



MATTESON AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2023

SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGNUP MONTH!

A library card is one of the most cost-effective items you could own, as well as the ultimate school supply. Along with free access to a multitude of books and A/V materials, patrons and students also get access to STEAM programs/activities, technology assistance, homework help and a plethora of workshops, as well as a variety of items for your special event needs. Come sign up for your FREE library card during the month of September!



LUAU: A MEMBERS ONLY LIBRARY EVENT!

Date: Saturday, September 30th

Times: 6 - 8 PM

Age: All ages (Matteson Residents Only)

Show your MAPLD library card to a librarian in the Youth Services Department or the Public Services Department between September 1st and September 28th and you'll receive a ticket to this amazing event! There will be live music, dancing, ice cream, games, face painting, and an opportunity to see five brave librarians compete in a pie-eating contest.

What could be more fun! Questions? Contact Ms. Susan or Ms. Lisa at 708-748-4431.



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Community & All Ages

Please register for programs by calling (708) 748-4431
or visit our website at MAPLD.org



AUTHOR FAIR



In celebration of National Novel Writing Month in November, we will have many wonderful programs about writing and books including an author fair! Learn about the publications of local area authors from the writers themselves. The library will be filled with local authors showcasing their works and answering questions throughout the day. Come out to listen to excerpts from their books, ask questions, and interact with each author. Copies of the books will be available to purchase. Visit our website for a list of activities. This event is free to attend and open to all. Applications for authors are no longer being accepted.

OPEN LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER POSITION



The Matteson Area Public Library District Board of Trustees are seeking applicants for a vacancy on the Library Board. The Board will appoint a Trustee to serve until the next Consolidated General Election in April 2025. For more info visit www.MAPLD.org

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT



Date: Saturday, September 9th
Times: 9 AM - 12 PM

The onsite paper shredding event will be the 2nd Saturday in September. There is a limit of 2 boxes per car. Monetary donations appreciated. For more info/questions call 708-748-4431

DAIRY FARM FIELD TRIP

Date: Saturday, September 16th

Times: 8:30 AM - 3 PM

Age: Families and all ages

Experience the Dairy and Pig Adventures along with interactive games at the Fair Oak Dairy Fair in Fair Oaks, IN To register and for details visit the library before September 8th. The cost is \$5 per person. Limit 30 people

FREE PANTRY

Help us help our neighbors, by adopting our Little Food Pantry. All you have to do is make sure it is stocked with non perishable, unexpired food products and toiletries. If the pantry is full, bring your items into the library.

A HAUNTING GOOD TIME CONTEST

This October, the library will be hosting its first ever Halloween silhouette decorating contest. Watch the website and e-blasts for more information.

MOVIE'S 'N MUNCHIES!

Date: Thursdays

September 7th, 21st

October 5th, 19th

November 2nd, 16th

Times: 6 - 8 PM

Age: All Ages

Bring the whole family out for popcorn and a movie.

THE FROG LADY

Date: Saturday, November 4th

Times: 2 - 4 PM

Age: All Ages

Back by popular demand, it's the Frog Lady! Join us as we learn about, frogs, snakes, chameleons and more.

Adult

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WHAT IS A DEATH DOULA?

Date: Tuesday, September 5th

Times: 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Come learn what a death doula is from Tanya Charita Williams, MA Death Doula, End of Life Companion. She will discuss how they provide emotional, spiritual, and physical support both to the dying person and their loved ones.

CAREGIVER STRESS BUSTING DEMENTIA PROGRAM

Date: Thursdays, September 21st, 28th

Times: 1 - 2:30 PM

Via Zoom | Max 8 attendants

Do you provide care for a loved one with dementia? During this 9 week course, you'll learn about the impact of stress and how to cope when caring for a loved one.

A.R.K : ADULTS READING TO KIDS

Date: September - November 30th

Age Range: Adults Only

Stop by the Youth Department to pick up a reading log and check out a bag of books. Adults who complete the reading log will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win prizes like gift cards for gas, groceries, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Amazon, and more!

A LOOK BEHIND ORSON WELLS WAR OF THE WORLDS

Date: Tuesday, October 3rd

Times: 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Join us as we examine the details behind the radio program that terrified the United States and how this infamous event influenced American culture.



D&D ONE SHOTS

Date: Saturdays

September 30th

October 28th

November 25th

Times: 1 - 4:30 PM

Time to dust off your rock trolls and find your dice. Join us for our monthly One Shot campaign. All experience levels welcome. Contact the Public Services Desk for details about joining.

IMPROVE WITH IMPROV

Date: Fridays

September 8th, 15th, 22nd

October 13th, 20th, 27th

Times: 2 - 3 PM

Interested in acting, developing a stage presence, or improving your public speaking skills? Learn to be a better listener, speaker, and communicator and have fun while doing it!

COMPUTERS 101

Date: Wednesdays, and Fridays

September 7th, 14th, 21st

October 9th, 12th, 19th

November 2nd, 9th, 16th

Times: 6 - 7 PM / 10 - 11:30 AM

A beginners computer class exploring various web applications. Topics change every session.

HOW DOES CAR INSURANCE ACTUALLY WORK ?

Date: Tuesday, November 7th

Times: 6 - 7 PM

Join us to learn more about car insurance. Topics will range from the foundational elements of car insurance, to what insurance companies will best suit your particular needs, and what to do if you get into a car accident.



Youth

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RHYME, ROCK, AND READ PLAYGROUP

Date: Tuesdays

Times: 10 - 11 AM

Age: 0 - 3 years w/ an adult

Join us each Tuesday morning for fun activities that will start your child on the path to a lifelong love of reading.

WHAT'S FOR DINNER? A COOKBOOK CLUB FOR FAMILIES

Date: Mondays

September 11th

October 16th

November 13th

Times: 6 - 7:30 PM

Age : Adults Only

Parents! Come make recipes from the same cookbook and share the results. You will leave with five or more recipes that you can make at home for the whole family! For at least a few meals you won't have to ask the question, "What's for Dinner?" Stop by Youth Services to register and pick out your first recipe.



MONSTER'S BIRTHDAY PARTY PUPPET SHOW

Date: Saturday, October 21st

Times: 1 - 2 PM

Age: All Ages

Birthday parties are always fun with monsters on the guest list. Come celebrate with us!

TRICK OR TREATING AT THE LIBRARY!

Date: Tuesday, October 31st

Times: 3 - 8 PM

Age Range: All Ages



PERFORMING ARTS FOR KIDS

The Marc Dunworth Foundation is bringing performing arts classes to Matteson. In four different sessions, kids will get the opportunity to learn how to juggle, perform magic tricks, build a puppet, or get an introduction to ballet.

Registration is required for each event and space is limited.

PERFORM MAGIC TRICKS

Date: Saturday, September 23rd

Times: 1 - 3 PM

Age: 1st - 8th Grade

LEARN TO JUGGLE

Date: Saturday, September 30th

Times: 1 - 3 PM

Age: 1st - 8th Grade

INTRODUCTION TO BALLET

Date: Saturday, October 7th

Times: 1 - 3 PM

Age: K - 5th Grade



FUN WITH PUPPETS

Date: Saturday, October 14th

Times: 1 - 3 PM

Age: 1st - 6th Grade



Tweens & Teens

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SUPER HERO DUEL CLUB

Date: Wednesday, September 13th
October 11th
November 8th

Times: 6 - 7 PM

Age Range: 6th - 9th Grade

Could Flash beat Daredevil in a fair fight? How about Dr. Strange versus Zatanna? At each meeting we'll compare and contrast the strengths, speed, abilities, etc. of two superheros, discussing and debating who would win in a duel between them! Those who attend the first meeting in September will be given a FREE comic book!



FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S FRIGHT NIGHT

Date: Friday, October 20th

Times: 6 - 8 PM

Age Range: 7th - 12th

Join us for an after-hours fright night based on the popular game, Five Nights at Freddy's! Can you solve the puzzles before Freddy and his friends get you?



ARE YOU READY FOR THE NEW FASFA ?

Date: September 23rd

Times: 11 - 12:30 PM

Age Range: Parents & Teens

Learn about the new FASFA guidelines. Recommended for parents and students in grades 9-12.



TEENTOBER TUESDAYS

Date: Tuesdays, October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th,

Times: 6 - 8 PM

Age Range: 7th - 12th

October is all about celebrating TEENS! Come out every Tuesday for fun activities such as making potions, making Halloween themed food, and more!

3RD ANNUAL TEEN VIDEO GAME TOURNAMENT

Date: Saturday, November 18th

Times: 1 - 4 PM

Age Range: 7th - 12th

We're back and ready to get our game on! Come play Super Smash Bros. Ultimate for a chance to win a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place prize! By the way, did we mention there's food?



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Library Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9 AM - 9 PM
Fri & Sat 9 AM - 5 PM
Sun Closed

Sunday openings will resume
September 10th 1-5 PM

Holiday Closings:

Labor Day : September 4th
Closing Early @5 PM: November 22nd
Thanksgiving: November 23rd



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The Matteson Area Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities program and those who require special accommodations. Anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the library is requested to phone the library at 708.748.4431 at least five working days prior to the scheduled event.

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