



LOWER MAKEFIELD SENIORS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fall has finally arrived, bringing cooler weather, colorful leaves, and the excitement of Halloween just around the corner!

September in Review: Our September 8th Meet & Greet kicked off the fall schedule. The League of Women Voters provided valuable information about the upcoming elections and how to obtain mail-in ballots. Members also enjoyed a lively music trivia Jeopardy sing-along game. Book Club and the Saturday Movie Matinee also returned in September.

We also had a wonderful turnout for our September LnL seminar, ***"Leaving a Blessing, NOT a Burden,"** presented by Scott Mitchell, Advanced Planning Counselor with Life Celebration by Givnish. The program covered advanced medical, financial, and end-of-life planning. If you were unable to attend, Life Celebration is offering complimentary individual review sessions. Call Peggy Jansen at **215-429-9573** and mention that you are a member of Lower Makefield Seniors.

October Programs: Our October schedule begins with Meet & Greet on Tuesday, October 13th, featuring *Women Spies in WWII*. Our speaker will share the little-known history of these courageous women and their heroic contributions during the war.

The next learning seminar will be held on Thursday, October 29th with a presentation by the Bucks County Health Improvement Partnership about respiratory viruses. Vaccinations will be offered afterward by Giant Pharmacy. (Flyer attached)

Trips and Special Events: The Trip Committee is already busy planning activities for 2027. The October 22nd trip to Jim Thorpe is SOLD OUT, while the December 3rd trip to American Music Theatre for its iconic Christmas spectacular is filling quickly. Act now to reserve your seat!

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OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President – Dave Burkhardt 267-767-6164

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President's Message...

Plans for our Holiday Luncheon, ***"Winter Wonderland,"** (on Tuesday, December 8th) are well underway. The caterer has been selected and entertainment has been arranged. It promises to be an event you won't want to miss. Reservation forms will become available later this month.

New and Returning Activities: Several activities are returning or being considered:

- **Mah Jongg Beginner Lessons** start October 29th. If you are interested, contact Meryle Borochnaner (mimmie121@yahoo.com). (see article for more information)
- Let's Bring Back Our Monthly Dining Group! Interested in joining a revived **Lunch Bunch**? Contact Fran Liftin (fgb10@aol.com or call/text: 954-336-3980).
- Chess players interested in forming a group should contact Dave Burkhardt (call/text: 267-767-6164).

Thank you for your continued support and participation. We look forward to seeing you at the Center this fall!

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 Vickie Tuomari – 215-295-4614 (call)
	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 Borochnaner – mimmie121@yahoo.com
	Sunshine and New Member "Welcome" 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

Most activities take place at the Lower Makefield Community Center unless noted otherwise. It is important for this list to be current. Any activity changes should be sent to Alan Handler – (917-846-6540 – call or text)

LM SENIORS – ACTIVITIES & COORDINATORS

	Art Class – Fridays @ 10 AM – Noon 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 – 12:00 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 – 215-520-7237 (call or text)
	Hearts / Spades – Fridays @ 1 PM – 3 PM (at Sunrise Senior Living, Yardley PA) 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 Judy Henderson – 215-208-1433 (call or text)
	Mah Jongg – Practice for Beginners – Tuesdays @ 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM Pauline Reppert 215-431-4572 (call or text) / MaryKay Stoloski 215-962-3798
	Mah Jongg – Fridays @ 12:30 PM – 3 PM 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 (at Lower Makefield Township Building) Peggy Boysen – 215-321-1688

NEW MEMBERS

Lower Makefield Seniors warmly welcome...

- ☐ Frish Davis
- ☐ Kathleen Pisaurro
- ☐ Mimi Reimal
- ☐ Laurie Schray

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



MOVIE MATINEE

(At Lower Makefield Community Center)

Saturday, October 17, 2026 - 1:30 PM

“THE DUKE”

Docudrama/Comedy – R (1h 35m)

Cast: Jim Broadbent, Helen Mirren, Matthew Goode, Charlotte Spencer



“In 1961, Kempton Bunton, a 60-year-old taxi driver, steals Goya’s portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London. It was the first (and remains the only) theft in the Gallery’s history. What happened next became the stuff of legend. Only 50 years later did the full story reveal a startling revelation of how a good man set out to change the world.”

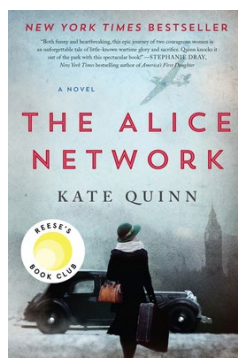
\$1.00 COVERS COST OF POPCORN / SODA
EVERYBODY WELCOME – BRING A FRIEND!

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.

BOOK CLUB

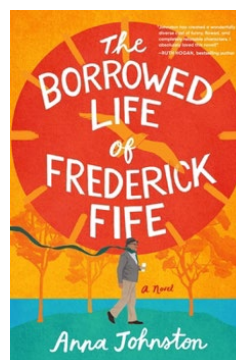
Please plan to join us at our next meeting on **Wednesday, October 14th** at 12:30PM for interesting and lively discussion. All are welcome!

October’s choice:



The story follows Eve, a former spy who seeks revenge against a WW1 profiteer responsible for her best friend’s death, and Lili, who leads a network of female spies gathering intelligence against the Germans. Their paths cross as they navigate the brutal realities of war, betrayal, and the quest for justice.

November’s choice:



In a twist of fate, Fred Fife, an 82-year-old widower, recently evicted and penniless, is mistaken for the dead Bernard Greer and taken to a nursing home. Fred must live as Bernard, who had dementia. He tries to escape but finds himself drawn into the facility’s warmth and the kindness of its staff.

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

LEARNING SEMINAR

The next Learning Seminar will be held at the Center on Thursday, October 29th from 10:00AM – 2:00PM.

Join us for a presentation by Bucks County Health Improvement Partnership with information on BCHIP resources and respiratory viruses, followed by a vaccine clinic.

Full details are provided in the attached flyer. All are welcome!

MAH JONGG BEGINNER'S CLASS

Hi everyone!

I'm excited to announce the start of a new ****Six-week Fall Instructional Mah Jongg Program for Beginners**** for anyone interested in learning this fascinating and engaging game.

This basic introductory course will cover:

- Learning the Mah Jongg tiles
- Understanding how to read the current ****2026 Mah Jongg card****
- Learning the basic rules and gameplay

Classes will be held in our classroom at the center on Thursday afternoons from 1:15-3:00 PM on the following dates:

<u>October</u> 29	<u>November</u> 5, 12, 19	<u>December</u> 10, 17
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Once you complete the class, I hope you'll want to continue playing. Mah Jongg is a wonderful game that stimulates the brain, encourages social connection, and rewards practice. The more you play, the more comfortable you'll become with the rules and strategies.

To help new players continue practicing, we also offer a ****Tuesday morning beginner practice session****. This is a great opportunity to reinforce what you learned in class while playing with others who are also relatively new to the game.

If you are interested in learning the game, email me (Meryle Borocharner) at mimmie121@yahoo.com. Include your name, your email address, and your cell phone number. As a reminder, these classes are free to individuals who are members of Lower Makefield Seniors.

I hope you'll join us for this enjoyable six-week introduction to Mah Jongg. It's a great way to learn something new, exercise your mind, and meet fellow players.

All my best,
Meryle

"LUNCH BUNCH" REVIVED

Let's Bring Back Our Monthly Dining Group!

Many years ago, we had a wonderful group that gathered once a month to enjoy good food and great conversation. We're excited to bring this tradition back!

Fran Liftin (who recently returned to our area from Florida) will be leading the group, and we'd love to hear from anyone interested in joining. This is a great opportunity to connect with others, share lively conversation, and enjoy delicious meals together.

Please reach out to Fran (fgb10@aol.com or you can call or text her @ 954-336-3980) to express your interest and share any ideas you may have.

We hope you'll join us!



CHESS, ANYONE?

If you're a chess player and interested in forming a group, contact Dave Burkhardt at (267-767-6164).



MEET & GREET

Our September Meet & Greet was both informative (League of Women Voters) and entertaining ("Sing the Lyrics" game).

Come out and join us on **Tuesday, October 13th** for the next M&G featuring Alisa Dupuy of Women in History, bringing history to life in a lively and fun way with a presentation of "*Women Spies in WWII*". History doesn't have to be boring!

The program starts at 10:00 AM, but please plan to arrive before 9:45 AM to sign in.

As always, plan to stay after the program to enjoy a light lunch and visit with friends old and new.

We ask all who attend Meet & Greet to bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to a local food bank. This is entirely voluntary and we hope that it will be an ongoing, successful effort to help friends and neighbors in need. Your support would be most appreciated.

HOLD THE DATE!!

Tuesday, December 8th

Our year-end Holiday Luncheon is coming soon and it's bringing good food, great company, and plenty of cheer!

Join us for a **well-curated menu,
wonderful entertainment, and
the celebration of another year.**

***Come hungry.**

***Stay entertained.**

***Leave happily full!**

The reservation form will be coming in a separate email, so look for it in your inbox sometime in October. Seating is limited, so reservations will only be accepted if payment accompanies the completed form.

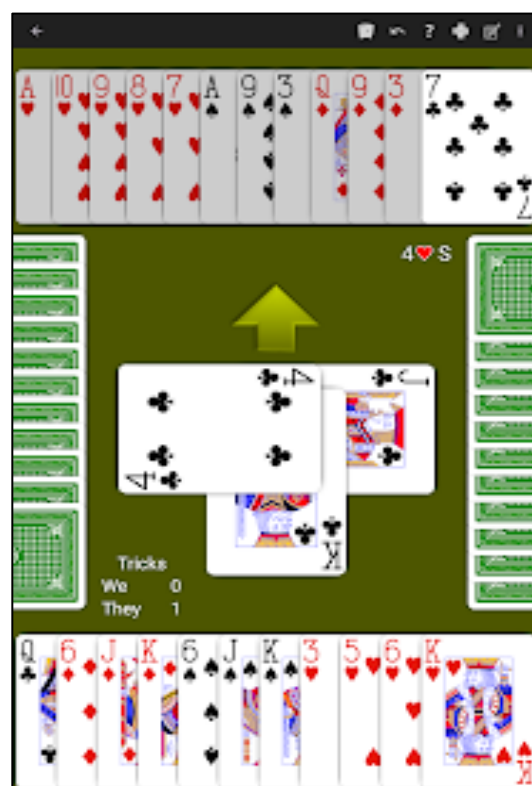
BRIDGE SCORES

Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

8/5/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Martin Abrahamson/Sally Haulman
8/12/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/19/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/26/26	N/S	John LaBar/Paulette LaBar
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler

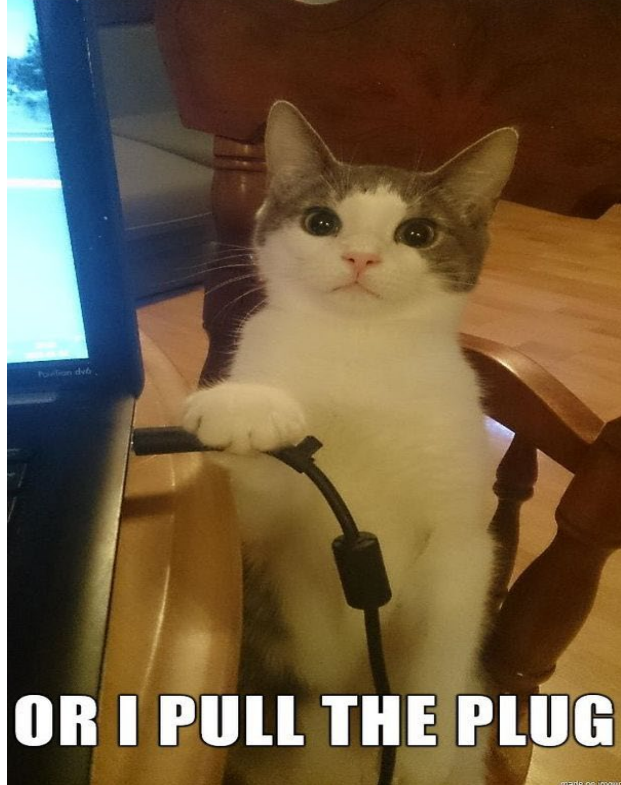
Friday Duplicate Bridge Winners:

8/7/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/14/26	N/S	Steve Stein/Dave Burkhardt
	E/W	Tom Salmon/Alan Handler
8/21/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Barbara Hermann/Susan Cridge
8/28/26	N/S	Larry Edwardson/Gail Edwardson
	E/W	Donna Goldstein/Steve Goldstein



COMEDY CORNER

GET THE TREATS



OR I PULL THE PLUG

Exercise?!



**I thought you said
Extra Fries!**

TRIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

While the Trip Committee is busy planning the 2027 outings, there are still two left on this year's calendar. The October 22nd train and trolley trip in Jim Thorpe was an early sell-out.

The flyer with registration form for the American Music Theatre holiday show on December 3rd is included with the newsletter. The AMT trip is historically very popular and usually fills up well in advance. Those who plan to go should submit the registration form and payment early!

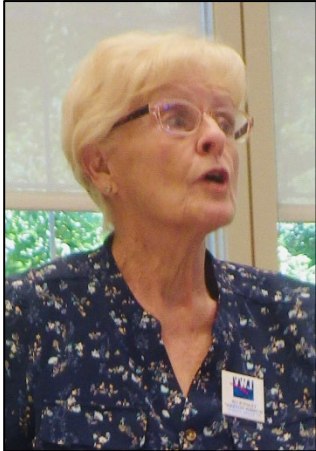
<u>Thursday,</u>	Jim Thorpe, PA:	\$140pp
October 22,	Lehigh Gorge Scenic	
2026	Railway Autumn Foliage	
	Train Ride, with lunch at	
	The Broadway Grille,	
	and Trolley Tour	

<u>Thursday,</u>	American Music	\$138pp
December	Theatre:	
3, 2026	"Winter Wonderland"	
	with lunch at Hershey	
	Farms	



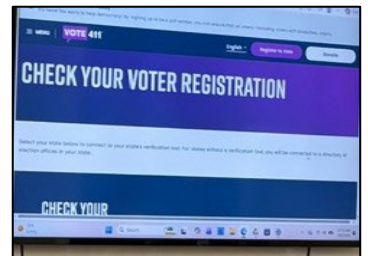
IN CASE YOU MISSED IT ... SEPTEMBER MEET & GREET

Lower Makefield Seniors jumped back into the swing of things with the Fall kick-off Meet & Greet on September 8th. We had a wonderful turn-out of not only regular membership, but several newcomers joined us interested in learning who we are and how we can meet their needs.

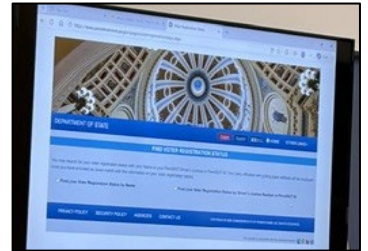


This month we had a wonderfully informative presentation by Lynne Ferral and associates Barbara O'Donnell, Jean Weston, and Sharon Forte from the League of Women Voters of Bucks County.

They demonstrated how to use the website **VOTE411.org**, by which ballot and candidate information, locations of drop boxes, deadline dates, application and ballot tracking, polling locations, and more can be accessed. They also showed how to check online to confirm mail-in voting registration, and where to find information about the candidates.



After the presentation, the team graciously stayed to assist anyone who wanted to check their current voting method or to register for mail-in voting. What was continuously stressed is that our (Pennsylvania's) in-person or mail-in voting process is **SECURE!!!**



Following the LWV was a Jeopardy-style fun rendition of "Sing the Lyrics" game, that challenged our memories while brightening our day. Led by Dave Bailey, Sales Director at The Remington of Yardley, each table-team enjoyed the friendly competition and the opportunity to show off their vocal abilities and song lyric knowledge. Such great fun!



Today's Country	Sinatra	The 60's	More Sinatra	Rock Hits
100	100	100	100	100
200	200	200	200	200
300	300	300	300	300
400	400	400	400	400
500	500	500	500	500
Team 1 Team 2 Team 3				



Reminder - our Monthly Meet & Greet events occur every second Tuesday of the month (except for July, August, and December) at 9:45 AM in the Lower Makefield Community Center (1550 Oxford Valley Road, Yardley, PA). Each gathering includes a brief business meeting, an inspiring guest speaker or program, and ends with a delicious light lunch.

WHAT'S GOING ON – COMMUNITY EVENTS

BOLD AS BRASS

Saturday, October 3rd – 2:00PM

Three local musicians demonstrate four different brass instruments – trumpet, French horn, tuba, and trombone – and explain how they work, followed by a performance of favorites. (Come early - limited seating.)

Yardley-Makefield Library

1080 Edgewood Road, Yardley PA

HISTORIC FALLSINGTON DAY

Saturday, October 10th – 10:00AM - 4:30PM

Free annual community festival celebrating the village's colonial history with open houses, food, crafts, demonstrations, and entertainment. Stop in at the Fallsington Library for book sale and thrift shop.

Yardley Avenue, Fallsington PA

SCARECROWS IN THE VILLAGE

Through October 26th

Over 100 scarecrows line the brick pathways of autumn-tinted Peddler's Village. Some are inspired by famous characters, some are humorous or scary, but all are handmade by area residents and organizations. Come vote for your favorites.

Peddler's Village

Route 202/Street Road, Lahaska PA

50th ANNUAL HISTORIC BRISTOL DAY

Saturday, October 17th

10:00AM – 4:00PM

Come for a day of fun. The event includes entertainment, historical tours, crafters and vendors, an amazing car show, a sailing regatta, an antique boat show, children's activities and a food court by the lovely Delaware River.

Mill & Radcliffe Streets, Bristol PA

CRAFTS IN THE MEADOW

Saturday, October 17th - 10:00AM-5:00PM

Sunday, October 18th - 10:00AM-4:00PM

A fine art and craft event showcasing excellence in craftsmanship, alongside a festive weekend of live music, performing arts, and refreshments. Over 130 fine artisans will be featured, with demonstrations, live music, great food, and plenty of fun for kids too!

Tickets: \$10 (cash only)

Tyler State Park Center for the Arts

10 Stable Mill Road, Richboro PA

HOLLY NIGHTS – 50th ANNIVERSARY

Thursday, December 3rd, Friday, December 4th

6:00PM-9:00PM

Come and experience the enchantment of Pennsbury Manor by candlelight. Enjoy crackling bonfires, the merry sound of carolers, candlelit tours of the Manor House, colonial craft demonstrations, and a visit from Father Christmas himself!

Tickets: \$8 child/\$14 senior/\$16 adult

Pennsbury Manor

400 Pennsbury Memorial Road, Morrisville PA

<https://pennsburymanor.org/events/>