

# Geneva Township Center

400 Wheeler Drive Geneva, IL 60134 630/232-3602

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

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#### **Important Dates**

Friday Movies 2/3, 10,	17, 24
Football Bowl Party	2/5
AARP Tax Prep Begins	2/7
Medicare Info Series 2/8,	2/22
Hearing Screen	2/13
Ladies Tea	2/17
Center CLOSED	2/20
Caregiver Counseling Talk	2/21
Book Club	2/28
Guys' Hockey Outing	3/26

February 2017



# The Center Newsletter

## Football Championship Game at the Center

The New England Patriots will battle it out with the Atlanta Falcons. Don't miss the party! The Center doors will open at 4:30 pm

on **Sunday, February 5**th. Spiral cut ham, homemade chili, bread and rolls, and drinks will be provided by the Center. If you're able, we're requesting that attendees bring one appetizer, side, or dessert. The game will be shown on 4 screens throughout the Center. Come watch



the game, laugh at the commercials, or enjoy the half-time show... You're also welcome to play pool, poker, or surf the internet. Please call the Center to register no later than Thursday, Feb. 2.

#### **Medicare Information Series**

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed an Act making Medicare law. Medicare is one of the most confusing yet vital programs for those who are 65 years of age and older. In an effort to demystify this program, the Center has scheduled a series of four Medicare informational sessions in February and March. See the schedule below. Each session will focus on a different part of the program with ample time devoted to questions. Our presenter, **Betty Erickson**, will lead these sessions. Betty is familiar to many of our members. As a SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) volunteer counselor, she meets with individuals at the Center weekly. SHIP is a free state-wide program in Illinois that provides counseling for Medicare beneficiaries. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to register. All members are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, Feb. 8 (Medicare Parts A & B) @10:00am Wednesday, Feb. 22 (Medicare Part C – Advantage Plans) @10:00am

Wednesday, March 8 (Medicare Part D) @10:00am Wednesday, March 22 (Medicare Supplements) @10:00am

The Center will be closed on **Monday, February 20, 2017 Presidents' 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.

February Book Club Choice

*House Rules* by **Jodi Picoult** is the book club choice this month. Jacob Hunt is a teen with Asperger's syndrome. He's hopeless at reading social cues or expressing himself well to others, though he is brilliant in many ways. But he has a special focus on one subject - forensic analysis. A police scanner in his room clues him in to crime scenes, and he's always showing up and telling the cops what to do. And he's usually right. But when Jacob's small hometown is rocked by a terrible murder, law enforcement comes to him. Jacob's behaviors are hallmark Asperger's, but they look a lot like guilt to the local police. Join the discussion on Tuesday, February 28 @ 10:00.

# Friday Lunch Special

The Center lunch schedule now includes Monday and Friday Subway sandwich buffets in addition to our Tuesday – Thursday hot lunch and salad bar. The Monday/Friday lunches have proven to be very popular and have attracted a lot of diners. This month we'll have a special option for lunch on Friday, February 24 – Aurelio's Pizza. Lunch will be served starting at 11:30. Members must sign-up no later than Tuesday, February 21 for this meal. A free-will donation will be accepted.

#### **AARP Tax Preparation**

AARP tax preparation appointments can be made by calling the Center office. Beginning on Tuesday, February 7, volunteer preparers will be here each week on Tuesday and Thursday to help members complete and electronically file their 2016 Federal and IL tax returns. AARP volunteers are trained and tested in current tax law using materials from the IRS. They can complete most tax forms including 1040EZ, 1040A, and 1040 with schedules. However, please see a professional tax preparer for complicated returns. A photo ID (driver's license, State ID, passport), social security card, copies of last year's tax returns, all forms W-2 and 1099, and any other information specific to your tax situation must be presented at your appointment. There is no cost for this service. However, appointments are required. Call 630/232-3602 with questions or to make an appointment.

# **NEW Caregiver Counseling Program**

Senior Services Associates, Inc. has a new program option for individuals who are acting as caregivers for seniors. Come learn about this program that supports caregivers through personal counseling. Staff from Senior Services will join us in the Center dining room on Tuesday, February 21 at 11:40 to give a short lunchtime talk.

#### Ladies Valentine Tea

Valentine's Day is tailor-made for a ladies tea party! Soft pink and red, ribbons, hearts, and flowers... The dining room will be decorated and you're welcome to wear Valentine colors. Come join this gathering on **Friday, February 17 at 11:00**. Tea sandwiches, fruit, and sweets will be served. Of course, the teapots will be full of hot 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.

# **Arts Interest Group**

The Center Arts Interest Group will meet on Friday, February 10 @ 11:00am to review upcoming arts opportunities. This group is charged with helping to determine our schedule of arts-related opportunities and trips. Join them and contribute your ideas for theater, music, visual art, or any other arts-related event.

# Guys ONLY Outing in March

We have a special outing planned for Center guys in March! We've reserved a suite at the Fox Valley Ice Arena located in Geneva to see a Chicago Steel hockey game. The Chicago Steel team (part of the U.S. Hockey League) includes players who have earned Division I college scholarships. During the history of this club 24 young men have been selected for the National Hockey League Draft. Members will meet at the ice arena located on South Kirk Road (just south of the Kane County Cougars stadium) on Sunday, March 26 for the 3:00pm game. Free parking is available. An elevator just off the front entrance will take you to the suite level. Every suite includes a furnished private entertaining area and an adjacent exterior balcony facing the rink with chairs and standing room for great views of the game. There is no cost for this outing but reservations are limited to the first 20 Center men who register. Call the Center at 630/232-3602 to sign up.

# **Hearing Test Change**

An audiologist from Geneva Hearing Services will conduct hearing screenings at the Center on Monday, Feb. 13 at 9:30. **There will not be a screening in March**. Monthly screenings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 9:30.

# Card Bingo Date Change

Due to the Presidents' Day holiday on **Monday, February 20, Card Bingo** will not meet that week. Play will resume on Monday, February 27 at 1:00pm.

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

and flies to Hong Kong to meet with journalists Glenn Greenwald and Ewen MacAskill, and filmmaker Laura Poitras to reveal U.S. government cyber surveillance programs of epic proportions. A top security contractor with virtuoso programming skills, Ed has discovered that a virtual mountain of data is being assembled tracking all forms of digital communication — not just from foreign governments and terror groups, but from ordinary Americans.

## 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.

# FEBRUARY 24 MANCHESTER BY THE SEA (2016) Rated R for language and some sexual content (2:15 Hours)

Starring Casey Affleck and Michelle Williams Nominated for 7 Academy Awards... After the death of his older brother Joe, Lee Chandler is shocked that Joe has made him sole guardian of his teenage nephew Patrick. Taking leave of his job as a janitor in Boston, Lee reluctantly returns to Manchester-by-the-Sea, the fishing village where his working-class family has lived for generations. There, he is forced to deal with a past that separated him from his wife Randi and the community where he was born and raised.



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#### FEBRUARY 2017



# 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.

FEBRUARY 3 DENIAL (2016) PG-13 (1:51 Hours)

# Starring Rachel Weisz and Tom Wilkinson

When university professor Deborah E. Lipstadt includes World War II historian David Irving in a book about Holocaust deniers, Irving accuses her of libel and sparks a legal battle for historical truth. With the burden of proof placed on the accused, Lipstadt and her legal team fight to prove the essential truth that the Holocaust occurred. Based on the book "History on Trial: My Day in Court with a Holocaust Denier."

## FEBRUARY 10 DEEP WATER HORIZON (2016) PG-13 (1:39 Hours)

# Starring Mark Wahlberg & Kurt Russell

On April 20th, 2010, one of the world's largest manmade disasters occurred following a devastating explosion on the Deepwater Horizon in the Gulf of Mex-

# 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

ico. The heroic actions of many brave men and women that day would save many on board and changed everyone's lives forever. This movie is based on a true story.

## FEBRUARY 17 SNOWDEN (2016)

Rated R for language and some sexuality(2:15 Hours) Starring Joseph Gordon-Levitt

In 2013, Edward Snowden quietly leaves his job at the NSA Continued on p. 3