

MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

CULTIVATE CURIOSITY, ENLIGHTEN THE MIND, STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITY

NOT YOUR AVERAGE BOOKMOBILE



Get ready for an unforgettable experience as the Library Vehicle rolls into town! This 53-foot interactive library on wheels is set to visit your Morris Area Public Library, offering a unique opportunity for book lovers of all ages on **Saturday September 7, from 10AM-2PM**. We will also have crafts and activities, as well as a food truck, making this *a community event you won't want to miss!*

Learn how to make the most of your digital library experience with live demonstrations of the Libby and Kanopy apps as well as other digital resources. During this special visit, representatives will be on hand to help you set up your digital account, navigate the app's features, and discover the vast collection of digital resources available at your fingertips.

The event is free and open to the public. No registration is required, drop by at your convenience. Don't forget to bring your library card to check out books and movies on the spot, or sign up for one if you're not already a cardholder! **Two lucky visitors will win a new e-reader.**



August/September 2024

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HOURS

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

Special Hours

Monday, September 2 Closed



For more information



Spoonful of Sugar

Join us for live cooking demonstrations right here at the library! Delight in the aromas, flavors, and techniques as our Library Director Resa Mai guides you through a culinary journey like no other.

Our first event of the series will be on Tuesday, August 20 at 6PM. In honor of our showing of *Mary Poppins* at the Movies in the Park, we will make easy delicious sugar cookies and decorate them to look like a *sweet spoonful of sugar!* Everyone will take home their own spoon shaped cookies as well as a cookie cutter. **Space is limited so please register soon!**



Young children learn faster when learning is fun



Coding toys for kids can help children develop important skills that will be valuable throughout their lives, such as problem-solving, critical thinking, and creativity, while also sparking their interest in STEM subjects. Check out these coding toys from our Library of Things.



WHY BUY
 • WHEN YOU CAN •
BORROW

NEW TO SEE

New Outdoor Reading Retreat

Experience the serene atmosphere in our library garden

Discover the latest addition to your Morris Area Public Library's garden area: our brand-new outdoor furniture. Whether you seek solitude with a gripping novel or crave lively discussions with fellow book enthusiasts, our garden area welcomes you. We have two new tables with chairs for your enjoyment during regular library hours. Be among the first to experience where every page turn is accompanied by the symphony of nature.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We want to hear from you! As we continue to move forward with our construction plans, we want your input. We are at the point where we are starting to make decisions on finishes. Please join us to hear about the various options and weigh in on the decision.



NEW DAY, NEW TIME

Ad Hoc Construction Meetings, open to the public, now held the second Monday of every month at 5:30PM



How to apply to be a Library Volunteer

Whether you are a tween/teen needing community service hours for school, or a retiree looking to give back to the community, your Morris Area Public Library welcomes your help! Head to our website and fill out a volunteer application. Once submitted, we will contact you to discuss opportunities.

Children & Youth

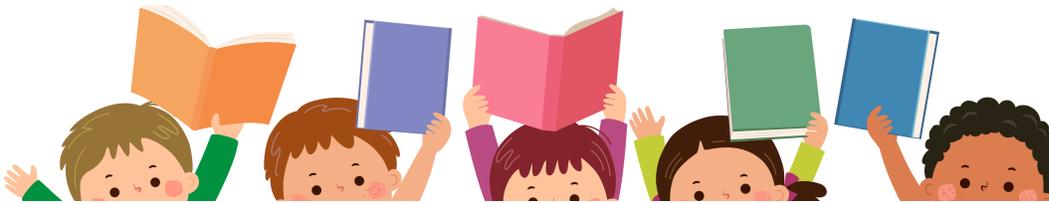
Here's to a Great New School Year!

A new school year is upon us, and the library is here to help ensure a fantastic school year. Check out our phonetic awareness books, picture books and chapter books that read to your child, STEAM kits to help reinforce concepts through hands-on manipulatives, and study rooms.

As a reminder, **September is our annual hiatus month for library programming**, which means all children's programming including storytimes, will be on a break for the month of September. This time is used to work on program planning for the following year.



Keep kids actively engaged with our wide variety of STEAM kits available in the Children's Department.



Tween & Teen

Discover all our **Tween/Teen Area** has to offer you

From gripping young adult books to the latest graphic novels, our shelves are brimming with stories that speak to your soul.

We offer a dedicated space for you to meet up with friends or fellow classmates to study or work on a group project. We also have engaging programs like gaming tournaments and creative workshops curated exclusively for tweens/teens like you.

Unleash your creativity, connect with fellow book lovers, and embark on a journey of self-discovery in a space designed to inspire and empower.



Community Event

Be sure to join us for our final Movies in the Park for 2024!

PRESENTED BY THE CITY OF MORRIS & MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMER 2024
MOVIES IN THE PARK
at GOULD PARK



Movie starts at dusk

MORRIS ILLINOIS

MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

September 20

Need to print a school report or project?

Your Morris Area Public Library can help!



We have three options for your printing needs:

ONLINE

Upload most standard file types for printing on our website by entering your library card number or name.

www.morrislibrary.com/print

MOBILE APP

Upload files from your phone, email, or cloud storage by entering your library card number or name.

In the Apple or Google App Store search for ePrintit SaaS

EMAIL

Send your documents and include your name, quantity, color and format to us.

PRINT@MORRISLIBRARY.COM

For information on pricing and more detailed instructions, head to our website

www.morrislibrary.com/how-to-use-our-print-services

PATRON PERKS AT THE MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

STUDY ROOMS

IDEAL SPACE FOR INDIVIDUALS OR SMALL GROUPS TO COLLABORATE OR WORK ON PROJECTS.

Rooms are available during regular library hours with a two hour time limit.

May be reserved ahead of time



SUNDAY
DECEMBER 15

BUS LEAVES AT 10AM



A BARN ORIGINAL PRODUCTION

Explore the silliest, most sacred and sentimental holiday traditions with this Barn Original production.

Cost: \$95

Trip includes Dinner, Bus, Show, Lively Company, Gratuity, and a Candy Cane!

Register today!



CAREGIVER EDUCATIONAL SERIES

This new education series teaches caregivers how to navigate the responsibilities of caring for someone living with dementia and take care of their own wellbeing. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association topics will include:

- Building foundations of caregiving
- Supporting independence
- Communicating effectively
- Responding to dementia-related behaviors
- Exploring care and support services
- How to avoid financial abuse and fraud
- How to assess financial and legal needs,
- The costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning
- Where to find support.



The series consists of three sessions:

Tuesday, August 13, 2-3PM: The Empowered Caregiver Part 1
Tuesday, August 20, 2-3PM: The Empowered Caregiver Part 2
Tuesday, August 27, 2-3PM: A Caregiver's Guide to Finance

Registration is required for this event so please stop in or give us a call at 815-942-6880