2025



#### 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 John Connolly, Trustee Robert Kovacs, Trustee Scott Queen, Trustee Joy Ogden Abts, Trustee Sheri McMurray, Director



Important Dates
Writers' Group 7/2
Independence Day Party 7/3
Mah Jongg 7/3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Center CLOSED 7/4
Wheeler Walkers 7/7, 14, 21, 28
Cougar's Game 7/9
Card Bingo 7/10
Friday Movies 7/11, 18, 25
BINGO 7/16, 30
Gals' Chat 7/17
Book Club 7/30
Historic Pullman Tour 9/11
Hand & Foot Tues. & Fri.
Train Dominoes Mon.
Poker Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Pinochle Tues.
Open Art Group Wed.



July

#### The Center Newsletter

#### **Independence Day Party**

On Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30, we'll remember the birth of our Nation. Thomas Jefferson said, "The cement of this union is the heart-blood of every American." Wear your red, white, and blue patriotic garb to celebrate! Our patio backyard and dining room will be decorated for the occasion. Sandwich platters, chips, slices of watermelon, cold drinks, and dessert will be served. You can try your hand at games on the lawn like Giant Jenga and Water Duck Ring Toss. Apply a temporary tattoo with a patriotic theme! Pick up party favors... we'll be passing out metal flag pins and red, white, and blue fans to party goers. Dress comfortably. We'll have the umbrellas up. This event is rain or shine. We'll keep our fingers crossed for a good weather day. Please register by calling the Center at 630/232-3602.

#### NEW Trip to Pullman National Historical Park

The Pullman community is a historic neighborhood on Chicago's far south side that was once at the center of industry and workers' rights in America. A planned community built by industrialist George Pullman on landfill from the great Chicago fire, Pullman produced luxury rail cars and housed the workers who built them. Pullman's history, architecture, and vibrant community remain as a National Park. On **Thursday, September 11** a group from the Center will travel by luxury coach bus to the Pullman Exhibit Hall for an orientation and overview before departing on an approximately 40minute neighborhood walking tour conducted by the Historic Pullman Foundation. They'll explore the general history of Pullman (town and man), architecture, labor movement, railcars, and more. At the conclusion of the walking tour, we'll return to the Exhibit Hall for a catered lunch. The all-inclusive cost of this excursion is \$45. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted for payment. Call the Center at 630-232-3602 if you have any questions.

The Center will be CLOSED on Friday, July 4 \* Independence Day

#### It's Almost Here: Summer Cougar's Outing!

Don't Forget! If you're registered for the Cougar's game on Wednesday, July 9, the game begins at 11:30am and it's suggested that members meet at the stadium (Suite Level Entrance between Gates 3 and 4) no later than 11:00. A member of the Center staff will meet you at the Suite entrance to give you a ticket. The insuite lunch buffet begins at 11:30. Preferred and handicapped parking passes can be reserved by attendees for \$10 (cash or a check made out to Geneva Township). If not purchased from the Center in advance, preferred parking passes bought on game day at the stadium cost \$20. \*No later than Wed., July 2, please let the Center know if you'd like a parking pass. Parking passes will be available for pickup at the Center on Monday, July 7. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 with any questions.

#### If you have registered for the Cougar's game and find you can't attend, please call immediately so we can add a member from the waitlist.

#### **Book Club**

The Center Book Club choice this month is *Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict. A work of historical fiction... In her twenties, Belle da Costa Greene is hired by J. P. Morgan to curate a collection of rare manuscripts, books, and artwork for his newly built Pierpont Morgan Library. Belle becomes a fixture in New York City society and one of the most powerful people in the art and book world, known for her impeccable taste and shrewd negotiating for critical works as she helps create a world-class collection. But Belle has a secret, one she must protect at all costs. She was born not Belle da Costa Greene but Belle Marion Greener. She is the daughter of Richard Greener, the first Black graduate of Harvard and a well-known advocate for equality. New readers are always welcome! On Wednesday, July 30 at 10:30 am members of the Book Club will gather to discuss this novel. Copies of the selection are available for pick-up at the Geneva Library beginning July 3rd (1st floor book club area). Copies of the book are available for 7 days before being returned to the shelf.

#### Mah Jongg Time Change

Mah Jongg now begins at 11:00am every Thursday. The Center activity calendar reflects this time change. If you're a new member and enjoy playing Mah Jongg, consider joining this friendly group. Call the Center if you have any questions.

#### Gals' Chat

On **Thursday**, **July 17** at **1:00** pm join other Center gals for informal discussion. Special refreshments will be served.

#### Wheeler Walkers Walk Earlier

We're still walking (weather permitting) every Monday. However, the time is changing to 9:30am so we can try to beat the heat of the day. Remember, you can walk at your own pace! On July 7th and 21st, stop in the dining room after your walk for a toasted bagel with cream cheese and jelly. Juice and coffee, too!

#### Cool Off at the Center This Summer

As we move into the heart of the summer, the temperatures are rising! Don't forget that the airconditioned Center is open Monday – Friday from 8:30-4:30. Stop by and have a cool drink and escape the heat. Let your neighbors and friends 55+ in Geneva Township know that they're welcome to stop by any time we're open to cool off.

#### **Newsletter Delivery**

We want to encourage members for whom it is an option to sign up for email delivery of the Center newsletter given recent Postal Service delivery delays. You can always pick up a hard copy of the newsletter and calendar at the Center as well. Call the Center or send your email address to Sheri at smcmurray@genevatownship.com. If you are no longer interested in receiving the monthly newsletter, please let us know.

#### TRIAD Picnic in the Park

The Central Kane County TRIAD Summer Picnic will be held on Friday, August 15 from 11:00am – 1:30pm at Pottawatomie Park (8 North Ave., St. Charles). The schedule for adults (60+) includes lunch, entertainment, BINGO, and prizes. Please RSVP to Lynne at 630/513-4324 if you'd like to attend. Reservations are required.

#### **MOVIES** continued from last page...

assault on Fortress Europe. But they face an impossible challenge - to protect a massive invasion force from entrenched German firepower and avert a potential massacre.

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### Writers' Group

Don't forget... the Center Writers' Group now meets on the first Wednesday of the month. This month it's on **July 2 @ 1pm**. New writers are always welcome... stop in to join this fun, dynamic group.



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**JULY 2025** 

# 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 office at 630/232-3602.

### JULY 11 LA DOLCE VILLA (2025) 1:39 Hours \* Rated PG Starring Scott Foley

A successful businessman travels to Italy to stop his daydreaming daughter from restoring a crumbling villa. Italy, however, has different plans for him as it delivers on its legendary promise of beauty, magic, and romance.

#### JULY 18 MAN ON THE INSIDE (2024) Starring Ted Danson

Continuing the series – come see the concluding Episodes 5-8 of the first season. A retired professor gets a new lease on life when a private

### DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES Services are typically free of charge to Genev

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- 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

investigator hires him to go undercover inside a San Francisco retirement home. Funny and touching! Good news!! Season 2 will be released sometime this year...

## JULY 25 OPERATION MINCEMEAT (2022) 2:08 Hours \* Rated PG-13 Starring Colin Firth

Real historical event... Operation Mincemeat is set in 1943 as the Allies are determined to launch an all-out

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