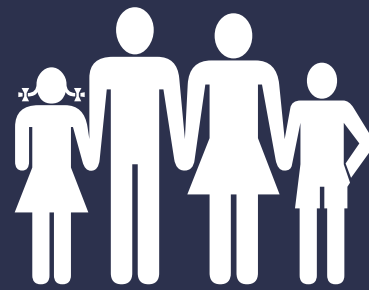




The Matteson Connection



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Matteson Area Public Library District Newsletter

Teen Volunteer Fair Saturday, September 10

10 am - 4 pm

Need volunteer hours for school? Come to the Teen Volunteer Fair! This fair will host various local non-profit organizations that are offering volunteer opportunities for teens ages 13 -19. Some organizations that will be here are Richton Park Public Library, South Suburban Humane Society, South Suburban Special Recreation Association, and the Matteson Community Center, just to name a few. So if you need those hours for school, stop in and learn about all the opportunities that are available.

Looking For Writers! - Local Author Fair

Are you a writer or know someone who is? We're looking for authors to participate in our first ever Author Fair. To apply visit www.mapld.org or the library.

Library of Things (Newest Items)

Four more items were added to our Library of Things this summer. We now have a metal detector for all of those treasure hunters searching for buried treasure on the beach or nails from the last home improvement project in the backyard. For some outside fun, we also now have a volleyball/badminton game, a giant Connect Four, and jumbo dice games. The jumbo dice games come with directions for Yardzee, Yardkle, and 18 other fabulous dice games to entertain the entire family. These items and more are available for one-week checkouts.



Photo of Teen Volunteers

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Services we have to offer!



New TBS Faxing and Scanning Machine

The Library introduced a new self-scanning station a few months ago, but you may not have discovered it yet. Located at the front of the library, the station allows you to do many different things with documents and photographs: quickly feed a stack of pages (front and back) through, or do a single photo, or edit photos to touch up color or resize them.

Documents and photos can be saved via email, a USB drive, or to a personal cloud. The self-scan station can even help to translate to your preferred language. Built-in instructions help walk you through the process, plus library staff are also there to help. You can also fax directly from the station and pay for faxing with a debit card or cash; all other self-scan station services are free.

Wireless Printing

You can now send a print job directly from your laptop, phone, or tablet while in the library or even from home via the Wireless Printing button found at the top right of our website. Your print job will be available for pick up at the Computer Lab print station.

Jobs are held for 24 hours and you'll pay when you come to get them. Prints cost 25¢ per side for letter (8 ½" by 11") and legal (8 ½" by 14") sizes and you can pay with cash or a credit card.

Homebound

The library provides delivery services to patrons who live in the Village of Matteson and are homebound, either temporarily due to illness or injury, or permanently due to disability, age, or other transportation issues. You will need a valid MAPLD library card and may request delivery

services from the Customer Services department.

Patrons registered for delivery services may request materials via phone or email to Adult Services. Patrons may also request their own materials online via the SWAN catalog.

Materials checked out are loaned out for a two-week period, and items are renewable. There are no late fees, but material lost or damaged will be billed to the patron and the patron will be responsible to pay for the lost or damaged items.

Deliveries are made on a weekly basis, according to the delivery driver's schedule. The driver will call the patron to notify them that deliveries are being done to make sure that the patron will be at home to receive the items.

Books for Baby Subscription Service

The Library would like to help parents get their baby started with a lifelong love of reading. From the day your baby is born until their first birthday, we'll deliver library books monthly right to your front door. This way you don't have to leave the house and we'll supply you with books just right for reading to your little one. If you have a valid library card from the Matteson Library and would like to receive this service, visit bit.ly/books-for-baby to sign-up.

Notary and Passport Services

The Library provides an awesome service to the community by offering Notary Services and Passport Services. We have several members of our staff trained to work with you in completing your notary public service or your passport needs. Our hours of business are from 9:30 am - 7 pm, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. For Notary there is a \$1 charge per signature and there is a fee for passport services. We believe in service with a smile!

Sign Up for Smart Lockers

Smart Lockers located outside of our front doors offer a new option for picking up your requested library materials at your convenience, even when the library is not open. You can choose this option when requesting materials online or just give us a call, and we'll set it up for you. When your requested items are ready here for pick up, you'll get an email or text that has both a QR code to scan or a digital code to punch in at the lockers. Once you do that, the locker door opens and you can grab your items and be on your way. The lockers were made possible by a state-funded grant that focused on how to get materials to patrons when the library is not open.



Fun things for you to do!



Photo of Hugo's
Elvis Tribute

Elvis Tribute Performance

Thursday, October 6

6 - 8 pm

Hugo, a proud Chicagoan, Lane Tech High School 2019 alumnus, and Chicagoland's young Elvis Tribute Artist performs all of the legendary early television, radio, record and concert recordings of all of Elvis' genres from gospel, ballads, rockabilly and Christmas favorites to the icon's greatest rock n' roll hits from the 1950s and beyond! This talented young man pays tribute to the famous entertainer for the enjoyment of life-long Elvis admirers and to introduce the music legend to a brand new generation of fans.

Secrets to Finding Scholarships

Saturday, September 10

11 am - 12:30 pm

Zoom

This workshop will share the "secrets" to finding money for college. We will discuss how students can become "scholarship ready", how they can put themselves in the best position to obtain scholarships, and how to properly conduct the scholarship search. Recommended for grades 9-12.

Puppets with Dave! (Register)

Grades: 3rd-6th

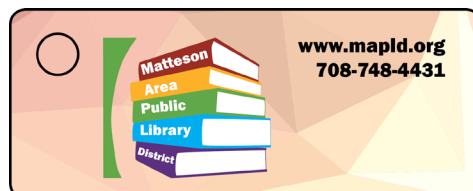
**Tuesdays, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18
6:30 - 8:30 pm**

Professional Puppeteer Dave Herzog of Herzog's Marionettes will teach kids how to build a marionette and how to perform using their creation!

September is Library Card Sign Up Month

For Kids: Show your library card to a librarian in the Youth Services Department during the month of September and you can get a special prize. Supplies are limited, so come early!

For Adults: If you sign up for a new library card, renew your library card or check out an item from the library, visit the Public Services Desk to receive a ticket for a free scoop of custard from Culver's in Matteson. You must be a Matteson resident to receive a ticket. 1 per customer per day while supplies last. Tickets will be redeemable from 9/1/22 - 9/30/22.



Scouts Programs

Attention Webelos Scout Leaders and Junior Girl Scout Leaders! We are excited to offer hands-on workshops perfect for your kids!

The Webelos Scouts workshop consists of scouts learning about the various trees and plants growing in Illinois and completing activities that will fulfill the requirements to earn them their Into the Woods Pin. We'll talk about how both wildlife and humans use trees and other plants and they will create a plan to show how to grow their own plants at home.

Junior Girl Scouts will complete activities to earn their Robotics badge. Junior Girl Scouts will learn about the inner workings of a robot called the Ozobot. The Ozobot is a small robot that uses color coding to program the robot move in various directions and make sounds. They will learn how the robot works, how to program the robot, then design their own codes. As a bonus, the scouts will get a brief demonstration of other robots our library has available for checkout such as Dash, Botleys, and Code and Go Robot Mice.

If you would like your scouts to participate in one of these workshops please call the Youth Services Department at 708-748-4431.

More on our website!

Visit our website or scan the code to see all of our events and classes we are offering including computer classes, crafts, movies, games, story time, movement and more.



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