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Ceremonial Groundbreaking Marks Start of Library Expansion in Morris

Morris, IL - May 13, 2025 - On the evening of May 12, 2025, the Morris Area Public Library officially broke ground on its long-anticipated building expansion. The 6PM ceremony marked the beginning of a project that will add a 106 capacity meeting room with lots of natural light and improved access for all patrons to the library, furthering its mission to cultivate curiosity, enlighten the mind, and strengthen the community.

Library Director Resa Mai led the ceremony, joined by members of the Morris Area Public Library Board, and numerous members of the community. "This new meeting space will provide our community with room to gather, collaborate, and grow," said Mai. "We're proud to be building not just for today, but for the future of Morris."

The expansion is made possible through a generous endowment from Richard M Coulthard, and construction will be completed by Narvick Brothers Construction. The architectural design is being led by Studio GC Architecture + Interiors who will also be managing the project through completion.

Photos from the event are available on our website.

For updates on the project and other library news, please visit our website at www.morrislibrary.com or follow us on social media.

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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