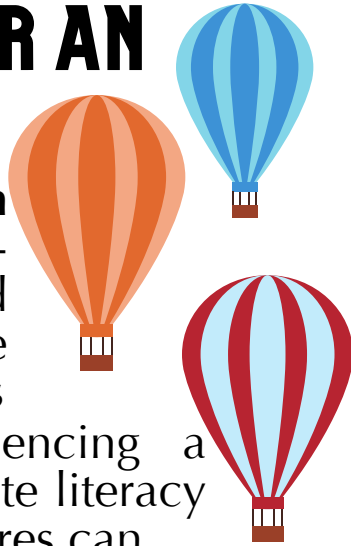


MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

CULTIVATE CURIOSITY, ENLIGHTEN THE MIND, STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITY

ARE YOU READY FOR AN ADVENTURE?



June/July 2024

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HOURS

Monday-Thursday	9am-8pm
Friday & Saturday	9am-5pm
Sunday	12pm-5pm

Special Hours

Thursday, July 4	Closed
Friday, July 5	Closed

Our **Summer Adventure Program (SAP)** is underway! It is our all-ages summer reading and activities program. Earn raffle tickets for our many prize baskets while setting out and experiencing a variety of activities which promote literacy and our library services. Adventures can range from *easygoing to moderate to challenging!* Our website has a growing list of activities to choose from, but we challenge you to create your own adventures this summer too.



MORRIS AREA
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Stop by the library to register and pick up your adventure log. Everyone who registers can spin the prize wheel! Once you complete a log, return it to the library to receive your raffle tickets.



For more information



SUMMER 2024
**MOVIES
IN THE PARK**
at GOULD PARK



The City of Morris and your Morris Area Public Library are teaming up together to offer free, family-friendly film screenings at Gould Park for everyone. Join us for these outdoor events throughout the summer to create fun, family memories.

Bring blankets and lawn chairs for a more comfortable experience. Concessions will be available, but you may bring your own family snacks. Movies start at dusk.



June 21

July 19



August 16

September 20

SPECIAL PRESHOW

Enjoy a live **Barbershop Quartet** show before *Mary Poppins* on August 16th. **Take Note Quartet** will sing and entertain us with some favorite songs.

WHY BUY
 • WHEN YOU CAN •
BORROW

Planning a party this summer and looking for a unique activity for your guests? We have several oversized games available in our Library of Things.



The Giant Connect 4 Set is the perfect outdoor game for family reunions, Fourth of July BBQs, and graduation parties. It's the classic game that you know and love only now in jumbo size for outdoor parties and for group gatherings.



Check out our Jenga blocks too - a great lawn or backyard game for kids of all ages. Have fun setting up the blocks and knocking them down.

NEW
TO SEE

New to us furniture upgrade

If you have stopped in the library recently you may have noticed a few additional areas of seating. We have rearranged a few things and gained several new clusters of seating throughout the library. These tables provide the ideal area for studying, reading, collaborating and much more!

Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS) serves more than 1,200 library agencies in Illinois. One of the many benefits of this system is a Library Exchange. Libraries post about furniture or equipment they no longer need, offering free for the hauling. These new to us tables are courtesy of that system!



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Exciting times at the library! The Library Board voted at the April 2024 meeting to move forward with the expansion project. The decision was made to build a community room which will hold up to 106 people. We anticipate breaking ground in March of 2025.

We encourage community members to attend the library's monthly board meetings held on the second Tuesday of every month to hear first hand the decisions being made on the space.

Do you enjoy the great outdoors?

Help weed and keep our Garden beautiful. Come 1-2 times a month as needed. Open to 16 or older.

Contact the library to volunteer. High School students receive community service hours for their time.

Children & Youth

Adventures with Dewey!

Nonfiction creates a thirst for knowledge! Fuel your child's curiosity — and vocabulary — with these tips for finding nonfiction reads.

Children love nonfiction, but sometimes it can feel daunting to find these types of books. The Dewey Decimal System groups books by subject matter, then by author's last name. Once you understand the breakdown of subject matters, finding books you want becomes easier.

Check out which nonfiction books we're featuring this summer in our Nonfiction Focus display



- 000 - Computer Science and Information
- 100 - Philosophy and Psychology
- 200 - Religion
- 300 - Social Sciences
- 400 - Language
- 500 - Natural Science and Mathematics
- 600 - Technology
- 700 - Arts and Recreation
- 800 - Literature
- 900 - History and Geography



Tween & Teen

Our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is now T.A.G. and YOU'RE IT!

T.A.G. stands for Tween/Teen Adventure Group. It's a group of tweens/teens who get together to share ideas about the teen area of the library. Teens involved in this group will have the opportunity to earn community service hours, make new friends, and build leadership skills.

When does T.A.G. meet?

T.A.G. meets on the fourth Thursday of every month from 6-7PM during the school year and 3:30-4:30PM during the summer.

How do you sign up?

Stop by the library or call us at 815-942-6880



Community Event



READING GIVES YOU WINGS

All Summer long

Stop by your Morris Area Public Library to be a part of our window display! The **Morris Retail Association** is spearheading a community wide initiative to encourage people far and wide to visit our city. This project involves interactive artwork on area windows for visitors to stop and take pictures while standing in front of them. Come design a piece to add to the creation or snap a photo in front of our project.

Need Help? Tech Basics for Seniors



Three one on one sessions designed around your tech needs

1. Basic skills for your mobile device
2. Introduction to computer skills
3. Cyber safety and general questions

Esta serie de múltiples sesiones individualizadas lo ayudará a aprender sobre su dispositivo móvil, computación básica y más. Las tres clases serán solo por cita.

Bluey Party

June 22 1-3PM

Join us for a fun filled afternoon where you will have the opportunity to play, laugh and get a family photo with everyone's favorite Heeler.

LIBRARY
FIELD
DAY

Celebrate the end of our Summer Adventure Program!

Outside fun and games for all ages. We will have lawn games and activities, crafts and a few surprises.

July 27 10AM-12PM

UPCOMING MONDAY MATINEES

Second Mondays of the Month
11am-2pm

June 10 - **Ticket to Paradise**

Lily sends a message to her parents that she's going to get married to a local she met while vacationing in Bali. Her parents fly to Indonesia to hopefully derail their daughter's impulsive plan.

July 8- **The Boys in the Boat**

This inspirational true story follows a group of underdogs at the height of the Great Depression as they are thrust into the spotlight and take on elite rivals from around the world.

MOVIE TIME

Costumes encouraged!
See website for details

July 27 - **Secret of the Wings**

Tinker Bell discovers a magical secret in the Winter Woods.

The first 15 people to sign up will get a pixie dust necklace to take home.



PATRON PERKS AT THE MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

MUSEUM PASSES

WE OFFER TWO CHICAGOLAND MUSEUM PASS PROGRAMS, THE MUSEUM ADVENTURE PASS AND EXPLORE MORE ILLINOIS

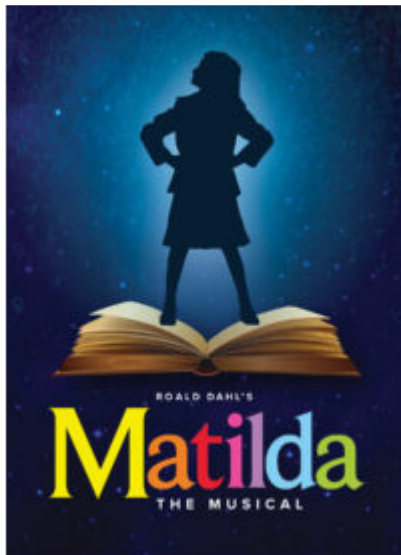
Pass benefits vary by organization. All passes are good for one week from issue date.

Available to patrons in good standing



Fireside Theater in Fort Atkinson WI

The Fireside



Roald Dahl's **MATILDA** The Musical is a fantastic show packed with high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs.

AUGUST 10
2024

SATURDAY
10AM - 5:30PM

Cost: \$110 *Trip includes bus, dinner, dessert, and gratuity*

Payment and signed waiver must be received for complete registration. In the event a participant withdraws from a trip, the participant shall receive a refund only if a replacement is found and the replacement pays the full bus trip fee.