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Beautiful - *The Carole King Musical* is an upcoming Broadway show in Binghamton on 11/3, details in the newsletter (payment due on 10/21).

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See reverse side for program details. See the newsletter for information about Tai Chi and Arts & Crafts groups.
**Tuesday, October 1st, 12 noon Collette Presentation on Ireland Trip at GIAC**

Come for a slideshow presentation of next year’s Collette trip to Ireland! Come even if you’re marginally interested, Collette usually gives a sizable discount to people who attend this event.

**Saturday, October 5th, 10 am-3 pm Tompkins County Quilt Show at TC3**

Held every other year, this festival will feature more than 200 quilts created by local quilters demos, workshops, and trunk show vendors selling items for quilters and quilt-lovers.

**Monday, October 7th, TBA Movie at Cinemapolis: “Judy”**


**Friday, October 11th, 11 am-12:30 pm Tour of the new History Center**

This guided indoor tour of the TC Center for History and Culture will be led by Rod Howe, outgoing director, free.

**Sunday, October 13th, 12 noon-4 pm Leaf Peeper’s Seafood Festival**

Take a moment to appreciate the Fall foliage from our point of view atop the hill at Toro Run. A medley of seafood will be served, accompanied by the Diana Jacobs Band. Admittance is free, food is sold a la carte ranging from for salt potatoes ($3) to for lobster rolls ($14). There are 12 seafood options, as well as chicken, hotdogs and hamburgers (pay for food on your own).

**Wednesday, October 16th, 11 noon-4 pm Iron Kettle Farm Tour**

This is a visit to a local farm store in Candor, but, in addition to the produce and products you’d expect, they have large array of fall themed activities and displays, free. If you would like to go on a hayride, let me know and be prepared to pay an additional $2.50. A simple lunch of chili and hotdogs will be available to purchase.

**Monday, October 21st, 10 am-3 pm Exercise/shopping trip to Cortland**

We will spend the day in Cortland to exercise and shop with a stop at Hollenbeck’s Apple Cider Mill. We’ll stop for lunch at KFC or Doug’s Fish Fry (pay on your own).

**Wed., October 23rd, 11 am-1 pm Steering Committee at The Glenwood Pines**

We’ll gather at the Glenwood Pines for our quarterly meeting on future programming. Meals start at $7 (pay on your own), everyone is welcome to give feedback/suggest future trips.

**Friday, October 25th, 9-11 am Senior Breakfast, GIAC**

Join us for pancakes, bacon, eggs, and all the usual fare and fun; $3 (pay at door). Local guitar musician Mijail Martinez play for us in honor of Latino Heritage Month *(with grant support from the Community Arts Partnership in Tompkins County)*.

**Tuesday, October 29th, 8 pm “Sister Act”, Ithaca College**

Show girl Deloris Van Cartier witnesses a murder and is put into protective custody at a convent. Disguised as a nun, she struggles to change her lifestyle and abide by their strict rules with hilarious results. Finding her place in the convent’s choir, her dance and singing talent inspires her fellow sisters to find their voice. Based on the 1992 Motion Picture Sister Act emphasizes the power of friendship and “sisterhood”; $12, checks (made out to GIAC) due 10/23.

**Tuesday, October 31th, 9 am-4 pm Birthday Lunch at Tioga Downs**

We’ll be going to Tioga Downs for lunch (buffet is $8, pay at door); we should be eligible for free-play credits, too. Seats limited. Make sure to bring your player’s card or some a NY state drivers’ license if you want to play.

**Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 3 pm “Beautiful - The Carole King Musical”, Binghamton**

The inspiring story of King’s rise to stardom; $70, checks (made out to GIAC) due 10/21.
Welcome new members: Rebecca Elgie and Dilmeran Akgoze

Deadlines to keep in mind:
• **October 21st** ($70) for *Beautiful - The Carole King Musical* the Broome County Forum Theatre (trip on 11/3)
• **October 23rd** ($12) for *Sister Act* at Ithaca College (trip on 10/29)

September is slipping by, so it is time to begin thinking about next month. October is the heart of autumn and we are celebrating that in a variety of ways. A classic fall activity is a visit to the Iron Kettle Farm in Candor for some harvest time treats and see their creative decorations and displays. The trip to Cortland will also have a seasonal angle with a stop at Hollenbeck’s Apple Cider Mill. Hollenbeck’s has a variety of apples and associated products, and they are well-known for their bakery. If you have a specific pie you would like to get, order it a few days in advance for pick-up (835-6455). Seafood does not have any real connection with the fall (at least in my eyes), but the people of Toro Run are throwing a festival to celebrate the changing of the leaves with a Seafood theme. The menu looks enticing. Along with some good entertainment and some wine, it should be a nice afternoon!

Somehow a quilt show fits in nice with an autumn theme too, I guess I am anticipating the cold nights that are soon to follow. We will check out the Tompkins County Quilt Show on the first weekend this year. Tioga Downs has become an October standby for the Birthday Lunch. They promise to take care of us with free plays and discounted lunch. Make sure to bring your player’s card or some a NY state drivers’ license if you want to play.

That leaves a few loose ends to discuss from the October calendar. As you know, I like to investigate changes to the local Ithaca community. The History Center recently moved to the Commons and is now known as “The Tompkins Center for History and Culture.” Outgoing Director Rob Howe will talk about the expansion and move and give us a tour of the new
facility. In addition to a fall theme, National Hispanic Heritage Month straddles September and October. In celebration, we will host local guitar musician Mijail Martinez (and former member of the GIAC youth program) to perform for us at the Senior Breakfast. I have decided to try a new location for the Steering Committee…lunch at the Glenwood Pines. I am sure that will be a popular venue! Finally, the Ithaca College Theater program consistently puts on good productions. This year we will start things off with their version of *Sister Act*.

Speaking of theater productions, an upcoming play many of you were interested in at the Steering Committee is *Beautiful – The Carole King Musical* (full description below). This is a travelling Broadway production and will be the theater option for November. The cost is $70 and the money is due 10/21; I hope many of you will be interested.

We are continuing to join together with Collette to sponsor more extensive travel opportunities for you. I am excited to announce our trip for 2020 is *Irish Splendor!* This time we will try for an international travel destination, eight days in Ireland! Come to the October 1st presentation for details and to have your questions answered. (In past years, people that attended the introductory presentation received $150 off the price, so make sure to attend if you are at all interested.

Thank you to everyone that prepared a baked good or volunteered at the Cake Wheel during the Festival of Nations last year. We had great results and the program has able to raise $230 at the event. Great job; I really appreciate that I can count on so many of you to step up and help out when I need assistance! Feel free to express your appreciation to Wegmans, GreenStar, Walmart, Tops, and P&C Fresh for contributing baked goods.

**Program etiquette reminder:** Please keep in mind the deadlines for checks, I post them on the back of the calendar and as one of the first items in the newsletter. Feel free to pay cash, just get a receipt from the receptionist. We can also manage credit card payments at the front desk. Regardless of how you pay, please be sure that it is clearly noted on the check memo line and/or the receipt what the payment is for.

*I want to make sure that any of you that regularly use email are receiving the calendar (and the occasional announcements); if not, send me a message ([znelson@cityofithaca.org](mailto:znelson@cityofithaca.org)) and I will make sure to add you to the group. Lastly, I also use Facebook to make announcements and*
share pictures. If you would like to be a part of the program’s group, search Facebook for “GIAC Senior Program” and request to join.

October Events – Expanded Descriptions

Arts & Crafts: Tuesday, October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th noon-2 pm
Tai Chi: Thursday, October 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

Apologies, we will skip the Tai Chi on the 31st, because of our visit to Tioga Downs.

➢ Tompkins County Quilters Guild Quilt Show features: More than 200 quilts created by local quilters, demos, workshops, and trunk shows, vendors selling items for quilters and quilt-lovers, used books, patterns and magazines, and silent auction and second hand rose (quilts and clothing)

➢ Judy (2019) – Biography, Drama, History 1h 58m · (PG-13) Winter 1968 and showbiz legend Judy Garland arrives in Swinging London to perform a five-week sold-out run at The Talk of the Town. It is 30 years since she shot to global stardom in The Wizard of Oz, but if her voice has weakened, its dramatic intensity has only grown. As she prepares for the show, battles with management, charms musicians and reminisces with friends and adoring fans, her wit and warmth shine through. Even her dreams of love seem undimmed as she embarks on a whirlwind romance with Mickey Deans, her soon-to-be fifth husband. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates the voice, the capacity for love, and the sheer pizzazz of "the world's greatest entertainer."

➢ Tompkins Center for History and Culture - Rob Howe will explain the History Center’s move to its new location and how this has help them accomplish their goals. He will discuss the impetus for the new Tompkins Center and the benefits from it coming into existence. Besides being the home for the new History Center, several other organizations will have a presence there, including the Dorothy Cotton Center, Cayuga Chamber Orchestra, the group that the Thomas-Morse plane, and Historic Ithaca. We will visit the new Welcome Center and learn about the culture and history of past and present Ithaca and Tompkins County. Donna Eschenbrenner, archivist for the History Center, will show us some interesting examples from the archives and discuss the extent of the
collection. We will learn about the many topics that can be researched in the new lab.

- **Leaf Peeper's Seafood Festival**, take a moment to appreciate the Fall foliage from the point of view atop the hill at Toro Run, overlooking beautiful Cayuga Lake. A medley of seafood will be served, accompanied by the lively tunes of the Diana Jacobs Band. The menu for our upcoming Leaf Peeper's Seafood Fest follows, all food will be served à la carte: shrimp burger, peel and eat shrimp, clam chowder, conch chowder, crab mac & cheese, lobster roll, seafood paella, chicken in Newburg Sauce, Chardonnay Kielbasa, hamburger, Riesling hot dogs, salt potatoes, etc. They will have both seafood-based menu items and non-seafood-based menu items priced between $3-14.

- Born in the heart of Texas and raised in New York, **Mijail Martinez** is a singer-songwriter who lives in blended worlds. Together with his band The Cantina Ramblers—mixing elements of Flamenco, Ranchera, Rumba, and American Country to make songs in Spanish, English, and French. An avid street-performer and troubadour, seen from the NYC subway to the vineyards of wine country--street corners in Mexico City to the desert bars and cantinas, always seeking inspiration by a life in poetry and song. Skeptical of the conventional, his demo/EP "Carnaval Blues on The Road" features a mix of captured moments and live recordings, giving listeners a glimpse into the life of a traveling singer-poet.

- **Sister Act** - Deloris Van Cartier is an aspiring singer in Philadelphia, where she is auditioning to perform at her gangster boyfriend’s nightclub. Deloris believes that Curtis is going to introduce her to a big producer but is upset when he tells her she is not ready. Hurt and rejected, Deloris decides to break up with him, but when she goes to find him she accidentally sees him kill one of his cronies. Deloris runs to the police, who place her in hiding at a convent until Curtis is brought to trial. At first, Deloris feels as though it will be the worst thing in the world, chafing against the constraints of convent life and an immovable Reverend Mother, but once she is introduced to the struggling choir at the convent, everything changes. She finds that many of the nuns at the convent are not that different from her, and that they are quite fun to be around. They help give her a bigger purpose in her life, showing her a genuine love and affection that was missing prior to her arrival at the
convent. Sister Act is a joyous show that uses music to bring different communities, and lifestyles, together.

➢ **Beautiful – The Carole King Musical** tells the inspiring true story of King’s remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation. Featuring a stunning array of beloved songs written by Gerry Goffin/Carole King and Barry Mann/Cynthia Weil, including “I Feel The Earth Move,” “One Fine Day,” “(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman,” “You’ve Got A Friend” and the title song, BEAUTIFUL has a book by and Tony® Award-nominee and Academy® Award-nominated writer Douglas McGrath, direction by Marc Bruni, choreography by Josh Prince, and took home two 2014 Tony® Awards and a 2015 Grammy® Award.

**Of Interest to Seniors and the GIAC Community…**

➢ Book reading *Alzheimer’s: Up Close and Personal*, Saturday - October 12, 4 pm, Buffalo Street Books Dewitt Mall 215 North Cayuga Street - The author (and GIAC Senior Program participant), Janie E. Bibbie, will share what she once thought would never become public information about the journey with her husband as he goes through Alzheimer’s disease. She is also author of “Inspired: Musings, Ponderings and Such”, a book of poetry and prose.

➢ **200 Club Raffle and Dinner** to benefit GIAC’s new gym renovation, Event is on October 12th at the Eagles Club (161 Cecil A. Malone Drive). $30 per ticket is good for two dinners (spaghetti and sides), two adult beverages, and is your entry for the evening and draws. Dinner is provided by GIAC Catering! There will also be iced tea, lemonade and water to drink. Doors are at 5 pm and dinner is at 6. Drawing for over $2000 (in amounts from $30 to $1000) in door cash awards will start at 6 pm. There will be 50/50 raffles, silent auction items and floor raffles to win! There will also be a DJ all night. This is an adult evening!
➢ “A Evening of Soul Music with African Flair” hosted by Dorianthia Chapter #19 and Order of the Eastern Star PHA, Sat, Sept 28, 8 pm at the Eagles (161Cecil Malone Dr.) Appetizers, cash bar, raffles, entertainment by DJ Eddie-On; Donations of $25/person, $40/couple. Benefitting Dorianthia Chapter #19 OES, PHA Scholarship Fund. Contact Annie Carter (280-3581) or Millicent Clark-Maynard 327-3064.

➢ Tompkins County Public Library Announces Community Read - TCPL is proud to announce 2019’s Community Read title is Richard Blanco’s The Prince of Los Cocuyos, a memoir by the first Latino and openly gay inaugural poet, about his childhood in Miami in the 1970s and 80s as part of a family of Cuban exiles. With language that transports the reader, Blanco explores the social and political landscape of the times, all through the eyes of an immigrant child who desires to become truly “American.” Copies of the book will be available to check out on Monday, September 16, at the Library.

➢ 2019 Intergenerational Ithaca College Harvest Moon Dance – Monday, October 21; 6-8 pm; Emerson Suites in the Ithaca College Campus Center I did not learn of this event early enough to put it on our schedule this year, but I still want to promote it. You are cordially invited to a night of music, dancing, refreshments, & great conversation! The Harvest Moon Dance is an annual intergenerational event open to all members of the Ithaca & Ithaca College communities. Bring friends & family of all ages & celebrate with us! Featuring live music by Mike Vitucci and the Immortal Jellyfish

➢ Savage Club (a friend of the program): A Fall Fundraiser / Variety Show event! The annual Little Apple Fall Follies is local talent showcase features more than 20 stage acts, ranging from singing groups and instrumental numbers to rock and jazz bands. Proceeds from the event go to support community grants from Rotary and Savage Clubs as well as the important work of the Ithaca City School District Fine Arts Booster Group. Presented by the community for the community, the evening’s line-up has something to please every age group.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me for any reason. Best, Zack

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