



Geneva Township Center

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Geneva, IL 60134
630/232-3602
Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

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Important Dates

Friday Movies	9/4, 11, 18, 25
CENTER CLOSED	9/7
Topics	9/9
Arts Interest Group	9/11
<i>Oklahoma!</i> at the Paramount	9/16
Ladies Tea	9/18
Halloween Craft	9/21
Fall River Cruise	9/24
Book Club	9/29
FREE Flu Shot	10/12
<i>King and I</i>	5/2016

September

2015



The Center Newsletter

Fall River Cruise on the Fox

On **Thursday, September 24th** we'll meet at Pottawatomie Park in St. Charles at 12:15; leaving the dock at 12:30 for a 1 ½ hour private cruise & lunch on a St. Charles Paddle-wheel Riverboat. We're hoping to see some autumn colors. The 65 foot riverboats have been cruising north up the Fox River past several parks and forest preserves since 1945. The lower deck is enclosed and you can also venture to the upper deck for a different view. The boats are not air conditioned or heated, but generally sail, rain or shine. There's a restroom onboard. During our private



2013 Fox River Cruise

cruise, we'll enjoy a buffet lunch of southern pan fried chicken, potato salad, hot baked beans, coleslaw, rolls, cake and ice cream, and coffee and lemonade. The cost of the riverboat cruise and lunch is \$19. We need a minimum of 30 members for this event. Don't miss this adventure... contact the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

Halloween Door Hanger Craft

Get into the spirit! On **Monday, September 21 at 10:30am** come and create a fun wooden door hanger for Halloween with Center member **Kathie Spangler**. Kathie is an enthusiastic crafter and Halloween lover! There is no charge for this craft but please register so we have enough materials. The hanger can look like a door or window with fun embellishments.

Oklahoma! Reminder

If you reserved a ticket to Jeff Award nominated **Paramount Theater's** production of Rogers and Hammerstein's **Oklahoma!** our coach bus will leave the Center on **Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 12:30**. This trip is FULL. If you haven't yet paid for the cost of the trip or touched base with the Center office, please do so no later than **Wednesday, September 9**.

Labor Day Holiday

The Center will be closed on **Monday, September 7** to observe **Labor Day**.

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.

Topics Group

A quote by Plato may say it best... "Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." Has music influenced your life? Have your musical tastes changed? Big Band, Folk, Jazz, Rock & Roll or Hip Hop... what's your pleasure? Come and bring back some memories. Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, September 9th @ 1:00** to join the discussion. This coed group welcomes all participants and opinions!



Try Lunch at the Center

Join us for a lunch meal at the Center on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday beginning at 11:30...**new menu items** and Cindy's salad bar get great reviews! **Cheesy Denver Eggs, Swiss Pork Riblet, Surimi Crab Salad, and Cheesy Chicken Casserole** are options this month. To ensure that we order enough meals to accommodate all those who wish to dine with us, **please make a reservation for each day that you'd like to have lunch.** At least a two-day notice is preferable. A menu calendar is included in your newsletter and extra copies are available in the dining room. You may make reservations for an entire month at a time. Walk-ins are welcome to join us after all registered diners have been served.

Join the Readers

On **Tuesday, September 29 @10:00am** the Center **Book Club** will gather and discuss *Atonement* by **Ian McEwan**. On a hot summer day in 1935, thirteen-year-old Briony Tallis witnesses a moment's flirtation between her older sister, Cecilia, and Robbie Turner, the son of a servant and Cecilia's childhood friend. But Briony's incomplete grasp of adult motives—together with her precocious literary gifts—brings about a crime that will change all their lives. Join the club this month; new readers are always welcome.

Bingo Change in September

Bingo will be held on **Wednesday, September 23 at 12:30** this month instead of the usual 3rd Wednesday. We'll resume the normal schedule in October.

NEW Time for Friday Exercise

Beginning on **Friday, September 11**, the **Stretch and Balance Class** has a new meeting time of 10:15 am. If you aren't a current class member, think about joining. Class registration forms are available at the Center.

Candy Corn Ladies Tea

The three colors of candy corn - a broad yellow end, a tapered orange center, and a pointed white tip - mimic the appearance of kernels of corn. It's a lot sweeter though! Don't miss this wonderful monthly event. We'll return to our tea cups in September. On **Friday, September 18 at 11:00** join us in the dining room for some hot tea, sandwiches, and sweets. New Center ladies are encouraged to join us; it's a great way to meet people in a relaxed, unhurried atmosphere. We can accommodate the first 48 reservations. Call 630/232-3602 early to sign up. Tea committee sign-ups for 2015 continue. We need committees for October and November. Get your friends together and contact the Center office to sign up. Or, we will help individual members form a group. The costs associated with the Tea are covered by the Center.

Arts Interest Group

The Center Arts Interest Group will meet on **Friday, September 11 @ 11:15am** to review upcoming arts opportunities for fall and winter. Join this group and contribute your ideas for theater, music, visual art, or any other arts-related opportunities. All are welcome.

The King and I

Due to the enthusiastic response of members to an opportunity to see *The King and I* at the Lyric Opera in Chicago for a matinee performance on **May 5, 2016**, we've reserved 25 tickets on the main floor for this production. Only 7 tickets remain... A ticket and round-trip luxury coach bus transportation from the Center will cost \$75. We will accept payment in two installments. In order to hold your reservation, please mail or drop off a deposit of \$37.50 (1/2 of the total cost) to the Center no later than Wednesday, September 30th. Cash or checks made out to Geneva Township will be accepted. The final payment of \$37.50 is due no later than April 5, 2016 (one month prior to the show). If you want to join the fun, please call the Center.

FREE Flu Shot Clinic on Columbus Day

Geneva Township is once again sponsoring a free flu shot clinic. The clinic is scheduled for **Monday, Oct. 12 (Columbus Day)** from **9:00 to 12:00 noon**. Nurses from the **Visiting Nurses Association of Fox Valley (VNA)** will administer the shots. Seniors signed up for Medicare Part B will have the cost of their flu shots covered by Medicare. Please bring your Medicare card. Geneva Township will pay the cost of the flu shot for any Geneva Township resident age 55+ not covered by Medicare Part B. For all others the cost of the flu shot is \$25.00. Any payment must be by cash or check only. Seniors who need transportation to the Center should contact Sheri by October 1st. As always, free refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, please contact the Center at 630-232-3602.

Golden Diners Needs Volunteers

Have you been looking for a volunteer opportunity close to home? The Golden Diners needs volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors in St. Charles, Geneva, and Batavia. Deliveries occur Monday-Friday from 10am – noon. Volunteers may help one day or more per month. Another opportunity exists at our Center... help with lunch set-up, serving, and clean-up on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday during the hours of 9:30am – 1:00pm. If you're interested, please contact Kathy at Golden Diners at 630/232-6676.

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.
 - **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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Springfield Update

Meeting with **State Senator Karen McConaughay** in August, Center members proved that they are well informed about current issues and eager to add to their knowledge. Senator McConaughay shared information about the budget impasse in Springfield and some of the public policy implications going forward. It was a very interesting and enlightening discussion.

MOVIES continued from last page...

SEPTEMBER 25

Far From the Madding Crowd (2015)

Rated PG-13 (2 Hours)

This timeless story of Bathsheba's choices and passions explores the nature of relationships and love- as well as the human ability to overcome hardships through resilience and perseverance.



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SEPTEMBER 2015



**FRIDAY MOVIES @ 1:00 PM
ON THE BIG SCREEN!
WITH POPCORN!**

****NEW****

If you plan to attend one or more of the Friday movies, please make a reservation by calling the Center office at 630/232-3602.

SEPTEMBER 4
Young@Heart (2007)
Rated PG (1:48 Hours)

A great feel good movie! The Young@Heart Chorus is a vocal group from Northampton, MA, who have earned an international reputation for their unique interpretations of songs by Sonic Youth, the Ramones, and the Clash. However, this isn't a teenage garage band attacking the classic punk rock songbook -- the Young@Heart Chorus is comprised of 22 senior citizens whose average age is 80. Thank you to **Dick and Cynthia Floyd** for sharing this documentary with us.

SEPTEMBER 11
The Age of Adaline (2015)
Rated PG-13 (1:52 Hours)

Starring Blake Lively, Harrison Ford, Ellen Burstyn
After miraculously remaining 29-years-old for almost eight decades, Adaline Bowman has lived a solitary existence, never allowing herself to get close to anyone who might reveal her secret. But a chance encounter with charismatic philanthropist Ellis Jones reignites her passion for life and romance.

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

SEPTEMBER 18
All the King's Men (1949)
Rated PG (1:49 Hours)
Starring Broderick Crawford

Based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Robert Penn Warren, *All the King's Men* is inspired by the career of Louisiana governor Huey Long.

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