

## 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 Scott Queen, Trustee Dick Sharp, Trustee

Sheri McMurray, Director



Important Dates	
Friday Movies	8/7, 14, 21, 28
Veteran License	8/3
Mini Golf	8/3
Coloring Fun 8/3	5, 10, 17, 24, 31
Topics	8/12
Men's Hamburger Buf	fet 8/17
Ladies Tea	8/21
Book Club	8/25
Hand and Foot Tourna	ament 8/28
CENTER CLOSED 9/7	
Oklahoma!	9/16

August 2015



#### The Center Newsletter

#### Oklahoma! Tickets Selling Fast

The Center trip to see a matinee performance of Rogers and Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!* at the **Paramount Theater** in Aurora on **Wednesday, Sept. 16**, is almost full. Only **FIVE** tickets remain. A comfortable coach bus will provide round-trip transportation from the Center (leaving at 12:30) for the 1:30 performance. The all inclusive cost (ticket and transportation) is \$55. Cash or a check will secure your reservation. Don't miss this fun fall event. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to make your reservation.

#### Ladies Tea With a Lemon Twist

Center staff welcomes you to iced tea and lemonade (mix the two for an "Arnold Palmer") at this month's tea. On **Friday**, **August 21**<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 join us in the dining room for some iced beverages, sandwiches, and sweets. A few lemon wedges may be gracing the table, too. New women members of the Center are encouraged to join us; it's a great way to meet people in a relaxed, unhurried atmosphere. We can accommodate the first 48 reservations. Call 630/232-3602 early to sign up. Tea committee sign-ups for 2015 continue. Get your friends together and contact the Center office to sign up to be a tea host committee. Or, we will help individual members form a group. The costs associated with the Tea are covered by the Center.

## Men's Hamburger Buffet Lunch on August 17

We invite Center men (YES, IT'S GUYS ONLY!) to a special Hamburger Buffet Lunch on Monday, August 17 at 11:30. We'll grill hamburgers ... potato salad, fruit salad, chips, and ice cream sundaes will also be served. If the weather is nice, seating will be available outside on the patio. Stay and play a game of Bocce after lunch. Reservations are required; please call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

#### Veterans Mobile Medical Unit

Edward Hines VA Hospital has a new outreach tool – a mobile medical unit. Veterans interested in enrolling in the VA health system can visit the mobile unit on **Tuesday, August 11 from 9:00am** – **2pm** at the St. Charles Veterans Center, 311 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., St. Charles. For more information, contact Pam Kostecki at 708/202-8387, ext. 73063.

#### **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.

#### Placido Domingo Update

We've received disappointing news regarding the **Placido Domingo** concert scheduled at the Lyric Opera in January 2016. This one-date show sold out prior to tickets being made available to nonsubscribers. Many members had expressed interest in attending this show and we're sorry to disappoint! Please see the article later in the newsletter about *The King and I* at the Lyric next spring!

## **Topics** Group

We are such a mobile society... It's rare that an individual stays in the same job for their whole career. Job changes often necessitate relocations. This month our *Topics* group will talk about how family relocations to different areas of the country have shaped their lives. Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, August 12 @ 1:00** to join the discussion. This coed group welcomes all participants and opinions!

Hand & Foot Tournament Reminder Our 1st Annual Hand & Foot Tournament will be held on Friday, August 28 @ 11:30. Don't delay; call the Center soon if you want to claim one of the few remaining spots. Participants will enjoy lunch before the tournament. Unique prizes will be awarded! A random draw by tournament organizers will be held prior to August 28 to determine partners.

## Salvation Army Golden Diners Needs Volunteers

Have you been looking for a volunteer opportunity close to home? The Golden Diners needs volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors in St. Charles, Geneva, and Batavia. Deliveries occur Monday-Friday from 10am – noon. Volunteers may help one day or more per month. Another opportunity exists at our Center... help with setup, serving, and clean-up of lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday during the hours of 9:30am – 1:00pm. If you're interested, please contact Kathy at Golden Diners at 630/232-6676.

#### Summer and a Good Book!

On Tuesday, August 25@ 10:00 am the Center Book Club will gather and discuss A Gift of Rain by Tan Twan Eng. In 1939, sixteen-year-old Philip Hutton - the half-Chinese, half-English youngest child of the head of one of Penang's great trading families- feels alienated from both the Chinese and British communities. He at last discovers a sense of belonging in his unexpected friendship with Hayato Endo, a Japanese diplomat. Join the club this month; new readers are always welcome!

## NEW Coloring Books – Not Just for Kids Anymore!

Who doesn't have fond memories of spending time with a coloring book and crayons as a kid? Later, you may have colored with your children or grandchildren. No need to give up something so enjoyable... The Center has purchased some "Adult" coloring books with unique pictures and designs, and coloring pencils. It's the "in" thing! Stop by any Monday at 1:00 and exercise your creative spirit.

## Veterans Driver's License Designation

On Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am – 2:00 pm the Veterans Department located at the Kane County Government Center, Bldg. A, 719 S. Batavia Ave. in Geneva will register Veterans interested in adding a "Veteran" designation to your Illinois driver's license or state ID. You must bring your DD-214 and your driver's license or state ID. There is no charge to register for the designation. It will appear on your license at your next renewal date. As you may remember, **Eileen Stocking** from the Center is a Veteran's Advocate. Eileen will be at the Government Center from 10 am – 11:30 am to assist you with the process.

#### Mini Golf Reminder

Don't forget the Center's 8th Annual Miniature Golf Event on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Meet at the Center @ 10:45. We'll walk together to the Stone Creek Miniature Golf Course in our backyard. A shotgun start will quicken the pace. After all the golfers have finished 18 holes, we'll return to the Center for a complimentary deli lunch. We won't be recording scores this year; just come to play and enjoy! Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to reserve your spot. There is no cost for this activity; we can still accommodate a few more members. Join us on Monday.

#### August Lunch at the Center

Join us for a lunch meal at the Center... new menu items have gained approval from the diners! Swiss Pork Riblet, Chicken & Dumplings, Shaved Beef French Dip, and Meatballs & Marinara on Spaghetti are new options this month. To ensure that we order enough meals to accommodate all those who wish to dine with us, please make a reservation for each day that you'd like to have lunch. At least a two day notice is preferable. You may also make lunch reservations for an entire month with one phone call. Walk-ins are welcome to join us only after all registered diners have been served.

## **IMPORTANT** Center Parking Guidelines

PLEASE - Do not park in the striped areas next to a handicapped space. In addition, the space directly in front of the north side activity room door is reserved for pedestrians access to the Center. Do not park there; it is not a parking spot. If you have any questions regarding parking, please call the Center office.

#### **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.



The Center will be closed on Monday, September 7 LABOR DAY

## The King and I at Lyric Opera in May 2016

The King of Siam rules with an iron fist. But he meets his match in Anna, the feisty Welsh teacher he's hired to instruct his many wives and children in the ways of the "civilized" West and help him learn to lead his country into the modern world. The two strong, passionate people from two very different cultures discuss, debate, disagree, and ultimately fall in love to the tune of some of Broadway's greatest songs — "Shall We Dance?," "I Whistle a Happy Tune," "Hello, Young Lovers," "I Have Dreamed," "We Kiss in a Shadow," "Something Wonderful," and more! If you were on the Center trip to the Lyric this past April for *Carousel,* you know how special the venue is... we're looking forward to returning for *The King and I*. We have requested seats on the main floor for this production. Round-trip transportation will be provided, too. If you want to be on the list, please call the Center. Watch for more details in a future newsletter.



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smcmurray @genevatownship.com

#### **AUGUST 2015**



# FRIDAY MOVIES @ 1:00 PM ON THE BIG SCREEN! WITH POPCORN!

\*\*NEW \*\*

If you plan to attend one or more of the Friday movies, please make a reservation by calling the Center office at 630/232-3602.

#### **AUGUST 7**

We Bought a Zoo (2011) Rated PG (2:04 Hours)

#### Starring Matt Damon and Scarlett Johansson

Set in Southern California, a father moves his young family to the countryside to renovate and re-open a

#### **AUGUST 14**

The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (2015) Rated PG (2:02 Hours)

#### Starring Maggie Smith and Judi Dench

As the Best Exotic Marigold Hotel has only a single remaining vacancy, Sonny pursues his expansionist dream of opening a second hotel.

#### **AUGUST 21**

The Company You Keep (2012) Rated R (2:05 Hours) Starring Robert Redford

A former Weather Underground activist goes on the run from a journalist who has discovered his identity.

## 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

## AUGUST 28 Danny Collins (2015) Rated R (1:48 Hours) Starring Al Pacino

Singer Danny Collins seems to have it all - money, fame, a new fiancée and arenas packed with adoring fans. But years of hard living and failed relationships have begun to take their toll on the once wild rocker.