

Geneva Township Senior Center

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August 2010



Senior Center Newsletter

August FREE Lunch Is All About NEW Members

Our August Free Lunch will be on **Monday, August 23 at 11:30**. If you have joined the Senior Center and have not been able to enjoy a Free Lunch, it is now your turn. During the first week of August we will take reservations only from members who have <u>never</u> attended a free lunch. Also, during the first week of August we will take reservations from any member of the Center that will bring to the lunch any resident of Geneva Township who is age 55+ and is not a member of the Center. On August 9, <u>if</u> there is space available, we will take reservations for all other members until the seating is filled. This reservation system that we are using for the month of August is intended to provide new members and potential new members an opportunity to enjoy the very popular free lunch program. The August lunch will be catered by **Villa Verone** and will feature *Caprese* salad, *Penne Bolognese*, *Tortellini al Basilico*, dinner salad, *Cololette di Pollo* (breaded chicken cutlets in lemon caper sauce) and mini *Cannolis*. CLAO!

Victims Of Our Own Success

Have you been unable to attend the Free Lunch because all reservations were taken? The success of the Free Lunch at the Center has presented a number of challenges for staff, volunteers and you, our valued members and guests. We are meeting with our vendors and service providers to develop a Free Lunch program that will continue our use of local restaurants and provide Free Lunch to everyone. Look for future articles and notices in this newsletter for exciting news about a convenient and expanded Free Lunch program. Your patience is appreciated!

3rd Annual Miniature Golf Outing

It's time again for our annual golf outing at **Stone Creek Miniature Golf Course** in beautiful **Wheeler Park.** Mark the date; **Thursday, August 19** and join the fun at **11:30**, at the Pavilion between the Center and the mini golf course. First, we will have a box lunch, followed by a round of miniature golf. No prior golf experience is necessary. Prizes will be awarded! Please make your reservation no later than by August 16. Share some laughs! Get in the swing, it's fun!

Mission Statement

The mission of the Geneva Township Senior 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.

FREE Breakfast

How would you like to enjoy a FREE, delicious breakfast of Eggs Benedict, oven roasted sliced potatoes, pastries, coffee and apple juice at 9:30 in the morning on August 16? Please, join us! All Senior Center members and Geneva Township residents age 55+ are welcome. Please call no later than August 12 to make your reservation. Hurry, space will fill up quickly!



Make A Garden Stepping Stone

Garden stepping stones combine stained glass mosaic with concrete to make a beautiful accent for your garden. This is your last opportunity to make a stepping stone because our teacher, **Kathy Kujawa**, is moving to California. Create your own design with colored glass pieces and Kathy will then add concrete and return the finished stone to the Center. You may choose a small 8" square (\$10.00) or a large 12" circle (\$20.00) for your design. The class will be held on **Tuesday**, **August 10 at 1:00**. Register is required for this class. A stepping stone sample is on display at the Center.

B-I-N-G-O with P-R-I-Z-E-S

Our monthly bingo game will be held on **Wednesday, August 18 beginning at 12:30**, following the Deli lunch. You are welcome to come for lunch at 11:30 and stay for bingo with prizes OR come just for bingo. If you would like to come for lunch, please sign up at least 2 days in advance. A donation of \$3.75 is suggested but not required for the Deli lunch. The bingo game moves quickly and there are lots of prizes. Join us. Winning is fun!

Beginning Computer Class

Our beginning computer class with **Richard Schrank** is very popular! Richard has agreed to start another five week session on **Wednesday, September 1 at 9:00**. This class is for persons with little or no computer knowledge. Richard will guide you onto and through the internet. The Center has three desktop computers available for your use. To best insure that each member gets individualized attention, the class has a maximum capacity of six participants. **You must register for this class in advance.**

Are You A Lifelong Learner?

You may have seen classrooms of adult students at the Center attentively listening to a speaker, or you may have heard the excited buzz in the dining room when a class takes a break. Have you wondered what was going on? The **Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) of Waubonsee Community College** holds senior friendly classes on a range of subjects such as; meaningful learning, environmental issues, music and art appreciation and trips among other things. There are no tests, no grades, no home work and no papers. **Margaret Plaskas**, coordinator of the program, will be at the Center on **Thursday, August 12 at 1:00** to introduce you to the adult learning programs offered by LLI through Waubonsee. Now is the best time to become involved. Membership in LLI is \$25.00 for one year, August to August. Additionally, LLI classes are \$5.00 per class for LLI members. Classes fill up very quickly. Check out LLI, they offer something interesting for everyone.

Geneva Celebrates 175 Years!

On August 14, all Geneva residents are invited to a very special 175th birthday party for our community on the Kane County Court House lawn from 4-8 p.m. Residents are invited to bring their picnic baskets and blankets and join in an evening of old-fashioned community fun. In the true spirit of community cooperation, this event is made possible through partnerships between the Geneva History Center, City of Geneva, Geneva Chamber of Commerce, Geneva Park District and Geneva Public Library District. A patriotic concert will be provided by The Fox Valley Concert Band which will begin at 6:30. Seating for seniors will be available on the court house steps. Seating is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. Hope to see you there!



Time To Get Pampered!

Men and women members are invited to enjoy a free foot spa which will be put on by Home Bound Health Care, Inc. Pamper yourself and your feet with a 15 to 20 minute treatment consisting of a 5 minute foot soak, a massage of your feet and lower legs and for the women (or any man who insists), a choice of nail polish to complete your pedicure. Your nails will be only be filed; not cut. You may make an appointment for Friday, August 20 from 1:00 to 4:00 for your free 20 minute session.

Senior Lifestyle Expo

It's time again for the Northeastern Illinois Area Agency on Aging's 15th Annual Senior Lifestyle Expo. The Expo will be held on August 24 and 25 from 9:00 to 2:00 both days at the Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois. The Expo features: health and wellness information and seminars, product and services exhibitors, live entertainment, fun and educational seminars, giveaways and drawings, a senior idol competition, a game show challenge, free parking, handicapped parking, handicapped accessibility and numerous food concessions. Tickets are \$3.00 at the door. Visit www.SeniorLifestyleExpo.org for more info.

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 be there Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Also, you can always practice alone.
- Bocce Ball: The court is outdoors, along the south east side of the building. Let the good times roll!
- Refreshments: Free anytime: hot coffee, sweet rolls, granola bars.
- Magazines: The latest are in the lounge area.
- Newspapers: Daily Herald, Chronicle, Tribune, Wall Street Journal. New; every day!
- Jigsaw Puzzles: One's always underway and anyone can help solve it.
- Games: Bridge, pinochle, poker, cribbage, train dominoes, chess - plus Mah Jongg and other board games.
- Walking: Wheeler Park has paved paths to take you throughout the Park.
- Sony Wii: Bowl, golf, race cars and box.
 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.

Why Do You Like The Senior Center?

"I've found the Senior Center to be a cheerful, stimulating, exciting place to be largely due to the director. The Center offers so many wonderful program choices."



Donna Mastney



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Friday at the Movies

Movie matinees will continue to be shown on **Friday afternoons at 1:00** on the Big Screen television. Our selections for July are new releases that we think you will enjoy. We also welcome movie requests; please tell Gayle if there is a particular movie you want to see.

Friday, August 6 - The Proposal

Friday, August 13 – Frost/Nixon

Friday, August 20 - Dear John

Friday, August 27 - Cider House Rules

DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES

Services are free of charge to Geneva Township residents age 55+!

- RTA Senior Citizen Fare I.D. Photos & Cards. One stop process!. (\$5.00 charge for non-residents)
- Personal Document Shredding
- File of Life
- Notary Service (No Cook County real estate docs.)
- Well-Being Check
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker (every Wednesday)
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Hearing Screening (2nd Monday each month)
- Computer class (every Tuesday morning)
- Free Monthly Lunch and Daily Refreshments
- Free Flu Shot Clinic

If you have any questions about these services - or if you would like the Township to add a service to this list, give us a call at 630-232-3602.

August Book Club

August's book is **Cider House Rules** by **John Irving.** The Book Club will meet on Monday, **August 23 at 10:30** to discuss this selection. The Hollywood movie version of this novel will be shown on August 27 at 1:00 at the Center.