



# LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS

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## MARCH 2026

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Baseball spring training has started and hope springs eternal for the Fightin' Phils! Attending spring training in Florida is on my bucket list and this looks like it would have been a good year to make the trip. Spring is only 24 days away and it can't come too soon. Easter and Passover will be here right after the start of spring.

I hope you have survived the recent snowstorms. This last storm, dumped between 14 to 24 inches of wet, heavy snow depending on where you live. I'm thankful to have a snow blower to make the cleanup task a little easier. This was supposedly the most snow we have had in over 10 years. Rhode Island and eastern Massachusetts were not so lucky with a snowfall of more than 30 inches.

There is a sign board at a nearby church that says, "If you are praying for snow, Please Stop!" I agree with that sentiment, since bad knees have ended my skiing days. Recent storms have caused disruption of our activities with building closures and parking issues. Township building closures follow the Pennsbury School District decisions on closure, remote learning, and delayed openings. That information can be found on the school website ([pennsburysd.org](http://pennsburysd.org)). Note that if the site says they are doing remote learning, the buildings (Community Center and Township Office) are closed. If a delay is posted, the Community Center will be open for our activities with the same delayed opening (normal opening is 8:00).

We continue to welcome new members this year, but our membership is currently still significantly less than last year. Only slightly more than two thirds of our 2025 members have renewed for 2026 – a few have passed away or are now homebound, a few have moved, but others have not renewed for a variety of reasons. Since the fee we pay the Township is based on the number of LMS members, those who have not paid their dues will be dropped from our membership roll, effective March 1<sup>st</sup>. We are hopeful that those who have not renewed their membership will do so and continue to participate in the worthwhile events and activities our organization offers.

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### OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President – Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

Vice President – Meryle Borochaner 215-736-3184

Secretary – Mark Nemiroff

Treasurer – Mary Ann O'Connor

Directors – Alan Handler, Doreene Kaplan, Andrea Lamantia, Gloria Porcaro, Eric Suber, Bob Terc

Newsletter Editor: Andrea Lamantia

### **President's Message...**

The trip committee has planned several exciting trips, and we have several interesting programs scheduled for the Meet & Greet events for the coming months. We are looking to expand our functions with partnerships with local organizations. Bob Terc is organizing a committee to promote partnerships and fundraising. Joanne Westall is organizing a committee to plan special events for the celebration of the semiquincentennial. Both committees can use your help. Please contact Bob or Joanne to offer your assistance.

The coming months will be an active time for our organization. I encourage your continued participation and hope to see you at our events. In the meantime, stay safe and warm.

**Dave Burkhardt**

**267-767-6164**

## **LM SENIORS – COMMITTEES**



Meet & Greet – Program and Light Lunch – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
Second Tuesday of the month (except for July & August)  
Gloria Porcaro 215-208-1170



Membership and Sunshine  
Joanne Westall – 267-274-6764



Newsletter –  
Information for inclusion in the newsletter must be emailed for review to:  
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President: Dave Burkhardt: [daveburkhardt74@gmail.com](mailto:daveburkhardt74@gmail.com)



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Trip Committee –  
Doreene Kaplan – 215-816-1448

**Can you help? Contact Dave Burkhardt at 267-767-6164 or [daveburkhardt74@gmail.com](mailto:daveburkhardt74@gmail.com)**

## LM SENIORS - ACTIVITIES & COORDINATORS

	Art Class – Fridays @ 10 AM – Noon (not in summer) Ann Goren - 215-962-1099
	Book Club Discussion – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month, 12:30 PM Ellie Hammill – 215-321-1763
	Bridge for Beginners – Mondays @ 9 AM Dave Burkhardt – 267-767-6164
	Bridge – Open Seating – Tuesdays @ 12 PM & Thursdays @ 10:30 AM Alan Handler – 917-846-6540
	Bridge - Duplicate – Wednesdays @ 9 AM – Partner Required John LaBar – 267-789-3993
	Bridge – Duplicate – Fridays @ 11:30 AM – Partner Required Paulette LaBar 267-789-3993 / Martha Zintl 973-715-6172
	Chair Yoga – Thursdays @ 9:30 AM (1 hr) Gloria Porcaro 215-208-1170
	GAMES DAY – Wednesdays @ 9 AM (Assorted Board & Card Games) (RummiKub / Uno / Five Crowns & more) Beverly Carter – 215-321-3454
	Hearts / Spades – Fridays @ 1 PM Ed Stack – 215-776-0019
	Line Dancing – Saturdays @ 10 AM Mary Ellen Eckman – 215-493-8854
	Mah Jongg – Mondays @ 12 PM Meryle Borochaner – 215-736-3184 / Judy Henderson – 215-208-1433
	Mah Jongg for Beginners – Tuesdays @ 9:30 AM Meryle Borochaner – 215-736-3184
	Mah Jongg – Fridays @ 12:30 PM Meryle Borochaner – 215-736-3184 / Judy Henderson – 215-208-1433
	Movies – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month at @ 1:30 PM Russell Bukwa – 267-573-4009
	Pinochle – Tuesdays @ 12 PM Anthony Cardone – 215-493-6019 / Nathan Bass – 267-259-4843
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	Stitch & Chat – Wednesdays @ 10 AM to Noon Peg Boysen – 215-321-1688

***This is a published list on our website, which is available to the public. It is important that it stays current. Any changes need to be sent to Meryle Borochaner (email: mimmie121@yahoo.com).***

## NEW MEMBERS

**Lower Makefield Seniors welcome...**

- Mary Ellen Laker
- Patti Stengel



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

## MAH JONGG BEGINNER CLASSES

We are planning to have a six-week instructional program on Tuesday mornings starting in late April (exact date TBD). If you are interested in signing up, it is essential you have the new 2026 Mah Jongg card. You can order it now from the [National Mah Jongg League](#).

As a reminder, we do not charge for lessons. They are free to LMS members. Non-members would need to sign up and pay the annual LMS membership fee in order to join the classes. If you (or someone you know) is interested in learning the game, please send name(s) and contact information to Meryle Borocharer (email: [mimmie121@yahoo.com](mailto:mimmie121@yahoo.com)).



## MOVIE MATINEE

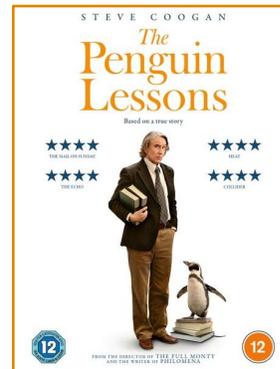
(At Lower Makefield Community Center)

**Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> - 1:30pm**

### **“THE PENGUIN LESSONS”**

Drama – **PG-13** (1h 51m)

Cast: Steve Coogan, Jonathan Pryce, Bruno Blas



*“Inspired by the true story of a disillusioned Englishman who went to work in a school in Argentina in 1976. Expecting an easy ride, Tom discovers a divided nation and a class of unteachable students. However, after he rescues a penguin from an oil-slicked beach, his life is turned upside-down.”*

**\$1.00 COVERS COST OF POPCORN / SODA  
EVERYBODY WELCOME – BRING A FRIEND!**

The movie’s rating has been provided. Please research the selection to determine if there may be content you would find objectionable. By doing so, you can decide whether or not to attend.

## BOCCE

If you are interested in playing bocce, please let us know. There needs to be enough members interested in participating in this activity for us to pursue making it happen.

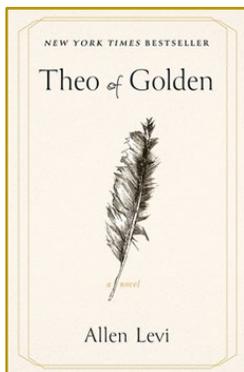
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## BOOK CLUB

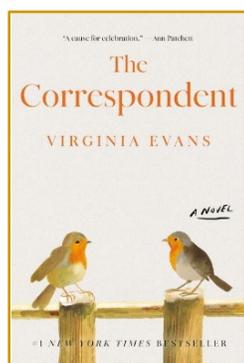
Join us **Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>** at 12:30PM for interesting and lively discussion. All are welcome!

March's selection:



*"Following the enigmatic yet kindly actions of Theo, who arrives in the southern town of Golden and discovers 92 pencil portraits displayed at a local coffee shop. He embarks on a mission to purchase these portraits and return them to their "rightful owners". His "bestowals" create profound connections across the community before his true identity is revealed."*

April's choice:



*"Sybil Van Antwerp, a retired legal professional, begins each day with a ritual: tea, tidying, and, most importantly, letter writing. Her life is structured around the rhythm of correspondence—letters to friends, family, authors, and even strangers. The act of writing is both her solace and her lifeline, connecting her to a world that is otherwise slipping away."*

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

## MEDIA / FACEBOOK

Lower Makefield Seniors are now visible on Facebook, Yardley Patch, and (Yardley) Nextdoor. Look for us!

For those who need assistance in setting up a Facebook account so they may follow Lower Makefield Seniors, step-by-step instructions are included with the newsletter.

## MEET & GREET

Our next Meet & Greet is on **Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00AM-12:30PM. Please arrive by 9:45 to sign in.

With spring just around the corner, it's the perfect time to welcome Suzanne Rozick, Creative Enthusiast and Associate Director of Sales at Sunrise of Lower Makefield, who will share fun and cost-effective indoor and outdoor crafting ideas.

Starting indoors, Suzanne will demonstrate a unique take on floral design that is sure to inspire your springtime tablescapes. Then looking to the outdoors, she will share easy crafting ideas to support our springtime birds (Northern Cardinal, Tufted Titmouse, and Bluebird, to name a few) during their nesting season.

*We are asking all who attend our Meet & Greet luncheons to bring a non-perishable food item (including, but not limited to spices and seasonings). This is completely voluntary and all items will be donated to a local food bank. It is our hope that this will be a continuing and successful program that will help friends and neighbors. Your support would be most appreciated.*



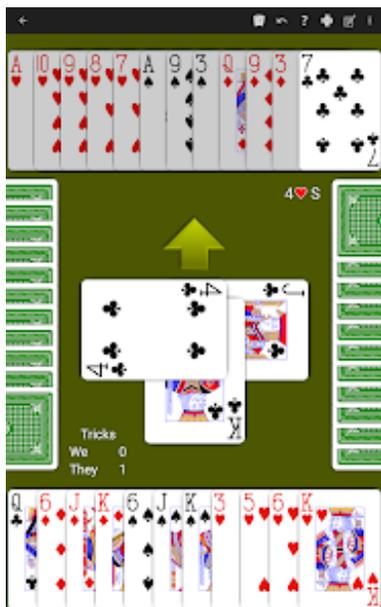
## BRIDGE SCORES

### Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

1/7/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Kathy Klausner/Sally Haulman
1/14/26	N/S	Diane Griffith/Harriet Leib
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
1/21/26	N/S	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers
	E/W	Tie: Kathy Klausner/Sally Haulman
		Tie: Ellie Hammill/Jeanne Ameye
1/28/26	N/S	Tie: John LaBar/Paulette LaBar
		Tie: Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler

### Friday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

1/2/26	N/S	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers
	E/W	Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson
1/9/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari
1/16/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Diane Griffith
	E/W	Jim Rothenberg/VJ Patel
1/23/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Darius Rogers
	E/W	Jim Rothenberg/VJ Patel
1/30/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	John VanEerden/Ann VanEerden

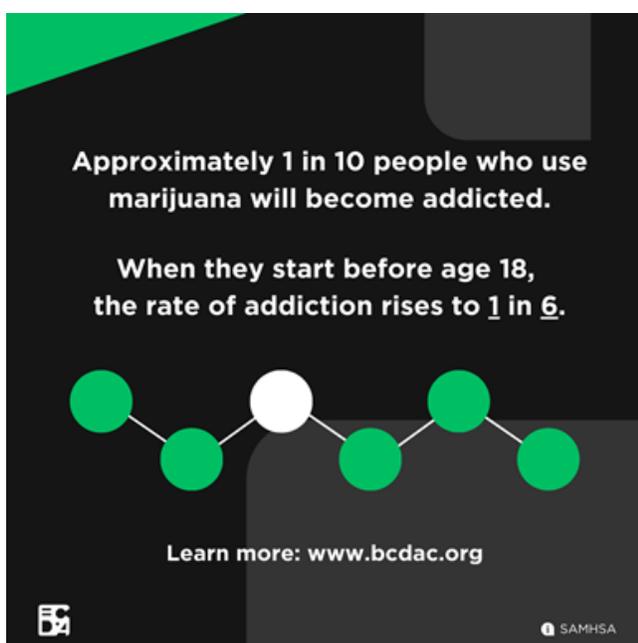


## COMEDY CORNER



## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.....

On February 10th, Lower Makefield Seniors held their monthly Meet & Greet. This month's meeting began with the presentation of our Annual Report. We then welcomed two guest speakers from the Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission, who shared invaluable insights on critical issues affecting our community. Their presentation addressed the ongoing impact COVID-19 has had on alcohol and drug trends among seniors; the safe disposal of expired and discontinued medications; essential information on opiate prescriptions and the life-saving medication NARCAN, which shed light on the realities of substance use disorder and alarmingly, how marijuana can be the gateway to addiction. It was heartening to learn of the many free resources available to all residents (individuals and families) of Bucks County, ensuring support and assistance are within reach for those who may need it. The day wrapped up with a light lunch, providing an excellent opportunity for further conversation and connection among friends and neighbors.



*Remember, our Monthly Meet & Greet takes place the second Tuesday of each month (excluding July, August, and December) at 10:00AM in the Lower Makefield Community Center. Each gathering features a brief business meeting, followed by an inspiring guest speaker or program, along with a delicious light lunch.*



## TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

We have an ample crowd signed up and looking forward to the March 12<sup>th</sup> outing to Li Greci's Staaten to see "St. Patrick's Festival -From Ireland to America".

Next on the trip calendar is the Rodgers & Hammerstein musical show on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Hunterdon Hills Playhouse events are always popular and well attended, so sign up as soon as possible. The flyer with registration form is included with the newsletter.

The following trips are on the 2026 schedule. The Trip Committee is working on ideas for September – either a multi-day trip or a racetrack outing. Details will be provided as plans progress.

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May 14, 2026	<b>Hunterdon Hills Playhouse:</b> <i>"Some Enchanted Evening - The Music of Rodgers &amp; Hammerstein"</i>	\$135pp
June 16, 2026	<b>The Shore Club:</b> <i>"Let the Good Times Roll"</i>	\$129pp
July 9, 2026	<b>Fulton Theatre:</b> <i>"West Side Story"</i> with lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord	\$145pp
October 22, 2026	<b>Jim Thorpe, PA:</b> LGSR Autumn Foliage Train Ride, with lunch at The Broadway Grill, and Trolley Tour	\$140pp
December 3, 2026	<b>American Music Theatre:</b> <i>"Winter Wonderland"</i> with lunch at Hershey Farms	\$138pp

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## SETTING UP A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT

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You'll need the following and about 30 minutes to complete the process.

- A computer, tablet, or smartphone
- Internet connection
- An email address

Follow these simple steps to get started:

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### **Step 1: Go to Facebook**

Open your internet browser. Type "facebook.com" in the address bar. Press Enter. You'll see the Facebook homepage.

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### **Step 2: Click "Create New Account"**

On the Facebook homepage, look for a green button that says "Create New Account." Click this button. A sign-up form will appear. This is where you'll enter your information.

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### **Step 3: Enter Your Information**

Fill in the following information:

- **First Name:** Your real first name
- **Last Name:** Your real last name
- **Email:** Your email address
- **Password:** Create a strong password
- **Birthday:** Your date of birth
- **Gender:** Select male, female, or custom

Use your real name so family and friends can find you. Facebook requires real names for accounts.

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### **Step 4: Create a Strong Password**

Your password should be secure but memorable. Make it at least 8 characters long. Include uppercase letters, lowercase letters, and numbers.

Don't use obvious passwords like "password123" or your birthday. Write your password down and keep it in a safe place.

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### **Step 5: Click Sign Up**

After entering all information, click the "Sign Up" button. Facebook will create your account.

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### **Step 6: Verify Your Email**

Facebook will send a confirmation email to your email address. Open that email. Click the confirmation link inside. This verifies your account.

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## FOLLOWING A PAGE ON FACEBOOK

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The steps outlined below will guide you in following a Facebook page:

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### **Step 1: Open Facebook**

Launch the Facebook app on your mobile device or go to the Facebook website on your computer. Log in to your account.

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### **Step 2: Search for the Page**

Use the search bar at the top of the screen to type in the name of the page you want to follow. For the LMS page, enter “Lower Makefield Seniors”. Click on the page from the search results to open it.

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### **Step 3: Click the “Follow” Button**

On the page, look for the “Follow” button. If you don’t see it immediately, click on the three-dot menu (...) next to the page’s name to find the option to follow the page.

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### **Step 4: Adjust Notification Settings**

After clicking “Follow”, you can customize notification preferences. Click on the “Following” button to choose how you want to receive updates (e.g., “See First” to prioritize their posts in your feed).

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### **Step 5: Engage with the Page**

Once you follow the page, you will start seeing its posts in your News Feed. You can like, comment, and share their content to engage further.

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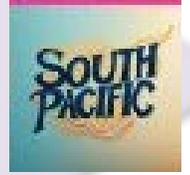
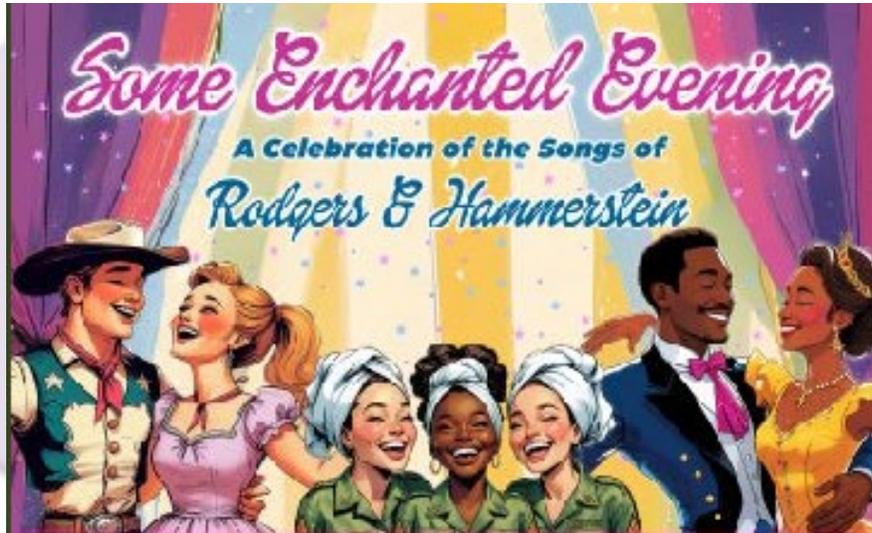
# March 2026

# Lower Makefield Seniors Activities Calendar

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>	9:00 Bridge Basics and Instruction 12:00 Mah Jongg	<b>3</b>	9:30 Mah Jongg 12:00 Open Bridge 12:00 Pinochle	<b>4</b>	9:00 Games Day 9:00 Duplicate Bridge 10:00 Stitch & Chat * 12:00 Pinochle 1:00 Intro to Pinochle	<b>5</b>	9:30 Chair Yoga 10:30 Open Bridge 12:00 Pinochle	<b>6</b>	9:00 LMS Board Mtg * 10:00 Art Class 11:30 Duplicate Bridge 12:00 Pinochle 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hearts/Spades	<b>7</b>	10:00 Line Dancing
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<b>22</b>		<b>23</b>	9:00 Bridge Basics and Instruction 12:00 Mah Jongg	<b>24</b>	9:30 Mah Jongg 12:00 Open Bridge 12:00 Pinochle	<b>25</b>	9:00 Games Day 9:00 Duplicate Bridge 10:00 Stitch & Chat * 12:00 Pinochle 1:00 Intro to Pinochle	<b>26</b>	9:30 Chair Yoga 10:30 Open Bridge 12:00 Pinochle	<b>27</b>	10:00 Art Class 11:30 Duplicate Bridge 12:00 Pinochle 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hearts/Spades	<b>28</b>	10:00 Line Dancing
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\* meets at Lower Makefield Township Building - 1100 Edgewood Road

# LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS



Thursday, May 14, 2026

HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE

Price: \$135 pp\*\*

A celebration of songs that have become a part of our lives. This show places five performers -each of whom could easily be cast in any Rodgers and Hammerstein show - in a theatrical setting - first "backstage", where the songs are sung as personal interplay and then "on stage" where the songs are "performed" for the audience. Of course, the songs themselves and the five performers are the most important elements. Each singer must bring his own style and personality to the songs and to the situations in which they are set.

\*\* PRICING INCLUDES: BUS / TABLE-SERVED ENTRÉE, DESSERT, COFFEE, HOT TEA / SHOW / ALL GRATUITIES

Questions: Contact Joanne Westall - 267.274.6764

Bus leaves LM Center promptly at 9:30 AM / Returns approximately 6:00 PM

**PAYMENT IN FULL MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 3, 2026 TO GUARANTEE YOUR SPOT!!**

- No refunds unless replacement can be found -

Please detach and return form with your check to:

Lower Makefield Seniors, 1550 Oxford Valley Rd, Yardley PA 19067 (or place in box at center)



## Some Enchanted Evening - Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ AMT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_