



**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
- John Connolly, Trustee
- Robert Kovacs, Trustee
- Scott Queen, Trustee
- Sheri McMurray, Director



**Important Dates**

Friday Movies	8/2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Wheeler Walkers	8/5, 12, 19, 26
Gals' Chat	8/7
BINGO	8/14, 28
TRIAD Picnic	8/16
Democracy's Messengers Encore	8/19
Hot Dog Wednesday	8/21
Card Bingo	8/22
Book Club	8/28
Hand & Foot	Tues. & Fri.
Train Dominoes	Mon. & Fri.
Poker	Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Pinochle	Tues.

**August**

**2024**



**The Center Newsletter**

**The *Four C Notes* at the Jacob Henry Mansion**

On **Wednesday, September 25** a group will travel from the Center via luxury coach bus to Joliet for lunch and a show at the mansion featuring the ***Four C Notes***. The Four C Notes was created by John Michael Coppola, best known for his appearance in Chicago's long running production of the Broadway smash hit, ***Jersey Boys***. They are the Midwest's only tribute band dedicated to recreating the music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The visit will include a self-guided tour of the mansion, and a tour of the Old Central Church located on the grounds. The lunch menu features a Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Cheese Manicotti, Fettuccini Alfredo & Spaghetti & Meatballs, Coffee or Tea, and Cannoli Cake. Let us know if you have special dietary needs. The cost of this trip is \$65 (transportation, tour, lunch, and show). Cash or a check made out to Geneva Township will be accepted. We will depart the Center at approximately 9:30am for the one-hour trip and anticipate leaving Joliet at 3:00pm. **Twenty-five tickets have been reserved for this sold-out event. Paid registrations are due no later than Friday, September 13.** A waiting list will be started after we reach twenty-five paid signups.

A little history of the property... Jacob Henry moved to the Midwest from New Jersey, securing construction contracts for railroad projects in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. He began construction in 1873 of a 40-room, 16,800-square-foot house, which cost \$70,000 to build and was completed in 1876. The district in which it was situated was called "Silk Stocking Row" because it was populated by families of wealth and influence. Henry's family owned the home until 1933, then lost it to the Depression. It passed through several hands until 1985, when a Joliet couple bought the home to save it from the wrecking ball. This wonderfully restored home is registered as a National Historic Landmark and now hosts private and special events.

**Hot Dog Wednesday**

On **Wednesday, August 21 at 12:30** we invite members to stop in for a hot dog with all the trimmings. Coleslaw, chips, and watermelon will also be served. You can sit in the dining room or on the patio. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 no later than August 16.

## **TRIAD Picnic @ Pottawatomie Park**

The **Central Kane County TRIAD Summer Picnic** will be held on **Friday, August 16** from **11:00am – 2pm** at Pottawatomie Park (8 North Ave., St. Charles). The schedule includes lunch, entertainment, and BINGO. **Please RSVP to Lynne at 630/513-4324 no later than August 9th if you'd like to attend.** Reservations are required.

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## **LLI Fall Open House**

**Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI)** invites adults aged 50+ to a kickoff open house on **Monday, August 12 from 10am to 1pm** at Waubonsee Community College's Sugar Grove Campus (Academic and Professional Center, Room 110). You can register for Fall classes and meet current members. To register for the open house, go to [www.waubonsee.edu/lli](http://www.waubonsee.edu/lli). Walk-ins are welcome, too. Flyers with all the details are available at the Center.

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## **Book Lovers Wanted!**

On **Wednesday, August 28 at 10:30 am** the Book Club will gather to share thoughts on the August choice: ***Educated*** by **Tara Westover**. Tara Westover was 17 the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head-for-the-hills bag". The family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education. Tara began to educate herself. Westover has crafted a universal coming-of-age story that gets to the heart of what an education is and what it offers: the perspective to see one's life through new eyes and the will to change it. Copies of the book are available August 1st at the Geneva Library. Novels are in the book club holding area (1st floor) for 10 days. New readers are always welcome!

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## **Checkmate!**

We have some chess players who are looking for opponents... If there's interest, we'd like to add chess to the calendar. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 if you'd like to play.

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## ***Democracy's Messengers* Encore**

Some members were not able to attend the presentation in July about young people who serve as "pages" in the U.S. Senate, House of Representatives, and Supreme Court. On **Monday, August 19 at 1:30** we'll have an encore. The short 30-minute historical film, ***Democracy's Messengers***, will be shown in the meeting room. After the film, Sheri will share her experience as a page in the United States Senate during the fall of 1976. Call the Center at 630-232-3602 to register.

## Gals' Chat

On **Wednesday, August 7 at 1:00 pm** join other Center gals for a topic-based discussion. If you'd like, bring a personal picture or item that you'd like to share with the group. Cheesecake will be served.

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## Bunco Change

The Bunco group is taking a break. It may return in the future.

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## MOVIES continued from last page...

### AUGUST 16

#### ARTHUR THE KING (2024)

**1:47 Hours \* Rated PG-13**

**Starring Mark Wahlberg**

Desperate for one last chance to win, Michael Light convinces a sponsor to back him and a team of athletes for the Adventure Racing World Championship in the Dominican Republic. As the team gets pushed to the outer limits of endurance, a dog named Arthur comes along for the ride, redefining what victory, loyalty and friendship truly means.

### AUGUST 23

#### JOE VS. THE VOLCANO (1990)

**1:42 Hours \* Rated PG**

**Starring Tom Hanks, Lloyd Bridges, and Meg Ryan**

Joe is diagnosed with an incurable disease, quits his dehumanizing job, and accepts an offer to briefly "live like a king, die like a man" - but to fulfill his agreement he must willingly jump into a live volcano on the island of Waponi Woo to appease the volcano god.

### AUGUST 30

#### KATE AND LEOPOLD (2001)

**1:58 Hours \* Rated PG-13**

Kate McKay (Meg Ryan) is a modern-day executive, a 21st century woman driven to succeed in the corporate world. Leopold, the third Duke of Albany, is a charming gent and bachelor of the late 1800s. With career and social expectations looming, each has grown cynical about the very notion of

## 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.
- **Shuffleboard:** The table is on the porch.
- **Crossword Puzzles.** New every day.
- **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.

### 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.

falling in love. But when a rip in the fabric of time thrusts Leopold into present day New York, the potential for an old-fashioned modern romance ignites.



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

**AUGUST 2024**

## FRIDAY MOVIES

**@ 1:00PM**

**ON THE BIG SCREEN!**

**WITH POPCORN!**

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.** Seating is limited. If you plan to attend one or more of the Friday movies, please call the Center of-  
fice at 630/232-3602.

**AUGUST 2**

**MOONSTRUCK (1987)**

**1:42Hours \* Rated PG**

**Starring Cher, Nicholas Cage, and  
Olympia Dukakis**

No sooner does Italian American widow Loretta (Cher) accept a marriage proposal from her doltish boyfriend, Johnny (Danny Aiello), than she finds herself falling for his younger brother, Ronny (Nicolas Cage). She tries to resist, but Ronny lost his hand in an accident he blames on his brother and has no scruples about aggressively pursuing her while Johnny is out of the country. As Loretta falls deeper in love, she comes to learn that she's not the only one in her family with a secret romance.

## DON'T FORGET OUR FREE SERVICES

Services are typically free of charge to Geneva Township residents age 55+!

- Hearing Screen (Quarterly)\*\*
- RTA Senior Citizen Fare I.D. Photos & Cards. (Age 65+ only!). One stop. (*\$5.00 charge for non-residents*)
- Personal Document Shredding
- Senior Services Associates, Inc. Caseworker
- Central Kane County TRIAD
- Free Eye Care & Glasses. (financial qualification).
- Lunches\*\*
- Computer Access

\*\* Not currently offered

**AUGUST 9**

**ORDINARY ANGELS (2024)**

**1:58 Hours \* Rated PG**

**Starring Hilary Swank**

A struggling hairdresser finds a renewed sense of purpose when she meets a widowed father working hard to care for his two daughters. With his youngest critically ill and waiting for a liver transplant, the fierce woman single-handedly rallies an entire community to help.

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