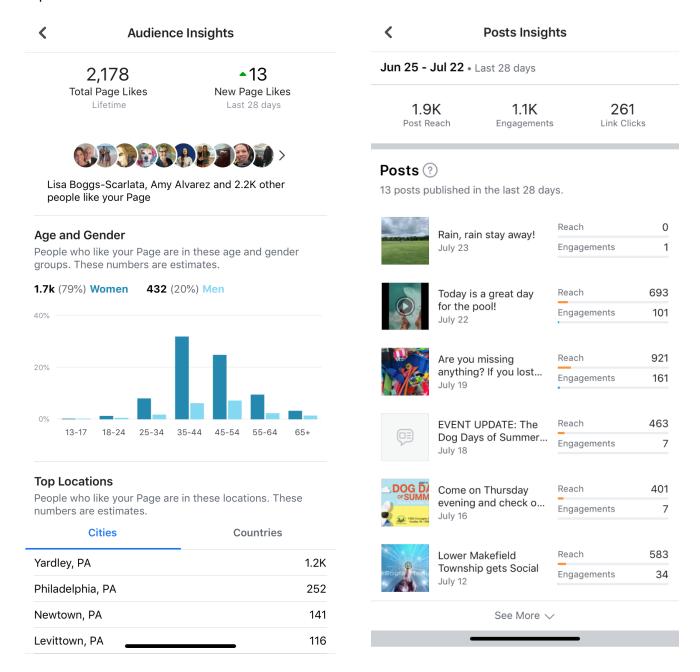
League: Home of Yardley Makefield Tennis

### Planned Improvements

- · Replace all fencing; install bottom rails
- · Consider demolition and repair

### SOCIAL MEDIA

This year we improved our social media presence. We have been able to reach more people with our information by diversifying the way we communicate with the public. We will continue to work to better improve communication with the residence.



### September 2018 – July 2019 Parks and Recreation Highlights

### September:

- Community Pride Day: Vendors, Rides, food trucks, activities, police and fire demonstrations, athletic competitions run by local leagues, small activities for children, bands, mummers, street performers and fireworks
- 9/11 Ceremonies
- First ever First Friday held at the Community Center

#### October:

- First Friday
- Pool Ages change was voted on by the Parks and Recreation Board

### November:

- First Friday Low attendance encouraged us to change our platform and create themes for each first Friday.
- Veterans Parade

### December:

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- First Friday Holiday Party. Included music, Santa, hot Chocolate bar and crafts. We had about 300 people in attendance.
- Pool age changes was voted on and approved by the BOS
- New trees were planted at the Dog Park
- Donations from the 501c3 9/11 Memorial Park Foundation for replacement trees
- Boy Scout agility course Was added to the Dog Park





### January:

- First Friday New Year's Celebration about 200 in attendance
- First mailed Parks and Recreation Guide mailed to over 14,000 households.
- Launched pool registration

### February:

- First Friday Hot Wheels Race about 150 in attendance
- Launched first Camp LMT Registration

#### March:

- Parks and Recreation Open House 150 in attendance, 18 Vendors and Community Groups
- Hired New Summer Camp Manager and Assistant Manager
- Pool Construction started

### April:

- Pool Interviews and hiring process
- Pool feasibility study awarded to Aquatics Facility Design

### May

- Camp Interview and Hiring Process: We hired 12 counselors
- Pool Slide Project Started
- Summer Solstice Movie night to view Jaws and have themed activities. (Cancelled and Rescheduled due to extreme weather)
- Swim lesson registration was opened
- Camp capacity was expanded from 50 children to 60 per week

#### June:

- Summer camp registration filled
- Pool opened
- Summer Camp began
- First Super Hero Day/Father's Day at the pool. The first 100 dads to enter the pool received Super Dad T-shirts

### July:

Dog Park: Dog Days of Summer was canceled twice due to extreme weather



















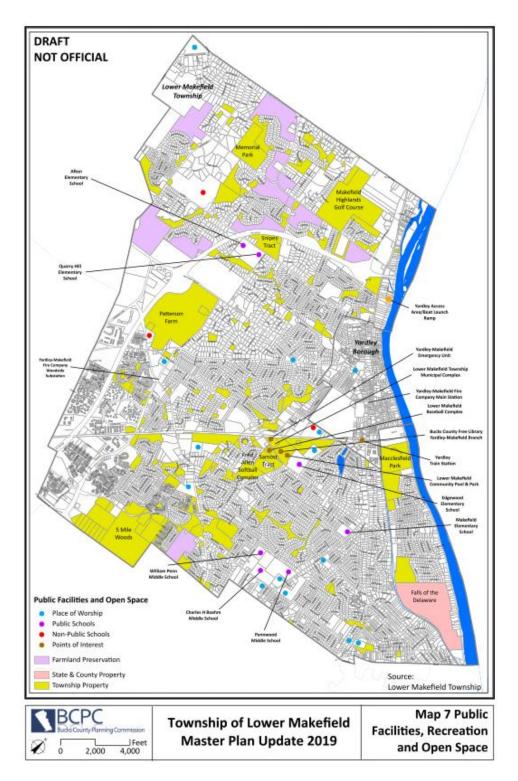






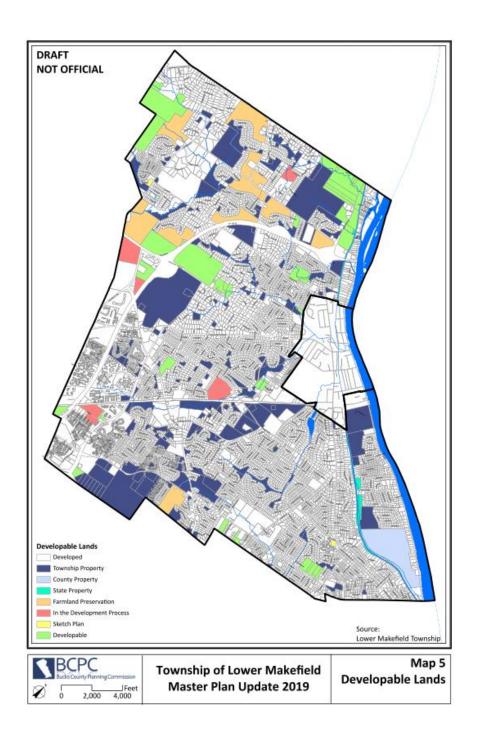


### LMT PUBLIC FACILITIES, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE









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