



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

Earth Day



**Important Dates**

Friday Movies	4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29
AARP Tax Prep	Tuesday & Thurs.
Computer Workshop	4/5, 12, 19, 26
Topics	4/13
Spring Ladies Tea	4/15
Earth Day Plants	4/22
Coed Pool Tournament	4/25
Book Club	4/26
<i>The King and I</i>	5/5
Hand & Foot Tournament	5/13

**Earth Day Plants**

Celebrate **Earth Day 2016** – now a worldwide event - on **April 22 at 10:00am** by planting up to three pots of herbs/flower seeds to take home. Choices include sage, oregano, lettuce, and marigold seeds. The plants can sit on your window sill or outside as it warms up. Fresh herbs add wonderful flavors and aromas when cooking. Stop by and dig in the dirt; the Center will provide pots, seeds, and soil. Let’s do our part for the Earth year-round at the Center, too. Deposit paper, plastic, and cans **ONLY** in the blue recycling bins located in the Center office and activity room. Remember to empty liquids before placing in the bin. Recyclables are picked up separately from the regular Center garbage every week. Also, why not consider using a reusable coffee/tea cup at the Center? Most disposable coffee cups are not recyclable and end up in landfills.

**Coed 8-Ball Pool Tournament**

It’s a tradition... our yearly pool tournament, that is! We now have a dedicated group of competitive Center ladies who get together every Tuesday to play pool. They’ll join the guys this year... Center ladies and gentlemen are invited to play some 8-Ball at this informal, fun event on **Monday, April 25 at 10:00 am**. You’ll play with a partner (male or female) as a team. Teams will be determined on the day of the tournament with a random drawing. **All skill levels are welcome.** If you’d rather not play, come to watch and cheer on the participants. A complimentary lunch buffet will be available in the dining room starting at 11:30 am for the hungry players and audience members. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams. **You must call to sign up for the tournament and lunch no later than Wednesday, April 20 by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.**

**Hand & Foot Tournament in May**

Mark your calendar...on **Friday, May 13 (time to be determined)** we’ll be holding the **2<sup>ND</sup> Center Hand & Foot Tournament**. The first was held last August. A very popular game similar to Canasta; it’s played on Tuesday and Friday each week. Participants will play and enjoy a complimentary lunch. Prizes will be awarded! The tournament is limited to the first 16 people who register. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to get your name on the list. Look for more details in the May newsletter.

## 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.

## Congratulations to Rosalie Vass!

Talented Center member and artist **Rosalie Vass** was selected to exhibit her painting – “Queen M and Her Golden Keep” - in a Chinese exhibit at the International Watercolor Biennial at the Shenzhen Museum. This highly selective exhibit accepted a small fraction of the submissions. Congrats, Rosalie!

## Don't Miss the FREE Tax Prep

Volunteer AARP preparers are at the Center on Tuesday and Thursday each week **through April 14<sup>th</sup>** to help members complete and file their 2015 Federal and IL tax returns. Appointments are required and can be arranged by contacting the Center office at 630/232-3602. We still have openings; call soon so you don't miss this opportunity. Most tax forms including 1040EZ, 1040A, and 1040 with schedules can be completed. However, please see a professional tax preparer for complicated returns. When you come for your appointment, **please bring a photo ID (driver's license, State ID, passport), social security card or Individual Taxpayer Identification notice with the full number, a copy of last year's tax returns, all forms W-2 and 1099**, and any other information specific to your tax situation. For a list of tax forms that can be completed by the AARP preparers, please contact the Center. There is no cost for this service.

## Veteran Fellowship Breakfast

On the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 8:00am**, local veterans get together for fellowship and breakfast (for purchase) at Abby's Breakfast & Lunch, 11 North Third Street in St. Charles. Information about programs and services available to veterans is provided. Afterwards, individuals are encouraged to stop by the VA's Mobile Medical Unit at the St. Charles Veterans Center from 9:00am to 2pm.

## *The King & I* Update

If you are registered for the Center trip to see *The King and I* at the Lyric in Chicago on May 5<sup>th</sup>, and haven't already paid the total cost, the final payment is due. Please mail or drop off \$37.50 (1/2 of the total cost) to the Center as soon as possible. Cash or checks made out to Geneva Township will be accepted. This trip is full. Participants should arrive at the Center **no later than 11:15 on Thursday, May 5**. Our coach bus will depart at 11:30 sharp. A complimentary box lunch will be provided. The musical begins at 1:30 with a show running time of three hours including an intermission. The group will return to the Center immediately following the conclusion of the show.

## Spring Ladies Tea

Daffodils, crocuses, robins, sunny days... it must be spring! **On Friday, April 15 @ 11:00** join us to celebrate spring at the monthly **Ladies Tea**. The tea committee looks forward to welcoming you. If you're a new member, we encourage you to join us. Attendees will be treated to a very unique, delicious menu including hot tea. Wonderful conversation and fellowship are hallmarks of this event. Reservations are required and limited to the first 48 ladies who call. Let us add you to the list by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

## Computer Workshop

In April, the weekly **Computer Workshop** facilitated by **Ken Johnson** meeting at **9:45am on Tuesday** will explore spreadsheets like Excel for a portion of each class. Time will be allotted for individual questions unrelated to that topic. The large screen TV in the activity room is utilized for this class. No need to sign up; just drop in.

## Movie Reservations

Due to the popularity of this month's movies, please call the Center to make a reservation. If necessary, we will schedule another showing at a later time.

## Book Club Choice

*The Winter Sea* is a work of historical fiction by **Susanna Kearsley**. History has all but forgotten...In the spring of 1708, an invading Jacobite fleet of French and Scottish soldiers nearly succeeded in landing the exiled James Stewart in Scotland to reclaim his crown. Now, Carrie McClelland hopes to turn that story into her next bestselling novel. Settling herself in the shadow of Slains Castle, she creates a heroine named for one of her own ancestors and starts to write. Join the discussion on **Tuesday, April 26 @ 10:00**.

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## Open Discussion at *Topics* Group

Come prepared to introduce a topic or contribute to someone else's discussion in April. The group chooses to refrain from discussing politics and religion. Join *Topics* on **Wednesday, April 13 @ 1:00 pm**. As always, this coed group welcomes all participants and opinions!

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## Newsletter Vacation

If you are planning an extended trip away from home, please call the Center to have your newsletter stopped until you return. Help us save postage costs; we'll be glad to return you to our active list upon your return – just call to tell us you're back.

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## MOVIES continued from last page...

**APRIL 15**

**Spotlight (2015)**

**Rated R for some language including sexual references (2:09 Hours)**

**Starring Mark Ruffalo, Michael Keaton, and Rachel McAdams**

**Best Picture Winner...** When newly appointed editor Marty Baron arrives from Miami to take charge of the *Spotlight* team to follow up on a column about a local priest accused of having sexually abused dozens of young parishioners over the course of 30 years.

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**APRIL 22**

**Brooklyn (2015)**

**PG-13 (1:51 Hours)**

**Best picture nominee...** Eilis Lacey is a young Irish immigrant navigating her way through 1950s Brooklyn. Lured by the promise of America, Eilis departs Ireland and the comfort of her mother's home for the shores of New York City. The initial shackles of homesickness quickly diminish as a fresh romance sweeps Eilis into the intoxicating charm of love.

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## 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.
  - **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.
  - **Computer Access:** Drop by and log on.
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**APRIL 29**

**The Lady in the Van (2015)**

**PG-13 (1:44)**

**Starring Maggie Smith**

Miss Shepherd, a woman of uncertain origins, "temporarily" parks her van in a man's London driveway. Over the course of fifteen years, what began as a begrudged favor turns into a relationship that will change both their lives. This is based on a true story and Alan Bennett's stage play "The Lady in the Van."





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

## APRIL 2016



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

**\*\*NEW\*\***

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.

**APRIL 1**

**Suffragette (2015)**

**Rated PG-13 (1:47 Hours)**

**Starring Helen Bonham Carter, Carey Mulligan and Meryl Streep**

Set in 1912 Britain, the story centers on Maud Watts, a working-class wife and mother who toils with her husband Sonny at a London laundry. She is startled one day by a protest by the Suffragettes, who are turning to public acts of civil disobedience to win the vote for women.

**APRIL 8**

**Creed (2015)**

**Rated PG-13 for language, violence and some sensuality (2:13 Hours)**

**Starring Sylvester Stallone and Phylicia Rashad**  
**A best supporting actor nomination for Sylvester Stallone...** Adonis Johnson never knew his famous father, world heavyweight champion Apollo Creed, who died before he was born. Still, there's no denying

### **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

that boxing is in his blood, so Adonis heads to Philadelphia, the site of Apollo Creed's legendary match with a tough upstart named Rocky Balboa. Once in the City of Brotherly Love, Adonis tracks Rocky down and asks him to be his trainer.

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