



**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
- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



**Important Dates**

Mah Jongg	8/1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Friday Movies	8/2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Bingo	8/7, 22
Oreos & Milk	8/7
AARP Driver Safety Class	8/14 & 15
Ladies Tea	8/16
TRIAD Picnic	8/16
Elgin History Museum Trip	8/21
Book Club	8/27
Blue Man Group	9/22
Hearing Screening	9/9

**August**

**2019**



**The Center Newsletter**

**Oreos and Milk!**

In 1912, Nabisco had a new idea for a cookie—two chocolate disks with a creme filling in between. The first Oreo cookie looked very similar to the Oreo cookie of today, with only a slight difference in the design of the chocolate disks. The current design, however, has been around since 1952. Over 362 billion Oreo cookies have been sold since it was first introduced in 1912, making it the best-selling cookie of the 20th century. Come enjoy some of the original style Oreos or the lemon crème variety. Sugar-free cookies will also be available. We will have plenty of milk for “dunking” or drinking! Join us at the Center on **Wednesday, August 7th from 2:00pm-3:30pm** for “Milk’s Favorite Cookie”.



**Elgin History Museum and Lunch**

**On Wednesday, August 21** a trip is planned to visit The Elgin History Museum. It’s housed in an 1856 landmark building known as *Old Main* that was once part of the Elgin Academy campus. The building was designed in the Greek Revival style. Through permanent and changing exhibits, the museum brings to life Elgin’s rich heritage. Permanent exhibits include Elgin National Watch Company, Elgin Manufacturing, Elgin Road Race memorabilia, Elgin Architecture, and Elgin: From River to Rails. The total inclusive cost of \$30 covers round-trip coach bus transportation, admission to the museum, and lunch at Houlihan’s in Geneva. We will depart the Center at 10:30 am for the trip to Elgin. After our tour, our bus will head for Houlihan’s in Geneva for lunch. After lunch, we’ll return to the Center. **Payment for this trip must be made no later than Wednesday, Aug. 14.**

**Hearing Screening Appointments**

The 3rd quarterly Hearing Screening will take place on **Monday, September 9 at 9:00 am**. Appointments are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you’d like to register.

## 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 Choice

*The Immortalists* is the August book selection. In her second novel, Chloe Benjamin constructs an imaginative family saga. In 1969, the four rambunctious Gold children, Simon, Klara, Daniel, and Varya, visit a psychic on Manhattan's Lower East Side who predicts the date each of them will die. The novel then follows how the siblings deal with news of their expiration dates. 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, August 27 at 10:00.**

## Driver Safety Class Spaces Available

Registration for the AARP Driver Safety Class will end on Wednesday, August 7. The class will meet 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. Call 630/232-3602 to sign up.



## Bingo

Traditional bingo will be played at the Center on **Wednesday, August 7 and Thursday, August 22 at 12:15.** Note the Thursday game this month. Come have some fun and win prizes, too! Let us know if you'd like to come to lunch that day.

## TRIAD Picnic Rescheduled

Due to extreme temperatures on the original July picnic date, the Central Kane County TRIAD Summer Picnic was rescheduled and will be held on **Friday, August 16 at 11:00 am in Wheeler Park.** A complimentary lunch will be served. All individuals must RSVP even if you registered for the July date. Please call 630/761-3600 or email to [centralkanecountytriad@gmail.com](mailto:centralkanecountytriad@gmail.com) if you'd like to attend.

## Blue Man Group and Lunch

Travel with us on **Sunday, September 22** to the Briar Street Theatre in Chicago for the **Blue Man Group.** It is best known for its award-winning theatrical productions which critics have described as "ground-breaking," "hilarious," "visually stunning" and "musically powerful." These performances feature three bald and blue characters who take the audience through a multi-sensory experience that combines theatre, percussive music, art, science and vaudeville into a form of entertainment that is like nothing else. Prior to the late afternoon show, we'll enjoy lunch at the Hard Rock Café. **Sign-ups with payment must be made no later than August 16** for this trip. The all-inclusive cost (lunch, ticket and transportation) is \$70. Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted for payment. As always, a luxury coach bus will provide roundtrip transportation from the Center. We estimate a departure close to noon. An exact departure time will be included in the September newsletter. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

## Mah Jongg Reminder

Our Mah Jongg group welcomes new players. They meet on the porch at the Center on **Thursday afternoon at 1:00pm.** Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you have questions.

## MOVIES continued from last page...

she barely speaks a word. Aside from one muffled request for water and a hushed discussion with her musical director, there's not a peep out of her. Instead, she focuses her concentration wholly on the spirit of the gospel music she came to perform during the film's historic two-day shoot, which took place in January 1972 at the New Temple Baptist Mission church in Los Angeles.

**AUGUST 23**  
**TOLKIEN (2019)**  
**Rated PG-13 (1:52 Hours)**

*Tolkien* explores the formative years of the orphaned author, J.R.R. Tolkien, as he finds friendship, love and artistic inspiration among a group of fellow outcasts at school. This takes him into the outbreak of World War I, which threatens to tear the "fellowship" apart. These experiences would inspire Tolkien to write his famous Middle-Earth novels.

**AUGUST 30**  
**A DOG'S JOURNEY (2019)**  
**Rated PG (1:48 Hours)**

**Starring Josh Gad, Dennis Quaid**

Bailey (voiced again by Josh Gad) is living the good life on the Michigan farm of his "boy," Ethan (Dennis Quaid) and Ethan's wife Hannah (Marg Helgenberger). He even has a new playmate: Ethan and Hannah's baby granddaughter, CJ. The problem is that CJ's mom, Gloria (Betty Gilpin), decides to take CJ away. As Bailey's soul prepares to leave this life for a new one, he makes a promise to Ethan to find CJ and protect her at any cost. This begins Bailey's adventure through multiple lives filled with love, friendship and devotion.

## 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.

## Outings

Help us gauge interest in the proposed outings listed below by stopping in or calling the Center with your feedback...

**\*Lake Geneva, Wisconsin Cruise Line Luncheon Tour** – 2 ¼ hours meal cruise of the whole lake

**\*\*Fermilab Tour**

**\*\*\*Anderson Japanese Gardens in Rockford** – an authentic Japanese pond-strolling garden and more on a twelve-acre site

**\*\*\*\*Milwaukee Art Museum** – Grand architecture & 30,000 works of art overlooking Lake Michigan

## Ladies Tea

On **Friday, August 16 at 11:00** join us at the Center for **Ladies Tea**. The dining room is always full of lively conversation while members enjoy a light lunch at the monthly tea. Reservations are required; call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. Please sign-up early; we can only accommodate the first 48 reservations.



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[smcmurray@genevatownship.com](mailto:smcmurray@genevatownship.com)

**AUGUST 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.

**AUGUST 2**

**THE ELEPHANT MAN (1980)**  
Rated PG (2:00 Hours)

**Starring John Hurt, Anthony Hopkins**

John Hurt stars as John Merrick, the hideously deformed 19th century Londoner known as "The Elephant Man". Treated as a sideshow freak, Merrick is assumed to be retarded as well as misshapen because of his inability to speak coherently. In fact, he is highly intelligent and sensitive, a fact made public when one Dr. Frederick Treves (Anthony Hopkins) rescues Merrick from a carnival and brings him to a hospital for analysis.

**AUGUST 9**

**POMS (2019)**

Rated PG-13 (1:31 Hours)

**Starring Diane Keaton, Jacki Weaver, Rhea Perlman**

Martha is an introverted woman who moves to a retirement community that has shuffleboard, golf, bowling and other activities. Hoping to be left alone, she

**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

meets Sheryl, a fun-loving neighbor who insists that they become best pals. After coming out of her shell, Martha and her new friend decide to form a cheerleading squad with their fellow residents.

**AUGUST 16**

**AMAZING GRACE (2018)**

Rated G (1:27Hours)

In Aretha Franklin's revelatory concert film *Amazing Grace*,

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