



# MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## Press Release

### IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day at Morris Area Public Library

**Morris, IL – January 2, 2025** – The Morris Area Public Library invites everyone to join us on **Saturday, February 1, 2025**, to celebrate **Take Your Child to the Library Day**—a special worldwide event where libraries open their doors for a day of fun, learning, and connection.

“Take Your Child to the Library Day is a wonderful opportunity for families to discover the magic of the library,” said Resa Mai, Morris Area Public Library Director. “We’re excited to welcome everyone for an afternoon full of fun, hands-on activities that showcase the library as a place to learn, explore, and create together.”

This year, the library will feature activities and programs designed to inspire curiosity and highlight the many services available to patrons, including a visit from **Pete the Cat** for a memorable photo opportunity!

### Event Highlights:

- **Meet Pete the Cat:** Kids will love snapping a photo with everyone’s favorite cool cat.
- **Craft Stations:** Visitors can let their creativity shine with hands-on crafts.
- **Interactive Activities:** Explore and learn about our **Library of Things** collection and **digital services** that support learning and entertainment for all ages.

**Take Your Child to the Library Day** is the perfect time for families to discover how the library supports their children’s growth and success:

- **Sign up for a library card** (it’s free!).
- **Connect with our staff** and learn about upcoming programs.
- **Explore books, games, and technology** that make the library an exciting place to learn and play.

### Why Do Children Need Libraries?

Libraries play a critical role in the development and success of children:

- **Child readers become grown-up leaders.** Reading proficiency by third grade leads to higher graduation rates.
- **Storytime builds school readiness.** Library programs help develop social and academic skills.

Cultivate Curiosity, Enlighten the Mind, Strengthen the Community

- **Libraries level the playing field.** Providing access to computers, WiFi, and technology ensures equal opportunities for all.
  - **Libraries transform lives.** Libraries spark curiosity, foster creativity, and create connections every day.
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**Event Details:**



**When:** Saturday, February 1, 2025



**Where:** Morris Area Public Library, 604 Liberty St. Morris, IL 60450



**Time:** 1-3PM



**Cost:** Free

Space is limited so registration is recommended. You can give the library a call at 815-942-6880 or stop in during normal business hours to register today.

Don't miss this special day to create memories, explore library services, and celebrate the joy of reading. For more information about **Take Your Child to the Library Day** and other events at the Morris Area Public Library, please visit our website at [www.morrislibrary.com](http://www.morrislibrary.com) or contact us at 815-942-6880.

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**About Morris Area Public Library:** The Morris Area Public Library's mission is to provide materials, programming, and space to cultivate curiosity, enlighten the mind, and strengthen the community. We strive to offer diverse and enriching experiences for all members of our community.

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