

## 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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Sheri McMurray, Director



#### **Important Dates**

Center CLOSED	7/4
Mah Jongg	7/11, 18, 25
Friday Movies	7/5, 12, 19, 26
Arts & Outings Meeting	7/18
Ladies Tea	7/19
Ice Cream Sundae Party	7/22
Starved Rock Trip	7/24
Book Club	7/30
AARP Driver Safety Class	8/14 & 15



#### The Center Newsletter

#### We All Scream for Ice Cream!

You probably know the iconic saying, "I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!" However, you may not know its origins. It was a commercial slogan for the Eskimo Pie - originally called the I-Scream Bar. Come celebrate the long-awaited summer with an ice cream sundae and all the toppings served on the Center patio on Monday, July 22

July



**(a)** 2:00 pm. No screaming necessary! The sun umbrellas will be up! We'll try to anticipate your cravings and stock up on a variety of ice cream and toppings. Music will be playing... If it rains, we'll move the party into the dining room. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register.

# Keep It *Cool* at the Center!

The hot summer weather is just getting started! Remember that the air-conditioned Center is open Monday - Friday from 8:30-4:30. Stop by and have a complimentary iced tea or cold drink of water and escape the heat. Enjoy all we have to offer in cool 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.

# **Arts and Outings**

A meeting will take place on **Thursday**, **July 18 at 11:00** to discuss ideas for outings and arts events away from the Center for the upcoming summer and fall seasons. Join this group and contribute your ideas for events and trips. If you can't make it but have a suggestion, call the office and let us know. All are welcome.

The Center will be CLOSED Thursday, July 4th INDEPENDENCE DAY



#### **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.

#### **Book Club**

In July, the Club choice is The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens. College student Joe Talbert has the modest goal of completing a writing assignment for an English class. His task is to interview a stranger and write a brief biography of the person. With deadlines looming, Joe heads to a nearby nursing home to find a willing subject. There he meets Carl Iverson, and soon nothing in Joe's life is ever the same. Carl is a dying Vietnam veteran--and a convicted murderer. With only a few months to live, he has been medically paroled to a nursing home, after spending thirty years in prison for the crimes of rape and murder. As Joe writes about Carl's life, especially Carl's valor in Vietnam, he cannot reconcile the heroism of the soldier with the despicable acts of the convict. Copies of the book have been reserved for Center members at the Geneva Public Library. Ask for one at the library main desk... A discussion of this novel will take place on Tuesday, July 30 at 10:00.

#### **TRIAD Picnic Reminder**

The Central Kane County TRIAD Summer Picnic will be held on **Friday, July 19th at 11:00 am** in Wheeler Park. Please RSVP at 630/761-3600 or centralkanecountytriad@gmail.com if you'd like to attend.

#### **Summer Patio Time**

Finally, the weather is warmer and it's time to open the Center patio! If you'd like some shade, ask us to put up an umbrella for you. Feel free to enjoy your refreshments and lunch outside so you can catch the summer breeze.

#### Ladies Tea

On Friday, July 19 at 11:00 join us at the Center for Ladies Tea. The volunteer tea committee is busy planning... A light lunch will be served. If you're a new member or never enjoyed a Ladies Tea, why not sign up. This informal, monthly event is a great way to meet other members. Reservations are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. Please sign-up early; we can only accommodate the first 48 reservations.

## Starved Rock Trip Info

This is a reminder for members who have registered to participate in the Center trip to Starved Rock State Park. The outing on Wednesday, July 24 to Starved Rock State Park for the Land and Water Cruise is FULL. The waitlist is closed as well. If for some reason, you are signed up to participate and can't go, please call the Center. We have a healthy waitlist and will contact a waitlisted member to take your place. A refund will be issued to you. The tour begins with lunch in the historic dining room at the Starved Rock Lodge. We will depart the Center at approximately 9:15am for the estimated 1.5 hour drive to Starved Rock. Plan to arrive at the Center no later than 9:00 am. The group will leave Starved Rock to return to the Center at approximately 3:00 pm.

# **AARP Driver Safety Class in August**

Sign-ups continue for the AARP Driver Safety Class being offered at the Center on Wednesday, Aug. 14 and Thursday, Aug. 15 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm both days. The participation fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members (payable to the instructor on the first day of class). Completion of the 8-hour class may qualify you for a discount on your auto insurance. Check with your insurance agent. Registration is limited. Call 630/232-3602 to sign up now!

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

# JULY 19 BREAKTHROUGH (2019) Rated PG (1:56 Hours) Starring Topher Grace and Chrissy Metz

When he was 14, Smith drowned in Lake Saint Louis and was dead for nearly an hour. According to reports at the time, CPR was performed 27 minutes to no avail. Then the youth's mother, Joyce Smith, entered the room, praying loudly. Suddenly, there was a pulse, and Smith came around.

## JULY 26 SHAZAM! (2019) Rated PG-13 (2:12 Hours)

In Philadelphia, Billy Batson is an abandoned child who is proving a nuisance to Child Services and the authorities with his stubborn search for his lost mother. However, in his latest foster home, Billy makes a new friend, Freddy, and finds himself selected by the Wizard Shazam to be his new champion. Now endowed with the ability to instantly become an adult superhero by speaking the wizard's name, Billy gleefully explores his new powers with Freddy.

# Mah Jongg, Anyone?

Our **Mah Jongg** group meets at the Center on **Thursday afternoon at 1:00pm**. They would love to add some new players. Why not join them on the porch for a fun afternoon of Mah Jongg. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

## 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.
- **Shuffleboard:** The table is on the porch.
- **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.

# CENTER MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT!



Waiting to board the boat for the Architectural River Tour



Swedish Days Parade Pirates!



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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 2019**



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

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.

## JULY 5 THE PUBLIC (2018) Rated PG-13 (2 Hours)

#### Starring Emilio Estevez and Alec Baldwin

In "The Public" an unusually bitter Arctic blast has made its way to downtown Cincinnati and the front doors of the public library where the action of the film takes place. At odds with library officials over how to handle the extreme weather event, some homeless patrons turn the building into a shelter for the night by staging an "Occupy" sit in. What begins as an act of civil disobedience becomes a stand-off with police and a rush-to-judgment media constantly speculating about what's really happening.

## JULY 12 THE BEST OF ENEMIES (2019) Rated PG-13 (2:12 Hours)

Starring Taraji P. Henson and Sam Rockwell Based on a true story, THE BEST OF ENEMIES

# 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
- 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

centers on the unlikely relationship between Ann Atwater (Henson), an outspoken civil rights activist, and C.P. Ellis (Rockwell), a local Ku Klux Klan leader who reluctantly cochaired a community summit, battling over the desegregation of schools in Durham, North Carolina during the racially-charged summer of 1971. The incredible events that unfolded would change Durham and the lives of Atwater and Ellis forever.