



**Geneva Township
Center**

400 Wheeler Drive
Geneva, IL 60134
630/232-3602
Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

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November

2014



The Center Newsletter

Holiday Show 2014 Meeting

A group of Center members met last month to brainstorm ideas for our member-produced holiday show. Some great ideas – new and old – were suggested. If you missed the meeting, you’re encouraged to come to the next session on **Monday, November 10 at 11:00 am.** At that meeting, we will finalize the show details. **WE NEED YOU!** A special invitation to NEW Center members... we’d love to get you involved in this endeavor. We need performers, back-stage volunteers, costumers, and a refreshment crew. If you can’t make this meeting but have an idea or want to be involved in some other way, call the Center at 630/232-3602 before November 10.



****SAVE THE DATE****

Holiday Show 2014
 Sunday, December 14
 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Center Closings

The Center will be closed for regular activities on **Tuesday, November 11** to observe **Veterans Day**. Thank you, Veterans, for your unselfish service to our country! **On Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th** the Center will be closed for a Thanksgiving observance.

Important Dates

Wednesday Movies	11/5, 19
Leaves on Canvas Craft	11/6
Friday Movies	11/7, 14, 21
Holiday Show Planning	11/10
CENTER CLOSED	11/11
Topics	11/12
Holiday Appetizer Demo	11/17
Ladies Tea	11/21
Bears Sunday	11/23
Book Club	11/25
CENTER CLOSED	11/27, 28
Candlelight Carols	12/7
<i>Holiday Show 2014</i>	12/14

Holiday Appetizer Demonstration

We have a fun activity planned this month to get everyone geared up for the holidays! **Susan DuFour** is a gourmet cook and food stylist. You may also know Susan as a volunteer for our Center lunch program. On **Monday, November 17 @ 11:00am** Susan will put on her “Cooking Coach” hat and demonstrate how to make **Easy, Quick, & Pretty holiday appetizers.** Whether you’re looking for something new to serve party guests or you’d like to learn how to simplify the cooking process, this is for you. We can accommodate the first 25 people that sign up. Reservations are required. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

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.

Falling Leaves on Canvas Craft

On **Thursday, November 6 at 1:00 pm** you can create two mini canvases with stenciled colorful leaves for Thanksgiving. A choice of different leaf stencils and several colors of acrylic paint will make every creation unique. We can register the first 15 people who sign up. The cost of this project is \$3 to cover all necessary supplies. Call the Center soon to put your name on the list!

St. Charles Singers *Candlelight Carols* Close to Sell-out

Candlelight Carols with the **St. Charles Singers** will get you ready for the season... **only 3 tickets** remain. The cost is \$20 per ticket. If you haven't already signed up, please call the Center soon to reserve a ticket. Payment for all tickets must be received



no later than **Friday, November 14**. After that date, we will offer any unclaimed tickets to waitlisted members. The concert will be held at **The Baker Memorial United Methodist Church in St. Charles** (located on Main St. between 3rd and 4th Avenues) on **Sunday, Dec. 7 at 3:00 p.m.** Seating is open... we'll **meet at the church at 2:20 p.m.** so we can sit together.

Topics Group

The group has chosen to discuss the **Fabyan/Settler's Hill Master Plan** to create recreational opportunities for the former landfill property. Questions exist about expected costs, environmental concerns, benefits, liabilities, and the timing. A "special guest" will join the group in November for this discussion. Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, November 12 @ 1:00**. All participants and opinions are welcome!

Shutter Island is Book Club Choice

Join a discussion of **Dennis Lehane's** novel, *Shutter Island*, on **Tuesday, November 25th @ 10:00am**. U.S. Marshal Teddy Daniels and his new partner, Chuck Aule, have come to Shutter Island, home of Ashecliffe Hospital for the criminally insane, to investigate the disappearance of a patient. Rachel Solando has committed multiple murders and is loose somewhere on this remote and barren island, despite having been kept in a locked cell under constant surveillance.

Wednesday Movie Break

On **Wednesday, November 5 at 1:00**, **The Bucket List** with **Jack Nicholson & Morgan Freeman** will be on the big screen. It's rated PG-13 and lasts 1:37 hours. Two terminally ill men escape from a cancer ward and head off on a road trip with a wish list of to-dos before they die. On **Wednesday, November 19 at 1:00**, **Adam Sandler and Kevin James** star in the comedy **I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry**. Two straight, single Brooklyn firefighters pretend to be a gay couple in order to receive domestic partner benefits. It has a running time of 1:55 hours and is rated PG-13.

Gratitude for Donations

If you've been at the Center recently, you may have noticed two new additions. A Grandfather clock can now be found next to a window in the Social Hall. You may have heard its beautiful chimes (*Westminster* is the current favorite) even before you spotted it. We also have a beautiful oak sideboard with mirror along a wall in the dining room. The sideboard is decorated with fall items at the moment and our December tea committee is looking forward to incorporating this beautiful piece in their Holiday Tea décor. Both items were generously donated to the Center by member **Robert Mann**. Thank you, Bob, for these wonderful gifts!

Questions? Call the Center at 630/232-3602

Thanksgiving Ladies Tea

On **Friday, November 21 at 11:00** Center ladies will gather in the dining room for our **Thanksgiving Ladies Tea**. The tea committee is busy with preparations; don't miss it. This holiday is for family and friends. Enjoy your Center family at this month's tea. Hot tea will be welcome as there's now a chill in the air! As always, there will also be light refreshments to accompany your tea. **Reservations will be accepted beginning Monday, November 3.** As many know, this event fills very quickly; sometimes we reach the limit in a day. A waitlist is started and we encourage you to let us know if you're unable to attend so we can add the next person from the waitlist.

Sunday with the Chicago Bears and Friends

Think the Bears could use a few friends just about now? On **Sunday, November 23** the Center will open @ 11:45 for members to watch the Chicago Bears vs. the Buccaneers. Your football fix will be satisfied on one of the Big Screens in any room you choose. But, there's more... lunch, pool, and computers. If you've never attended this special Sunday activity, why not try it in November. Win or lose, it is fun! A main course dish and drinks will be provided by the Center. If you're able, bring an appetizer, side, or dessert to share. **Please call 630/232-3602 to register or sign up in the Center office.**

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.

Food Collection 2014 - Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Our Holiday Tea Committee is making plans for its December Tea. This year each participant will be asked to bring non-perishable food items that will be donated to the Food Pantry at St. Peter Church. This pantry serves almost 300 families twice a month. But, the need is great! All members of the Center are invited to donate items that will be combined with those collected at the December ladies tea. A box designated for this collection will be in the dining room from **Monday, November 10 – Friday, December 12**. A list of suggested items is printed below; no glass items or fresh food, please. If anyone would rather make a cash donation, a member of the tea committee will shop for you. Drop off an envelope with Sheri in the Center office with your name and phone number on the outside and donation inside. You'll get a return call telling you what was purchased. Thank you!

Suggested Food Items

Canned Beans	Tuna	Crackers	Mac-n-Cheese Mix
Canned Fruit	Peanut Butter	Pudding/Jello	Potato Mix
Canned Soup	Jelly/Jam	Dry Soup Mix	Rice Mix
Canned Veggies	Pasta Ready Sauce		Breakfast Cereal
Pasta Noodles	Spaghettios/Ravioli		Tomato Products



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smcmurray@genevatownship.com

November 2014



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

NOVEMBER 7

Begin Again (2014)

Rated R (1:44 Hours)

Starring Keira Knightley, Mark Ruffalo

Gretta and her long-time boyfriend Dave are college sweethearts and songwriting partners in this romantic comedy who decamp for New York when he lands a deal with a major label. But the trappings of his new-found fame soon tempt Dave to stray, and a reeling, lovelorn Gretta is left on her own.

NOVEMBER 14

Chef (2014)

Rated R (1:55 Hours)

Starring Jon Favreau, Robert Downey Jr., Scarlett Johansson

In this comedy, a chef who loses his restaurant job starts up a food truck in an effort to reclaim his creative promise, while piecing back together his estranged family.

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

NOVEMBER 21

L.A. Confidential (1997)

Rated R (2:18 Hours)

Starring Kevin Spacey, Russell Crow

As corruption grows in 1950s LA, three policemen - one strait-laced, one brutal, and one sleazy - investigate a series of murders with their own brand of justice.