



Matteson Area Public Library Summer Events

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Summer Reading Kick-off!

Saturday, June 3rd

1 - 3 PM

Come play games and win prizes at our mini carnival to start our summer reading program. All ages are welcome!

Adult Summer Reading Program

Saturday, June 3rd - July 29th

The Adult Summer Reading Program "Find Your Voice" kicks off this year on Saturday, June 3rd. Join us by reading or listening to a book this summer. Fill out a raffle ticket for every book you finish for a chance to win a prize. To register, stop by the library or visit our website. Don't wait too long to join in the fun!

Family Summer Reading Program

Saturday, June 3rd - July 29th

Join our family summer reading program. Both kids and their caregivers can read books and do various activities to earn tickets for our awesome weekly raffle prizes. Kids' prizes will include a bicycle, a kick scooter, a Nintendo Switch, and more! Caregivers can earn raffle tickets for a chance to win 4 tickets to the Shedd Aquarium, The Field Museum, Brookfield Zoo, or the Museum of Science and Industry! Visit the library and register TODAY!



MAPLD FanFest

Saturday, July 22nd

1 - 7 PM

The South Suburbs Fan Convention returns for its 4th year! The MAPLD FanFest is a free event with fun and educational programs for all ages. Come out and play video games,

crafts, meet superheroes, cosplayers, participate in panels, win prizes and much more. There will be over 20 artists & vendors showcasing their products and art work

Bookmark our event's website www.mapldfanfest.com or scan the code to keep up to date with all the artists, guests and vendor announcements! Don't forget to tell all your friends and family!



Some Events and Vendors:

- Maid To Be Maid and Butler Cafe'
- K-Pop Dancing
- Japanese Class
- Video Game Tournament
- Video Game Truck
- How To Wear A Kimono
- Cosplay Contest
- Pokémon Scavenger Hunt
- Nothing Bundt Cakes
- Japanese Culture Center
- Jackbox Games
- Dzhelashi

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Fun For Adults

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Visit bit.ly/mapldcalen,
call 708-748-4431 or scan the code to register and to
see all of our events and classes.



Monthly Repeats

Dungeons & Dragons:

One Shot! ☎

Last Saturday of the Month

June 24th, July 29th, August 26th

1:30 - 4:30 PM

ATTENTION ADVENTURERS! Sail the high seas! Save a sheep! Rob a baron! Have some fun during a short, one shot campaign! Open to all, no matter your experience level.

Yapping Yarnies ☎

Thursdays, Starting June 8th

6 - 8 PM

Bring your knitting needles or crochet hooks and yarn to work on a different project each month or get help with a project of your own.

Yoga ☎

Mondays

6 - 7 PM

Come enjoy this mind, body, and spirit experience. Improve flexibility and enhance relaxation with an hour of yoga. Wear comfortable clothes and bring mat or towel. Don't forget to bring a bottle of water to rehydrate when needed.

Computers 101 ☎

6 - 7:30 PM



Zoom

- June 7th



Save That File!

- July 5th



Email

- August 2nd

Afternoon Movies

2 - 4 PM



Are You Proud? (2019)

- June 22nd



Footloose (1984)

- July 27th

LGBTQA+ ☎

June 1st - June 30th

6 - 7:30 PM

Are you part of the LGBTQA+ community, or know someone who is? Find Your Voice through journaling during the month of June with a journal provided by the library. Each journal contains weekly writing prompts and are available the first week of June.

Jim Walker as Mark Twain

Thursday, June 8th

6 - 7:30 PM

Come by and meet Mark Twain in person and listen as he discusses his life, philosophies, and vision which made him the unique personality and writer known throughout the world.

Fun For 20s - 40s:

I Love the 80's to Death

Murder Mystery Whodunit? ☎

Saturday, June 17th

6 - 7:30 PM

Dress in your flashiest 80's duds and try to solve a murder mystery!

9 Things to Start Blogging About ☎

Wednesday, June 21st

6 - 7 PM

Ever wanted to start a blog and didn't know what to write? Join us to learn about different sources of blog post ideas.

Genealogy Show and Tell ☎

Wednesday, June 21st

6 - 8:30 PM

How far have you gone? Bring your story and share.

Summer Musical Concert of the 60's and 70's

Friday, July 7th

6 - 7:30 PM

Hear the musical talents of Dave Rudolf as he plays music from the 1960's and 1970's including the British Invasion. Food Truck onsite.

Mobile DMV

Friday, August 4th

10 AM - 2 PM

IL Secretary of State Driver Services Mobile Event! Come by to renew your licenses, IDs, or plate stickers.

Services offered onsite:

Renewal/Correction of Driver's License

New/Renewal/Correction of State ID

Motor Vehicle Registration With

Renewal of DL/ID

Organ Donor Registration With Renewal of DL/ID

Seniors Age 65 and UP (No Charge For State ID)

Proper Identification Will Be Needed for Above Services

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE BY CHECK, CREDIT CARD, DEBIT CARD, OR MONEY ORDER. No Cash Payment

Please Note: Seniors Age 75 and over

MUST visit a permanent Secretary of

State Drivers Services Facility To Renew

Drivers Licenses.

Check our website for the full details.

Summer Musical Concert:

Motown Music

Friday, August 4th

6 - 7 PM

Join Rhonda Browne for a tribute concert sharing songs by artists who made Motown great. Food Truck onsite.

How to Start & Structure a LLC



Saturday, August 26th

2 - 4 PM

Have you been dreaming of starting a business? Join us to learn about the Five Business Components from Life Coach Verneisha Carter.



Youth & Family

Children ages 9 and younger must be accompanied by someone 16 or older.

Programs for Teens Entering Grades 7th - 12th

Teen Art Therapy ☎

Wednesday, June 5th

6 - 8 PM

Relax as we express ourselves through art! You don't have to be an artist to participate in this relaxing and engaging program. All materials will be provided.

Tote-taly Teen ☎

Tuesday, June 13th

6 - 8 PM

Express yourself and be creative in making your own tote bag. Join Ms. Kalea as she teaches you how to sew together a tote bag with a zipper. All materials will be provided.

Teen Crocheting 101 ☎

Tuesdays, June 20th & 27th

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Want to crochet, but don't know how? You're in luck. Come join Ms. Daniela as she teaches you the basics of how to crochet by making a dishcloth. All materials will be provided.

Teen Genealogy ☎

Thursday, July 27th

6 - 8 PM

Discover your roots. Come learn about your family tree and uncover your family's story.



Maker Monday

Mondays, June 5th - July 24th

10 AM - 8 PM

Ages: All

Join us for a variety of crafts and activities for all ages. Drop in any time during the hours specified.

Window Gardening

Mondays, June 5th & 12th

3 - 4:30 PM

Ages: All

Create a green oasis in your living room! Create a suncatcher and decorate a pot for a special plant!

Born to Read Playgroup ☎

Tuesdays June 6th - July 25th

No Class July 4th

10 - 11 AM

Ages: 0 - 5

Let's Play! Come learn, dance, and make new friends in our playgroup for kids! Sorry, we cannot accommodate daycares in this program.

BINGO Bonanza

Tuesdays, June 6th - June 27th

6 - 7:30 PM

Ages: All

B-I-N-G-O, and BINGO is the game-o! Bring your whole family to play for a variety of prizes!

Messy Mad Scientists ☎

Wednesdays, June 7th - July 19th

6 - 7 PM

Ages: All

Come have fun with your whole family doing science projects so messy we have to do them outside. Make sure you wear your old clothes!

Daycare Storytime ☎

Thursdays, June 8th - July 27th

10 - 10:30 AM

Ages: 0 - 5

Daycare Providers, bring your preschoolers out to listen to funny stories, sing songs and dance to silly music. Space is limited so call the library to register your group.

Outdoor Family Fun Time! ☎

10 AM - 12 PM

Ages: All

Wednesday, June 14th

Get outside to color with chalk, paint the sidewalk, blow bubbles and do other fun activities!

Wednesday, July 12th

Bring your beach towel and let's play outside! Come for a fun time splashing in the water and playing with sand! Enjoy this summer activity together!

The Frog Lady ☎

Saturday, June 10th

2 - 4 PM

Ages: All

Frogs, lizards, and snakes, oh my! Join the Frog Lady as she shows off all sorts of live reptiles and amphibians. You will learn all about their differences and similarities, their habitats, what they eat, and more. You'll get to take a close look at them, too!

Movies 'n Munchies ☎

6 - 8 PM

Ages: All

Movie Line Up:

June 15th: Encanto Sing-a-long

June 22nd: The Magician's Elephant

June 29th: Beauty & the Beast
Sing-a-long

July 6th: Sing 2

July 20th: Paws of Fury

July 27: Lion King Sing-a-long

Bring the whole family out for popcorn and a movie!



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Sculpt Your Family ☎

Saturday, June 17th

1 - 2 PM

Ages: All

Come have fun turning your family into a work of art. Work with your family to sculpt a playdough diorama of each member of your family.

Instrument Petting Zoo ☎

Saturday, June 24th

1 - 2 PM or 2:30 - 3:30 PM

Ages: 6-12

Are you interested in making music using a violin, a viola, or a cello? Would you like to play in an orchestra? Join us for a presentation of string instruments for children, their parents, and caregivers!

Bookish Kids Book Club ☎

Mondays, June 26th & July 24th

6 - 6:30 PM or 7 - 7:30 PM

Grades: 3rd - 5th

Join Ms. Samantha on Monday night to discuss a book and share snacks! Pick up books the first week of the month and be ready to dive deep into these fictional worlds!

Thank a Veteran!

Make a Card!

Mondays, June 26th - July 1st

10 AM - 8 PM

Ages: All

Stop by anytime the library is open to create a special note for a veteran in our community! Supplies are provided and all cards will be delivered.

Make a Blanket Day! ☎

Saturday, July 8th

1 - 3 PM

Ages: All

Families, we need your help! Our library has pledged to make 10 blankets to donate to Project Linus, an organization that collects homemade blankets and delivers them to critically ill children. Join us to help make these fleece blankets.

No experience is necessary.

Raise Your Voice! Campaign for Change! ☎

Monday, July 10th

3 - 5 PM

Ages: All

Are you passionate about social change? Do you want to share your message? Bring the whole family to the library and create a sign for your cause!

Reduce! Reuse! Recycle! ☎

Thursdays, July 13th & 27th

2 - 3:30 PM

Ages: All

Come create a fun project using reclaimed materials!

Artistic Adventures ☎

Tuesdays, July 11th -25th

6 - 7 PM

Grades: 3rd - 5th

At Artistic Adventures children will create a variety of mixed-media art.

Puppet Show:

Jack and the Beanstalk ☎

Saturday, July 15th

1 - 1:45 PM

Ages: All

Puppetfolk Productions bring to life the classic tale, "Jack and the Beanstalk." With hand puppets, lights, music, and action, we'll answer questions like, "Will poor Jack have to sell the family pet?" "Are there magical castles in the sky?" and most importantly, "Will the giant have Jack for breakfast?"

Snap Circuits ☎

Monday, July 17th

3 - 5 PM

Ages: All

Explore electronics and see how many projects you can "power" through with our Snap Circuits kits! Work together with your family for extra fun!

African Dancing and Drumming Workshop ☎

Wednesday, July 26th

6 - 6:45 PM

Ages: All

Join Kidworks Touring Theatre as we travel around the continent of Africa exploring traditional dancing, drumming, and drama...come learn to speak Swahili, play games from the Congo, beat the Djembe drum, do the Ku-Ku and Limbo dance, and act out an African Wedding Ceremony with authentic fabrics and drums. This program is loaded with audience participation and recommended for ages 5-12 years + parents viewing.

Find Your Voice!



MAPLD FanFest Pre-Events

To prepare for the MAPLD FanFest taking place on July 22nd, we are offering several pre-events for all ages that you can enter to win 2 special FanFest prizes. Winners can retrieve their prizes at the FanFest. Prizes are, a \$50 Visa gift card or 4 tickets to Escapeology The Live Escape Game. Here are the list of events:

Video Game Night 📺

Thursday, June 1st

5:30 – 8 PM

With MAPLD FanFest just one month away, it's time to break out those video games! Join us for WarioWare, Mario Kart, Jackbox Games and Smash! All ages are welcome!

Stop Motion

Animation Workshop

Wednesdays, June 7th - 21st

6 - 7:30 PM

Grades: 6th - 8th

Calling all Tweens! Let's get creative and make your own stop-motion animated movie. Mold your characters in playdough, try your hand at drawing your story, or build a Lego scene. Then shoot your video using a simple, free app for tablets and phones. We'll play your movie on the t.v in the Youth Department! Materials and tech equipment will be provided, or bring your own device.



Puppet Mania 📺

Wednesdays, June 28th - July 19th

6 - 7:30 PM

Grades: 6th - 8th

Join Ms. Susan for a puppet-making workshop! Tweens will make a hand puppet and then learn basic puppet movements like sneezing, waving, bowing, crying, and getting the hiccups! Participants must attend all three classes.

Teen Karaoke Night! 📺

Thursday, July 13th
6 - 8 PM

Grades: 7th - 12th

Let your voice be heard! Come out and sing your favorite songs and enjoy a variety of Asian-themed snacks with your friends. You can register yourself or as a group.

Teen Pokémon Picnic! 📺

Tuesday, July 18th

6 - 8 PM

Grades: 7th - 12th

Gotta Catch 'Em All! From the popular games Pokémon Scarlet/Violet. Test your sandwich-making skills in this fun cooking competition. Can you make the perfect sandwich for our Poké



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bit.ly/mapldemails.

You can also scan the code in the picture to sign up.

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Independence day, July 4th
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Meetings 2nd Tuesday Of The Month
Tuesdays: (June 13th, July 11th) at 7 PM
Nikeda Webb, Library Director

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