



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
- Sheri McMurray, Director



**Important Dates**

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| AARP Tax Prep                       | 4/4, 6, 11, 13, 18 |
| Constitution Alive!                 | 4/5, 12, 19, 26    |
| <i>Hacksaw Ridge</i> #2             | 4/7                |
| Friday Movies                       | 4/7, 21, 28        |
| Laugh Yoga                          | 4/11               |
| History Center Tour                 | 4/12               |
| Center CLOSED                       | 4/14               |
| Co-ed Pool Tournament               | 4/17               |
| Spring Ladies Tea                   | 4/21               |
| Earth Day Flower Craft              | 4/24               |
| Book Club                           | 4/25               |
| Birding in Northern Illinois        | 4/25               |
| <i>My Fair Lady</i> @ Lyric Opera   | 5/11               |
| Art Institute Program               | 5/16               |
| <i>Chicago</i> @ Drury Lane Theatre | 6/8                |

**NEW Laugh Yoga**

**Laughter yoga** is a practice involving prolonged voluntary laughter. It's based on the belief that voluntary laughter provides the same physiological and psychological benefits as spontaneous laughter. **Laughter yoga** is done in groups, with eye contact and playfulness between participants. Come stretch, breath, and laugh with this seated version on **Tues., April 11 at 10:30am!** An experienced instructor will lead this session.

**Geneva History Museum Tour**

The Center has arranged for a private **"Geneva on Wheels"** tour with the **Geneva History Museum**. On **Wednesday, April 12 @ 10:30** a high-top van will depart the Center (not the History Museum) to explore Geneva and learn about Geneva's architecture along with fun stories told by a personal guide of the History Museum. The 45 minute tour of historic downtown Geneva includes admission to the Museum and a shopping coupon for The Little Traveler. At the conclusion of the tour, the van will return to the Center. The cost is \$19 payable to the Center **no later than Monday, April 10**. Call 630/232-3602 to register.

**Earth Day Flower Craft**

On **Monday, April 24 at 10:00 am** Center member **Kathie Spangler** will help you create a colorful craft on canvas with 3-D paper flowers in a garden pot. All supplies will be provided. Display your creation on an easel, mount it on the wall, or give it away as a gift. Come see a sample in the Center office. The cost of this craft is \$3 to cover supplies. Payment will be accepted on the day of the craft. Registration is required; a limited number of spots are available. Call the Center at 630/232-3602.

**Constitution Alive! Series Continues**

In March, an enthusiastic group attended the first two parts of this series that goes article by article through the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Due to its popularity, additional portions of the series will be shown on Wednesdays - April 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 1:00pm. Thank you to Center member, **Mike Foote**, for sharing this series with us!

## 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.

## April Book Club

This month's selection, *Last Days of Night*, by **Graham Moore** is a historical thriller about the "War of the Currents," the famous race for glory and riches between Thomas Edison and George Westinghouse. Featuring a cast of characters ranging from Nikola Tesla to Alexander Graham Bell to Stanford White, this is a work of historical fiction that is both legal caper and fact-based account of one of the most transformative moments in American history. **Join the discussion on Tuesday, April 25 @ 10:00.**

## Hacksaw Ridge – 2nd Showing

We were unable to accommodate everyone last month who wanted to attend the Oscar nominated movie – *Hacksaw Ridge*. A second "morning" showing will take place on **Friday, April 7 at 10:00am.**

## Chicago at the Drury Lane Theatre

Would you like to attend a matinee performance of the musical *Chicago* at the Drury Lane Theatre in Oak Brook on **Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**? This musical received six Tony Awards. It's filled with fame, fortune, and all that jazz... featuring one dance showstopper after another. We need 15 members to sign up for Chicago. Please call the Center at 630/232-3602 **no later than Wednesday, April 19** to reserve your ticket.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Coed 8-Ball Tournament

Center ladies and gentlemen love their pool! Members are invited to shoot some 8-Ball at this informal, fun event on **Monday, April 17 at 10:00am.** You will play with a partner (male or female) as a team. Last year's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners were coed teams! 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 11:30a.m. 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 12** by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

## Center Holiday Schedule

The Center will be closed on **Friday, April 14**

*Spring Holiday*

## Ladies Spring Tea

On **Friday, April 21 at 11:00** Center women are invited to the **Spring Tea**. The Tea Committee has a wonderful event in store for you... pastel decorations will adorn the dining room with a menu reminiscent of Easter dinner. A cup of hot tea will accompany the light lunch. New members are encouraged to sign up for this very popular monthly gathering. The dining room comes alive with conversation! Reservations are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. Please sign-up early; we can only accommodate the first 48 reservations.

## Tax Preparation Ends Soon

The filing date (April 18) for tax returns is approaching fast. If you would like to have your returns prepared by one of the AARP volunteer preparers, you must call soon. Some remaining dates in April are already filled. Most tax forms including 1040EZ, 1040A, and 1040 with schedules can be completed. However, please see a professional tax preparer for complicated returns. A photo ID (driver's license, State ID, passport), social security card, copies of last year's tax returns, all forms W-2 and 1099, and any other information specific to your tax situation must be presented at your appointment. There is no cost for this service. However, appointments are required. Call 630/232-3602 with questions or to make an appointment.

## Birding in Northern Illinois

On **Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00pm** our resident birding expert, **Art Johnson**, will give us a peek into the resident and migratory birds found in northern Illinois. As you know, Art is a Center staff assistant. What you may not know about Art is that when he's not working at the Center, he's out with his binoculars in the habitats that surround our area observing and identifying birds. In May, Art will lead a field trip to a local area to view birds in their natural environment. Call the Center if you'd like to attend.

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## Art Institute of Chicago Program

On **Tuesday, May 16 @ 10:00am** enjoy a presentation at the Center given by the **Art Insights Program of the Art Institute of Chicago**. *The Collectors* is a program which focuses on the art collected by Chicago's savvy civic leaders of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. These works form the foundation of the collections of The Art Institute of Chicago. Works of art by Claude Monet, Pierre Renoir, Berthe Morisot, Edgar Degas and Mary Cassatt collected by the Potter Palmers, the Martin Ryersons and the Lewis Coburns gave The Art Institute one of the finest collections of Impressionist art. Please call to register for this program.

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## My Fair Lady Final Payment

All members who haven't already made their final payment of \$37.50 for the Center trip to see *My Fair Lady* at the Lyric in Chicago on May 11 should do so **no later than Tuesday, April 11**. Please mail or drop off payment to the Center. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted. This trip is full. Additional trip details will be included in the May newsletter.



## MOVIES continued from last page...

APRIL 28

La La Land (2016)

Rated PG-13 (2:08 Hours)

Starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone

Mia, an aspiring actress, and Sebastian, a dedicated jazz musician, are struggling to make ends meet in a city known for crushing hopes and breaking hearts. Set in modern day Los Angeles, this original musical about everyday life explores the joy and pain of pursuing your dreams.

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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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## Township Trustee Sharp Retires

First elected a Geneva Township Trustee in 1973, **Richard (Dick) Sharp** has served six four-year terms as Trustee. He has a combined 32 years of public service which included terms as a Kane County Board member. This month's Township Board meeting will be Trustee Sharp's last as he is retiring. You may have seen him at the Center enjoying lunch and other Center activities with his wife, Mary. Thank you, Trustee Sharp, for your long service!





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**APRIL 2017**



**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 7**

**JACKIE (2016)**

Rated R for brief, intense violence and some language (1:40 Hours)

**Starring Natalie Portman**

Jacqueline Kennedy was just 34 when her husband was elected President of the United States. Elegant, stylish, and inscrutable, she instantly became a global icon, one of the most famous women in the world, her taste in fashion, décor and the arts widely admired. Then, on November 22, 1963, while on a campaign trip to Dallas, John F. Kennedy is assassinated. Jackie quickly realizes that the next seven days will determine how history will define her husband's legacy – and how she herself will be remembered.

**APRIL 21**

**LION (2016)**

PG-13 (2:00 Hours)

**Starring Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman**

Five-year-old Saroo gets lost on a train which takes

**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
- 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

him thousands of miles across India, away from home and family. Saroo must learn to survive alone in Kolkata, before ultimately being adopted by an Australian couple. Twenty five years later, armed with only a handful of memories, his unwavering determination, and a revolutionary technology known as Google Earth, he sets out to find his lost family and finally return to his first home.

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