

#### 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 Dick Sharp, Trustee

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#### **Important Dates**

Movies $7/6, 7/13$	7/20, 7/27
Center Closed	7/2, 7/4
English Gardens	7/14
Ice Cream Social	7/17
Pheasant Run	7/22
Mini Golf Tournament	7/27
Book Club	7/31
AARP Driver Safety	8/13 &14

July 2012



#### The Center Newsletter

#### Ice Cream Social Time

Did you know that it takes 12 lbs. of milk to make just one gallon of ice cream? Really! Or, that it takes an average of 50 licks to polish off a single-scoop ice cream cone. There's a challenge! There's nothing better than ice cream on a hot summer's day! Come to the Center on **Tuesday**, **July 17 at 2:30** for an **ice cream social**. Seating is available on the patio or in the dining room... We'll provide ice cream and all the toppings. Plain or fancy – dress it up however you please. Please call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up by **Friday**, **July 13<sup>th</sup>** so we don't run out of ice cream!

#### Be "COOL" at the Center

With the temperature reaching and exceeding 100 degrees in the last week, don't forget that the air conditioned Center is open **Monday** – **Friday from 8:30-4:30**. Stop by and have a complimentary ice tea or cold drink of water and escape the heat. Enjoy all we have to offer in air conditioned comfort. Let your neighbors and friends age 55+ in Geneva Township know that they're welcome to stop by any time we're open to cool off and relax. Key rules for coping with heat are to drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration and to slow down and cool off when you are fatigued, have a headache, a high pulse rate or shallow breathing. Overheating can cause serious, even life-threatening conditions such as heat stroke.

# Rescheduled Garden Program on July 12

On Thursday, July 12 at 1:00 pm the Center Garden Club will sponsor an armchair tour of gardens and landscapes visited by Karla Lynch on her recent trip to England. This program, originally scheduled for a date in June, had to be rescheduled due to technical difficulties. Join Karla in the meeting room as she shares photos and impressions of her excursion to some memorable gardens in southern England. Tea and treats will be served. Maybe you'll be inspired to join the Garden Club! Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register for this program.

The Center will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th.

#### **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.

#### **Bowling on Summer Hiatus**

The bowling group will take a hiatus until fall. Watch the newsletter for an organizing meeting in September. New bowlers are always welcome to join this casual group that meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at noon at Bowling Green in West Chicago.

#### Interested in the Performing Arts?

If you have an interest in the performing arts and the myriad of opportunities that exist to see live shows in the area; this group is for you. We'd like to compile a list of members who would receive advance notice of music and theater opportunities. Options can range from a small theater experience at the Steel Beam Theatre in St. Charles, a production at Pheasant Run, a musical at the Paramount in Aurora, or a classical orchestra concert at the Hemmens in Elgin. We may even venture into Chicago for a production... Call the Center at 630/232-3602 and add your name and contact information to our performing arts list.

#### Life of Pi is Book Club Choice

Yann Martel's 2001 fantasy adventure novel *Life of Pi* introduces the protagonist, Piscine Molitor "Pi" Patel. He's an Indian boy who explores issues of spirituality and practicality from an early age. He survives 227 days after a shipwreck, while stranded on a boat in the Pacific Ocean with a Bengal tiger. Join the Book Club on **Tuesday**, **July 31**st at 10:00 for a great discussion.

#### \*IMPORTANT\*

#### Center Lunch is Evolving

If you ask long-time members of the Center about our three day a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday) lunch service, you might hear about its "modest beginnings". The Center decided to host and support a lunch program early in its existence to complement other activities and provide a place for our members and other Geneva Township residents 55+ to enjoy a nutritious meal and fellowship with others. At the time, we also hoped that word of mouth would increase attendance at the meals and encourage diners to become active members of the Center.

As with many new endeavors, the meal program has evolved. Along the way, menus have been tweaked, food quality has improved, linen tablecloths and napkins now enhance the ambiance, and perhaps, most importantly; the numbers of diners has increased from a "handful" at lunch to a full house on many days.

Most of you know that our monthly menu calendar has included reservation-only "special meals". It's unusual to see less than 50 diners at each of the 4 special meals each month. Starting in July, we encourage members to choose ANY MEAL OR MEALS from among the varied cold and hot menus and make it your own "special meal". Call the Center and we'll make one or up to 12 separate reservations for you in July. We will guarantee your meal with at least 2 days advanced notice. However, members may call immediately and make a reservation for the dates you select in July. Note that all dates are limited to 50 diners and walk-ins can only be accommodated after registered diners are served. We don't want to disappoint you; reserve a meal soon! Don't hesitate to call the Center at 630/232-3602 with questions or reservations.

## Wheeler Senior Investment Club Meeting Change

The Investment Club (WSIC) will meet this month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am due to the Center's announced maintenance closing on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **Center Closings in July**

The Center will be closed on Monday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> for building cleaning and maintenance and Wednesday,

July 4th for the good ole 4th of July!

#### **Get Ready to Tee Off**

You'll want to save the date... On Friday, July 27 @ 11:00 the 5th Annual Miniature Golf Tournament is scheduled. Don't miss this fun annual competition. No prior golf experience is necessary...after all; some of the best golfers in the world aren't good putters all the time! We'll walk from the Center to the Stone Creek Miniature Golf Course – literally in our backyard. We've reserved the course for our event. A shotgun start will quicken the pace. After all the golfers have finished 18 holes, we'll return to the Center for a complimentary delicious lunch. Awards will be presented at lunch. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 no later than Tuesday, July 24 to reserve your "scorecard". Reservations are required. This event is really fun!

#### Some Enchanted Evening at Pheasant Run

The songs of Rodgers and Hammerstein are showcased in the Some Enchanted Evening Revue. Broadway favorites like "People Will Say We're in Love, "Shall We Dance," and "This Nearly Was Mine" are part of this Fox Valley Repertory production. A recent review described "Some Enchanted Evening" as a show-within-a-show with backstage performers preparing for a performance. Sound irresistible? Why not join other theater enthusiasts and meet at Pheasant Run for a Sunday matinee on July 22nd at 2pm. The ticket price is \$32. We need a minimum of 10 to qualify for the group rate. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 as soon as possible to reserve your spot - no later than Friday, July 13. We'll arrange for a block of seats.

#### **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 Southeast side of the building, (seasonal).
- Refreshments, free anytime: hot coffee, sweet rolls, granola bars. Other treats
- 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.



## **Upcoming AARP Driver Safety Class**

The Center will again sponsor this popular **AARP Driver Safety Class.** Mark your calendar and call to register for this class which meets on **Monday, August 13 and Tuesday, August 14 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm** both days. The participation fee is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Completion of the 8 hour class may qualify you for a discount on your auto insurance. Check with your agent. This award winning class is designed to help participants understand the effect of aging on driving, teach strategies that take into account the effects of aging, and identify the most common crash situations faced by older drivers. In 2011, over 560,000 participants in all 50 states took advantage of this class. Registration is limited to 25. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register now!



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#### Save a Stamp

Sign up to receive your newsletter, calendar and menu electronically. Just e-mail a request to Sheri McMurray at:

smcmurray @genevatownship.com

**July 2012** 

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

Friday, July 6

Mission: Impossible Ghost Protocol
PG-13



When a bomb destroys the Kremlin, the IMF is blamed and its members labeled as terrorists intent on inciting a global nuclear war.

# Friday, July 13 & 20 The Artist\*

Silent movie star George Valentin bemoans the coming era of talking pictures and fades into oblivion and self-destruction, but finds sparks with Peppy Miller, a young dancer lighting up talkies like no one else.

\*This film is recommended by the Township Supervisor! Take a trip back in time via a modern day version of a silent movie. Academy award winning...

The Artist will be shown on two Fridays because we're anticipating its popularity. Each showing will be limited to 20 people; please call to make your movie reservation.

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)
- Lunches and Daily Refreshments
- Free Flu Shot Clinic
- Monthly Meal Selection Great Food!

# Friday, July 27 Man on a Ledge (2012) PG-13

As a police psychologist works to talk down an ex-con who is threatening to jump from a Manhattan hotel rooftop, the biggest diamond heist ever committed is in motion.