



**Geneva Township
Senior Center**

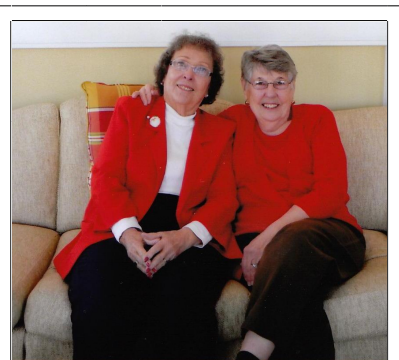
400 Wheeler Drive
Geneva, IL 60134
630/232-3602

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



Friends...

Important Dates

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| Groundhog Breakfast | 2/2 |
| Ladies Tea | 2/4 & 2/18 |
| Super Bowl Party | 2/6 |
| AARP Tax Prep Begins | 2/8 |
| Free Lunch | 2/11 |
| Beginning Computer | 2/15 |
| Center Closed | 2/21 |
| Beach Frame Craft | 2/25 |

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Senior Center Newsletter

GROUNDHOG DAY CELEBRATION

Weather prognostication is certainly not an exact science! The groundhog may be as good as the local weatherman when he emerges from his burrow on February 2 to a cloudy or sunny day. If it's cloudy, folklore says the groundhog will leave its burrow and we'll have an early spring. However, on a sunny day the groundhog should see its shadow and return to the burrow with six more weeks of winter.



Cloudy or not, enjoy a **continental breakfast of pastries, fruit, and coffee from 9:00-10:00 on Tuesday, February 2** in honor of the groundhog! Give Sheri a call at 630/232-3602 if you can make it. At **10:00 am** that same day, we'll show the classic comedy, *Groundhog Day*, on the big screen in the meeting room. Many outdoor scenes in the movie were filmed in Woodstock, Illinois.

AARP TAX APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE

Let us make an appointment for you to have your 2010 tax return completed by one of the AARP volunteer tax preparers. Beginning **Tuesday, February 8**, appointments are available from **10:00 am – 3:00 pm**. Tax preparation will continue every **Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 – 3:00**. **Appointments are required**. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to reserve a time.

SUPER BOWL AT THE CENTER

The Center will be open for the Super Bowl (Packers vs. Steelers) on **Sunday, Feb. 6 at 5:45 pm**. Kick-off is at 6:00. Come enjoy some refreshments and watch the game on three screens! Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you'll attend.

The Center will be closed on Monday, February 21 to observe Presidents' Day

To Reach Director Sheri McMurray call 1-630-232-3602

Mission Statement

The mission of the Geneva Township Senior 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.

HEALTH CHECKS

Take advantage of **hearing and blood pressure checks** at the Center. **Hearing screenings** are done on the 2nd Monday of the month (**February 14**) at **9:30**. **Blood pressure** is taken on the 4th Wednesday (**February 23**) at **11:00**. No appointment is necessary.

LUNCH AND BINGO FUN

Don't forget lunch and bingo on the third Wednesday (**February 16**, this month). Prizes!! The lunch menu is on the back of the Center calendar. Call at least 2 days in advance and we'll sign you up for lunch; we serve from 11:30-12:15. **Bingo starts at 12:30**. Call the Center for your lunch reservation at 630/232-3602.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY 8-BALL TOURNEY

Mark Friday, March 17... you'll play with a partner as a team. Men **and** women can sign up starting Monday, February 28. Prizes! Watch next month's Newsletter for more details.

CHECK OUT OUR *NEW*

BEGINNING COMPUTER CLASS

If you're looking for a good beginning computer class with strong fundamentals, this might be the class for you! Take advantage of the Center's computers and **Richard Schrank's** instruction in this four week class that will begin **Tuesday, February 15 and meet from 10:30-11:30**. The remaining classes will meet on **February 22, March 1, and March 8** at the same time. **This class is limited to 6 participants**; please sign up early by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

****Please note that the Tuesday computer class currently taught by Ken Johnson will now meet for an hour from 9:30-10:30**. Look for new topic based classes starting in March!

FEBRUARY'S BOOK

The Center book club sits in over stuffed chairs in a comfy corner of the Center to discuss the monthly book. Enjoy a discussion of **The Greatest Thing Since Sliced Bread** by Don Robertson on **Monday, February 28 at 10:30**. Morris Bird III is nine years old. Follow him as he undertakes a journey from one side of Cleveland, OH to the other to find his best friend who moved away.

NEW LADIES TEA

You may be aware that a great group of guys meets in the dining room every Monday morning to have coffee and snacks and discuss all the issues of the day. It's time that the ladies of the Center begin their own group. Join us in the dining room on the **1st and 3rd Friday at 11:00 (February 4th & 18th this month)** for freshly brewed tea and special snacks. A pot full of tea (coffee is available, too!) and tea cups, petit sweets, and wonderful conversation will make this our version of a ladies "high tea". Let us know if you'll be joining us by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

CREATE A BEACH THEMED PICTURE FRAME

Think spring or summer! Sign up to create a one of a kind picture frame decorated with shells or colored stones on **Friday, February 25 at 11:00**. We'll provide a frame and assorted shells and stones. Use a hot glue gun (also provided) to adhere your selected items to the frame in any way you desire – mix and match sizes and colors. For a special touch, sprinkle glitter on the completed project. **There is a \$5 cost for this craft**. Call Sheri at 630/232-3602 if you'd like to sign up.

ANY QUESTIONS? CALL DIRECTOR SHERI MCMURRAY AT 630-232-3602

MEDICATION SECURITY PRESENTATION

Put an early March program on your calendar! On **Tuesday, March 8 at 10:30 a.m.** **Lt. Kevin Williams** of the Kane County Sheriff's Office and **Cherie Aschenbrenner** of the Elgin Police Department will present an educational **TRIAD** program on the importance of taking an inventory of your medications and securing them in a safe place. Refreshments will be served. TRIAD is an organization founded by law enforcement and groups dedicated to older adults. It seeks to prevent seniors from being victimized. Geneva Township was a founding member of the Central Kane County TRIAD. Please let us know if you're interested in attending this program by calling 630/232-3602.

BRIDGE REMINDERS

It's never too late to take advantage of the weekly bridge offerings at the Center. Our Monday program, "Bridge with Lois", meets every **Monday at 1:30 pm** on the porch. **Lois Hoyer's** instruction in February and March will be based on the classic bridge book, "Play of the Hand at Bridge". Don't miss the Monday bridge lesson!

On Tuesday at 12:30, players gather on the porch for an afternoon of fun, informal Chicago-style party bridge. All players are welcome! You don't need to bring a partner. Call Sheri at 630/232-3602 if you have any questions.

TWO SEATINGS FOR FREE

VALENTINE MEAL

Our monthly free lunch for Geneva Township residents 55+ and members of the Center continues to be very, very popular! Our February free meal is a departure from what we have done in the past and we think you'll like the change. Join us for **one** of two seatings (**11:30 or 4:00**) in the dining room on **Friday, February 11** for an early **Valentine's Day** feast from **Little Owl** of roasted top sirloin, twice baked country mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, bread and butter and dessert. Each seating will be limited to 50 people. We hope you'll look forward to this "more intimate" event. As always, please call the Center early at 630/232-3602 to make a reservation.

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 be there Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Also, you can always practice alone.
- **Bocce Ball:** The court is outdoors, along the Southeast side of the building, (seasonal).
- **Refreshments, free anytime:** hot coffee, sweet rolls, granola bars.
- **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.
- **Sony Wii:** bowling, golf, race cars and boxing.
- **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.



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Sign up to receive your newsletter, calendar and menu electronically. Just e-mail a request to Sheri McMurray at: smcmurray@genevatownship.com

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MEMBER MOVIE PICKS

Friday, February 4

The Kids Are All Right

Best Picture Nominee

Friday, February 11

Inception with Clint Eastwood

Best Picture Nominee

Friday, February 18

Toy Story 3

Best Picture Nominee

Friday, February 25

Get Low

with Robert Duvall & Sissy Spacek

See three 2011 Academy Award nominated films! The lights go down and the movie starts at 1:00 pm. Enjoy some popcorn while you watch...



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)
- Free Monthly Lunch and Daily Refreshments
- Free Flu Shot Clinic
- Blood Pressure Check (4th Wednesday)
- Monthly Free Meal

If you have any questions about these free services - or if you would like the Township to add a service to this list, give us a call at 630-232-3602.