



LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS

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NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2025

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The days are getting shorter, and the nights and mornings are cooler. Fall has arrived, and I'm tired of raking leaves. Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving, and the Holiday season are right around the corner. Please note on the November and December calendars for the days the Community Center will be closed for Holiday observances.

Election day is Tuesday November 4th. Your vote is important, as the results of this election will shape the policies and direction of not only our Nation, but our State and Local Communities as well. November is also the month LMS traditionally holds elections for Executive Officers and Directors. I want to thank the Nominating Committee (Beverly Carter, Doreene Kaplan, and Joanne Westall) for their work securing volunteers to fill the positions in our organization. Since only one candidate was obtained for each position, and there were no additional nominations at the October Meet & Greet, we will not be holding an election. Officers and Directors for the 2026-2027 term are: President – Dave Burkhardt; Vice President – Meryle Borocharner; Treasurer – Mary Ann O'Connor; Secretary – Mark Nemiroff; Directors – Eric Suber, Doreene Kaplan, Gloria Porcaro, Andrea Lamantia, Alan Handler, and Bob Terc. Many thanks to Roseann Clark, John LaBar, Sally Haulman, Noreen Murphy, Mike Agin, and Joyce Linder who are leaving the Board at the end of this year.

The 2026 membership form is included with this newsletter. Please complete the form and return it to us before February 1, 2026. We will be updating our membership list in February to reflect the paid membership of our group. The LMS Board decided not to increase the dues for 2026, even though we project our expenses will exceed our revenue. It is important to note that only \$10 of the dues goes towards our operating expenses, with the balance of the dues paid to the township for the use of the building. Your ideas and suggestions to reduce this funding gap are welcome and encouraged.

We will be hosting our Holiday Luncheon at the Community Center on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, starting at 11:30. Please return your reservation form and payment by December 1st. The luncheon is in lieu of the December Meet & Greet. The luncheon will be catered and served by AJ Catering and will include three entrees (lemon chicken, roast beef with gravy, and meatless lasagna), baked ziti, two side vegetable dishes, Caesar salad, rolls, and dessert. We have not determined the entertainment for the event. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

I hope to see you at one or more of our upcoming events. Please call me if you have any questions or suggestions for our group.

Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President – Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

Vice President – Roseann Clark 215-493-0340

Secretary – Noreen Murphy 301-530-8710

Treasurer – John LaBar 267-789-3993

Directors – Meryle Borocharner, Sally Haulman, Eric Huber, Andrea Lamantia (*interim*), 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 (267-473-0241)
- 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 12:30pm*

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: *Monday 12:00pm and Friday 12:30pm*

Coordinators: Meryle Borocharner (215-736-3184)
Judy Henderson (215-208-1433)

Movie Matinee: *Third Saturday each month 1:30pm*

Coordinator: Russ Bukwa (215-791-5612)

Pinochle: *Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:30pm*

Intro to Pinochle: *Wednesday 1:00pm*

Coordinator: Anthony Cardone (215-493-6019)

Stitch & Chat: *Wednesday 10:00am*

Coordinator: Peg Boysen (215-321-1688)

NEW MEMBERS

Lower Makefield Seniors welcome...

- Laurie Eienne
- Karen Cooper
- Rebecca Villadelgado



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

MOVIE MATINEES

(At Lower Makefield Community Center)

Saturday, November 15th - 1:30pm

“THELMA”

Action/Comedy – **PG-13** (1h 38m)

Cast: June Squibb, Richard Roundtree, Fred Hechinger

When 93-year-old Thelma Post gets duped by a phone scammer pretending to be her grandson, she sets out on a treacherous quest across the city to reclaim what was taken from her.

Saturday, December 20th - 1:30pm

“THE OLD OAK”

Drama – (1h 53m)

Cast: Dave Turner, Ebla Mari, Claire Rodgers

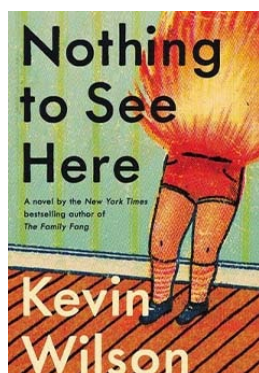
The future for the last remaining pub, The Old Oak, in a village of Northeast England, where people are leaving the land as the mines are closed. Houses are cheap and available, thus making it an ideal location for Syrian refugees.

**\$1.00 COVERS THE COST OF POPCORN / SODA
EVERYBODY 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.

BOOK CLUB

Join us Wednesday, November 12th at 12:30pm for interesting and lively discussion. All are welcome! The current selection:



"The story of Lillian, a woman asked to care for her old friend's stepchildren who have the ability to spontaneously combust when they get upset. As she takes on this unusual task, Lillian learns about love, friendship, and the true meaning of family."

Book Club will not meet in December. January's selection will be made at the November 12th meeting.

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

MEET AND GREET

Our next Meet and Greet is **Tuesday, November 18th** from 10am-12:30pm. Please arrive by 9:45am to sign in.

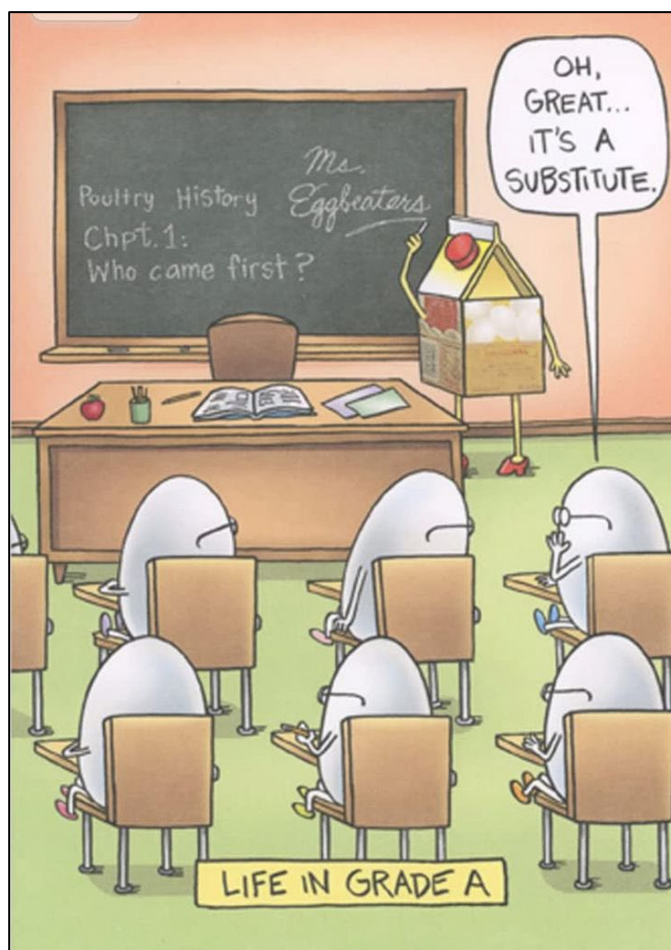
The Lower Makefield Seniors Stitch and Chat group will be showcasing their handmade articles, and talking about their different crafts, their charity work, and how the group has grown together.

Members outside the Stitch and Chat group may also display handcrafted items, but must first obtain clearance from Joyce Linder, M&G Coordinator. Contact Joyce at 215-499-8232.

December's Meet and Greet will be replaced by a holiday luncheon on **Tuesday, December 9th** from 11:30am-2:30pm. The cost per person is \$27 for the catered lunch and festivities. Registration form is included with the newsletter.

COMEDY CORNER

Food for thought?.....



MAH JONGG CLASSES

Learning Mah Jongg

Hi everyone. I'm Meryle Borochaner, the *Mah Jongg Activities Coordinator*. On Tuesday, September 30th I began our 2nd session and welcomed a group of 16 enthusiastic ladies eager to embark on their journey into the world of Mah Jongg. The energy in the room that first day was a mix of trepidation and anxiety. Four weeks in and I can see how their determination has grown as they learn this game.

The beauty of Mah Jongg lies in its complexity, a blend of strategy, skill, and a dash of luck. While the basics and the rules will form a sturdy foundation, it's in the actual playing that helps to develop a player. Several of these ladies joined LM Srs just so they could learn how to play the game. I am hopeful there will be several who will decide to join one (or even both) of our existing Mah Jongg groups. Mah Jongg is more than just a game; it's social connections. So here's to the anticipation of what lies ahead—a journey of learning, laughter, and, most importantly, friendship.



PINOCHLE GROUP

The most famous proponent of this card game was Winston Churchill, who was an avid player.

The Community Center has a socially interactive group of men and women who invite you to join them Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday from 12pm-3:30pm. You can come anytime during that time frame.

Come to watch, refresh, or learn to play the basics by calling Herb Seligman at 215.493.3031 or Nate Bass at 267.259.4843.

-Joyce Linder



TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

Here are the latest updates from your Trip Committee!

Our recent multi-day adventure took place from October 20th to 23rd at the Villa Roma Resort in the Catskills, and we are thrilled to report that our stay exceeded all our expectations! Throughout our visit, we enjoyed an abundance of food and activities. The staff went above and beyond to ensure that our trip was memorable.

We kicked off our journey by watching a captivating dance troupe commemorate the Diwali holiday. From bocce games to daily trivia contests, there was never a dull moment. One highlight was a unique "horse race" where guests could place friendly bets. As the days unfolded, we were treated to an array of entertainment. We experienced a delightful Doo Wop Show that had us singing along. We watched a cooking lesson on how to prepare Risotto con Funghi—delicious! And a ventriloquist-comedian kept us laughing, while a talented husband-and-wife singing duo honored our veterans with a heartfelt performance.

[Check out some pictures we've included that relive these wonderful moments!]

Looking ahead, we are eagerly anticipating one of our most beloved year-end day trips – "*Deck the Halls*" at the American Music Theatre on December 11, 2025. This trip quickly sold out and now has a waiting list. We can definitely say 2025 trips have made for a successful year.

We are very enthusiastic how 2026 is also shaping up. It should be an exciting year. *So far.....*

March 12, 2026	All Star @ Li Greci's Staaten: <i>"St. Patrick's Festival - From Ireland to America")</i>	\$140pp
May 14, 2026	Hunterdon Hills Playhouse: <i>"Some Enchanted Evening - The Music of Rodgers & Hammerstein"</i>	\$135pp
June 16, 2026	The Shore Club: <i>Let the Good Times Roll"</i>	\$129pp
July 9, 2026	Fulton Theatre: <i>"West Side Story", plus lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord</i>	\$145pp
October 22, 2026	Jim Thorpe, PA: <i>"LGSR Autumn Foliage Train Ride, lunch @ The Broadway Grill & a Trolley Tour"</i>	\$140pp
December 3, 2026	American Music Theatre: <i>"Winter Wonderland" with lunch @ Hershey Farms</i>	\$138pp

TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE – VILLA ROMA RESORT



AMERICAN MUSIC THEATRE

The December 11th trip to American Music Theatre in Lancaster to see "Deck the Halls" has proven to be so popular that it completely sold out by mid-October. Those who submitted their registration forms and checks after capacity was reached will be contacted and offered the option to be waitlisted.

PARKING REMINDER

Please remember that as of Friday 10/24, the Township Police will be ticketing vehicles that are parked in the blue striped areas between the Handicapped Parking spots and in the fire lanes around the building.

However, additional temporary Handicapped Parking spots will be available on days with high attendance at the Community Center.

BRIDGE SCORES

Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

8/6/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Susan Cridge/Barbarann Stauffer
8/13/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Theresa Bogden
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/20/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson
8/27/25		No Scores
9/3/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Kathy Klausner/Sally Haulman
9/10/25	N/S	Lynn Marsh/Harriet Leib
	E/W	Kathy Klausner/Sally Haulman
9/17/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Al DiMari/Diane Pennett
9/24/25	N/S	Tie: Steve Stein/John LaBar
		Tie: Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Barbara Hermann/Margaret McLaughlin
8/1/25	N/S	Bev Steinhagen/Tom Nailos
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari

Friday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

8/8/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/15/25	N/S	VJ Patel/Jim Rothenberg
	E/W	Myrna Shevlin/Diane Pennett
8/22/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
8/29/25	N/S	Bev Steinhagen/Tom Nailos
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
9/5/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
9/12/25	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
9/19/25	N/S	Ken Goldstein/Martin Abrahamson
	E/W	Diane Pennett/Myra Shervin
9/26/25	N/S	John LaBar/Beverly Rogers
	E/W	Diane Pennett/Myrna Shervin