



**Geneva Township
Center**

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Geneva, IL 60134
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Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

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November

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The Center Newsletter

Pumpkin Pie Party

Can you ever eat too much pumpkin pie? **NO WAY!** To honor and celebrate Thanksgiving and just to have a good excuse to eat pumpkin pie, we're having a party! We'll have plenty of pumpkin pie and whipped cream on **Monday, November 21 at 2:00pm.** Hot coffee and tea will also be served. Call the Center if you'd like to attend.



Ladies Thanksgiving Tea

On Friday, November 18 at 11:00 Center women are invited to a **Thanksgiving Tea.** Hot tea in china cups and "small bites" will be served. If you're new to the Center, this monthly gathering is a wonderful way to meet other women in an informal, relaxed setting. We can accommodate the first 48 reservations. Call 630/232-3602 early to sign up.

What to Expect When You Turn 65

What happens when you hit that "magic" age of 65? Do you have questions about Medicare, prescription drug plans, and supplemental health insurance. **On Wednesday, November 16 at 9:00 am Betty Erickson** will provide all that information and answer your questions. All members are welcome to attend. Betty is familiar to many as a former staffer for Senior Services Associates, Inc. She now volunteers her time as a SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) counselor. SHIP is a free state-wide program in Illinois that provides counseling for Medicare beneficiaries. Call the Center to register.

Center Closings

The Center will be closed on **Friday, November 11** to observe **Veterans Day.** Thank you, **Veterans,** for keeping our country safe! On **Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th** the Center will be closed for a **Thanksgiving** observance.

Hearing Tests in November

An audiologist from **Geneva Hearing Services** will conduct hearing screenings on **Monday, November 14 at 9:30.** Monthly screenings are normally held on the **2nd Monday at 9:30.**

Important Dates

Friday Movies	11/4, 11/18
Center CLOSED	11/11, 11/24 & 25
Hearing Screen	11/14
Concert Ticket Drawing	11/14
Reaching Age 65 Talk	11/16
<i>Annie @ St. Peter School</i>	11/17
Ladies Thanksgiving Tea	11/18
Pumpkin Pie Party	11/21
Reader's Theater	11/28
Book Club	11/29
Holiday Decorating	11/30
<i>Crazy for You @ Drury Lane</i>	12/1
<i>Phantom of the Opera</i>	1/8
<i>My Fair Lady @ Lyric Opera</i>	5/11

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.

Book Club

A non-fiction novel by **John Berendt**, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*, is the Club's choice in November. It takes two narrative strands and weaves them together to make a single fascinating tale. The first is author John Berendt's loving depiction of the characters and rascals that prowled Savannah, Georgia in the eight years it was his home-away-from-home. Then, on May 2, 1981, the book's second story line commences, when Jim Williams, a wealthy antique dealer and Savannah's host with the most, kills his house helper Danny Hansford. Was it self-defense, as Williams claimed--or murder? Join the discussion on **Tuesday, November 29 @ 10:00.**

Holiday Decorating

If you'd like to help decorate the Center for the holiday season, please join us on **Wednesday, November 30th at 1:00 pm.** We'll provide the tree, decorations, lights, etc. if you can lend some of your decorating creativity. The Center looks so cheerful during the holidays! Enjoy some holiday cookies and coffee, too.



Musical "Annie" Invitation

St. Peter School in Geneva has extended an invitation to members of the Center to be their guests at a performance of the musical "Annie" on **Thursday, November 17 at 12:30** in the St. Peter School Gym located at 1881 Kaneville Rd., Geneva. More than 50 students from 5th – 8th grade are involved with this production lasting an hour and 15 minutes. If you've seen "Annie", you can attest to what a feel-good show it is. Why not spend an enjoyable afternoon with a wonderful group of young people. If you'd like to attend, call the Center at 630/232-3602.

IMPORTANT Theater Updates

If you've already signed up for one of the theatre trips, please see the information below about payment deadlines. Reservations are not confirmed until payment is received and after the deadlines have passed, we will offer any unpaid reservations to waitlisted or other interested members. Refunds for cancelled reservations can only be given if another member is available to fill the spot. If you've signed up for the Drury Lane Theatre trip and haven't called with your entrée choice (details below), please get in touch with the Center office right away. Finally, if you haven't signed up and are interested in attending *Crazy for You* at Drury Lane or *Phantom of the Opera* at the Cadillac Palace Theatre in Chicago, we have a couple of tickets left. **Call the Center at 630/232-3602.** Join us on trips to:

****Drury Lane Theatre on Thursday, December 1** for lunch and the matinee performance of the Gershwin musical comedy *Crazy for You*. A comfortable coach bus will depart the Center at 10:30 am. We'll enjoy lunch prior to the 1:30 show. The meal includes a garden salad, choice of one entrée (traditional roast breast of turkey, gravy, herb stuffing, cranberry sauce OR creamy vegetable lasagna with cheese, carrots, onions, broccoli topped with marinara sauce), dinner rolls, chef's selection of potato, vegetable, dessert, and one non-alcoholic beverage. The cost (round-trip transportation, ticket, and lunch) is \$70. **Total payment (check made out to Geneva Township or cash) and your choice of entrée must be received no later than November 4th.**

****Cadillac Palace Theatre in Chicago on Sunday, January 8, 2017** for a matinee performance of *Phantom of the Opera*. The cost of a ticket in the Dress Circle and round-trip luxury coach transportation is \$93.

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Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to make a reservation. **Payment (check or cash) is due no later than November 15.**

****Chicago Lyric Opera on Thursday, May, 11, 2017** for a weekday matinee of *My Fair Lady*. A waitlist has been started for this sold-out show... The first installment payment of \$37.50 (cash or check) is due **no later than November 30**. Registered members have the option of paying the \$75 cost (round-trip transportation and main floor ticket) in two installments. The remaining payment is due one month prior to the show.

Reader's Theater

On Monday, November 28 at 11:00 am stop in to do a read-through of a funny holiday piece – *The Holiday Letter*. If there's interest, we might perform this short piece for a wider audience in December. Remember, you don't have to memorize any lines! The Center welcomes all interested actors/readers and audience members. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 with any questions.

Kane County Recycling Event

The next Kane County recycling event will take place on **Saturday, November 12 from 8am-12noon at 540 S. Randall Road**. Electronics (now a cost for TVs and computer monitors), book recycling (free), latex paint (cost), and **confidential document shredding (free)** are included in this event.

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.
- **Shuffleboard:** The table is on the porch.
- **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.

Concert Benefits Kane County Child Advocacy Center

Margaret Carlson is a Grammy nominated jazz singer. On **Friday, November 18 at 7:30pm** she'll perform a benefit concert for the **Friends of the Kane County Child Advocacy Center** at the United Methodist Church, 211 Hamilton St. in Geneva. A reception will follow at the Old Towne Pub. Tickets can be reserved for a minimum donation of \$25. The Kane County Child Advocacy Center (a division of the State's Attorney's Office) uses a multi-disciplinary professional team to investigate suspected cases of child physical and sexual abuse – taking legal action against abusers when appropriate. The non-profit **Friends** group made up of volunteers raises funds to address a myriad of other needs that couldn't be met through the Advocacy Center's budget. Principally among them is counseling for the child victims and their families.

A **Friends of Child Advocacy Center** board member, **Jo-Ann O'Neil**, has donated 4 tickets for this concert to the Center. Jo-Ann is also a member of the Center at Geneva Township. Thank you, Jo-Ann! We'll have a drawing for the tickets on **Monday, November 14**. Two members will each win two tickets to the concert. Stop by the Center to enter the drawing. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a ticket, please call Jo-Ann O'Neil at 630/744-9861.



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NOVEMBER 2016



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.

**NOVEMBER 4
MR. CHURCH (2016)
Rated PG-13 (1:44 Hours)
Starring Eddie Murphy**

Based on a true story...When a dying mother and her little girl engage the talented cook Henry Joseph Church, a six-month arrangement extends into a fifteen year one. Mr. Church willingly accepts the responsibility of being the sole bread winner, chef, and teacher of the arts, supporting Charlotte and her mother while creating a genuine loving environment as a member of this unlikely family.

**NOVEMBER 18
THE MEDDLER (2016)
Rated PG (1:43 Hours)
Starring Susan Sarandon**

With a new iPhone, an apartment near the Grove, and a comfortable bank account left to her by her beloved late husband, Marnie Minervini has happily relocated

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
- 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

from New Jersey to Los Angeles to be near her daughter Lori, a successful (but still single) screenwriter, and smother her with motherly love. But when the dozens of texts, unexpected visits, and conversations dominated by unsolicited advice force Lori to draw strict personal boundaries, Marnie finds ways to channel her eternal optimism and forceful generosity to change the lives of others – as well as her own – and find a new purpose in life.