



The Center Newsletter

The Triumph of Artemisia

On **Wednesday, May 22** at **noon** an immersive multimedia concert, *The Triumph of Artemisia*, will be performed at the Center. Linda Marie Smith, a Chicago singer-songwriter, tells the story of Artemisia Gentileschi, a female Italian painter born in 1593. She was one of the first female artists to achieve recognition in the world of post-renaissance art. Linda and three other musicians will perform live to highlight Artemisia’s art and life. Refreshments will be served after the presentation. Call the Center to register; space is limited.

Memorial Day Remembrance

On **Monday, May 27** Geneva Township will commemorate the ultimate sacrifice made by those who have died in service of our country; particularly, township citizens killed in action. This longstanding annual tradition includes the placement of ceremonial 3’ X 5’ American flags at each grave of military personnel killed in action and interred in our township cemeteries. To honor those township citizens killed in action and whose final resting places lay somewhere beyond our township, we will again erect a 23-flag tribute on the plaza in front of the Center. To honor all others who have died in service to our country, a post flag will also be hoisted to half-staff. At approximately 6:45 a.m. the Fox River-Geneva American Legion Color Guard will perform a rifle salute followed by the bugle call Taps. The Center will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. on Memorial Day for township residents who wish to observe this very moving dawn tribute. Refreshments will be served in the Center dining room afterwards. At approximately 11:00 a.m. the American Legion will hold a service at the war memorial in Wheeler Park in front of the Center following the Memorial Day parade. The Center will reopen at 10:30 a.m. Township seniors will be able to enjoy coffee and pastries and the use of the Center as a comfort station until 11:30 a.m.

Gals’ Chat

On **Wednesday, May 8** at **1:00 pm** join other Center gals in the social hall for a topic-based discussion. This NEW group had a good gathering at the first meeting in March.



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

BINGO	5/1, 15
Friday Movies	5/3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Wheeler Walkers	5/6, 13, 20
Writers’ Group	5/7
Gals’ Chat	5/8
BUNCO	5/16
<i>The Triumph of Artemisia</i>	5/22
Card Bingo	5/23
Memorial Day Special Hours	5/27
Sing-Along	5/29
Hand & Foot	Tues. & Fri.
Train Dominoes	Mon. & Fri.
Poker	Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Pinochle	Tues.

Book Club

On **Wednesday, May 29th at 10:30 am** the book club will meet and discuss this month's choice: *The Lincoln Highway* by **Amor Towles**. *The Lincoln Highway* is a joyride. **Amor Towles'** new Great American Road novel tails four boys — three 18-year-olds who met in a juvenile reformatory, plus a brainy 8-year-old as they set out from Nebraska in June 1954, in an old Studebaker in pursuit of a better future. **Copies of the book are available May 1st at the Geneva Library. Novels are in the book club holding area (1st floor) for 10 days.** New readers are always welcome!

Senior Health & Fitness Day at Delnor

On **Wednesday, May 29th** Delnor's Health and Fitness Center (296 Randall Rd., Geneva) is having a **Senior Health & Fitness Day** with complimentary access and use of the facility from 11:00am-4:00pm. One highlight is a Gentle Yoga and Meditation class at 1pm. If you have any questions, you can reach the fitness center at 630-938-9404.

Sing it Loud!

On **Wednesday, May 29th** we'll welcome the Messengers of Hope back to the Center for a good, old-fashioned sing-along - lyrics provided. Plan to arrive no later than 11:15am for a good seat in the social hall. **Beginning at 11:00, please enter the building through the side entrance off the handicapped lot.** At the conclusion, attendees are invited to a casual lunch in the dining room. **Registration is required; space is limited. Please call the Center no later than Monday, May 20 to add your name to the list.**

Newsletter Delivery Delays

The Center is aware that in the last several months delivery of the newsletter to members via the United States Postal Service is taking far longer than in the past. In general, mail delivery across the country has slowed. It's disappointing! We want you to receive information in a timely way. Until delivery times improve and if it's an option for you, we will be glad to add you to the newsletter email list. Call the Center or send your email address to Sheri at smcmurray@genevatownship.com. You may also pick up a copy of the calendar and newsletter at the Center. Finally, the monthly newsletter and calendar are available on the Geneva Township website (www.genevatownship.com).

Cougar's Baseball

We are very lucky to have a minor league baseball team in our backyard. A group from the Center has attended numerous games over the years – the last few times an indoor-outdoor private suite was reserved. If there's enough interest, we'll do it again. This time our group will include men and women members! Call the Center at 630-232-3602 if you are interested.

Wheeler Walkers Are Back!

We had a beautiful day for the Earth Day walk in Wheeler Park. The newly paved paths that wind through our “home” park provide an enjoyable way to get some low-impact exercise while talking with Center friends. The Wheeler Walkers agreed that a weekly walk should be on the calendar. **Weather permitting, come and join us every Monday morning at 10am.** Remember, you can walk at your own pace! After walking, stop at the Center for some refreshments.

Paramount Theatre Trip

On **Wednesday, June 12**, join us as we travel together via coach bus to the Paramount Theatre to enjoy a matinee performance of *Beautiful – The Carole King Musical*. Prior to the show, our group will enjoy a buffet lunch at the Meyer Ballroom across the street from the theatre. **Meal options include garden salad, rolls and butter, roasted pork with apple au jus on the side, roasted red potatoes, broccoli, cookies and brownies, and beverages.** 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.** Don't wait too long; tickets are limited. **We will depart the Center at 11:30am.** Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

MOVIES continued from last page...

MAY 24 **ONE LIFE (2023)** **1:49 Hours * Rated PG** **Starring Anthony Hopkins**

London broker Nicholas "Nicky" Winton helps rescue hundreds of predominantly Jewish children from Czechoslovakia in a race against time before the Nazi occupation closes the borders. Fifty years later, he's still haunted by the fate of those he couldn't bring to safety.

MAY 31 **THE TASTE OF THINGS (2023)** **2:16 Hours * Rated PG-13** **Starring Juliette Binoche** Cook Eugenie and her boss Dodin have grown fond of

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.

one another over 20 years, and their romance gives rise to dishes that impress the world's most illustrious chefs. When Dodin is faced with Eugenie's reluctance to commit, he begins to cook for her. FYI... this movie is in French with English subtitles.



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MAY 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.

MAY 3

THE GREAT GATSBY (2013)

2:23 Hours * Rated PG-13

Starring Leonardo DeCaprio and Tobey Maguire

The film follows the life and times of millionaire Jay Gatsby (DiCaprio) and his neighbor Nick Carraway (Maguire) who recounts his interactions with Gatsby amid the riotous parties of the Jazz Age on Long Island in New York.

MAY 10

GOODNIGHT MR. TOM (1998)

1:48 Hours

Tom Oakley is a cantankerous old man who, at the start of World War II, finds his life irrevocably changed when little Willie Beech is evacuated from London and sent to live with him. Willie is a quiet, sad

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**

child with a disturbing past, but through Tom's friendship and attention, Willie's anxieties are smoothed away and a strong bond develops between this unlikely pair.

MAY 17

LANCASTER (2022)

1:50 Hours

A documentary... Archival material, first-hand accounts, and extraordinary aerial footage tells the story of the Avro Lancaster, the iconic British bomber at the heart of some of the most daring missions flown during the Second World War.

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