



**Geneva Township
Center**

400 Wheeler Drive
Geneva, IL 60134
630/232-3602

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Geneva Township Officials

- J. Patrick Jaeger, Supervisor
- Sharon Brazill, Trustee
- John Connolly, Trustee
- Robert Kovacs, Trustee
- Dick Sharp, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



Important Dates

Holiday Show Practice	12/3
Computer Workshop	12/4, 12/11
Holiday Decorating	12/6
Movies	12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28
Bears Games	12/9, 12/30
Hearing Screening	12/10
Ladies Holiday Tea	12/14
Holiday Show	12/16
Pat's Chat Brunch	12/17
Book Club	12/18
Center CLOSED	12/24, 1/1/13
Center Special Hours	12/25

December

2012



The Center Newsletter

**Kick Start Your Celebration at the 3rd Annual Center
Holiday Show**

A tradition was born two years ago when the first member-produced holiday show debuted at the Center. On **Sunday, December 16 at 1:30 pm** you'll be treated to another unique show with some of your talented friends who are ready to warm your heart with song, dance, and humor. Save the date for this fun-filled holiday afternoon! Back by popular demand is a sing-along with some of your favorite holiday tunes; bring your enthusiastic voices. Word has it that a special guest may be in attendance, too. Light refreshments will be served in the dining room after the show. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to reserve your seat. Please enter the building through the porch double-doors on the day of the show. The front and side entrances will be "exit only" that day.

***IMPORTANT HOLIDAY SHOW REHEARSAL*
MONDAY, DEC. 3RD AT 3:00PM**

Center Holiday Schedule

The Center will be closed on **Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24** and **New Years Day, January 1, 2013**. However, the Center doors will be open on **Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25 from 12:30 - 3:30** if you'd like to stop by and share some Christmas cheer. An informal lunch and dessert will be served in the dining room. As always, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be available. The pool table and computers are available for your use, too. If you think you might stop by, let Sheri know so we'll be sure to have enough lunch for everyone.

Food Pantry Donation Thank You

If you attended the packed November concert at the Center with Maureen Christine you can attest to how enjoyable the program was that evening. Ticket sales from the event raised **\$210** for the **St. Peter Community Food Pantry**. The pantry serves 275 Fox Valley families twice a month and the number climbs to 300+ during the holidays. Thank you for your generosity!

Any Questions? Call Director Sheri McMurray at 630-232-3602

Mission Statement

The mission of the Geneva Township Center shall be to act as the primary community resource to serve all citizens of Geneva Township by enriching the social and intellectual life of our older adults; helping our older adults contribute to the well being of our community as effective and useful citizens of the township; helping those approaching or in retirement to plan appropriately; organizing community interest in improving the overall climate of living for our older residents; decreasing the sense of isolation and dependence that often accompanies old age; and, helping our older adults meet practical problems attendant with aging.

Help Create the Mood!

Trees, wreaths, lights, poinsettias, menorah, ornaments... we have them all! If you'd like to help create that warm glow at the Center this holiday season, join us on **Thursday, December 6th at 1:00pm**. It's always more fun to deck the halls with a group. No need to sign up. Refreshments will be provided for the "elves".



Go Big, Go Chicago Bears!

The Center will be open two days this month for the very popular Bears Sunday! Come to this casual get-together where you can watch the game on one of the 4 big screens, have lunch, play pool or cards, and catch up with friends. If you haven't attended one of the Center football parties yet, why not join us on one or both Sundays. The doors will open at **11:45 on Sunday, December 9 (Minnesota Vikings) and Sunday, December 30 (Detroit Lions)**. The Center will provide a main course entrée and drinks. If you're able, please bring an appetizer, side, or dessert to share. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.



Don't Miss the Holiday Tea

The December **Ladies Tea** scheduled for **Friday, December 14 at 11:00** is one of those must attend events. The committee has been busy planning a wonderful holiday celebration. Small sandwiches, fruit, and pastries will accompany your tea. Bring a gift (no more than \$10) and we'll have a fun exchange. You'll sip your tea with holiday music softly playing in the background. Sound good? Our intimate holiday tea is limited to the first 40 Center women who sign up. Call the Center soon at 630/232-3602 to make your reservation.

December Meals at the Center

If shopping and holiday decorating is keeping you too busy to cook this month, why not sign up for lunch at the Center. Chicken Pot Pie, Salisbury Steak, Sliced Ham and Au Gratin Potatoes are a few of the choices. There's fruit or dessert at each meal, too. Check out all the meal options on the newsletter insert or stop by the Center and pick up a copy. Reservations are now being accepted for every lunch meal in December. The midday meal on **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday is served from 11:30-12:15**. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 and we'll reserve your lunch. **You must call by 9:00 am two days in advance to reserve a meal...** walk-ins can only be accommodated after registered diners are served. A free-will donation is accepted at each meal. Don't be disappointed; call early to sign up for your favorite, special meal! If you're able, please call if you can't make it. We have a waiting list most days.

Pat's Chat Brunch in December

Ever wondered about a Center activity listed on the calendar every Monday at 9:30 called **Pat's Chat**? Who is Pat and why is he chatting? Pat is a Center member (a guy) who inspired a Monday morning "coffee klatch" for the lack of a better term. The group (mostly men) gets together informally in the dining room on Monday to have coffee and visit. It's a great way to meet some of the Center "guys" if you're a new member. Sometimes the group retires to the porch to shoot some pool. On **Monday, December 17 at 9:30am** a holiday brunch will be served for men attending Pat's Chat. If you're new or just haven't yet attended this Monday morning group; give it a try. Reservations are required for the brunch. Call the Center at 630/232-3602.



FREE Tickets for U.S. Air Force Band Holiday Concert

On **Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 pm** the **United States Air Force Band of Mid America** will present a holiday concert at the Norris Cultural Arts Center in St. Charles. The Center has 12 FREE tickets for the "Together for the Holidays" concert. If you're interested in attending, call or stop by the Center to request a ticket.

Hearing Screening Resumes

On **Monday, December 10 at 9:30am** a professional audiologist from **Geneva Hearing Services** will be at the Center for hearing screenings. This complimentary service is available on the 2nd Monday each month at 9:30am. No appointment is necessary.

Book Club Choice for December

The Farm on Nippersink Creek is the **Book Club** choice this month. The author, **Jim May**, founded the Illinois Storytelling Festival. He writes stories of his youth, growing up in the rural Midwest between the Truman and the JFK eras. Due to holiday scheduling the club will meet this month on **Tuesday, December 18 at 10:00am**. In January, it will resume meeting on the last Tuesday of the month.

Computer Workshop Changes

Ken Johnson's Tuesday computer class will meet **ONLY on December 4 & 11 at 9:30** this month. On Tuesday, December 11 Ken will feature a workshop on iPads and other tablet devices. If you have one, please bring it with you. The class will resume meeting every Tuesday at 9:30 am in January.

Winter Caution

Our weather has been pretty mild so far... it's only a matter of time though before we are confronted with cold and maybe even snow. The Center will endeavor to keep the parking lot and walks clean and free of snow and ice. Use caution when you're walking from your car to the building and use the walk whenever possible. Drive cautiously in the lot; we have more and more vehicles each day. Please let Center staff know if slippery areas outside need to be addressed. We want you to be safe!

Daily Drop-In Activities

The following activities are available whenever the Center is open, **Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30**. It's all free; **no need to sign up!**

- **Billiards:** 8-ball and 9-ball, on the porch when the porch is not scheduled for other activities. The players tend to gather Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Also, you can always practice solo.
 - **Bocce Ball:** The court is outdoors, along the Southeast side of the building, (seasonal).
 - **Refreshments, free anytime:** hot coffee, sweet rolls, granola bars etc.
 - **Magazines:** the latest are in the lounge area.
 - **Newspapers:** Daily Herald, Chronicle, Tribune, Wall Street Journal. New every day.
 - **Jigsaw Puzzles:** One is always underway and anyone can help solve it.
 - **Games:** Bridge, card bingo, pinochle, poker, cribbage, train dominoes, chess, mah jongg and other board games.
 - **55" Big Screen TV:** When the TV room is not otherwise in use, you can watch our movies or bring in one of your own.
 - **Computer Access:** Drop by and log on.
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Coming Soon...

Knitting Group

Art Insights Program

Super Bowl Party

Any other ideas? Let us know!





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smcmurray@genevatownship.com

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FRIDAY MOVIES @ 1:00 PM



ON THE BIG SCREEN!

Friday, December 7
Men in Black 3 (2012)
Rated PG-13 (1:46)

Starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones

Agents J and K are back in time. When K's life and the fate of the planet are put at stake, Agent J will have to travel back in time to put things right. J discovers that there are secrets to the universe that K never told him.

Friday, December 14
Grumpy Old Men (1993)
Rated PG-13 (1:44)

Starring Walter Matthau & Jack Lemmon

A holiday comedy classic ...**Jack Lemmon** is John Gustafson, an ice-fishing Minnesota native who has been feuding with his neighbor and former best friend Max Goldman (**Walter Matthau**) for decades. Despite their mutual loathing, the death of a friend, John's problems, and a budding romance between Max's son Jacob and Melanie may force the two old friends to reconcile.

Friday, December 21
Miracle on 34th St. (1947)

Maureen O'Hara, John Payne, and Natalie Wood

A winner of 5 Academy Awards... It's the story of what takes place in New York City following Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, as people are left wondering whether or not a department store Santa might be the real thing.

DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES

Services are free of charge to Geneva Township residents age 55+!

- Hearing Screen (2nd Monday)
- RTA Senior Citizen Fare I.D. Photos & Cards. (Age 65+ only!) One stop. (\$5.00 charge for non-residents)
- Personal Document Shredding
- File of Life
- Notary Service (No Cook County real estate docs.)
- Well-Being Check
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker (every Wednesday)
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Computer class (every Tuesday morning)
- Daily Refreshments and Snacks.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic
- Lunches
- Computer Access

Friday, December 28
Hope Springs (2012)
Rated PG-13 (1:40)

Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones, Steve Carell

After thirty years of marriage, a middle-aged couple attends an intense, week-long counseling session to work on their relationship.