

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

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Movies 11/2, 11/9, 11,	/16, 11/30
Bears Game	11/4
Card Bingo 11/6	, 13, 19, 26
Holiday Show Meeting	11/9
Center CLOSED	11/12
Ladies Tea	11/16
Concert	11/19
Center CLOSED	11/22, 23
Bears Game	11/25
Book Club	11/27
Current Events	11/29

November



The Center Newsletter

Take a Sentimental Journey with Maureen Christine

On Monday, November 19 at 4:00 pm the Center's social hall will become a concert hall for a *live* musical performance by Maureen Christine. A Sentimental Journey will celebrate swinging Big Band favorites, the Great American composers, and singers who swing, with this collection of Great American Jazz Standards of the 1930's, 40's and 50's. We'll honor our Veterans and prepare for Thanksgiving at this one hour vocal concert. Join us for a reception in the dining room after the concert.

Maureen is a national recording artist, having recorded with Pete Christlieb of the Johnny Carson Tonight Show Orchestra, and shared the stage with pop star Barry Manilow. In Chicago, Maureen has headlined at such renowned venues as The Palmer House and The Royal George Cabaret Theater. Her theater credits consist of leading roles in such musicals as "My Fair Lady, "The Sound of Music," "The Music Man" and "Lil Abner." Maureen is also in demand as a singer of <u>The National Anthem</u>. Maureen was recently chosen to sing the National Anthem in a movie. Maureen's nationally released CD titled "My Romance," was included on the 2002 Grammy ballot in the Traditional Pop Vocal category.

Tickets for this concert are on sale at the Center office for a minimum donation of \$3. All proceeds from the sale of tickets will be donated to the St. Peter Food Pantry to help feed the needy members of our community. Enjoy a great musical adventure and make a difference with a donation that will benefit residents of our town. Seats are limited; don't delay in purchasing your tickets.

Holiday Closings

The Center will be closed for regular activities on **Monday, No-vember 12** to observe **Veterans Day.** Thank you, Veterans, for your unselfish service to our country!



On Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, Novem-ber 23rd the Center will be closed for a Thanksgiving observance.

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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.

Attention Card Bingo Players

Card Bingo will meet on Tuesday, November 6 and Tuesday, November 13 @ 1:00pm this month. On Monday, November 19 @ 1:00pm, Card Bingo will resume its regular Monday schedule. Your Center calendar will reflect these date changes. This very popular activity (bingo played with decks of cards) is led by Center member Larry Zuwala. Give this game a try; new players are always welcome!

Cubs Tickets Thank You

Due to a very generous donation, one lucky Center member had his ticket drawn for two Cubs field box seats at the late September brat cookout. A huge thank you goes to Center member **Mary Brault** who donated the tickets to the Center. Thank you, Mary! The lucky winner was **David Sturn**.

Harvest Theme for Ladies Tea

Join us this month on Friday, November 16 at 11:00 for warm tea, petite snacks, and wonderful "tea talk". This informal event for Center ladies will feature tea and snacks this month; no sandwiches. Our November committee encourages you to sign up early for this very popular activity. New members are encouraged to register. Ladies Tea is limited to the first 40 women who register. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 for a reservation.

Great Reviews for New Center Lunch Menu

Oven baked chicken w/garlic mashed potatoes, Tuscan pork loin and potato spinach casserole, navy bean & ham soup... hungry yet? Be sure to look at November's new menu items. Diners enjoyed the new menu in October evidenced by record attendance. There's fruit or dessert at each meal, too. Reservations are now being accepted for every lunch meal this month. The midday meal on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday is served from 11:30–12:15. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 and we'll reserve your lunch. You must call by 9:00 am two days in advance to reserve a meal... walk-ins can only be accommodated after registered diners are served. A free-will donation is accepted at each meal. Don't be disappointed; call early to sign up for your favorite, special meal! If you're able, please call if you can't make it. We have a waiting list most days.

Holiday Show 2012 Planning Meeting

If you haven't been a part of the member-produced holiday show in the past, come to the planning meeting for the 2012 show on **Friday, November 9 at 11:00 am**. Last year's production showcased the musical, acting, and artistic talents of our members and everyone left with that special holiday feeling. Whether you're comfortable "on the stage" or you'd like to help with costumes and sets, **WE NEED YOU**! All ideas and participants are welcome. If you can't make this meeting but want to be involved, call the Center at 630/232-3602 so we can notify you of our next meeting and add your name to the show list.

Bloodstains by Jeff Mudgett is Book Club Pick

Bloodstains is the tale of one man's search for the truth after inheriting the personal diaries belonging to his great-great-grandfather who he discovers was America's first and most notorious serial killer Herman Webster Mudgett. Better known by his alias H.H. Holmes, Mudgett was the mass murderer who struck terror into the nation by being the proprietor of the infamous Murder Castle and stalking the streets of Chicago during the 1893 World's Fair. The **Book Club** is the place to be; this month, join the discussion on **Tuesday, November 27 at 10:00**.

Any Questions? Call Director Sheri McMurray at 630-232-3602

Additional Parking Available

If your usual parking area is full the next time you visit the Center, don't forget parking spots are located at the bottom of the drive as you enter Wheeler Park just east of the Park District maintenance building. A paved walk leads from the parking lot to the Center's front door.

Chicago Bears on the Big Screens in November

Cheer on the Bears at the Center on two Sundays this month! If you haven't attended one of the Center football parties yet, why not join us on one or both Sundays. The doors will open at **11:45** on **Sunday, November 4 (Tennessee Titans) and Sunday, November 25 (Vikings)**. Football fans can watch the game on any one of the 4 big screens, sample some good food, play a little 8-ball, surf the net, or play poker. The Center will provide a main course football entrée and drinks. If you're able, please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.



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 gather Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Also, you can always practice solo.

• **Bocce Ball:** The court is outdoors, along the Southeast side of the building, (seasonal).

• **Refreshments, free anytime:** hot coffee, sweet rolls, granola bars etc.

- **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.

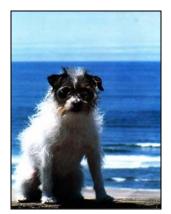
- **Games:** Bridge, card bingo, pinochle, poker, cribbage, train dominoes, chess, mah jongg and other board games.
- **55" Big Screen TV:** When the TV room is not otherwise in use, you can watch our movies or bring in one of your own.
- **Computer Access:** Drop by and log on.

New Current Events Discussion Group

Center members have the best ideas for new programs! A suggestion from a member is responsible for a new monthly current events group. If you scour the daily papers, internet, and periodicals to soak up all the details of the day's events <u>and</u> have an opinion... this coed group might be for you. We'll have a dry run on **Thursday, November 29 at 1:30.** Stop by and join the discussion; there's so much to talk about. Future gatherings can be set by the group. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to let us know you'll attend.

Pet of the Month Returns

Center member **Carmen Anderson** introduces another member of her family, her Grand-dog, **Scout**. Scout hails from Kingston, Washington. He's a Parson's Russell Terrier with a very rough coat. He's 8 years old and one of the perks of residing in Washington State is the opportunity to swim in Puget Sound – see the waves in the background. Scout never tires of fetching a tennis ball. Carmen reports that he loves it when she plays with him and feeds him carrots. If you'd like your pet featured in the newsletter, let us know.





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November 2012

FRIDAY MOVIES @ 1:00 PM



WITH POPCORN!

ON THE BIG SCREEN!

Friday, November 2 People Like Us (2012)

Rated PG-13 (1:53)

Sam is a young, fast-paced salesman who reluctantly returns home when he learns his father has died unexpectedly. In the course of putting his father's estate in order and reconnecting with his estranged family, Sam discovers he has an older sister.

Friday, November 9 The Hunger Games (2012) Rated PG-13 (2:22)

Every year in the ruins of what was once North America, the nation of Panem forces each of its twelve districts to send a teenage boy and girl to compete in the Hunger Games.

Friday, November 16 Snow White & the Huntsman (2012)

Rated PG-13 (2:08)

Starring Charlize Theron

Snow White is the only person in the land fairer than the evil queen out to destroy her.

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

- Hearing Screen (2nd Monday)
- 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
- Notary Service (No Cook County real estate docs.)
- Well-Being Check
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker (every Wednesday)
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Computer class (every Tuesday morning)
- Daily Refreshments and Snacks.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic
- Lunches
- Computer Access

Friday, November 30 The Amazing Spider Man (2012) Rated PG-13 (2:16)

Peter Parker is an outcast high schooler who was abandoned by his parents as a boy, leaving him to be raised by his Uncle Ben and Aunt May. As Peter discovers a mysterious briefcase that belonged to his father, he begins a quest to understand his parents' disappearance