



THE  
*Little Traveler*  
GENEVA ILLINOIS

Summer 2024

# ALMANACK

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August 16

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August 29

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August 31

## Take It Outside

Summertime is all about picnics, backyard barbecues, and spending time with family and friends in the great outdoors. Our buyers have discovered a treasure trove of wonderful items that will add an extra splash of flavor and fun to your summer. We look forward to spending time inside, too, as you wander our rooms and join us at one or more of our many entertaining & educational events.



## SWEDISH DAYS 2024

Wednesday, June 19 - Sunday, June 23

This traditional Geneva festival dates back to 1949 and gives a nod to the Swedish heritage of the immigrants who settled here. Among many other activities, this year's festivities will include a craft beer tent, carnival rides, Kids' Day, a 5K run, nightly entertainment, and of course, shopping bargains all around town.

Watch for details about our Little Traveler Swedish Days coloring contest!

### LITTLE TRAVELER SALE TENT HOURS

Wednesday-Saturday 10AM-5:30PM | Sunday 11AM-4PM

Our tents will be bursting with bargains. Come inside for more deals.

Visit [genevachamber.com](http://genevachamber.com) for full festival details or visit our website under the Events tab.

"Great place with everything you didn't know you needed!"

-Crista Marie A. (Review of The Little Traveler on Yelp)

## Father's Day Is June 16

Delight Dad with fun & unique gifts from virtually every department.

- You'll never be on the rocks when you gift him a bourbon-scented candle.
- Tell Dad to take a hike with soap sheets in a tin or a 2-in-1 lantern & fan.
- Soften him up with Tooletries for men (featured on page 6).
- Say "go fish" with a baseball hat featuring The Great Lakes.
- Tee him up with a golf club bottle opener.
- Serve him craft hard ciders (featured on page 2).

Find so much more  
around our store!



# Outdoor Entertaining

## A Bevy of Beverages

### CRAFT SODAS

Have the best picnics ever with the best sodas ever! Root beer and creative flavors from Wild Bill's are made with all-natural ingredients for pure deliciousness. Harry Potter fans don't need Hogsmeade—they can pick up Flying Cauldron Butterscotch Beer in our Candy Shop.



### OBSCURITY CIDERS

Locally brewed in Elburn, IL, these new sweet ciders are expertly crafted by Zak Beckman, renowned for his unique sweet cider crafting skills. Try vibrant & tangy Tart Cherry, bright & harmonious Berry Rosé and tropical & juicy Pineapple.



### EASY MIXED DRINKS

No blender is needed to impress your guests with tasty frozen cocktails. Add your choice of wine or spirits to drink mix packets, and then simply mix, freeze, pour, and enjoy! Also see new ready-to-drink cocktails from Copper Can.



### ICED TEAS FOR HEALTH

Iced tea can be refreshing and healthy! Big Heart Teas incorporate natural herbs with various benefits. For example, Cup of Sunshine includes turmeric and ginger to aid in digestion.

Avocado leaf teas are loaded with extraordinary nutrients and antioxidants. Available in peach and lemon blends—perfect over ice.



## A Dash of Sass

Bring the fun to all of your summer events with witty cocktail napkins and coasters. Stop by our Stationery or Housewares departments for dozens of giggles.



## BBQ SAUCES

With the varied selection of BBQ sauces in our Gourmet Rooms, you can savor a different flavor each weekend of summer. We've got it all, from classic Southern style and sweet & spicy Kansas City style sauces by Geneva-based **Whiteford's** to inventive BBQ blends like Boozy Bacon and Roasted Peach from **Stonewall Kitchen**. Add the perfect kick of heat with **Rack Masters** spicy BBQ sauce.



## REINVENT COOKING WITH DREAMFARM

Dreamfarm designs innovative kitchen gadgets that solve problems. Each piece is expertly designed and tested for maximum utility.

With the Corpeel, you can strip corn from the cob more efficiently than you ever imagined—and without making a mess! Side grips ensure controlled operation, and the Corpeel folds for safe storage.

Dreamfarm's Brizzle is the ultimate basting brush, designed to scoop up sauce and drizzle it onto roasts, grilled meats, and vegetables. It features a scooping head that evenly releases marinades and sauces onto the bristles. The clever bent-handle design keeps bristles up and off surfaces when you set the Brizzle down. Discover *many* more Dreamfarm cooking solutions in our Housewares department.



## THE STONEWALL KITCHEN SHOP



*We have the largest collection in Chicagoland!*

High-quality, natural ingredients are the key to Stonewall's superior flavor. **NEW! Taco Toppers** turn taco night into a creative gourmet experience with zesty mango and pineapple salsa blends. Also enjoy on grilled chicken.

**Salsas & Quesos** in endless flavors are always a hit. To name just a few...bacon queso, ghost pepper queso, peach salsa, street corn salsa & mango lime salsa.

**Make summer salads special** with tantalizing gourmet dressings like creamy avocado cilantro, sesame ginger, and roasted garlic vinaigrette.

**Raise the bar on grilled burgers and hot dogs** with Stonewall classics such as Country Ketchup, Sweet Honey Mustard, Pickle Slaw, and Sriracha Aioli.

## A GLOWUP FOR OUTDOOR SPACES



Give your gardens personality with a yard stake, available in all shapes and sizes in our Conservatory. Outdoor spaces will come alive at night with glowing animated yard décor. Staked butterflies and hanging glowworms gently wave while copper fountains emit soothing cascades—all amid soft illumination. Scan the QR code to the left to see them in action.



“I seem to discover new areas every time I’m here.”

~Todd P. (Review of The Little Traveler on Yelp)



### The Atrium Cafe

Chef David is always cooking up something new. Look for these summertime favorites: Chili Lime Chicken Bowl, Chilled Cucumber Soup, Mile High Lemon Meringue Pie, Fresh Strawberry Pie, and freshly baked goodies to take home, including his fast-selling thin & crispy Chocolate Chip Cookies.

**SUNDAY BRUNCH**—Sundays from 11AM-2:30PM

All-inclusive brunches with several entrée options are only \$11.95.

**AFTERNOON TEA**—Tuesday-Saturday 11AM-2:30PM. Reservations required.

**SHOWERS & PRIVATE PARTIES**—Up to 45 guests. Details at our website. Now offering a new selection of shower entrées!



### A LITTLE TRAVELER RECIPE Nellie & Joe's Key Lime Pie

- 14 ounces sweetened condensed milk
- 1/3 cup Nellie & Joe's Key West Lime Juice\*
- 8-ounce container of Cool Whip
- 8" graham cracker pie crust

Whisk sweetened condensed milk with Nellie & Joe's Key West Lime Juice until evenly mixed. Fold in Cool Whip and fill crust. Refrigerate. This pie may also be frozen for a great summer treat. May be garnished with thin slices of lime.

\* Available in our Gourmet Department

## NORA FLEMING

We've got the most complete collection in Chicagoland.

Durable melamine serveware is made for outdoor entertaining, especially when you pop on a summertime Mini. Dress up the Sectional Server or Chip & Dip with a silicone color band—available in 9 shades.



## SUMMER SWEETNESS

### It's Taffy Time!

Take a pretend trip to the boardwalk with saltwater taffy. Our Candy Shop has these funtime flavors: banana, orange cream, grape, cherry, watermelon, strawberry, chocolate, blueberry, cotton candy, and assorted sugar-free.



### A Gummy-licious Summer

Chewy candies by Cherry Republic are made from Michigan cherries and pack a tart punch with just the right amount of sweetness. Our Candy Shop also has patriotic red, white & blue gummy bears, plus gummy frogs, popsicles, sharks, watermelon slices, and butterflies.

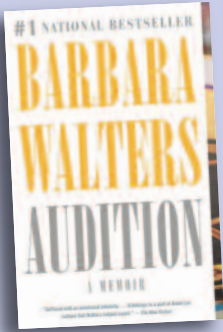


### Big League Bubble Gum

New flavors are major league. Try Wild-Pitch Watermelon, Curveball Cotton Candy & Big Rally Blue Raspberry.



## AUDITION: A MEMOIR BY BARBARA WALTERS



with Jenny Riddle

Thursday, June 13

9AM Breakfast

10AM Program

How did Barbara Walters cut through the glass ceiling and position herself at the cutting edge of television for 40 years? Was it a lucky break? Or did she create her “luck” with hard work and chutzpah? In this dramatic review of Walters’ memoir, *Audition*, Jenny Riddle will give us a close-up look at this prolific woman and her life on camera as well as off. Learn intimate details about the first woman to co-anchor on prime-time news and one of the most celebrated hosts in TV history.

**Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\*** \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet.

Register at [www.littletraveler.com](http://www.littletraveler.com).



## Summertime Events



### Victorian Bridal Traditions & Fashions



Thursday, June 27 9AM Breakfast | 10AM Program

Victorian wedding expert Eve Faulkner will explain wedding customs and fashions in the Victorian era—the same timeframe when The Little Traveler’s cornerstone house was built. Many authentic vintage wedding gowns will be on display, including the wedding dress of the late Geneva VIP Elizabeth Fargo!

As the former owner of the Victorian Bridal Museum, Faulkner has one of the finest collections in the country. **Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\*** \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet. Register online.

### \*INFORMATION FOR PROGRAMS HELD AT COPPER FOX



Copper Fox is located at 477 S. Third Street, Suite 190 (directly across from The Little Traveler on Third Street).

If you attended one of our spring programs at Copper Fox, you know what a beautiful venue it is. Little Traveler summer events to be held at Copper Fox will offer an optional breakfast buffet to be enjoyed at that venue before the program. Buffet will include a variety of delicious breakfast foods. Program + breakfast buffet—\$40. Program only—\$25. All events held at Copper Fox will include a \$10 Little Traveler shopping coupon and a \$5 Atrium Café coupon to use that day. Online registration is required at The Little Traveler’s website: [www.littletraveler.com](http://www.littletraveler.com).

*Copper Fox elegantly hosts weddings & events of all types ([www.copper-fox.com](http://www.copper-fox.com))*

=====*In anticipation of the Geneva Arts Fair on the weekend of July 27 & 28*=====

## WATERCOLOR ART WORKSHOP

Saturday, July 20 | 9AM-11AM  
in the Atrium Café

All skill levels are welcome! Artist Lisa Borton, the creative designer behind Lisa Jane Art, will share watercolor techniques and show you how they can add interest to a simple painting. You’ll leave this workshop with new creative skills and three gorgeous bookmarks designed by YOU. Learn basic watercolor brushstrokes and washes, and practice techniques with added textures. \$35 ticket includes a \$10 shopping coupon and a \$5 coupon for lunch in the Atrium Café. We’ll start the morning with coffee, tea, and muffins. **Register online.**



### Lisa Jane Art Pop-Up Shop

Saturday, July 20

11:30AM-2:30PM

Inspired by flowers and nature, Lisa Jane’s watercolor artwork on mugs, notecards, and stickers brings beauty into every day. Meet the artist at this event.

## THE HISTORY OF FASHION IN ART

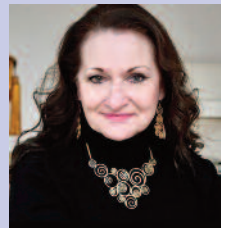
with Denise Laurin

Wednesday, July 24

9AM Breakfast

10AM Program

Before photography documented every



aspect of life, art recorded clues to what was worn by various cultures in earlier eras. Art history expert Denise Laurin will take us on a walk down an historical runway to show how vintage art and fashion serve as modern inspiration. We’ll look at examples of clothing styles, accessories, jewelry, and even hairstyles. **Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\*** \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet. Register at [www.littletraveler.com](http://www.littletraveler.com).

**ELEANOR ROOSEVELT:  
FIRST LADY OF THE WORLD**  
with Jessica Michna  
**Thursday, July 11**

9AM Breakfast | 10AM Program



Noted for her award-winning portrayals of First Ladies, Jessica Michna will take the stage as Eleanor Roosevelt, revealing her

tragedies and triumphs. Hear how Roosevelt grew from a shy, homely orphan into a confident, driven woman and a champion of civil rights. She's characterized by many as our most respected First Lady.

**Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\* \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet.**

Register at [www.littletraveler.com](http://www.littletraveler.com).

**MOZART'S WOMEN:**

**His Family, His Friends, His Music**  
with Jenny Riddle  
**Thursday, August 1**

9AM Breakfast | 10AM Program



Jenny Riddle and classical pianist Jeffrey Panko bring to life the fascinating stories of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and the most

important women in his life, based on the best-selling book by Jane Glover. In custom-designed period costume as Constanze, Mozart's wife, Riddle tells the moving stories while Panko performs some of Mozart's best-loved music on the piano.

**Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\* \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet.**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR GENEVA EVENTS**

**Swedish Days—June 19-23** | Geneva's traditional summerfest  
**Geneva Classic Car Shows—July 11-August 29** | Thursdays 5-8PM  
**Geneva Arts Fair—July 27-28** | A showcase of fine artisans  
**Concours d'Elegance—August 25** | Classic car show on Third Street

**LILLY PULITZER**

with Leslie Goddard  
**Friday, August 16**

9AM Breakfast | 10AM Program



Wear your "Lilly" to this event! In character as Lilly Pulitzer, historian Leslie Goddard will take us back to

1969, a time when Pulitzer—an entrepreneur, socialite, and designer—launched a fashion revolution with her bold tropical-patterned shift dresses. Learn what inspired this free-spirited woman to start the clothing line that would become synonymous with resort living.

**Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\* \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet.**

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**IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE  
WITH DONNA REED**

with Lynn Rymarz

**Thursday, August 29**

9AM Breakfast

10AM Program

Lynn Rymarz portrays the all-American woman, Donna Reed. She'll take us from Reed's life



growing up on a farm in Iowa to signing a movie contract with MGM Studios and becoming a Hollywood star. Also learn about Reed's real-life role as a wife and mother, and her involvement in Another Mother for Peace during the Vietnam War.

**Program & breakfast will take place at Copper Fox.\* \$25 program only. \$40 including breakfast buffet.**

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**BUS TOURS & SMALL GROUP VISITS**

*Are you looking for a fun day trip for your Park District or other large group?*

*Would you and your friends like to earn money for charity while you shop?*

Plan your visit for a Tuesday-Friday between 11AM-4:30PM and let us know at least one week in advance to get special perks during your visit.

- 1) A friendly staff member will greet your group at our Fulton St. entrance.
- 2) We'll give all members of your group a shopping coupon good that day.
- 3) Your group will have the option of a lunch special in our Atrium Café.

**Small groups of 6-30 people will get an extra perk as part of**

**our JULIETS program (Just Us Ladies Into Eating Together & Shopping)—a donation of 10% of your shopping total to a charity of your choice.**

Visit our website under the "Events" tab for more details about group visits. Email Betsy at [betsyk@littletraveler.com](mailto:betsyk@littletraveler.com) to set your date.



# Scents of the Season All proudly made in the USA

## PRESSED FLORALS

Real pressed flowers on fragrant hand-poured artisanal candles bring gardens inside. Jar candles feature a lid of pressed florals between glass panes and can be beautifully repurposed after you've enjoyed the candle. Made in Colorado.



## SCENTCHIPS

These premium soy wax melts emanate candle-like scents without flames. Removeable decorative shades can be changed for new looks each season. Handcrafted in Texas.



## SWEET GRACE

We're obsessed with the dreamy Sweet Grace scent. **Each candle purchased from this collection provides 3 meals for a child in need.** Candles available in mercury glass. The unique flower diffuser turns pink & blooms for 60 days. Made in South Carolina.



## FRESH CUT GRASS & DIRT

Authentic scents capture summer in a candle. They're crafted to evoke fond memories and smell incredibly good... even the most unexpected aromas. Made in the USA with domestically grown soybeans.



# Summer Fun

## Your On-the-Go BFF

Don't let the tiny size of compressed travel towels by Bonblissity fool you. Through the use of plant-based technology, they expand into a face towel, washcloth, or cleaning cloth. These eco-friendly towels can be washed and reused. They also dry quickly. You won't want to leave home without them.



## FOUNTAIN CANDLES

They look like candles, but the "flames" are actually water! Enjoy a comforting flicker and a soothing babble at the same time.



Scan QR code to watch video.

## CREATIVE FUN FOR KIDS

Let kids explore their creative sides all summer long with Make It Real kits. Each kit comes with the tools and materials needed to learn new skills and make something beautiful. Our Toy Shop collection includes a Mini Pottery Studio, Clay Charm kits, Shrink Magic jewelry kits, and vending machines that dispense individual DIY bracelets.



## GROWING KITS

You don't need a garden plot or even a yard to grow your own plants. Grow It kits come with everything you need for an indoor garden, including starter growing pots, compost disks, seeds, and a



book of growing tips. Choose from Cactus, Herb Garden, Chili Pepper, and more. Just plant, water & grow!

## SUMMER SELF-CARE

### TOOLETRIES FOR MEN



Flexible, non-porous silicone scrubbers for face and body clean deep and unclog pores to rejuvenate and soften skin while boosting circulation and gently exfoliating. Designed for men, but women can use them, too! Pair with a shatterproof shower mirror and hydrating face & body washes.

### LE JARDIN

Inspired by the gardens of Provence, these foaming hand soaps, bar soaps, candle tins, and purse-sized lotions are made with pure ingredients and formulated to hydrate and nourish. In natural scents like Lotus Flower & Anise and Rhubarb & Lychee, they come in packaging so pretty that they're ready for gifting.



### SHOWER CANDY

Ultra-lathering natural shampoo bars, conditioner bars, and soaps help reduce plastic waste. Did you know liquid hair care & bodywash are 85% water? Each solid Shower Candy salon-quality bar is the equivalent of two bottles of liquid alternative to cut down on unnecessary bottling and shipping.

## Hot Fashions



We are the largest independent Brighton retailer in Chicagoland. See what's fluttering around in our Brighton Room this season.

## enewton

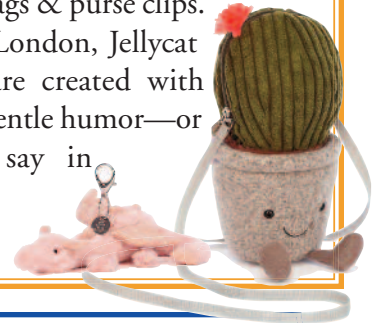
Beaded bracelets by enewton embrace the spirit of an easy breezy summer. They're made to shower, sweat, swim & sleep in without losing their luster, and they're strung on durable, high-quality elastic bands, so they're easy to slip on and off.

Splash into summer with colored beads and enewton's classic cross in soft hues.



## JELLYCAT® Celebrating 25 years!

You can take your adorable plush Jellycat friends with you everywhere now that favorite styles are available as handbags & purse clips. Born in London, Jellycat stuffies are created with joy and gentle humor—or as they say in London, humour.



## Find Your Summer Style

Our clothing collections are curated to indulge your personal sense of style while keeping up with current trends. Bold colors and patterns are hot right now, and we have plenty of both, but we also carry stylish solids and neutrals. Stop in to try on a few things and see what strikes your fancy. Add the finishing touches with jewelry and handbags. Our collections range from comfy boho to perfectly polished.



"So many treasures in each room."

-Nancy P. (Review of The Little Traveler on Yelp)

## COMFORT FOOTWEAR

Who says comfort can't also be cute? Find the perfect shoe for you in our Shoe Room, featuring top brands: Naot, Taos, L'Artiste & Birkenstock. The strappy slip-on sandal pictured has a cork-latex footbed to create custom support with long-term wear. Taos' distressed high-top canvas sneakers are on-trend and super cozy.

Top Soul  
by Taos



Mayari  
by  
Birkenstock



## Petit Ami

For over 50 years, Petit Ami has made heirloom-quality baby garments using traditional sewing techniques, like hand-smocking and hand-embroidery.

Playful pleated dresses and stitched rompers will set toddlers up for a summer full of fun.



## IN THE FAIR TRADE+ GALLERY

### TAGUA JEWELRY

This colorful jewelry is carved from a sustainable nut called tagua, found in the Ecuadorian rainforest. It will add a vibrant pop of sustainable color to any—or every—outfit this summer.



### NATURAL GRASS PURSES

These artistic handbags from The Winding Road are woven of extremely durable Ata grass by master weavers in Bali who employ traditional methods. They're made to last a lifetime.





### SHOP HOURS

Tuesday-Friday 11-4:30

Saturday 10:30-5

Sunday 11-4



Closed on Mondays

Closed on 4th of July



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## REPAIR EXPERTS

### Chair Caning

Tuesday, June 4

11AM-2PM

### Lamp Repair

Wednesday, June 5

11AM-2PM

### Crystal & China Repair

Wednesday, June 12

11AM-2PM

### Knife Sharpening Drop-Off\*

Any time during store hours in our Housewares Dept.

\*\$12 minimum per order.

## Home Lighting

50% OFF

New Styles!



We've received an outstanding new shipment of chandeliers in a variety of styles to suit your home's decor—whether it's traditional,

modern, or "the more bling the better." We negotiated such a good cost that we can offer them to you at 50% OFF their normal pricing. Our chandeliers are displayed throughout the store, so be sure to look up as you browse our rooms to see all that we have to offer.

## 5TH SATURDAY CHARITY SHOPPING DAYS

Summer dates: June 29 & August 31

In months that have five Saturdays, on that 5th Saturday, we'll donate 10% of your Little Traveler shopping total to a local charitable organization. Simply mention "5th Saturday Charity" when you make your purchase, and then designate the donation to go to one of these three wonderful organizations:

**Northern Illinois Food Bank**—Provides food and healthy eating services throughout Northern Illinois.

**Northwestern Medicine Living Well Cancer Resources**—Provides comfort and community to those impacted by cancer.

**Cal's Angels**—Grants wishes, raises awareness, and funds research to help kids who are fighting cancer and their families.



"The staff is very helpful and there are so many items artfully displayed." ~Annette M. (Review of The Little Traveler on Yelp)

## A SWIFT SENSATION

Swifties rejoice! If you've been thinking that the world needs more Taylor Swift, you'll be excited to know that our Stationery department now carries Taylor Swift totes, stickers, magnets, notepads, and even a Little Golden Book that tells the story of this pop icon.

