



LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS

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APRIL 2026

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the calendar turns to spring, I find myself questioning whether the season has truly arrived—especially as I write this with the temperature lingering in the 30s and a fire crackling in the woodstove. Yet, despite the chill outside, signs of spring are unmistakable: daffodils are blooming, buds are unfolding on plants, and the grass is turning a vibrant green. It's that time again for renewal—trimming, cleanup, new plantings—all the outdoor activities that keep our yards and gardens thriving.

The same spirit of renewal applies to keeping our organization healthy and vibrant within the community. We have several exciting events planned this spring to engage and enrich our members. Join us on April 16th for the return of our popular Electronic Device Help Session, perfect for those looking to sharpen their tech skills. *(There is limited space - sign-up sheet in the Seniors classroom)*. Our Healthy Eating Seminar, presented in partnership with PA Health & Wellness, will take place on April 30th. For beginner players, our 3rd session of Mah Jongg lessons will start April 28th. Lastly, don't miss our special America 250 Celebration being planned for our June Meet & Greet. Details and flyers for all these events are included in this newsletter.

Currently, we are actively seeking sponsors and partnerships to support and strengthen our organization. When potential sponsors ask, "What does your organization do?" we can proudly respond: our mission is to promote the educational, physical, cultural, and social well-being of persons aged 55 and older in a welcoming, community-based setting. We back this up with examples of our diverse activities and programs. A common follow-up question is, "What do you do in the community?" Collectively, we contribute by collecting and donating essential items to local food pantries, knitting and crocheting items for hospitals, and sponsoring as well as volunteering at numerous community events.

Volunteering not only benefits our community but also helps build partnerships that enhance our presence and impact. At our upcoming Meet & Greet luncheon on April 14th, we'll learn about a unique volunteer organization, "*Fostering Hope - Lower Bucks County Chapter*" and the difference they are making in the community.

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OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President – Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

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Secretary – Mark Nemiroff

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

Newsletter Editor: Andrea Lamantia










President's Message...

Additionally, I was recently approached by *Ivins House* and asked to share two volunteer opportunities. The **Ivins Outreach Center's Staying Put in Lower Bucks Program** is a vital initiative that depends on volunteers who can assist homebound seniors by providing transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, pharmacies, and salons, helping them maintain their independence and sense of connection. Ivins House is also seeking compassionate volunteers to support their **"Cancer Care"** program, which offers transportation for seniors undergoing cancer treatments. Whether you can give a few hours weekly or monthly, your help is deeply appreciated. For more details on these two programs, please visit www.ivinsoutreach.org or contact Frank Walter at (215) 428-0500 / stayingput@ivinsoutreach.org, or Meredith Merrill at 215-888-2150 / meredith.cancercare@gmail.com.





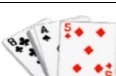
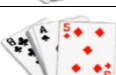
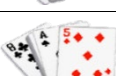












I know many of you already volunteer across various organizations—schools, food pantries, churches, shelters, and groups like the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, Boys and Girls Clubs, Scouts, and more. As we connect with sponsors, highlighting the incredible ways Lower Makefield Seniors serve our communities, it will showcase our collective strength and dedication. Please reach out and share your volunteer experiences by email to lowermakefieldsrs@gmail.com or by phone at 267-767-6164.

Dave Burkhardt
267-767-6164

LM SENIORS – COMMITTEES

	Finance Committee Mary Ann O'Connor – 202-320-4025 (call or text)
	Fundraising Committee Bob Terc – 215-499-2734 (call or text)
	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 (call or text)
	Membership Committee Eric Suber – 267-473-0241 (call or text)
	Newsletter – Information for inclusion in the newsletter must be emailed for review by 20th of month to: Editor: Andrea Lamantia: aplamantia@comcast.net President: Dave Burkhardt: daveburkhardt74@gmail.com
	Program Committee Alan Handler – 917-846-6540 (call or text)
	Publicity & Marketing Meryle Borocharer – mimmie121@yahoo.com
	Sunshine and New Member <i>"Welcome"</i> Joanne Westall – 267-274-6764 (call or text)
	Trip Committee Doreene Kaplan – 215-816-1448 (call or text)
Can you help? Contact Dave Burkhardt at 267-767-6164 or daveburkhardt74@gmail.com It is important for this list to be current. Any changes should be sent to Meryle Borocharer (email: mimmie121@yahoo.com)	

LM SENIORS – ACTIVITIES & COORDINATORS

	Art Class – Fridays @ 10 AM – Noon (no classes during summer) Ann Goren - 215-962-1099
	Book Club Discussion – 2 nd Wednesday each month, 12:30 PM – 1:45 PM Ellie Hammill – 215-321-1763
	Bridge for Beginners – Mondays @ 9 AM – Noon Dave Burkhardt – 267-767-6164 (call or text)
	Bridge – Instructional - Mondays @ 9 AM – Noon Eric Suber – 267-473-0241 (call or text)
	Bridge – Open Seating – Tuesdays @ 12 PM – 3 PM & Thursdays @ 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM Alan Handler – 917-846-6540 (call or text)
	Bridge - Duplicate – Wednesdays @ 9 AM – Noon {Partner Required} John LaBar – 267-789-3993
	Bridge – Duplicate – Fridays @ 11:30 AM – 3 PM {Partner Required} Paulette LaBar 267-789-3993 / Martha Zintl 973-715-6172
	Chair Yoga – Thursdays @ 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM Gloria Porcaro 215-208-1170 (call or text)
	GAMES DAY – (Assorted Board & Card Games) – Wednesdays @ 9 AM - Noon (RummiKub for 6 / Uno / Five Crowns / Mexican Train & more) Beverly Carter – 215-321-3454 (call or text)
	Hearts / Spades – Fridays @ 1 PM – 3 PM Ed Stack – 215-776-0019
	Line Dancing – Saturdays @ 10 AM – 11:30 AM Mary Ellen Eckman – 215-493-8854
	Mah Jongg – Mondays @ Noon – 3 PM Meryle Borocharner – 215-736-3184 or Judy Henderson – 215-208-1433 (call or text)
	Mah Jongg – Practice for Beginners – Tuesdays @ 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM Meryle Borocharner – 215-736-3184 or Pauline Reppert 215-431-4572 (call or text)
	Mah Jongg – Fridays @ 12:30 PM – 3 PM Meryle Borocharner – 215-736-3184 or Judy Henderson – 215-208-1433 (call or text)
	Movies – 3 rd Saturday each month at @ 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM Russell Bukwa – 267-573-4009
	Pinochle – Tuesdays @ Noon – 3 PM Anthony Cardone – 215-493-6019 / Nathan Bass – 267-259-4843
	Pinochle – Wednesdays @ Noon – 3 PM (Intro to Pinochle @ 1 PM) Anthony Cardone – 215-493-6019 / Nathan Bass – 267-259-4843
	Pinochle – Fridays @ Noon – 3 PM Anthony Cardone – 215-493-6019 / Nathan Bass – 267-259-4843
	Stitch & Chat – Wednesdays @ 10 AM – 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 Borocharner (email: mimmie121@yahoo.com).

NEW MEMBERS

Lower Makefield Seniors welcome...

- **CAROL GAGE**



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

MEET & GREET

Our next Meet & Greet is on **Tuesday, April 14th** at 10:00AM. Please arrive by 9:45 to sign in.

This month's program will feature a guest speaker from the Bucks County chapter of Fostering Hope. Fostering Hope is a nonprofit organization composed of all volunteers. Its purpose is to make life better for foster and kinship families, which are people raising relatives or other children not through the foster system. This past year, they became aware of a large group of "grandfamilies" – grandparents who are raising their grandchildren, mostly outside the foster system. FH is ideal for them in that as they can offer these families clothes, shoes, diapers, toiletries, toys, and even furniture ... all for free.

FOSTERING HOPE LOWER BUCKS



MOVIE MATINEE

(At Lower Makefield Community Center)

Saturday, April 18th - 1:30pm

"SECONDHAND LIONS"

Comedy/Drama – **PG-13** (1h 49m)

Cast: Michael Caine, Robert Duvall, Haley Joel Osment



"Shy fourteen-year-old Walter Caldwell's irresponsible mother Mae sends him to live on a Texas farm with his reclusive bachelor great uncles, Hub and Garth, so that she can go on yet another husband-hunting trip. As Walter is drawn into their colorful tales of past adventures, he forges a bond that teaches him courage, loyalty, and self-belief."

**\$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.

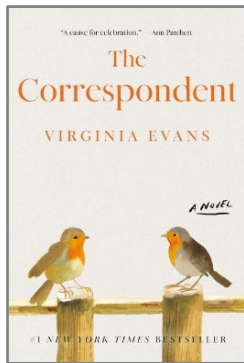
Please send your name and contact information to Meryle Borochaner (email: mimmie121@yahoo.com).



BOOK CLUB

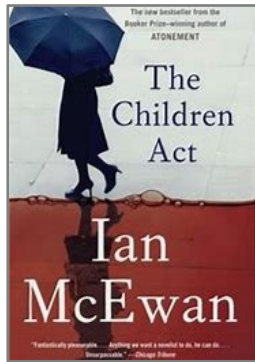
Join us **Wednesday, April 8th** at 12:30PM for interesting and lively discussion. All are welcome!

April's choice:



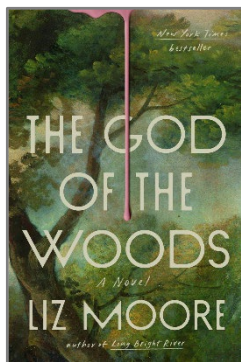
"Sybil Van Antwerp, a retired legal professional, begins each day with a ritual: tea, tidying, and, most importantly, letter writing. Her life is structured around the rhythm of correspondence—letters to friends, family, authors, and even strangers. The act of writing is both her solace and her lifeline,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

May's choice:



"Fiona Maye is a High Court judge in London who is tasked with making a life-or-death decision for a 17-year-old boy who refuses a life-saving blood transfusion on religious grounds. As Fiona navigates the legal and ethical implications of the case, she also grapples with her own personal and professional struggles."

June's choice:



"Twelve-year-old Barbara Van Laar disappears from a summer camp owned by her powerful family. Fourteen years earlier, her eight-year-old brother also vanished. As investigators, counselors, and family members search for her, long-buried secrets about the Van Laars' wealth, privilege, and moral decay resurface, revealing how past sins echo through generations."

(Book Club does not meet during July and August.)

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

MAH JONGG

If you are interested in learning to play Mah Jongg, the next six-week schedule will begin Tuesday, April 28, 2026.

Classes will be held on Tuesday mornings from 9AM – 11AM on: **April 28th**, **May 5th**, **May 12th**, **May 19th**, **May 26th**, and **June 2nd**.

You will need to bring with you the 2026 National Mah Jongg League playing card, which can be purchased online at their store:

<https://nationalmahjonggleague.org/store.aspx#>

Our Fall 2025 class was overwhelmingly popular, and I expect its popularity hasn't diminished any. For that reason, I encourage you to register as soon as possible. Class size will be limited. You can register two ways:

- 1) You can drop a note in our mailbox at the center saying you're interested in taking Mah Jongg classes. Be sure to include your printed name, email address, and cell phone number, or
- 2) You can email the above information to me: Meryle Borocharner at mimmie121@yahoo.com.

As a reminder, we do not charge for this class, but you must be a member of the Lower Makefield Seniors to join this class.



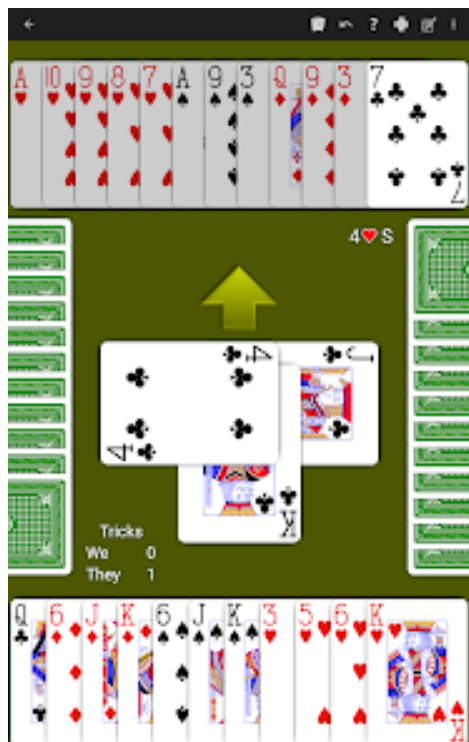
BRIDGE SCORES

Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

2/4/26	N/S	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers
	E/W	Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson
2/11/26	N/S	John LaBar/Paulette LaBar
	E/W	Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson
2/18/26	N/S	Steve Stein/Darius Rogers
	E/W	Susan Cridge/Barbarann Stauffer
2/25/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Gail Edwardson/Larry Edwardson

Friday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

2/6/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Barbara Hermann/Susan Cridge
2/13/26	N/S	Ken Goldstein/Martin Abrahamson
	E/W	Jim Rothenberg/VJ Patel
2/20/26	N/S	Jerry Najarian/Kathleen Najarian
	E/W	Jim Rothenberg/VJ Patel
2/27/26	N/S	Dave Burkhardt/Eric Suber
	E/W	Eric Wiener/Al DiMari



COMEDY CORNER



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.....

On March 10, 2026, the Lower Makefield Seniors held their monthly Meet & Greet. This month's meeting began with a general membership update. We then welcomed Suzanne Rozick (Associate Director of Sales @ Sunrise Senior Living). Suzanne shared with us her unique take on a floral design that was an "outside the box" springtime table-scape inspiration. She demonstrated several ways to bring the beauty of Spring into your home!

She also shared some delightful and easy crafting ideas that support our feathered friends during their nesting season. We learned how to attract the charming birds like the Northern Cardinal, Tufted Titmouse, and Bluebird to your yard. It's a perfect way to celebrate the season and enjoy nature.

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 on the second Tuesday of each month (excluding July, August, and December) at 10:00 AM 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.

We hope you'll join us next month!
For more information, please visit:
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TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

The March 12th St. Patrick's Day outing to Li Greci's Staaten was a great success. (See next two pages.)

Next on the trip calendar is the **Rodgers & Hammerstein "Some Enchanted Evening"** musical celebration on May 14th. We have a limited number of seats still available, so if you would like to attend, submit your registration form and check as soon as possible. Contact Trip Leader Joanne Westall with questions – 267-274-6764.

The following trips are on the 2026 schedule. Just added: August outing to Monmouth Park Racetrack in Oceanport, New Jersey.

Thursday, May 14, 2026	Hunterdon Hills Playhouse: <i>"Some Enchanted Evening - The Music of Rodgers & Hammerstein"</i>	\$135pp
Tuesday, June 16, 2026	The Shore Club: <i>"Let the Good Times Roll" -Music of Billy Joel, Carole King, and Roy Orbison</i>	\$129pp
Thursday, July 9, 2026	Fulton Theatre: <i>"West Side Story"</i> with lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord	\$145pp
Friday, August 21, 2026	Monmouth Park Racetrack: Horse races viewed in private room with lunch buffet	\$130pp
Thursday, October 22, 2026	Jim Thorpe, PA: LGSR Autumn Foliage Train Ride, with lunch at The Broadway Grill, and Trolley Tour	\$140pp
Thursday, December 3, 2026	American Music Theatre: <i>"Winter Wonderland"</i> with lunch at Hershey Farms	\$138pp



TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE – MARCH 12TH OUTING

On March 12, 2026, the Lower Makefield Seniors enjoyed a wonderful St. Patrick's Day trip to Li Greci's Staaten. Our day overflowed with great food, peals of laughter, and wonderful Irish music. A delicious four-course meal included a one-hour open bar. Comedian Tommy the Gooch had us rolling with laughter. The Willie Lynch Band made sure we were up on our feet dancing. As an added treat, we enjoyed a special performance by John Loiacono playing the bagpipes.

Keep your eyes open for future planned trips. We hope you'll join us!

For more information, please visit:

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TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE – MARCH 12TH OUTING



WHAT'S GOING ON – COMMUNITY EVENTS

COMMUNITY HEALTH CHOICES

Thursday, April 30th – 11:00AM-1:00PM

Lower Makefield Seniors are jointly participating with *Community Health Choices*, a division of Pa Health & Wellness. The program coincides with “National Nutrition Month”. It will include a discussion on healthy eating habits; a virtual tour of the MANNA (*Metropolitan Area Neighborhood Nutrition Alliance*) kitchen showing food preparation by MANNA chefs. A light lunch is included. There is no charge for this event, which is open to the public. Additional information on registering will be coming soon.

LMT Community Center

1550 Oxford Valley Road, Yardley PA

SCAM JAM

Wednesday, May 20th – 2:00PM-4:00PM

This event is hosted by Senator Steve Santarsiero and Representative Perry Warren, in partnership with the PA Department of Banking.

Learn to protect yourself from scams and identity theft with sessions on:

- How and why to freeze your credit report
- Avoiding ID theft and popular scams
- Cybersecurity
- When to report ID theft and scams to the police

Register at:

<https://www.senatorstevesantiero.com/event/scamjam/>

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BUCKS COUNTY SENIOR GAMES

Kick-off: May 27th – 9:30AM-11:30AM

Games: June 1st – June 6th





The Bucks County Senior Games Committee is excited to announce that the 2026 Senior Games are on the way.

Whether defending a title, trying a new event, or joining for the first time, the Committee is continuing the tradition of great games, great sportsmanship, and great company.



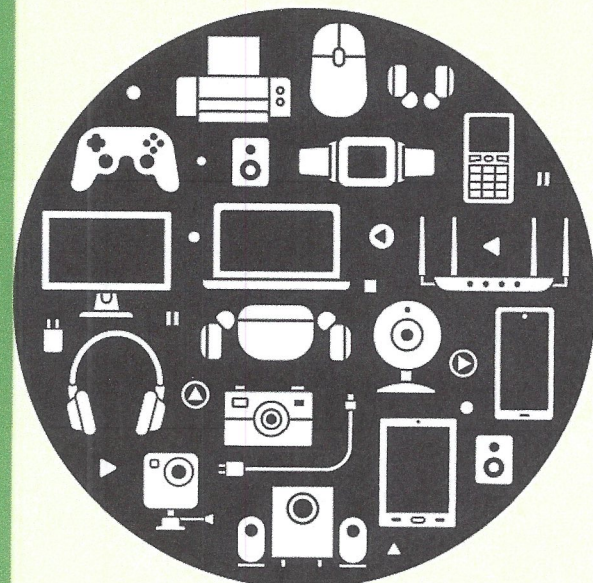
April 2026

Lower Makefield Seniors Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00 Games Day 9:00 Duplicate Bridge 10:00 Stitch & Chat * 12:00 Pinochle 1:00 Intro to Pinochle	2 9:30 Chair Yoga 10:30 Open Bridge 12:00 Pinochle	3 <i>Community Center closed</i> 	4 No Line Dancing today
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* meets at Lower Makefield Township Building - 1100 Edgewood Road

LMT SENIORS! NEED ELECTRONICS HELP? THE YOUTH COMMITTEE IS HERE TO HELP!



Need help with one of your electronic devices? Get some help from one of the Lower Makefield Youth Committee members!

WHAT THEY CAN HELP WITH:

- Email Questions
- Phone Settings & Apps
- Laptops
- Tablets

Space is limited, RSVP with Dave Burkhardt

APRIL
16TH



3:30PM to 4:30PM

LOCATED AT LOWER MAKEFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
1550 OXFORD VALLEY RD. YARDLEY, PA 19067

Registration - Electronics Help Class

Name

Email

Describe What You Need Help With:

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"Let the Good Times Roll"



The Music of Billy Joel, Carole King, Roy Orbison



Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Price: \$129 pp **

**** PRICING INCLUDES: BUS / COMPLETE LUNCHEON, ONE-HOUR OPEN BAR PLUS EXTRA WINE HOUR, SALAD, CHOICE OF THREE ENTREES, DESSERT, COFFEE-TEA SERVICE / SHOW / ALL GRATUITIES**

Questions: Contact Mary Gordon - 267.274.7806

Bus leaves LM Center promptly at 9:30 AM / Returns approximately 5:30 PM

PAYMENT IN FULL MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 8TH 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)



"Let the Good Times Roll" – The Shore Club

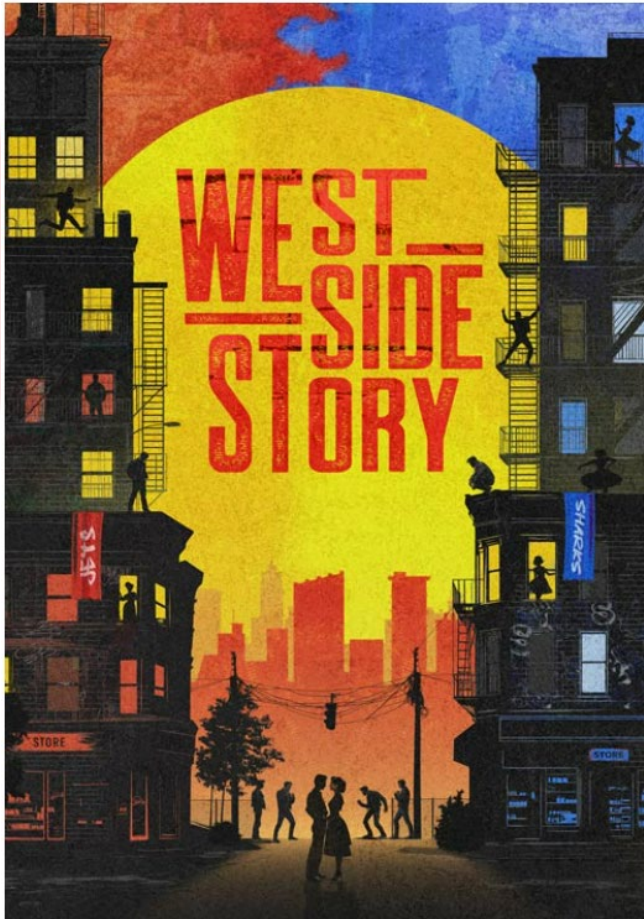


NAME(S) _____ **AMT ENCLOSED** _____

CELL PHONE _____ **EMAIL** _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ **CELL PHONE** _____

LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS



Thursday, July 9, 2026

FULTON THEATRE

Price: \$145 pp **

Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet is transported to 1950s New York City as two young, idealistic lovers find themselves caught between warring street gangs, the "American" Jets and the Puerto Rican Sharks. Their struggle to survive in a world of hate, violence, and prejudice is one of the most innovative, heart-wrenching, and relevant musical dramas of our time.

**** PRICING INCLUDES: BUS / LUNCH at SHADY MAPLE / 2 PM SHOW / ALL GRATUITIES**

Questions: Call or text Pat Della Vecchia (215-757-2928) or email at joepatdell@aol.com

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

Payment in full must be received by June 1st to reserve your spot!

No refunds unless replacement can be found

Please detach and return form with your **check** to:

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

"WEST SIDE STORY" – FULTON THEATRE



Name(s) _____ Amt Enclosed _____

Cell phone _____ Email _____

Emergency contact _____ Cell phone _____