



**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
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- Robert Kovacs, Trustee
- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



**Important Dates**

Center CLOSED	1/1
Bingo	1/2, 15
Friday Movies	1/3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Writers' Group	1/8
Ladies <i>Frozen</i> Tea	1/17
Center CLOSED	1/20
Guys' Lunch	1/22
Book Club	1/28
Super Bowl Party	2/2
AARP Tax Prep Begins	2/4
Cleopatra	2/5
<i>All That Glitters</i>	2/12
Shakespeare Theater Trip	5/10

January

2020



**The Center Newsletter**

**Cleopatra: The Last Pharaoh of Egypt**

She was the most famous female ruler in history. Her story is more amazing and incredible than a fiction author could imagine! On **Wednesday, February 5th at 1:00pm** Martina Mathisen will share Cleopatra's astounding story, audacious spirit, and astonishing guile. In costume and in character, Martina will bring this historical character to life. She gives over 200 interactive, educational entertainment presentations a year. Other characters include Marie Antoinette, Sacagawea, and Mae West. Registration is required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.

**GUYS ONLY LUNCH**

We invite Center men (only the guys, this time) to a special lunch catered by **Gen-Hoe Restaurant** on **Wednesday, January 22 at 12:30**. This Geneva restaurant is a favorite of many. You'll be treated to a buffet in the dining room that will include some delicious menu items! Reservations are required; please call the Center at 630/232- 3602 to register. Seats are limited.

***All That Glitters***

The always interesting Chicago Art Institute's Art Insights Program is coming to the Center again in February. On **Wednesday, February 12 at 10:00 am** the newest program, ***All That Glitters***, will be presented. Jewelry is an important part of human culture serving several purposes that are deeply significant to each of us. Humans wore jewelry before they wore clothes! Early jewelry consisted of vines and flowers often woven into the hair. Over the years, jewelry has become an art form. You'll see how pieces of jewelry are used in art. Seating is limited. To register for this popular presentation, call the Center at 630/232-3602.

**Center Holiday Schedule**

The Center will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2020 (New Year's Day) and Monday, January 20 (Martin Luther King Day observance).

### 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

*Where the Crawdads Sing* by **Delia Owens** is the January selection. For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. In late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Copies of the book have been reserved for Center members at the Geneva Public Library. Ask for one at the library main desk. A discussion of this novel will take place on **Tuesday, January 28 at 10:00**. New readers are always welcome!

### Writers' Group

This month the **Writers' Group** will meet on **Wednesday, January 8 at 10:00 am** due to the New Year's holiday. If you haven't yet joined these creative folks, why not give it a try. They share their written work (sometimes funny and sometimes serious) with fellow members. The group normally meets on the first Wednesday of the month.

### Bingo Schedule Change

Traditional bingo will be played at the Center on **Thursday, January 2 and Wednesday, January 15 at 12:15**. Note the Thursday game this month. Come have some fun and win prizes, too! Let us know if you'd like to come to lunch that day at 11:30.

### AARP Tax Preparation at the Center

Volunteer AARP income tax return preparers are gearing up for a new tax season. Members can make an appointment to meet with a preparer at the Center on Tuesday or Thursday each week. Your 2019 Federal and IL tax returns will be completed and electronically filed. **Appointments are now available for all dates beginning Tuesday, February 4.** Most tax forms including 1040EZ, 1040A, and 1040 with schedules can be completed. **A photo ID (driver's license, State ID, passport), social security card or Individual Taxpayer Identification notice, a copy of last year's tax return, all income documents like W-2's and 1099's, brokerage statements, and any other tax information specific to your situation must be presented at your appointment.** A list of essential documents is available at the Center office. **There is no charge for this service.** Appointments are required. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to make an appointment.

### Super Bowl Party

The Center will open at 4:30 pm on **Sunday, February 2nd** for the **54<sup>th</sup> Annual Super Bowl**. Sandwiches, homemade chili, and drinks will be provided by the Center. If you're able, we're requesting that attendees bring one appetizer, side, or dessert. The game will be shown on 4 screens throughout the Center. You can play pool, poker, or surf the internet, too. Join the fun! Please call the Center to register no later than Monday, Jan. 27th.

### Ladies Frozen Tea

On **Friday, January 17 at 11:00** join us in the Center dining room for the **Ladies Frozen Tea**. Think snow, ice, frigid... Brr! Tea sandwiches, fruit, and petite desserts will be served. Hot tea will warm you up as well! Reservations are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. Please sign-up early; we can only accommodate the first 48 reservations. We're seeking volunteers to be part of our monthly Ladies Tea committees in 2020. The volunteer committees are responsible for the monthly theme, menu planning, and decorating. The Center covers the cost of this event and staff is always available to help with shopping and set-up. Why not join the fun; call the Center to reserve your favorite month.

## MOVIES continued from last page...

JANUARY 24  
AUNTIE MAME (1958)  
(2:23 Hours)

**Starring Rosalind Russell, Forrest Tucker**

Mame is an unconventional individualist socialite from the roaring 20's. When her brother dies, she is forced to raise her nephew Patrick. However, Patrick's father has designated an executor to his will to protect the boy from absorbing too much of Mame's rather unconventional perspective.

JANUARY 31  
HOWARDS END (1992)  
PG (2:22 Hours)

**Starring Anthony Hopkins, Emma Thompson,  
Vanessa Redgrave**

Encounter of three social classes of England at the beginning of the twentieth century: the Victorian capitalists (the Wilcoxes) considering themselves as aristocrats, whose only god is money; the enlightened bourgeois (the Schlegels), humanistic and philanthropic; and the workers (the Bastis), fighting to survive.



### Toy Drive Success!

Thank you to everyone who contributed a new toy or made a cash donation (\$400) that was used to purchase toys for the Center's toy drive. A total of 127 toys were collected! Our *Share the Warmth* group sewed an additional 125 soft, colorful, stuffed animals! All of the toys were delivered to the Salvation Army for distribution to needy families in this area.

### 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.
- **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.

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### As You Like It Reminder

Registration continues for our trip to the **Chicago Shakespeare Theater** on Navy Pier on **Sunday, May 10** for a matinee production of *As You Like It*. We'll leave the Center mid-day to travel by luxury coach bus to Chicago. The cost for a ticket, transportation, and a box lunch is \$75. The payment due date and additional details will be included in a future newsletter.



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[smcmurray@genevatownship.com](mailto:smcmurray@genevatownship.com)

## JANUARY 2020



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

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.

**JANUARY 3**

**JUDY (2019)**

**Rated PG-13 (1:58 Hours)**

**Starring Renee Zellweger**

Set in late 1968 and early 1969, the movie portrays Judy Garland hustling in swinging London after she successfully secures a five-week engagement in Talk of the Town. Behind the scenes, she battles her own management and prepares to fight her ex-husband and ex-manager, Sidney Luft, in court for custody of their children.

**JANUARY 10**

**SPLENDOR IN THE GRASS (1961)**

**(2 Hours)**

**Starring Natalie Wood, Warren Beatty**

Bud (Warren Beatty) and his high school sweetheart, Deanie (Natalie Wood), are weighed down by their parents' oppressive expectations, which threaten the future of their relationship.

### **DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES**

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

- Hearing Screen (Quarterly)
- 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
- Daily Refreshments and Snacks.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic
- Lunches
- Computer Access

**JANUARY 17**

**AD ASTRA (2019)**

**Rated PG-13 (2:03 Hours)**

**Starring Brad Pitt, Tommy Lee Jones**

Astronaut Roy McBride undertakes a mission across an unforgiving solar system to uncover the truth about his missing father and his doomed expedition that now, 30 years later, threatens the universe.

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