

## **Geneva Red Ribbon Week: October 20 – 27, 2012**

### **The Best ME is DRUG FREE!**

#### **Asset Building Activities During Red Ribbon Month:**

1. Harvest Hustle 5K race & fundraiser
2. Schools Bake cookies for Drug Court Graduation
3. Hang Red Ribbons
4. Pray for the Children Candlelight Vigil
5. Community Food Drive
6. Pizza Palooza
7. Community Drug Disposal
8. Community Blood Drive
9. "Healthy-choice" Halloween Events at Peck Farm Park
10. Make-a-Difference Day activities

**Fri, 9/29: Harvest Hustle 5K walk/run** at GMSS. This is a suggested activity to promote assets, healthy choices and have FUN! This year's event is a twilight, all-terrain race benefiting the Geneva Park District Scholarship Fund. For more details, go to [www.genevaparks.org](http://www.genevaparks.org) (registration code: 88190)

**Tues, 10/9:** SADD Club to present **Proclamation** at Geneva 304 School Board meeting.

**Mon, 10/15:** SADD Club to present Red Ribbon Week **Proclamation** at City Council meeting and Geneva Park District Board Meeting.

**Wed, 10/17:** Geneva schools supporting Drug Court Graduates and families with homemade cookies. Geneva youth building assets by supporting others! Kane County **Drug Court Graduation** will be held at GHS auditorium at 5pm.

**Sat, 10/20:** SADD Club, GMS Students and the Community are invited to **hang red ribbons** in downtown Geneva to celebrate Red Ribbon Week. Meet at Starbucks on Main Street at 9am. SADD Club to provide ribbons.

**Sun, 10/21:** Pray for the Children **Candlelight Vigil** on the steps of City Hall at 7pm. This candlelight vigil honors the children & youth of Geneva (all beliefs/faiths are welcome) For more information contact Erika Wakenhut at 630 232 2073.

**Mon-Fri: 10/22-26: Community Food Drive** at St. Peter & Geneva District 304 schools. Local food pantries are at all-time lows. This is a great way to build assets while supporting the less fortunate in our community!

**Mon, 10/22: Pizza Palooza.** Geneva Park District kicks off Red Ribbon Week with pizza and live entertainment. Bring the family and wear red! This is a free event; however, registration is required (registration code: 88204) This healthy-choice event is a suggested asset-building activity.

**Sat-Sat: 10/22-27: Rx Drug Collection Program.** Protect our youth, our community & our planet by bringing all unused and/or unwanted prescription drugs & over-the-counter medication to the Geneva Police Dept. for safe disposal. (Please remove a non-liquid drugs from their original packaging and place them in a plastic bag.) 20 Police Plaza

**Tues., 10/23: Harrison Street School Blood Drive.** Give the gift of blood from 3 – 7pm in the OLD gym. Walk-ins welcome, or call/text Debbie with name & desired time of donation, 1-630-338-3031.

**Thurs, 10/25: Parent to Parent/Lessons Learned:** FREE parenting workshop runs for four consecutive Thursdays: 10/25, 11/1, 11/8 & 11/15 from 11:30am – 2pm at the School District Administrative Offices, 227 N. Fourth St. For parents of children of any age, sessions include recognizing the signs of an unhealthy child, battling against teen drinking & drug use, the dangers of the internet, and identifying common traps parents fall into with children. To sign up, contact Chic or Linda Williams at 630-463-3083/4.

**Fri & Sat, 10/26 & 27:** The Geneva Park District has organized “**healthy choice**” **Halloween events** for teens on Friday & Saturday from 7 – 10pm and for younger kids on Saturday from 1:00 – 4pm. Registration is required. Join the fun while building assets!

**Sat, 10/27: “Make-A-Difference” day.** This is the largest national day of helping others -- a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors.

**Mon, 10/29: Food Drive Drop Off.** District schools to drop off collected food items at First Baptist Church, 2300 South Street, between 9am & 4pm. Please contact Erin Wise to schedule the drop off at ewise@fbcg.com

**Sat, 11/3: Take down ribbons;** everyone to meet at Starbucks on Main St. at 9am.

For more information, contact GenevaCoalitionForYouth@gmail.com