



### Geneva Township Center

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

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

### Geneva Township Officials

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March

2013



### The Center Newsletter

#### St. Patrick's Day Pool Tournament and Brunch

Wear your "green" and shamrocks and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Center with an **8-Ball Pool Tournament and Brunch** on **Friday, March 22nd!** A delicious **Egg Harbor** brunch will be served to tournament players starting at 9:45 a.m. The pool tournament will **begin at 11:00.** You'll play with a partner as a team. Teams will be determined after the **sign-up ends on Tuesday, March 19** with a random drawing. **You must register by the 19th to play in the tournament.** PRIZES will be awarded! Sign up **no later than Tuesday, March 19** by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.



#### Elgin Symphony Orchestra (ESO) Trip

On **Sunday, March 10,** a group will travel from the Center to the **Hemmens Cultural Center in Elgin** for the acclaimed trio **Time for Three** as they perform Pulitzer Prize-winner Jennifer Higdon's Concerto 4-3. Conductor Alastair Willis will lead this performance that also includes John Estacio's Spring's Promise and the much loved Symphony No. 5 in E minor by Tchaikovsky. We still have **a few tickets** left for this concert; call **630/232-3602** if you would like us to reserve one for you. The cost for round-trip transportation from the Center and ticket is \$45. We'll depart the Center at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> for the 2:30 p.m. concert.

#### Ladies St. Patrick's Shamrock Tea

Did you know that originally the color associated with Saint Patrick was blue? Over the years the color green and its association with Saint Patrick's Day grew. Green ribbons and shamrocks were worn in celebration of St Patrick's Day as early as the 17th century. On **Friday, March 15 at 11:00,** we'll celebrate "the wearing of the green" at the monthly Ladies Tea with finger sandwiches, treats, and of course, tea. We'll celebrate a little more informally this month. Same great conversation and fun atmosphere... Help us set the mood by wearing "your green". We can accommodate the first 40 reservations. Call 630/232-3602 early to sign up.

#### Important Dates

Movies	3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 4/5
No Computer Workshop	3/5
Elgin Symphony Trip	3/10
Current Events	3/14
Ladies Shamrock Tea	3/15
Knitting Circle	3/21
Pool Tournament & Brunch	3/22
Fiddler on the Roof	3/23
Book Club	3/26
Center CLOSED	3/29

## 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.

## Holiday Closing

The Center will be closed on **Friday, March 29** for the **Spring Holiday**.

## Join the Current Events Discussion Group

Come join the group on **Thursday, March 14 at 1:30 p.m.** to contribute your opinions on the March topic: **“Television’s Influence on Cultural Norms”**. You may recognize the topic from last month’s newsletter. Scheduling conflicts kept some members away in February so we’re repeating the topic. This coed, open-minded group welcomes all opinions. Meet in the social hall for a spirited discussion. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

## *The Widower’s Tale* is March Book Selection

This month’s novel is written by **Julia Glass**. In a historic farmhouse outside Boston, seventy-year-old Percy Darling is settling happily into retirement: reading novels, watching old movies, and swimming naked in his pond. His routines are disrupted, however, when he is persuaded to let a locally beloved preschool take over his barn. Join this coed group in the Social Hall on **Tuesday, March 26 at 10:00 a.m.** for the discussion.

## Computer Workshop Change

**Ken Johnson’s** Tuesday computer class will not meet on **Tuesday, March 5**. Classes will meet on Tuesday, March 12, 19, and 26. Small group classes utilize the big screen TV in the activity room for instruction. Individual help is also available; why not stop by some Tuesday.

## New Lunch Menu Items in March

Our March menu calendar includes some new options this month. Minestrone Soup, Veal Marsala, Roast Turkey, and Ham are among some of the new main course items. There’s fruit or dessert at each meal, too. Reservations are now being accepted for every lunch meal this month. 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 guarantee 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.

## Musical Theater Fans Wanted

**On Saturday, March 23**, the Center Arts Group has planned a trip to the **Paramount Theatre in Aurora** to see **“Fiddler on the Roof”**. We need some more theater enthusiasts to join those who have already signed up; **a minimum of 20 people is necessary for this trip and we haven’t reached 20 yet.** The story of Tevye, a simple and loving milkman, who does everything he can to maintain his family and their religious traditions is a much-loved musical. The all-inclusive cost (round-trip transportation and theater ticket) is \$60. The group will leave the Center at 3:00 p.m. The curtain goes up at 4:00 p.m. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 no later than Friday, March 8 if you’d like to reserve a ticket for this production.

## Knitting Circle Welcomes New Members

Knitting and crocheting has returned to the Center as a scheduled activity. Beginning and experienced members are enjoying this new group. Come see what all the fun is about on **Thursday, March 21 at 1:00pm.** Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have any questions.

## Appointments Still Available for

### Tax Preparation

Don't miss making an appointment for tax preparation at the Center this year. Volunteer AARP preparers are once again at the Center on Tuesday and Thursday each week to help members complete and file their 2012 Federal and IL tax returns. However, our appointment lists are filling up fast. Don't wait until the last minute! AARP volunteers are trained and tested in current tax law using materials from the IRS. They can complete most tax forms including 1040EZ, 1040A, and 1040 with schedules. However, please see a professional tax preparer for complicated returns. For a specific list of tax forms that can be completed by the AARP preparers, please contact the Center. There is no cost for this service. **Appointments are required.** Call 630/232-3602 to make an appointment.

### Newsletter Vacation

If you are planning an extended trip away from home, please call the Center to have your newsletter stopped until you return. Every month, the postal service returns several newsletters to us that aren't deliverable due to a member being temporarily away from home. We remove you from our postal list if your newsletter is returned. Help us save postage costs; we'll be glad to return you to our active list upon your return. If you're away and have computer access, the newsletter is always available at [www.genevatownship.com](http://www.genevatownship.com).

## 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.

### "Pets" of the Month for March



Ty Ty Aceret

Center member, **Rose Aceret**, introduces her good friends, **Ty Ty** and **To To**. Rose reports that her Pomeranians love walks and anyone who will walk them has found "friends for life". Ty and To enjoy going out at night because they sometimes are too busy barking on their days out to complete their "business". Enjoy their fall portraits taken at Peck Farm last October! If you'd like your pet featured in the newsletter, let us know.



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### Save a Stamp

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

## March 2013

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



Friday, March 1

*End of Watch (2012)*

**Rated R (1:50)** for some violence and language

Roger Ebert includes this movie in his Top Ten for 2012...Young Los Angeles police officers Taylor and Zavala patrol the city's meanest streets of south central Los Angeles. The action unfolds through footage from the handheld HD cameras of the police officers, gang members, surveillance cameras, and citizens caught in the line of fire.

Friday, March 8

*Downton Abby (Season 1)*

(1:36)

Come watch **Episodes 3 & 4** of the first season of this critically acclaimed PBS Masterpiece Theater series. This British period drama won't disappoint.

Friday, March 15

*A Late Quartet (2012)*

**Rated R (1:45)** for some language and sexuality

**Starring Philip Seymour Hoffman & Christopher Walken**  
When the beloved cellist of a world-renowned string quartet receives a life changing diagnosis, the group's future suddenly hangs in the balance.

### 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, March 22 & April 5

*Argo (2012)*

**Rated R (2:00)**

**Starring Ben Affleck, Bryan Cranston, Alan Arkin & John Goodman**

**Winner of the Academy Award for Best Picture...**during the Iran hostage crisis, the CIA and Hollywood collaborated in a life-or-death covert operation to rescue six Americans. **Please call to make a reservation for this popular movie.**