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Mayor's Welcome



Hello and welcome to the City of Geneseo. As a lifelong resident, let me share with you what an honor it has been to call this community my home. The sense of community that the citizens of Geneseo display has made easy the decision to serve as Mayor. Geneseo is widely recognized area-wide as one of the most desirable communities for people to want to call home.

Geneseo is located in the heart of northwest Illinois just 20 miles east of the Mississippi River. Geneseo lies uniquely close to the greater Quad City region of Illinois and Iowa. Geneseo is a community deeply rooted in the working-class traditions of agriculture and manufacturing. Our hard-working citizens choose to make Geneseo their home for a variety of reasons. With a population of 6,586 Geneseo remains a strong community holding true to those unique small-town

values reflected by our many churches, citizens programs, and outstanding academics found in our school system, a vast support system of volunteer groups, and a strong sense of community shared by all that is truly remarkable. Geneseo strikes a unique balance between tree-lined streets, beautiful parks, a revitalized downtown, abundant shopping, and restaurant opportunities, yet lies just a short commute to the Quad-Cities. These community benefits provide residents everything that a larger metropolitan area has to offer including many colleges and universities, large and small entertainment venues, sporting events, dining and so much more.

But one of the greatest things about Geneseo, and the thing I truly love the most is its people. As a community we are friends, and we are neighbors. I am constantly amazed at how people from all over the world come here with their unique ideas and experiences and work together to create a shared system of values and support the vision for this wonderful place, the place they have chosen to call home, Geneseo. All that Geneseo has become and all that Geneseo will be is deeply rooted in the many talents that each citizen brings, steadfast dedication, and hard work and I couldn't be more proud to serve as their Mayor.

If you are already a part of our community; thank you. If you are considering relocating your family or business to Geneseo, or simply thinking about a visit, please do. You will not be disappointed.

As Mayor of Geneseo, I invite you to come and visit and experience everything Geneseo has to offer. It is likely that everything you will need can be found in this publication. However, if you have any questions please visit the City website at www.cityofgeneseo.com or drop by City Hall. Our job at City Hall is to make sure your experience in Geneseo is a good one, so don't hesitate to contact us if we can be of service.

We look forward to seeing you!

Sincerely,

Mayor Sean Johnson

Director's Welcome



Welcome to Geneseo!

When it comes to exploring the Midwest, Geneseo is a not-so-hidden gem in Illinois. Located off of Exit 19 on Interstate 80 in Illinois, Geneseo has grown into a prosperous community that is continually recognized as a regional leader in many aspects.

Adapting to the times of the COVID-19 pandemic, Geneseo businesses have worked hard to provide a safe and welcoming environment for all.

Geneseo is home to a wide array of unique retail shops that feature gifts, original art, and clothing. Necessities such as tools, appliances, groceries, cars, and tractors can be found right here in Geneseo. We have many restaurants offering casual dining or a formal setting. Plan a day trip and explore our historic downtown shopping district. Relax and indulge at the newer establishments along the expanding Oakwood Avenue corridor, located in the southern half of town. There is so much to discover in Geneseo!

Geneseo has a long-standing commitment to academic excellence. Geneseo School District #228 has a tradition of producing future leaders and innovators. Staff and educators have high expectations for academic achievement. Geneseo schools offer a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities for all students. The Geneseo Maple Leafs football team – also known as The Green Machine – has been a force to be reckoned with on the gridiron for nearly a century! In addition to athletics, the Geneseo School District boasts award-winning fine arts, music, and performing arts programs.

The Geneseo Park District offers healthy lifestyle facilities that rival any athletic establishment. The outstanding amenities offered by the Geneseo Park District include impressive indoor/outdoor pools, fitness tracks, cardio/weight rooms, tennis courts, basketball courts, youth football field, meeting rooms, and training options that are sure to help anyone achieve their goals.

Geneseo is home to Hammond-Henry Hospital, an award-winning state of art facility which includes an updated modern emergency room, surgical wing, skilled care, extended care, and home health. All of this is in addition to rehabilitation, imaging departments, and several specialty clinics.

Nobody does festivals better than Geneseo! Geneseo's ice cream socials, car cruises, holiday celebrations, and events are among the most popular and renowned in the region and many events are returning in 2021! Geneseo is particularly well-known throughout the region for its four annual marquee events – The Music Fest, Trains, Planes, & Automobiles, State Street Market, and the renowned Christmas Walk.

In 2020, the Geneseo Chamber and community volunteers teamed up to embrace innovation. Modified community events were safely organized and executed, attracting thousands to Geneseo while adapting to State of Illinois public health guidelines. Geneseo events have earned a reputation of being among the safest in Illinois, a reputation we are proud of. Geneseo will continue to host community events in a safe manner. Please take a moment to learn more about these events in the pages of this magazine. We hope to see you there!

I was born and raised in Geneseo. On behalf of our wonderful city, I cordially invite you to make yourself at home while visiting and to experience what I have known for my entire life – the Geneseo way! Once you experience what Geneseo has to offer, I guarantee you will know why Geneseo continues to grow and evolve in a positive way. From the friendly people in town, to outstanding shopping options, to fine dining, to incredible public resources, Geneseo has something to offer to everyone. Come see for yourself what makes our community...uniquely Geneseo!

Sincerely,

Zack Sullivan

Executive Director

Geneseo Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Center



Geneseo Chamber of Commerce 2021

Calendar of events



APRIL

Saturday, April 17:
Geneseo Artwalk

JUNE

Thursday, June 17:
Girl's Night Out

**Friday, June 18 –
Sunday, June 20:**
Geneseo Music Fest

JULY

Saturday, July 10:
Porches, Pools & Patios

**Friday & Saturday, July
30 & 31:** Sidewalk Sales

AUGUST

Saturday, August 14:
Cruise The Canal I

SEPTEMBER

**Thursday, September 9 –
Saturday, September 11:**
Trains, Planes &
Automobiles Festival

Friday, September 10:
Cruise the Canal II

**Friday & Saturday,
September 17 & 18:**
Fall Sidewalk Sales



Boo-tiful Saturday featuring Scarecrow Row: Saturday Oct. 30.

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 2:
State Street Market

Friday, October 8:
Cruise the Canal III

Saturday, October 9:
Cruise the Canal IV

NOVEMBER

**Friday, November 19 –
Sunday, November 21:**
Christmas Open House

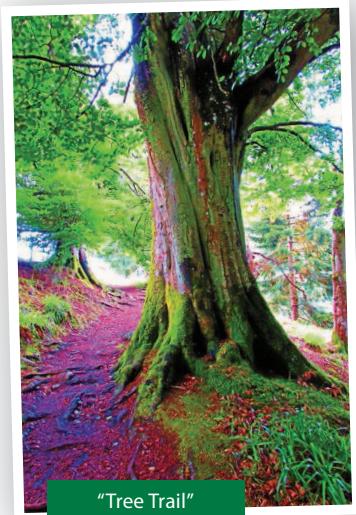
DECEMBER

Saturday, December 11:
2021 Geneseo
Christmas Walk



Spring into art!

The colors and sounds of Spring come to life in April each year during the annual Geneseo Artwalk. The 2020 Geneseo Artwalk was among the first virtual events to take place, showcasing local art while promoting small businesses in Geneseo. The 2021 Geneseo Artwalk will be held in person on Saturday April 17, 2021.



You are invited to visit downtown Geneseo and be entertained by talented artists while exploring wonderful boutiques, gift shops, florists, galleries and more. Savor the flavors of our coffee shops, diners, restaurants and brew pubs. Enjoy the melodies of local vocalists, watch a potter throw clay or learn picture-taking techniques from a regional photographer. You never know what you may discover next during the Geneseo Artwalk! This free event runs from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.



"Wolfie" by Tori Finegan

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When the pandemic started in 2020, all in-person events stopped. Geneseo is well-known for its strong sense of community. Local car enthusiasts partnered with the Geneseo Chamber to organize and promote downtown car cruises and Geneseo Shoot The Loop was born! The May 2020 Shoot The Loop event was the first in-person gathering in Geneseo during the pandemic. Cars were socially distanced and takeout from local restaurants was promoted. It also brought people together for the first time since the shut downs started. Shoot The Loop became a monthly occurrence, helping to spur Geneseo's local economy forward while bringing people together. The Geneseo Shoot The Loop cruises of 2020 were a bright spot in an otherwise gloomy year.

By popular demand, the folks at Geneseo Shoot the Loop are at it again in 2021, bringing the monthly car cruises back to downtown Geneseo this year. The cruises feature food trucks, live music, DJ's, and many incredible classic cars.



DID YOU KNOW?

Cruising or "Shooting" the Loop was a common Geneseo pastime among teenagers and young adults from the 1950's through the early 2000's? Generations of Geneseoans drove different variations of the Loop for decades – and the practice was generally frowned upon by local officials during the time. But we had fun doing it!



Join us on any of the following dates in Geneseo:

- April 10
- May 8
- June 5
- July 10
- August 14
- September 4



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Come, tour our gardens

Geneseo is known for its down-home charm, wonderfully manicured lawns, and caring neighbors. This spirit is celebrated every year during our Porches, Pools & Patios event, slated for July 10, 2021. Enjoy a beautiful day touring unique outdoor settings including porches, pools, patios, and ponds. Homeowners share their special oasis with visitors while local boutiques and retailers feature some of their products, as well. Tickets are \$20 in advance and include a salad luncheon hosted by First United Methodist Church.

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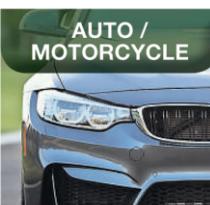
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Cruise the Canal

The Geneseo Chamber's popular Cruise the Canal tours are self-driven golf cart tours of the Hennepin Canal. With travel being limited, local interest in the Hennepin Canal State parkway soared. Three tours were offered in 2020 and completely sold out in less than a week! The Geneseo Chamber put public health and safety first, offering facemasks, sanitizers, and a clean, socially distanced environment for our guests. As a result, our canal tours were the only events approved by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources in 2020 – a distinction we are proud to have accomplished.

Due to high demand, we are expanding our Cruise the Canal tour offerings in 2021 to four tours. The October tours are the fall foliage tours. The popular golf cart tours are led by Bob Thompson of the Geneseo Campground. Thompson delights guests on the tours by telling the story of the canal—including the construction, history, and ecosystem of the canal. Tours are offered three times per day, with tour times at



9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 1:00 pm. The cost per person to participate is \$20/person. We also work with assisted living facilities to provide rides for seniors at no cost for the caregiver to drive.

Reservations for the 2021 Cruise the Canal tours open on Monday, June 28, 2021. These tours will sell out quickly. RSVPs can be made by calling the

Geneseo Chamber at 309-944-2686 or via email at geneseo@geneseo.org.

2021 CRUSE THE CANAL TOUR DATES:

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September 10
October 8 (Fall Foliage Tour)
October 9 (Fall Foliage Tour)

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The Music Fest is Geneseo's longest-running annual tradition, bookended by not one, but TWO wonderful parades! Celebrate Father's Day weekend in Geneseo, Ill. with entertainment, family activities, food, music, arts & crafts, and meeting up with friends and family. We always have exciting events planned for the entire weekend and there is something for everybody!

Many events take place in or around the City Park, located in the middle of Geneseo. The weekend begins Friday evening with the annual Doo Dah Parade hosted by the Geneseo Kiwanis Club followed by the Geneseo Rotary Club supper and ice cream social and the Queen Contest at the City Park.

Saturday starts with the Maple City 4, a 5k race hosted by Rotary Club and the Geneseo Farmer's Market. The day will be filled with music, food vendors, healthy lifestyle demonstrations, and fun family activities including inflatables for the kids. One of the Music Fest's main attractions is the famous Music Fest Arts & Crafts Fair in the park. Geneseo pays homage to its strong agricultural roots with antique tractors on display at the park. The evening features a steak/tenderloin meal and top-notch musical performances that are sure to have your toe-tapping!

On Sunday, Gen-Air Airport invites you to a pancake breakfast, a worship service takes place in the park and the music and the Arts & Crafts Fair resumes at 10 a.m. The Music Fest Parade wraps up the Music Fest and is a Father's Day tradition starting at 1 p.m. takes place on State Street. The entertainment and Arts & Crafts Fair continue at the park following the parade.

New to the Geneseo Music Fest, enjoy live music or a drive-in movie at venues across Geneseo at night! Live music fills the air at the Central Bank Pavilion, Geneseo Brewing Company, and Great Revivalist Brew Lab on Friday and Saturday nights while the Geneseo Park District will host a drive-in movie at the Athletic Field on North Street on Saturday night. Geneseo is where the action is June 18-20, 2021!

Visitors near and far are invited to revel in Geneseo's annual summertime celebration! Plan a day trip to see the beautiful park, visit our historic downtown and spend time with friends and family in Geneseo. Music Fest is Midwestern summertime at its best!

For more activities, details, and times visit www.geneseo.org or Geneseo Music Festival on Facebook.





Start Your Engines!



The 15th Annual Trains, Planes & Automobiles event will take place Thursday, September 9 through Saturday, September 11, 2021, in Geneseo, Ill. The 2021 event will feature a train engine on display, amazing model railroad displays, WWII Stearman Bi-Planes, a guided golf cart tour of the historic Hennepin Canal, and one of Illinois' largest annual outdoor car shows, featuring over 300 classic cars! The Maple City Cruisers car show on Saturday, September 11 also features a stirring Tribute to Veterans, complete with the national anthem, a 21-gun salute, and a fly-over that is sure to electrify anyone in the downtown area! Come on out with the kids, get an up-close look at these chrome beasts, and experience one of Geneseo's favorite annual downtown festivals!

Scarecrow Row

The pandemic and public health guidelines made it impossible to host our traditional downtown trick-or-treating at businesses during Boo-tiful Saturday in 2020. Guided by the vision of David Smith at Smith Studio and Gallery, Geneseo's Scarecrow Row was born as a way to continue to bring the Geneseo community together while showcasing local artistic talent.

Scarecrow Row was a socially distanced Halloween event at the City Park that saw over 150 scarecrows on display. Featuring our local art community, the event allowed residents, families and businesses to participate and put their art skills to the test. The project complimented remote learning well and was a big hit with visitors!

Scarecrow Row is slated to return on Saturday October 30, 2021. We hope to resume downtown trick-or-treating at businesses and leading the annual Mummers Parade to the City Park and past all of the scarecrows for the perfect family Halloween photo opportunity!





You know autumn has arrived when you're at...

State Street Market!

On Saturday October 2, 2021 the Geneseo Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you into the heart of our small town for our favorite Fall tradition!

State Street Market in Geneseo curates a list of 50+ vendors to set up along historic State Street. From 10am-4pm you can shop vintage, handmade, and handpicked goods from regional small businesses and mobile boutiques.

Right at the center of State Street Market you will find LIVE MUSIC happening the entire market time and there is excellent shopping and dining city-wide all day long.

We will also have many mobile food trucks set up to help fuel your day. Bring your friends and take a day trip to Geneseo this October!





"We had a great time there!!"
- Larisa



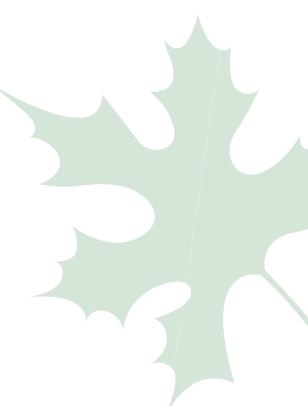
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- Cindy



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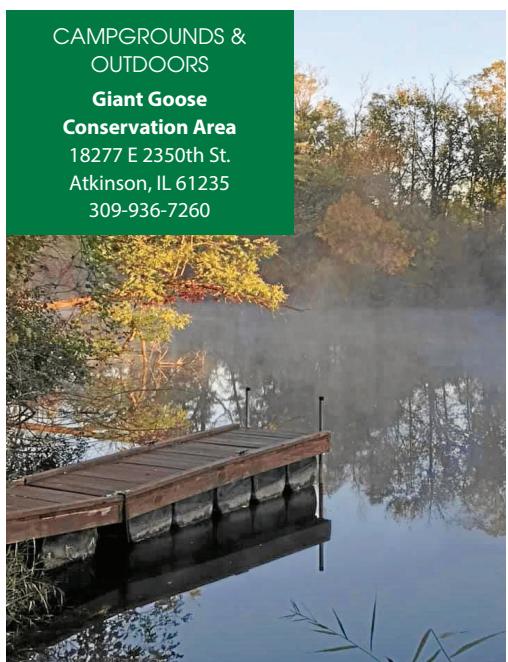
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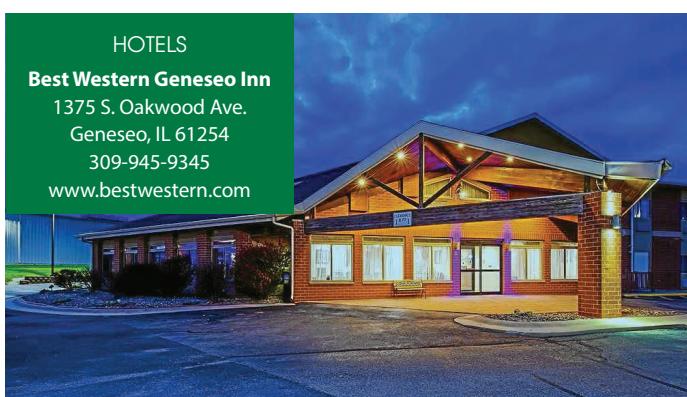
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A look at the arts in Geneseo

Geneseo's art district is known throughout the region as a hotspot for art events and attractions. Art enthusiasts love Geneseo for all it offers in the way of gift ideas and a creative outlet. Geneseo's art district adds another layer of culture to downtown which extends beyond its traditional shopping district.

Geneseo Art League & Gallery started with 13 founding members in 1957 and today boasts over 90 members whose work is displayed and sold in their gallery. Geneseo Art League also hosts classes for the public in their working studio as well as free children's classes. Check them out on Facebook!

Smith Studio and Gallery features works by owner/resident artist David Smith, in addition to 20 artists from the Midwest region. They have both an upper and lower gallery with open work space available for a variety of classes for children and adults alike. Visit their website at www.smithstudiony.com or on Facebook.

RutabagA Art has 20 members and touts Regional Artists, hence the capital R and A in their name. Their location includes pieces of art for sale as well as an area for releasing the creative outlet in everyone. Visit them on the web at www.rutabagaart.com or join them on Facebook.





Richmond Hill Players

One of Geneseo's most unique features sits high atop the grass-lined streets of Richmond Hill. Amply named, Richmond Hill Barn Theater boasts six shows each year, featuring theater-in-the-round comedies, dramas, and thrillers. Founded in 1968, the Players keep their performances fresh by using the local and regional talent of all ages. One of the Barn's best attributes is its modern amenities, from its new sound system and comfortable seating to the elevator located inside the barn's silo. The Barn also boasts some of the most unique architecture in Geneseo. Visit www.rhplayers.com for the latest information.

Mega movie experience

Geneseo is proud to feature a state-of-the-art movie theater right in the heart of its bustling downtown business community! Established in 1924, Central Theater has nightly showings of all the latest Hollywood blockbusters. It's operated by Geneseo Park District. While this building is beautifully historic, the inside is gloriously modern. It touts a full concession stand along with theater seating for 178 people. In addition, its technology is leading edge with Digital Cinema Projection with 7.1 Dolby Surround Sound, boasting high-quality motion picture and sound experience for every movie-goer. The theater also serves as one of the most popular venues for parties of all varieties. www.geneseoparkdistrict.org



Girls Night Out: June 17, 2021 | Witches Night Out (Halloween themed): October 28, 2021

Join us for shopping, food, door prizes & fun at our retail passport Night Out events! You will receive a punch card passport that can be entered for grand prizes once you have visited all participating locations. In 2021, a pop-up market at the Central Bank Pavilion will be included as an attraction for this fun event! Gather up your girlfriends and join us for a fun shopping and dining experience!

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Sidewalk Sales:
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You don't want to miss the incredible bargains during Geneseo's Sidewalk Sale events! We're closing down State Street so you can fully enjoy the Geneseo shopping experience while taking in the beauty of Geneseo's historic downtown architecture. Grab your friends and come shop the sale, enjoy food and drink at our restaurants, breweries, and soak up the hometown charm!



Aisle of Flags
viewing:
May 31, 2021 –
Memorial Day

July 4, 2021 –
Independence
Day

November 11,
2021 – Veterans
Day

Geneseo's tribute to fallen veterans is awe-inspiring and majestic; its vast presence renders mute those who experience it for the first time. Known as the Aisle of Flags, the American Flag line-up features over 750 flags lined across the 2-block City Park. The flags fly in honor of deceased veterans from the Geneseo area. Each flag contains an engraved plate with the veteran's name and branch of service.



Christmas Open House:
November 19 – 21,
2021

Shop Geneseo!
Promotion:
November 19 –
December 12, 2021

Can't wait for Christmas to arrive? Neither can we! Get a head start on the busy holiday season by checking items off of your list in Geneseo! Enjoy candlelight shopping, fine dining, great bargains and more! Our annual Shop Geneseo! Promotion also begins this weekend. Earn an entry for dozens of prizes for every \$100 you spend at participating Geneseo businesses during this time. So many winners, so many stores! Do your holiday shopping in Geneseo and discover why Geneseo is your new favorite holiday shopping destination!



Christmas Walk

... an all-time holiday favorite in Geneseo!

Geneseo's acclaimed Christmas Walk has become a regional destination event!

Every year brings special memories and new surprises to those attending the event. Downtown Geneseo beckons visitors of all ages for the annual Christmas Walk, which will be all day Saturday December 11, 2021!

The morning kicks off with the spirited 5K Jingle Run which includes several medals for all ages brackets and a chip-timing system. Runners are encouraged to dress in their finest Christmas garb. Past Jingle Runs have attracted Santa Claus, elves, and even a Grinch! A variety of





children's activities are hosted throughout the day at the library, local stores and art galleries. Experience making reindeer food, a Christmas themed scavenger hunt, ornaments, or writing a letter to Santa. Adults are guaranteed to enjoy the variety of shopping at boutiques and occasional shops in addition to raising a pint to the season at the local breweries and pubs. Join your friends in the afternoon and sing along to the 1954 classic film "White Christmas" at Central Theater; lyrics provided.

A busy day leads up the event's large, lighted Christmas parade at 5 p.m. Handcrafted floats, professional floats, a variety of animals and spectacular performers are a just a few features of this State Street parade. Santa and Mrs. Claus make a grand entrance on a fire truck at the end of the parade. They join the Mayor to light the City's Christmas tree. Following the ceremony, Santa is available for photos and wish list secrets. Living windows in downtown storefronts bring scenes of Christmas to life until 8 pm and are a sight to behold! An assortment of dining options are available throughout town. Geneseo's Christmas Walk is a unique Christmas experience – an experience you do not want to miss! Free admission. For more info, visit www.geneseo.org.





The Ag Community

From the time settlers came to Geneseo in 1836, agriculture has been at the heart of the community. From small family farms to large grain and livestock industries, the life of agriculture is alive and well in Geneseo and Henry County.

Rich soil and warm Midwest summers are conducive to producing outstanding yields. Thanks to local hybrid seed companies which market corn and soybean seeds nationwide, Geneseo remains a leading agricultural community in Illinois. Tremendous community



support comes from Geneseo Ag Alumni as well as the FFA and 4-H clubs. Henry County Beef Producers, Henry County Pork Producers, and

Henry County Farm Bureau take a hands-on approach to promoting livestock within the community as well as the state.

The preservation of old farm equipment is also an interest among many in the Geneseo area. The Antique Engine and Tractor Association (AETA) and Vintage Farm Equipment Show are just two of many groups which meet regularly for educational seminars, tours, parades, and working farm shows. Both groups host working shows which are open to the public and attended by thousands of people interested in seeing harvesting and threshing done by powerful old machines.

Antique Engine & Tractor Show

The Antique Engine & Tractor Show will be hosting their annual event on September 17th, 18th & 19th, 2021.

The Antique Engine & Tractor Assoc., Inc. (AETA) was first organized as Branch 3 of the Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association in 1959. This national organization had and still has several chapters throughout the United States. Since 1970, the AETA has been an independent organization. The early association was and the current AETA is incorporated as a non-profit organization with the State of Illinois. The stated purpose is "To promote the collection, restoration, preservation, and exhibition of gasoline and oil engines, gasoline and steam tractors, power-driven farm machinery and other equipment of historical value."

The AETA held annual Shows at several locations around Geneseo for the first 23

years. In 1983, the AETA signed a long-term lease with the Village of Atkinson for land and built the first permanent building in 1985. Since the first show in the Geneseo City Park, the club has grown to over 200 members and has expanded to 33 acres. In 2008, the club had 40 acres donated to them by Bill and June Cole of Hillsdale. The new property is north of Geneseo and will provide permanent show grounds for the AETA. The AETA, has several technical meetings for members each year, publishes about 10 newsletters a year, and participates in other festivals in the area.

The big event each year is the annual three-day Working Farm Show where the AETA harvest corn and beans with mid-1900's equipment, thresh oats or wheat, run a sawmill, plow, and demonstrate gas engines as they were used from the early to mid-1900s. The annual show gets bigger each year with

hundreds of tractors, garden tractors, and many gas engines, plus other agricultural memorabilia on the grounds. Every year the AETA features a different brand of the antique engine and/or tractor and the past few years have hosted the Illinois state chapters of various brands of antique tractors. 2006 we hosted the Illinois Ford/Fordson Collectors; in 2007 we hosted the Massey Collectors of Illinois; in 2008 we featured Case tractors and Root & VanDervoort gas engines. In 2010 we hosted the Midwest Oliver Collectors and we featured Minneapolis Moline tractors. The 2012 Show featured Allis Chalmers collectors. In 2015 we hosted the Rumely Products Collectors Expo. The AETA supports the local FFA chapters' tractor restoration projects and has events for children and youth at the annual Show. The event is always held in September, the second weekend after Labor Day.

Vintage Farm Equipment Show

The Vintage Farm Equipment show will be hosting their annual event on September 18th & 19th, 2021.

Located 7 miles east of Geneseo at 19030 E. 2120th Street, Atkinson, IL

Come enjoy this free family friendly event! Open to the Public!

We work with seven of the agricultural museums to help promote and bring awareness of the museums that we have right here in Henry County, Illinois. We also have the privilege to host Dan Dauw, who will be sharing historical facts on WWI along with war displays which will be available for viewing in the morning hours on September 18, 2021.



Another way of keeping the interest of agricultural history growing is through our Young Collectors Group. We are teaching them so that they can help preserve our history of Agriculture for future generations.

Items on display during the weekend include horse drawn equipment, hit-miss engines, farm tractors of different eras, custom & stock garden tractors, vintage farm trucks, vintage motorcycles, and a live demonstration of blacksmithing.

Food is available for purchase. Don't forget to stop by and taste some amazing homemade ice cream.

Nothing would make us happier than for you to walk by or stop to talk to someone and share your memories of using any one of these different pieces of equipment.

For more information, visit The Vintage Farm Equipment Show on Facebook or contact Dave Carton at 309-441-5915.



Pictured from left are: 2020 Business Person of the Year, Amy DeFauw, of Katsch Boutique; 2020 Beautification Award, Amy Balensiefen, of Central Schoolhouse; 2020 Landmark Award, Andy Thurman of the Geneseo Park District; 2020 Shooting Star Award, Bethany Winkleman, of Bethany Winkleman State Farm Agency; and 2020 Business of the Year Jerrod Minnaert, of Geneseo Brewing Company.

Award-winning businesses in Geneseo

Every year, the Geneseo Chamber of Commerce celebrates our local business community and recognizes the accomplishments of local businesses. Awards include Business of the Year and Business Person of the Year, awarded to Geneseo businesses and leaders in their field.

The Beautification Award is given to businesses who have made a substantial improvement to not only their business but to the appearance of the Geneseo community as well.

The Rising Star Award is given to up-and-coming

businesses who are already making a profound impact on the community.

The Landmark Award is given to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the Geneseo Chamber of Commerce and our mission of advancing business and community.

Finally, the Volunteer Awards are given to those who selflessly give their time to help the Geneseo community. The Geneseo Chamber of Commerce award winners are nominated by fellow business and community leaders, with the awards being presented during the Chamber's Annual Dinner event.



2020 Volunteer of the Year Award winners: Halle Houston, and Olivia Johnson, of the Geneseo High School Silver Cord Program.

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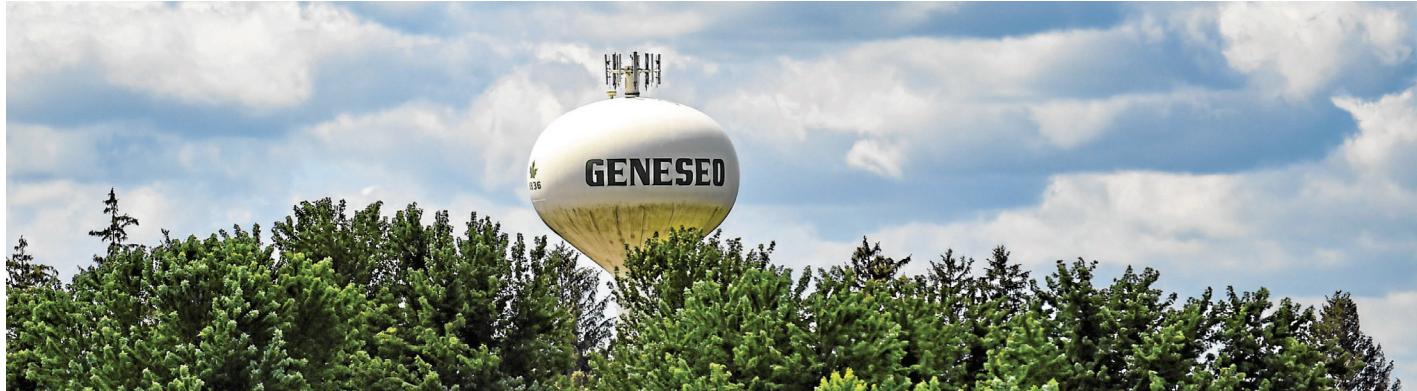
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