

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

## Geneva Township Officials

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#### **Important Dates**

Friday Movies	11/4, 18
AARP Driver Safety Class	11/9 & 10
CLOSED Veterans Day	11/11
The Father Encore Movie	11/14
Thanksgiving Pie Party	11/14
BINGO	11/17
CLOSED Thanksgiving	11/24 & 25
Book Club	11/30
Sound of Music @ Paramount 12/7	
Hand & Foot	Tues. & Fri.
Train Dominoes	Mon. & Fri.
Poker Tues.,	Wed., Thurs.

November



# The Center Newsletter

## **Thanksgiving Pie Party!**

This time of year isn't the same without pie! Your choice – apple or pumpkin. We won't forget the whipped cream. The pie party is a tradition here... Mark your calendar for **Monday, November 14 at 2:00pm.** Hot coffee and tea will also be served. Call the Center if you'd like to attend; we don't want to run short!

## **IMPORTANT** Health Guidelines

To safeguard the health of members visiting the Center, we're asking that you follow some guidelines. The main reason the flu basically disappeared for the last two years was the behavior changes people made to avoid COVID; such as wearing masks and washing hands among other things. Those hygiene measures helped prevent flu viruses from spreading, too. But many of those measures have been abandoned. Flu and COVID are still with us. Let's keep our Center community as healthy as possible by:

\*Visiting your doctor or pharmacy and getting a senior flu shot.

\*Staying updated with COVID-19 vaccines including boosters.

\*Practicing good hand hygiene – wash your hands with soap and water upon entering the Center and throughout the duration of your visit and/or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer (provided in every room of the building).

\*If you have a cough, sore throat, runny nose, muscle aches, fever, or otherwise are not feeling well – PLEASE stay home until these symptoms resolve. Many Center activities (i.e., movies and card games) involve close contact; keep yourself and other Center members safe!

\*Masks are optional at the Center, but their use is encouraged. If you need a mask, they are available for free at the sign-in area and Center office.

## November Holiday Schedule

The Center will be closed on Friday, November 11 to observe Veterans Day. We're grateful for our Veterans! On Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 the Center will be closed for a Thanksgiving observance.

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#### Holiday Trip to the Paramount Theatre

A luxury coach bus trip, lunch, and a matinee presentation of the *Sound of Music* for the holiday spells FUN! On Wednesday, December 7 we've reserved tickets for *Sound of Music* at the Paramount Theatre in Aurora. Some tickets are still available. The lobby of the theater will be decorated for the holidays, including a two-story Christmas tree. Before the production, we'll enjoy a buffet lunch of garden salad, rolls, baked ham, roasted red potatoes, corn, cookies & brownies, and nonalcoholic beverages. After the meal, we'll walk across the street to enjoy the show. The cost (ticket, round-trip luxury coach bus transportation, and lunch) is \$65. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted for the trip payment. The luxury bus will depart the Center promptly at 11:15am. Members should arrive no later than 11:00am. The bus company requires that individuals wear a mask during travel. The Center will provide masks to anyone who needs one. Mask wearing at the Paramount is optional. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

#### **AARP Driver Safety Class Reminder**

**On both Wednesday, November 9 and Thursday, November 10** from 12:30 – 4:30 pm the AARP Driver Safety Class is being offered at the Center. This two-day class is close to full; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. The participation fee is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members (payable to the instructor on the first day of class). Participants are also required to sign an waiver related to the risk of contracting COVID during the class. Completion of the 8-hour class may qualify you for a discount on your auto insurance. Check with your insurance agent.

#### November Book Club Choice

The Water Dancer by Ta-Nehisi Coates is November's pick. Young Hiram Walker was born into bondage. When his mother was sold away, Hiram was robbed of all memory of her—but was gifted with a mysterious power. Years later, when Hiram almost drowns in a river, that same power saved his life. This brush with death births an urgency in Hiram and a daring scheme: to escape from the only home he's ever known. This is the dramatic story of an atrocity inflicted on generations of women, men, and children—the violent and capricious separation of families—and the war they waged to simply make lives with the people they loved. The club welcomes all members. Readers can pick up a copy of this book at the Geneva Library. A discussion of the novel will take place on Wednesday, November 30 at 10:30.

#### **Bingo Schedule Changes**

Traditional bingo will be played on **Thursday, November 17 at 1:00pm**. This is the only date in November. Card bingo will <u>not</u> meet in November.

## Easy Seasonal Crafts

Stop in during the Art Workshop at 1:00pm on any Wednesday in November to create some easy decorations that will be used to adorn the Center during the upcoming holiday seasons. Materials and instructions will be provided.

## Artists' Display in the Social Hall

Next time you sign in when you enter the Center, take a few moments to view some of the wonderful work in the tall glass cabinet done by our Center artists. Lots of talent! If you'd like to join this group, they meet in the activity room **every Wednesday @** 1:00pm.

## Pinochle Interest?

Some members have asked about adding Pinochle to the calendar. If you have an interest in a regular group, call the Center at 630/232-3602 and let us know.

#### Encore Showing of "The Father"

Members have requested that we show "The Father" again starring Anthony Hopkins and Olivia Colman. Hopkins was recognized as Best Actor in a Leading Role for his portrayal of an ailing octogenarian Londoner gradually succumbing to dementia. Rated PG-13 and lasting 1 hour and 37 minutes, the movie will be shown on **Monday, November 14 at 1:00pm**.

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pilot and dodging the advancement in rank that would ground him. Training a detachment of graduates for a special assignment, Maverick must confront the ghosts of his past and his deepest fears, culminating in a mission that demands the ultimate sacrifice form those who choose to fly it.

## **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.

• **Shuffleboard:** The table is on the porch.

• Complimentary Bottled Water

• **Magazines:** the latest are in the lounge area.

• **Newspapers:** Daily Herald, Chronicle, Tribune. 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.

#### **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.

### **Newsletter Vacation**

If you are planning an extended trip from home and receive your newsletter through the US mail, please call the Center to stop your newsletter until you return. The post office will not forward it to you while you are out of town.



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smcmurray @genevatownship.com

#### NOVEMBER 2022

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

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**. Seating is limited. If you plan to attend one or more of the Friday movies, please call the Center office at 630/232-3602.

### NOVEMBER 4 THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY 1:50 Hours \* 1945 Starring Angela Lansbury, Hurd Hatfield, Peter Lawford, Donna Reed

Lansbury won her first Golden Globe Award and, at age 20, her second consecutive Oscar nomination in Albert Lewin's adaptation of the classic Oscar Wilde tale of hedonist Dorian Gray (Hurd Hatfield), who falls madly in love with singer Sibyl Vane (Lansbury). Although the couple becomes engaged, Gray's brother disapproves of the marriage, and they soon break up, leading to tragic consequences. One of Lansbury's best performances...

## DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES Services are free of charge to Geneva Township residents age 55+!

- Hearing Screen (Quarterly) \*\*
- 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
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker (every Wednesday)
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Free Flu Shot Clinic\*\*
- Lunches\*\*
- Computer Access
- **\*\*** Not currently offered

## NOVEMBER 18 TOP GUN: MAVERICK 2:11 Hours \* 2022 \* PG-13 Starring Tom Cruise

After more than 30 years of service as one of the Navy's top aviators, Pete "Maverick" Mitchell is where he belongs, pushing the envelope as a courageous test

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