



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
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- John Connolly, Trustee
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- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



Important Dates

Writers' Group	4/1
Card Bingo	4/4
Friday Movies	4/5, 12, 19, 26
Solar Eclipse Party	4/8
BINGO	4/10, 24
White Pines Trip	4/17
BUNCO	4/18
NEW Wheeler Walkers	4/22
Murder Mystery Lunch @Arcada	4/25
AARP Tax Prep	Tues. & Thurs.
Hand & Foot	Tues. & Fri.
Train Dominoes	Mon. & Fri.
Poker	Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Pinochle	Tues.

NEW Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

The Center’s next musical theatre trip is scheduled! We’ll travel by luxury coach bus to the Paramount Theatre in Aurora on **Wednesday, June 12** and enjoy a matinee performance of *Beautiful – The Carole King Musical*. Prior to the show, our group will have a buffet lunch at the Meyer Ballroom across the street from the theatre. Before she was the Carole King we know today, she was a young songwriter from Brooklyn trying to make a name for herself. *Beautiful – The Carole King Musical* tells the inspiring true story of King’s remarkable rise to stardom as part of the hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin and going on to become one of the most successful singer, songwriter, and musicians in popular music history. Her credits include songs such as “You’ve Got a Friend,” “I Feel the Earth Move,” and many more. Paid registrations (cash or a check made out to Geneva Township) are now being accepted. **The cost (ticket, round-trip luxury coach bus transportation, and lunch) is \$70.** Tickets are limited. We estimate a departure from the Center close to 11:30am.

Special Topic for Center Chat

On **Monday, April 8 at 10:00** the Center Chat group will have a discussion related to the science behind the total solar eclipse taking place the same day. Stop in and join this welcoming group for a “chat”. They meet every Monday at 10:00 am in the dining room. Don’t forget about the **Eclipse Party**; see the article below.

Solar Eclipse Party

While it won’t be a “total” eclipse in our area (almost 93%), the Center is looking forward to members sharing this unique experience. After the total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024, the next total eclipse that can be seen from the contiguous United States will be on *Aug. 23, 2044!* Come to the party on the **8th at 12:30**. Refreshments will be served, and **NASA certified solar eclipse glasses** will be distributed to members to keep them safe. Quantities of eclipse glasses are limited – first-come, first-served. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.

NEW Wheeler Walkers Return!

We have several Center members who are avid walkers; many use the paths in Wheeler Park. In the spring of 2008 when the Center was “young” a group of members started regularly walking on the well paved, smooth paths of beautiful Wheeler Park. In honor of **Earth Day**, we’re inviting members to gather at the Center on **Monday, April 22 at 10:00a.m.** for a walk. The Center Director is looking forward to joining the group. If there’s interest, we’ll return **Wheeler Walkers** to the Center calendar. Get some exercise and enjoy the fresh air, sunshine, and chirping birds! Walk at your own pace! Meet some new friends! After walking, stop at the Center for some refreshments.

Scam Safety Seminar

The **Geneva Police Department** will host a senior scam safety seminar on **Tuesday, April 23 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.** at the Geneva Public Library, 227 S. Seventh St. Seating opens at 4 pm. Registration is not required.

Batavia High School Theater Invite

Center members are invited to a free preview show of the Batavia High School production of ***The Monster: A Frankenstein Tale.*** The play will be presented on the Main Stage theater at the Batavia Fine Arts Center at 1250 W. Wilson St., Batavia on **April 11th at 7:00pm.** Doors open at 6:30pm.

Love to Play Hearts?

A group is looking for one to two *Hearts’* players to fill a table. They play on **Wednesday and Friday from 12:30 – 2:30 pm** at the Center. Call the Center at 630-232-3602 if you’re interested.

Tax Preparation Ends Soon

AARP income tax preparers are at the Center on Tuesday and Thursday each week. **Limited appointments are available now through Thursday, April 11th. Call the Center office at 630-232-3602 to reserve a time.** Your 2023 Federal and IL tax returns will be completed and electronically filed. A photo ID (driver’s license, State ID, passport), social security card or Individual Taxpayer Identification notice, copies of last year’s tax returns (2022), all income documents like W-2’s and 1099’s, brokerage statements, and any other tax information specific to your situation must be presented at your appointment. **There is no charge for this service. However, appointments are required.**

Writers’ Group Meeting

The Writers’ Group will meet on **Monday, April 1st at 1:00 pm.** Note this is a change from the regular meeting day due to tax preparation. In May, the Writers will return to the regular schedule – 1st Tuesday of the month (May 7).

White Pines Trip Reminder

The trip to White Pines for “Elvis Through the Years” and lunch on **Wednesday, April 17** is **FULL**. If you are registered for this outing but haven’t paid, please do so right away. **Payment must be received no later than Monday, April 8.** The total cost of the trip (bus transportation, lunch, and show) is \$55. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted. The bus departs the Center at 9:45a.m for the 1 ½ hour drive to White Pines.

Arcada Murder Mystery Reminder

The Murder Mystery “**Death of a Gangster**” on **Thursday, April 25th** at the Arcada Speakeasy (105 E. Main St. (3rd floor), St. Charles) is **FULL**. We will meet at the venue; members may want to carpool. Lunch is served from noon – 1:00pm and the show begins after lunch concludes. If you’d like you can come in 1920’s period attire! **If you are registered but haven’t paid, please do so no later than April 11.** The total cost of lunch and the Murder Mystery show is \$45. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted for payment.

Book Club

On **Wednesday, April 24th at 10:30 am** the book club will meet and discuss the April choice: ***Our Missing Hearts*** by **Celeste Ng**. Twelve-year-old Bird Gardner lives a quiet existence with his loving but broken father, a former linguist who now shelves books in a university library. Bird knows not to ask too many questions, stand out too much, or stray too far. **Copies of the book are available April 1st at the Geneva Library. Novels are in the book club holding area (1st floor) for 10 days.**

MOVIES continued from last page...

APRIL 26

THE MIRACLE CLUB (2023)

1:31 Hours * Rated PG-13

Starring Laura Linney, Kathy Bates & Maggie Smith

There's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste

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.
- **Crossword Puzzles.** New every day.
- **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.
- **Crossword Puzzle:** New one every day.

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.

freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. With a little benevolent interference from their local priest, a group of close friends get their ticket of a lifetime.



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APRIL 2024

FRIDAY MOVIES

@ 1:00PM

ON THE BIG SCREEN!

WITH POPCORN!

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

APRIL 5

THE YEARLING (1946)

2:08 Hours

Starring Gregory Peck and Jane Wyman

A member request... "The Yearling" is a classic tear-jerker, a coming-of-age tale set in America's hardscrabble, survival-is-a-struggle past. It's sentimental, but a depiction of an unforgiving place and time where just living into adulthood was not guaranteed and just surviving in a hot, insect, snake, gator and disease-ridden Florida was a struggle.

APRIL 12

FREUD'S LAST SESSION (2023)

1:48 Hours * Rated PG-13

Starring Anthony Hopkins & Matthew Goode

Set on the eve of WWII and towards the end of his life, *Freud's Last Session* sees Freud (Hopkins) invite iconic author C.S. Lewis for a debate over the existence of God.

DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES

Services are typically 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
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Free Eye Care & Glasses. (financial qualification).
- Lunches**
- Computer Access

** Not currently offered

APRIL 19

THE GOODBYE GIRL (1977)

1:50 Hours * Rated PG

Starring Richard Dreyfuss and Marsha Mason

Academy Award for Best Actor... The film centers on an odd trio of characters: a struggling actor who has sublet a Manhattan apartment from a friend, the current occupant (his friend's ex-girlfriend, who has just been abandoned), and her precocious young daughter.

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