



**Geneva Township
Senior Center**

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

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

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Senior Center Newsletter

NEW!

THREE SEATINGS FOR MARCH FREE MEALS

We hope you enjoyed the changes in the free meal program in February. The option of lunch or an early dinner coupled with fewer diners at each seating seemed to create a more upscale experience. We hope so! We've planned one additional change for March that may help us accommodate those individuals that would have been waitlisted in the past. Details of the three meals are included below. On a first come first served basis **starting Thursday, March 3**, Geneva Township residents 55+ and members of the Center may call to sign up for *only one seating at only one of the three meals*. In order to be fair to all our membership, we will not be able to take your reservation prior to the 3rd day of the month. Each seating is limited to 50 people.

- **Friday, March 11 at 10:30** we'll have a **FREE spring brunch** catered by **Egg Harbor** with their delicious cinnamon roll French toast, bacon & sausage, and fresh fruit. Note *there is only one seating for the brunch*.
- **Monday, March 21 at 11:30 or 4:00** we'll celebrate a belated **St. Patrick's Day** with a **FREE traditional Irish stew**, soda bread, salad, and dessert from **Little Owl**. Be sure to designate your preferred time.

Seating is on a first come first served basis. We'll continue to try new and different ways to make your meal experience more enjoyable!

TRIAD PRESENTATION IS AN EYE OPENER

Medication security and disposal is something many of us take for granted... don't miss this presentation on **Tuesday, March 8 at 10:30** where you'll learn the ABCs of securing and taking inventory of medications that could easily fall into the hands of children and other family members – even your own grandchildren. Abuse of prescription medication is rampant among young people and 70% of children who abuse prescription drugs get them from family and friends. This **short presentation** will give you the tools to stay in control. Don't miss it! Refreshments will be served. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

Important Dates

Ladies Tea	3/4 & 3/18
TRIAD Program	3/8
History Center Talk	3/9
FREE Brunch	3/11
Watercolor Demo	3/16
Pool Tourney	3/17
FREE St. Pat's Meal	3/21
Bird House Craft	3/25

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.

WATERCOLOR DEMO PART II

Don't miss Part II of **Dave Reichert's** watercolor demonstration! On **Wednesday, March 16 @ 10:00 am**, Dave will walk you through the completion of his painting started during the first demo. If you missed the first demonstration, you can still pick up some valuable tips in this session. All are welcome! Stay tuned for future sessions by Dave devoted to various artistic mediums. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you're able to join us on March 16.

BOOK CLUB CHOICE FOR MARCH

A classic novella is the March book club choice. **Of Mice and Men** by Nobel Prize-winning author **John Steinbeck** was published in 1937. It tells the tragic story of George Milton and Lennie Small, two displaced migrant ranch workers during the Great Depression in California. Join the club at the Center on **Monday, March 28 @ 10:30** to discuss **Of Mice and Men**.

NEW COMPUTER WORKSHOPS IN MARCH

Take advantage of a series of computer workshops planned for the Tuesday computer class that meets **every Tuesday from 9:30-10:30**. **Ken Johnson** will teach five workshops in March focusing on computer file organization, security and safety, spreadsheets, and word processing. This series will provide some good fundamental knowledge that may be new to some or serve as a refresher for others. See the schedule below for specifics... no sign-up is necessary. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

Tuesday, March 1	Organizing Your Computer
Tuesday, March 8	Computer Security and Safety
Tuesday, March 15	Spreadsheets, Part I
Tuesday, March 22	Spreadsheets, Part II
Tuesday, March 29	Word Processing

PAINTED BIRD HOUSES ANNOUNCE SPRING

The weather has certainly been a topic of conversation – and not in a good way! Take a break from all that winter weather talk to paint and decorate a wooden bird house in bright, cheerful colors on **Friday, March 25 at 11:00**. Center member, **Joni Salsinger**, will show you how to create this fun craft. An example is being showcased in the Center office. The bird house, paints, brushes, etc. will be provided. There is a **cost of \$4** to cover your materials for this craft. Please sign up early; we can only accommodate the first 12 people. You can reach the Center at 630/232-3602.

COMING IN APRIL...

Art Show on Friday, April 8th A group of our own talented Center artists showcase their work at an afternoon event.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY POOL TOURNAMENT SIGN-UP



Wear your "green" and shamrocks and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Center with an 8-Ball Pool Tournament! The tournament will **start at 1:00 pm on Thursday, March 17**. You'll play with a partner as a team. Teams will be determined after the **sign-up ends on Monday, March 14**. PRIZES will be awarded! Also, you can enjoy lunch before the tournament; served in the dining room from 11:30-12:15. Sign-up for lunch and/or pool **no later than Monday, March 14** by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

Any Questions? Call Director Sheri McMurray at 630-232-3602

LADIES ENJOYING TEA

Ladies Tea is a hit! If you missed the first two tea parties, don't despair. Due to the great response, we'll continue to meet on the **first and third Fridays at 11:00 (March 4th & 18th this month)** for tea, refreshments, and wonderful conversation. Enjoy regular or decaf tea... it's more festive with teapots, tea cups, and sugar cubes. We'll also be serving "special" treats to accompany your tea. Coffee is served, too! If you have a favorite tea, please let Sheri know and she'll add it to the menu. On selected Fridays, an activity may be offered during tea; on March 4th we'll create Easter fabric plates and on March 18th come learn to make a unique bow using pages from a magazine. All materials will be provided. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 and let us know if you'll attend one or both tea times.

TAX APPOINTMENTS

If you haven't already made an appointment to have an AARP tax preparer complete your tax return, call the Center soon and schedule a time. Appointment times are available on **Tuesday and Thursday each week through April 14** and some dates are beginning to fill up. Appointments are required. When you come for your appointment, please remember to bring any documents necessary to complete your tax return. A partial list is included below but this list is not intended to represent everything that might be necessary to complete your return. **New this year, please bring a photo ID (driver's license or state ID) and the original or a copy of your Social Security card.** These documents are needed for both individuals if it's a joint return. In addition, for a joint return, both people must be present at the appointment to sign the return.

Copy of 2009 tax return

W-2 forms from each employer

All 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-misc., etc.) showing interest and/or dividends as well as documentation showing the original purchase price of your sold assets

If you were paid Social Security benefits, bring your SSA-1099

If you received a pension or annuity, bring your 1099R

All forms indicating federal income tax paid

If itemizing deductions, bring all receipts or canceled checks for items such as medical expenses, taxes paid, mortgage interest paid, and charitable contributions

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.

COMING IN APRIL...

Memory "101" on Tuesday, April 26 @ 1:00



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MEMBER MOVIE PICKS

Friday, March 4

The Time Traveler's Wife

Friday, March 11

Red

Friday, March 18

Secretariat

Friday, March 25

*Wall Street: Money
Never Sleeps*

The audience is growing for the Friday movie... don't miss the fun! Spend a relaxing afternoon with friends watching some great movies on the Big Screen sitting in our "movie seats" and munching popcorn.



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.