

## Press Release

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## Find Your Joy at Morris Area Public Library During National Library Week, April 19–25, 2026

**Morris, IL - April 17, 2026** - What brings you joy? Whether it's discovering a new story, creating something by hand, enjoying live music, or connecting with others, you can find your joy at the Morris Area Public Library.

National Library Week, April 19 - 25, 2026, is a time to celebrate the many ways libraries bring people together, spark imagination, and support lifelong learning. From books and digital resources to engaging programs and community events, libraries are essential to thriving communities.

At the Morris Area Public Library, we invite everyone to join the celebration! Whether you're a longtime patron, a new neighbor, or haven't visited in a while, now is the perfect time to explore all the library has to offer. The library provides free Wi-Fi, digital collections, and a wide variety of programs for all ages ensuring access to resources that educate, inspire, and connect.

Throughout the week, the library will host a variety of events designed to offer something for everyone:

- **Live at the Library (Saturday, April 25):** Celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month with a live performance by guitarist Sam Burns, featuring smooth sounds and rich storytelling.
- **Sensory-Sensitive Movie (Sunday, April 19):** Enjoy a welcoming, low-sensory movie experience with adjusted lighting and sound.
- **Adult Craft (Monday, April 20):** Get creative with a hands-on craft program designed just for adults.
- **Children's Storytime (Tuesday, April 21 & Wednesday, April 22):** Engaging stories and activities for young children and their families.
- **Horror Movie Night (Tuesday, April 21):** An evening screening for fans of thrills and chills.
- **Tween/Teen Craft (Thursday, April 23):** A creative program tailored for tweens and teens.
- **Young Adult Craft (Thursday, April 23):** A fun, hands-on craft experience for young adults.

"National Library Week is a wonderful opportunity to highlight all the ways the library supports and brings joy to our community," said Ali Fisher, Patron Services Supervisor. "From live music to creative programs and family activities, we truly have something for everyone."

First celebrated in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April.

For more information about National Library Week 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.

**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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