



The Center Newsletter



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



**Important Dates**

Friday Movies	4/4, 11, 25
Wednesday Movies	4/2, 23, 30
Topics	4/9
Ladies Tea	4/11
Wine Cork Trivet Craft	4/16
Investment Club Seminar	4/16
CENTER CLOSED	4/18
Earth Day Plant	4/22
TRIAD Safety Academy	4/25
Shedd Aquarium Trip	4/28
<i>Les Misérables</i> at Drury Lane	5/22

***Les Misérables* at Drury Lane in May**

A group will head to the **Drury Lane Theater** in Oak Brook on **Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** for the **1:30pm matinee of *Les Misérables* (the bus will leave the Center @ 12:00)**. *Les Misérables* is now the world's longest-running musical, seen by over 65 million people in 42 countries. A nation is in the grip of revolution, where convict Jean Valjean is on the run. Hunted relentlessly by policeman Javert for breaking his parole, Valjean must leave his past behind and keep his vow to raise the young orphaned Cosette. Comfortable, round-trip coach transportation will be provided from the Center. A box lunch will be provided to enjoy on our trip to the theater. The all-inclusive cost (ticket, transportation and box lunch) is \$55. We need a minimum of 25 for this trip. Call the Center to make a reservation.

**Earth Day 2014**

**Earth Day** began in 1970 and was the idea of publisher John McConnell who suggested an event to focus attention on everyone's shared responsibility for environmental stewardship. It's now celebrated on April 22 every year. Some recycling tidbits are food for thought... the average person generates 4.5 pounds of trash every day; in 2004, 55 billion aluminum cans were landfilled; Americans throw away 25,000,000 plastic beverage bottles every hour; each ton of recycled paper can save 17 thirty-foot (pulp) trees, 7,000 gallons of water, and 4100 kwh of energy. The Center has a recycling bin in the kitchen and a blue bin in the office for your use.

**\*\*** To celebrate Earth Day, we'll provide small pots, plants and soil for members who'd like to pot a plant to take home on **Tuesday, April 22 at 10:00 a.m.** Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

***"Topics"***

This growing Center group is member-driven. The subject for this month's meeting is ***Senior Citizens: the Good, the Bad, and the \_\_\_? (fill in the blank)***. Join the ***Topics*** group on **Wednesday, April 9 @ 1:00pm** to share your thoughts. All opinions are welcome! The group is co-ed and meets in the social hall each month for an exchange of ideas about topics of interest.

The Center will be closed on **Friday, April 18** for the **Spring Holiday**.

## 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.

## Nebraska Replay

Our March showing of *Nebraska* broke the record for Friday movie attendance! We'll be replaying it on **Wednesday, April 2nd at 1:00** for those who missed it last month or for folks who would like to see it again.

## Book Club Selection

In April, *Keper and Kid* by **Edward Hardy** is the Club's book choice. In this humorous and poignant novel, Edward Hardy explores the depths of modern love, parenthood, and compromise. On **Tuesday, April 29 @ 10:00am** the book club will gather in the social hall.

**BUY, HOLD, SELL---**That is the question! **Wheeler Senior Investment Club (WSIC)** invites non-member seniors to attend an investment terminology training session. **Bob Neubeck** from Scottrade is our speaker and he has been asked to define some common stock terms. What is a value fund? A growth fund? Do you really know? Bob will also use the WSIC "Stock Evaluation Sheet" to describe metrics like PE, Debit to Equity and EBITDA and their relationship to each other, when choosing a stock. NO stocks will be recommended! NO solicitations will be made! The discussion on **Wednesday, April 16, 2014 beginning at 1 PM** will last about 1 ½ hours. The Center has no affiliation with WSIC other than it is the club's meeting site. Any interested senior can attend a WSIC general meeting on the first Monday of every month at 10 AM.

## Wine Cork Trivet

Would you like to make a practical item for your use or to give as a gift? Perhaps, in the spirit of Earth Day (April 22<sup>nd</sup>) you'll enjoy repurposing wine corks for this craft. On **Wednesday, April 16 at 10:00 a.m.** Center member **Ruth Marsh** will help you create a wine cork trivet. Your trivet will protect surfaces from heat and moisture. You might prefer to showcase a potted plant or hang it on a wall for decoration. Please bring your own corks to incorporate into the trivet for a personal touch. Preserve your memories! If you don't have a wine cork stash, we will have plenty of corks available as well as all the other supplies to complete this project. Ruth estimates that you will need 1.5 to 2 hours to finish. If you'd like, stay for lunch. You will be able to complete your trivet after lunch. She'll supply instructions if you choose to finish at home. The cost of this craft is \$5. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up. Let us know if you choose to stay for lunch.

## TRIAD Spring Safety Academy

If you've attended a **Central Kane County TRIAD Safety Academy** in the past, you know how informative these presentations are... the Spring Academy is set for **Friday, April 25 from 9:00 am – noon at the Geneva Park District (Sunset Park) 710 Western Ave., Geneva.** Topics include bank scams, identity theft, RTA Ventra (discount) cards, and elder abuse. A complimentary continental breakfast and lunch will be served. Raffles and prizes, too! **Please RSVP no later than Wednesday, April 16th to Jeanne Cinkus at 630/377-1183 if you'd like to attend.**

## Ladies Tea in April

On **Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00**, Center women are invited to tea at this very popular once a month event. **Note: the April tea will be held on the second Friday of the month.** Our April tea will remind us that sunnier times are coming. Pastel colors, bunnies and eggs, and spring flowers will greet you. You'll enjoy finger sandwiches, fruit skewers, sweets, and of course, tea. Don't wait; this activity fills very quickly. Call 630/232-3602 to sign up.

**\*\*You and your friends can now sign up to be a Tea Host Committee for one of the monthly teas in 2014. April, May, and December have been taken but every other month is available. Get your friends together and contact the Center office to sign up; or we will help individual members form a committee.**

## Last Call for Tax Preparation Appointments

Don't miss making an appointment for tax preparation at the Center this year. Tuesday, April 15 is the last appointment day. Time is slipping away... volunteer AARP preparers are once again at the Center on Tuesday and Thursday each week to help members complete and file their 2013 Federal and Illinois tax returns. 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.

## Chicago Shedd Aquarium Trip Reminder

The Center trip to the **Shedd Aquarium** on **Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** is full. However, if you are interested in this trip, please call the Center and we will add your name to the waitlist. For those who have signed up for the trip and not yet paid the \$40 fee (transportation and Aquarium ticket), please do so **no later than Friday, April 11.** After April 11, all unpaid reservations will be cancelled and we will offer those spots to waitlisted individuals in the order they signed-up. The Center will provide round-trip, comfortable, coach transportation that leaves the Center at 8:45am (please be at the Center at 8:30am) 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, 4-D Sea Monsters movie, and the Aquatic Show. We'll see the aquatic show and 4-D movie as a group. Lunch is on your own. The **Bubble Net** food court is onsite and offers sandwiches, pizza, hamburgers, and salads. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have any questions or would like to be placed on the waitlist.



Center guys  
enjoying  
lunch on  
St. Patrick's  
Day

## 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.

## St. Patrick's Day Pool Tournament Results

Twenty-five Center "guys" celebrated St. Patrick's Day in style with a pool tournament and lunch last month. The spirited pool competition even had an audience! Our top three winning teams were awarded trophies. Note the winning teams below. Congratulations, gentlemen! Pool is not just played once a year; stop by on any Wednesday morning at 10:30 and shoot a game. The Wednesday time is on the activity calendar but pick-up games are played at other times during the week. All skill levels are encouraged.

1st Place	Lou Kram & Adolph Kunzelman
2nd Place	Lee Richardson & Gib Thostenson
3rd Place	Dick Floyd and Rudy Padilla



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

April 2014



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

Two Showings!

April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 23 (Wed.) @ 1:00pm

*Saving Mr. Banks* (2013)  
Rated PG-13(2:05 Hours)

Emma Thompson and Tom Hanks

Walt Disney spent twenty years in pursuit of the film rights to P.L. Travers' popular novel, "Mary Poppins," a quest he began in the 1940s as a promise to his two daughters. When Travers travels from London to Hollywood in 1961 to finally discuss Disney's desire to bring her beloved character to the motion picture screen, Disney meets a prim, uncompromising sexagenarian not only suspect of the impresario's concept for the film, but a woman struggling with her own past.

April 11

*Rush* (2013)

Rated R (2:03 Hours)

Some sexual content, nudity, language, a few disturbing images and brief drug use.

Directed by Ron Howard

Set against the sexy and glamorous Golden Age of auto racing, the film portrays the exhilarating true story of the charismatic James Hunt and the methodically brilliant Niki Lauda, two of the greatest rivals the world of auto sports has ever witnessed.

## 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

Two Showings!

April 25<sup>th</sup> & April 30<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) @ 1:00pm

*Philomena* (2013)

Rated PG-13 (1:38 Hours)

Judi Dench

Philomena Lee, an Irishwoman in her 70s, became pregnant as a teenager in 1952. Her family abandoned her out of shame and sent her to a convent, where, along with other young girls in the same predicament, she was regarded as "a fallen woman."