



**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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- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Dick Sharp, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



SPRING IS COMING!

Important Dates

Friday Movies	3/7, 14, 21, 28
Card Craft	3/10
Topics	3/12
Ladies Tea	3/14
Guys' Pool Tourney & Lunch	3/17
Rivers Casino Trip	3/18
Book Club	3/25
Drink Coaster Craft	3/28
Shedd Aquarium Trip	4/28

March

2014



The Center Newsletter

Rivers Casino Trip on March 18

We have had a tremendous response to the Rivers Casino trip – even before a date was announced! Only a few spots are left. The Center will provide luxury round-trip coach transportation from the Center to **Rivers Casino in Des Plaines on Tuesday, March 18**. The bus will depart the Center at 9:00am. We'll leave Rivers Casino at 3:00pm for the return trip. The cost of transportation is \$10. Lunch is on your own and available onsite. The *Canopy Restaurant* offers a \$15 buffet.

To confirm your registration and save your bus seat, we must receive your \$10 transportation charge no later than Wednesday, March 12. After March 12 we will cancel all unpaid registrations and make them available to any individuals on the waitlist. In addition to your transportation cost, please leave a number for your cell phone so Center staff can contact you, if necessary, on the day of the trip. Call the Center with any questions at 630/232-3602.

Guys' St. Patrick's Day Pool Tournament and Lunch

Calling all **Leprechauns (Guys Only)**! Wear your "green" and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Center with an **8-Ball Pool Tournament and Lunch on Monday, March 17th**. The pool tournament will **begin at 10:00 am**. You'll play with a partner as a team. Teams will be determined on the day of the tournament with a random drawing. All skill levels are welcome.



Not a pool fan? Come to watch and stay to enjoy lunch after the tournament. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams.

At the tournament's conclusion, a complimentary catered lunch of seasoned, marinated, and grilled chicken and beef kabobs will be served along with oven roasted Greek potatoes and salad. If you have room, we'll provide cheesecake for dessert! **You must make a reservation by Wednesday, March 12th to reserve a lunch** by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

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.

Spring Cards with Joan

Center member **Joan Zirzow** is offering another greeting card class on **Monday, March 10 @ 1:30pm**. Thanks Joan, for volunteering to share your time and talents! See some samples of Joan's cards on the bulletin board in the Center. If you'd like to create some beautiful personal note cards, please call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up. There is a limit of 10 people for this workshop. A cost of \$1.50 will cover the cost of the supplies for three cards.

Keep it Clean

Help us keep the building clean and tidy. Don't dispose of liquid-filled cups in the garbage cans. Please empty cups in the bathroom sinks, activity room sink, or hand the cup to a Center staffer. Coffee-stained walls and carpets, and liquids splattering when garbage cans are being emptied are a problem. If you see something that needs to be cleaned up anywhere in the Center, let staff know. Thank you!

Topics

The Winter Olympics just concluded. The games in Sochi cost a record \$51 billion to put on. Join the **Topics** group on **Wednesday, March 12 @ 1:00pm** to share your thoughts on whether the Olympic endeavor is worthwhile. What are the pros and cons? The group is co-ed and meets in the social hall each month for an exchange of ideas about topics of interest.

Chicago Shedd Aquarium Trip in April

Let's think spring, warm temperatures, and water (not ICE)! Get set for the Center trip to the **Shedd Aquarium** on **Monday, April 28th**. The Center will provide round-trip coach transportation that leaves the Center at 8:45am and returns from Chicago at 3:00pm. Experience everything that Shedd has to offer... the Total Experience package includes Explore Waters of the World, Caribbean Reef, Amazon Rising, Wild Reef, the Abbott Oceanarium, and the Aquatic Show. We'll see the aquatic show as a group. Lunch is on your own. The **Bubble Net** food court is onsite and offers sandwiches, pizza, hamburgers, and salads. The total cost (transportation and ticket) is \$40. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.



Book Club Chooses *Ragtime*

In March, the Book Club will tackle *Ragtime* written by **E.L. Doctorow**. This 1975 novel centers on a wealthy family living in New Rochelle, New York simply named "Father," "Mother," "Mother's Younger Brother," and "Grandfather." It blends fictional and historical figures into a framework that revolves around events, characters and ideas important in American history. On **Tuesday, March 25 @ 10:00am** the club will gather in the social hall.

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 IState (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.

Ladies Pot of Gold Tea

On **Friday, March 14 at 11:00**, Center women will continue the tradition of “the wearing of the green” at the **Ladies Pot of Gold Tea**. The pot of gold is known to be the place where the mythical leprechaun hides his coins, at a rainbow’s end. **Note that the March and April teas will be held on the second Friday of each month.** You’ll enjoy finger sandwiches, sweets, fruit, and of course, tea. Help us set the mood by wearing green. We can accommodate the first 40 reservations. Call 630/232-3602 early to sign up.

**Tea committee sign-ups for 2014 are underway. April and May have been spoken for but every other month through the end of the year is available. Get your friends together and contact the Center office to sign up. Or, we will help individual members form a group. Simple or fancy; it’s up to you! You’re not alone in this effort... Sheri and Eileen will help, too!

Alcohol Ink Drink Coasters

Come try your hand at a fun creative project. A guest crafter, **Laura**, will teach interested Center members how to create a set of 4 ceramic drink coasters with a colorful tie dye design. No two will be exactly the same; the patterns and colors are your choice. Stop by the Center to see a sample coaster. Keep them for yourself or give them as a gift! The cost of materials (provided by the Center) for this craft is \$5. There’s a limit of 15 for this activity. Please call the Center to register.

Make a Lunch Reservation

Sweet and Sour Chicken, Pork Tenderloin, Chicken Salad, and Sloppy Joes are included on the lunch calendar this month. There’s fruit at each meal, too. Check out the entire menu calendar on the newsletter insert. 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 to defray the cost of your meal.

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.



Update Your Info

Please let the Center know if your phone number, address, or other membership information has changed. Many members completed a Center application many years ago. If several items have changed, please fill out a new application. Applications are available at the Center, online at www.genevatownship.com, or, we’re glad to mail you one. Call us at 630/232-3602 with any questions.



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smcmurray@genevatownship.com

March 2014



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

March 7

Nebraska (2013)

Rated R (1:55 Hours)

Bruce Dern, Will Forte, and Bob Odenkirk

Nominated for Best Picture, Best Actor, and Best Supporting Actress... a tempestuous Missouri father is convinced he's won a million dollar magazine sweepstakes, and his son grudgingly agrees to drive him to Nebraska to claim his winnings.

March 14th

Enough Said (2013)

Rated PG-13 (1:33 Hours)

Julia Louis-Dreyfus and James Gandolfini

A divorced and single parent, Eva (Julia Louis Dreyfus) spends her days enjoying work as a masseuse but dreading her daughter's impending departure for college. She meets Albert (James Gandolfini) - a sweet, funny and like-minded man also facing an empty nest.

March 21st

Inside Llewyn Davis (2013)

Rated R (1:45 Hours)

Follows a week in the life of a young folk singer as he navigates the Greenwich Village folk scene of 1961. Guitar in tow, huddled against the unforgiving New York winter, he is struggling to make it as a musician against seemingly insurmountable obstacles-some of them of his own making.

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

March 28th

Gravity (2013)

Rated PG-13 (2:04 Hours)

Nominated for Best Picture and Best Actress... *Gravity* stars Sandra Bullock and George Clooney in a heart-pounding thriller that pulls you into the infinite and unforgiving realm of deep space. Bullock plays Dr. Ryan Stone, a brilliant medical engineer on her first shuttle mission, with veteran astronaut Matt Kowalsky (Clooney). But on a seemingly routine spacewalk, disaster strikes.