



**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
- Robert Kovacs, Trustee
- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



**Important Dates**

Friday Movies	11/2, 9, 16, 30
BINGO	11/7, 11/21
Medicare Info Series	11-7&14
Holiday Craft	11/8
Center CLOSED	11/12
Wizard of Oz at Paramount	11/14
Ladies Thanksgiving Tea	11/16
Writers' Group	11/19
Cheesecake Party	11/19
Center CLOSED	11/22, 23
Book Club	11/27
Holiday Decorating	12/3
Victorian Holiday Luncheon Trip	12/5
<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	1/13

**November**

**2018**



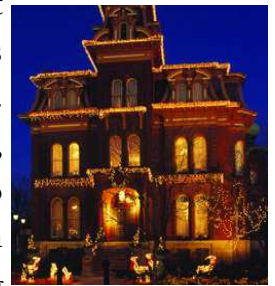
**The Center Newsletter**

**Cheesecake Party**

Who doesn't like cheesecake? Mark your calendar for **Monday, November 19 at 2:00 pm.** Come have a slice of one of our gourmet flavors – pecan caramel, mint chocolate chip, raspberry fudge, strawberry, pumpkin, or blueberry. Hot coffee and tea will also be served. Call the Center if you'd like to attend; we don't want to run short!

**Victorian Holiday Luncheon at the Jacob Henry Mansion**

In 1846, Jacob Henry moved to the Midwest from New Jersey, securing construction contracts for railroad projects in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. He began construction in 1873 of a 40-room, 16,800-square-foot house, which cost \$70,000 to build and was completed in 1876. The district in which it was situated was called "Silk Stocking Row" because it was populated by families of wealth and influence. Henry's family owned the home until 1933, then lost it to the Depression. It passed through several hands until 1985, when a Joliet couple bought the home to save it from the wrecking ball. This wonderfully restored home is registered as a National Historic Landmark and now hosts private and special events. **On Wednesday, December 5** a group will travel from the Center via luxury coach bus to Joliet for the **Victorian Holiday Luncheon** at the mansion. The visit will include a self-guided tour of the mansion, a luncheon with live seasonal music, a tour of the Old Central Church located on the grounds, and a half-hour pipe organ concert in the church. The mansion is dressed and fully decorated for the holidays and guests will sit around a 24-foot decorated Christmas tree in the Gathering Room. The menu includes a garden salad, rolls, traditional pot roast with chef's choice of starch and vegetable, warm apple strudel, and coffee or tea. The cost of this trip is \$50 (transportation, lunch, and tour). We will depart the Center at 10:00am and anticipate a Joliet departure time of 2:30pm. **Paid registrations are due no later than Monday, Nov. 19.**



## 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.

## Book Club

**Nina George's** novel *Little Paris Bookshop* is the November selection. Monsieur Perdu calls himself a literary apothecary. From his floating bookstore in a barge on the Seine, he prescribes novels for the hardships of life. Using his intuitive feel for the exact book a reader needs, Perdu mends broken hearts and souls. The only person he can't seem to heal through literature is himself; he's still haunted by heartbreak after his great love disappeared. She left him with only a letter, which he has never opened. Copies of the book have been reserved for Center members at the Geneva Public Library. Ask for one at the library main desk... The club will discuss this selection on **Tuesday, November 27 at 10:00**. New readers are always welcome!

## BINGO, BINGO

Members are having a blast at the twice a month bingo games! In November, traditional bingo will be called on the first and third Wednesday (November 7 & 21) at 12:30. There is no cost for bingo and winners get to pick a prize. Thanks to Center member, Anne Stagno, for volunteering to call bingo.



**Center Holiday Decorating  
Monday, December 3 @ 10:00am**

## Holiday Craft

It's become a tradition at the Center to make a unique holiday craft that can be given as a gift or used in your own holiday décor. As in years past, members have volunteered to guide the process. Stop in the Center to view samples of the painted and embellished cork Christmas tree and ornaments that you can make. This is on the schedule for **Thursday, November 8 at 12:00**. You can choose to make one or two – each item costs \$2.50 for supplies. Some of the messy work has already been done so you can enjoy adding your personal touch. Come to the Center for lunch before the craft if you'd like; just give us a call for a reservation. We can register the first 12 people who call.

## Don't Miss *The Wizard of Oz*

We still have several tickets available for Paramount Theatre's musical production of *The Wizard of Oz* on **Wednesday, November 14**. Why not consider joining this Center trip? Never ventured out with a group from the Center? Just ask around; our members have a great time! You'll take a short ride from the Center to the Paramount on a luxury coach bus while enjoying a complimentary box lunch and drink. The cost (ticket, round-trip luxury coach bus transportation, and a box lunch) is \$45. Paid registrations (cash or a check made out to Geneva Township) are now being accepted. The bus will leave the Center at 12:15.

## Center Holidays

The Center will be closed on Monday, November 12 to observe Veterans Day. We're thankful for our Veterans! On Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd the Center will be closed for a Thanksgiving observance.

## Writers' Group Reminder

Don't forget about the new Writers' Group. In November, the group will meet on **Monday, November 19 at 10:00 am** in the Center's meeting room. Plan to bring something you've written to read to the group. A thoughtful discussion and critique of each writer's written work is the goal. Future meetings will occur on the 3rd Monday of the month at 10:00 am. All writers are welcome!

## Wheeler Senior Investment Club

The **Wheeler Senior Investment Club (WSIC)** is holding an information session in the Center meeting room at **9:00 am on Monday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>**. The Club is seeking to add to its membership. The group's regular meeting will be held immediately following the session at 10:00 am. The Center is not a sponsor of the Club or the Club's activities.

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### Center Holiday Luncheon

Members are invited to the Center for a holiday luncheon catered by *Villa Verone* on **Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:30**. You and your Center friends will be treated to a wonderful meal and holiday music! Holiday decorations will add to the ambience. This is a reservation only event. **Beginning on Thursday, November 15, members may call to make a reservation.** Space is limited; don't wait too long.

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### Ladies Thanksgiving Tea

Every month approximately 50 Center ladies gather in the dining room for Tea. Current Thanksgiving celebrations may not duplicate the first Thanksgiving in the 17<sup>th</sup> century but our monthly gathering certainly resembles the "community" that must have been present in 1621. On Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 we'll give thanks for the Center community. The volunteer tea committee has planned a light lunch of fancy turkey sandwiches and dessert. Hot tea and cider will be served, too. Reservations are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. We can only accommodate the first 48 ladies.

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### Checkmate!

We have some chess players who are looking for opponents... If there's interest, we'd like to add chess to the calendar. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you'd like to play.

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### Hearing Screening Change

There will not be a hearing screening in November. The next screening will take place on **Monday, Dec. 10 at 9:30**. No appointment is necessary for this **FREE** hearing test.

## 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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### SAVE THE DATE!

*A Midsummer Night's Dream*  
**@ Chicago Shakespeare Theater**  
**Sunday, January 13, 2019**

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### Helpful Reminder

Please assist us in keeping the Center tidy and safe... dispose of your cups and plates in the garbage (empty liquids in the sink or ask a staff member to help), return newspapers you've read to the front table in the social hall, push your chair in when leaving the table so people can easily and safely move around, consume food items in the dining room **ONLY** and remember to place a lid on your cup. Don't hesitate to let Center staff know if you see something that needs attention anywhere in the building. Thanks!



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### Save a Stamp

Sign up to receive your newsletter, calendar and menu electronically. Just e-mail a request to Sheri McMurray at:  
[smcmurray@genevatownship.com](mailto:smcmurray@genevatownship.com)

## NOVEMBER 2018



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

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.

**NOVEMBER 2  
AIRPLANE! (1980)**

**Rated PG (1:28 Hours)**

**Starring Robert Hayes, Leslie Nielsen, and more.**  
SO FUNNY! This spoof comedy takes shots at the slew of disaster movies that were released in the 70s.

**NOVEMBER 9  
CHRISTOPHER ROBIN (2018)**

**Rated PG (2 Hours)**

**Starring Ewen McGregor**

Winnie the Pooh ventures into London to turn a middle-aged Christopher Robin's life around with the help of Piglet, Eeyore, and Tigger.

**NOVEMBER 16  
IT HAPPENED ONE NIGHT (1934)**

**Starring Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert (1:45)**

In Frank Capra's acclaimed romantic comedy, spoiled heiress Ellie Andrews (Claudette Colbert) impetuously marries the scheming King Westley, leading her tycoon father (Walter Connolly) to spirit her away on his yacht.

### **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

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**NOVEMBER 30  
CRAZY RICH ASIANS (2018)  
Rated PG-13 (2 Hours)**

Chinese-American New Yorker Rachel travels to Singapore with her boyfriend Nick to attend his best friend's wedding only to discover he comes from one of Asia's most wealthy, prominent families. She must stand up to his judgmental mother, who wants nothing more than to break them up.