

## Calendar of Events

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May 1, 2024

**Early Dismissal**  
**Morton 709 District Office**  
**1050 S Fourth Ave #200**  
**Morton, IL 61550**  
See Event Description  
info@mcusd709.org  
*Elementary 11:55am*  
*Brown 11:45am*  
*Jr High / High School 11:00am*

May 1, 2024

**Starting Your Business in Illinois Workshop**  
**Peoria NEXT Innovation Center**  
**801 W Main Street**  
**Peoria, IL 61606**  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST  
Mikeyia Hogan, 3096772992  
mhogan1@bradley.edu

*This in-person workshop is for aspiring entrepreneurs who want to learn all the components of how to start a successful business in Illinois. Get a realistic view of the requirements to start a business and the resources available to support your new venture. While attending this 2-hour workshop, at no cost, you will learn how to get your business name registered, where to obtain a tax ID number, which legal form to choose, business planning, taxes, financing options and much more! These events are sponsored by the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Bradley University and co-sponsored by Morton Community Bank and SCORE Peoria. (This workshop is intended for individuals who have not previously started/owned a business). No cost to attend; however, registration is required.*

*Presenters for all workshops: Eric Sampson, SBDC Director; Chris Youngmark, Assistant SBDC Director, Illinois Small Business Development Center, Bradley University, and Don Schwegel, Vice President-Commercial Banker, Morton Community Bank*

May 8, 2024  
- May 9, 2024

**Light 2024: Shining a Light on Childhood Trauma**  
**Par-A-Dice Hotel Casino**  
**21 Blackjack Blvd**  
**East Peoria, IL 61611**  
08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST  
Center for Prevention of Abuse, (309) 691-0551  
gfritz@centerforpreventionofabuse.org  
*Light 2024 is May 8 – May 9 at the Par-a-Dice Hotel in East Peoria, IL. More details to come. For more information about CFPA visit centerforpreventionofabuse.org.*

May 18, 2024

**High School Graduation - Tentative Date**  
**Morton 709 District Office**  
**1050 S Fourth Ave #200**  
**Morton, IL 61550**  
10:00am  
info@mcusd709.org

May 20, 2024

### **2024 Annual Golf Outing Sponsor/Donation Registration**

**Pine Lakes Golf Club**

**25130 Schuck Rd**

**Washington, IL 61571**

**12:00 PM - 04:00 PM CST**

*Golf Outing: May 20*

*Tee Sponsorship: \$100 - yard sign with company logo placed at a tee*

*Hole Sponsorship: \$500 - Golf flag at hole with company logo, ability to set up table/tent, provide hole game*

*Endowment Fund Donation - any amount*

*Goodie Bag Donation - small promotional item to place in the golfer bags*

*Hole Game Prize Donation - item or gift cards for winners of hole games*

*Deadline: May 10*

*Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Project Pumpkin/Festival Giveback endowment funds the Morton Chamber of Commerce launched (in partnership with the Morton Community Foundation) to provide access to the Morton Pumpkin Festival for families in need in our community and giveback to nonprofit/youth groups who volunteer during Pumpkin Festival*

May 20, 2024

### **2024 Morton Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Outing**

**Pine Lakes Golf Club**

**25130 Schuck Rd**

**Washington, IL 61571**

**12:00 PM - 04:00 PM CST**

*Join us for a fun day on the golf course at the Morton Chamber Annual Golf Outing!*

*Registration is \$150 per golfer (Registered Foursome \$125/golfer) and includes lunch, 18 holes of golf, games on the course, and a cart.*

*Check-in begins at 10:30 am; the shotgun start begins at noon.*

*Lunch and Dinner will be provided*

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*Online registration will close on Friday, May 10. If you would like to sign up your team after this date, please call the Chamber at 309-263-2491*

May 23, 2024

- May 26, 2024

### **Encore 2024**

**Bertha Frank Performing Arts**

**350 N. Illinois Avenue**

**Morton, IL 61550**

**07:30 PM - 09:30 PM CST**

**Lisa Liddle, 309-369-6409**

**lliddle1962@yahoo.com**

*The Morton Civic Chorus presents "Encore 2024" to benefit the Central Illinois Memorial Kidney Fund (CIMKF), a Morton based charity that collects and distributes monies to patients of chronic kidney disease throughout Central Illinois. "Encore" is a chorale variety show held May 23-25 at 7:30 p.m. and May 26 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the Hometown Bank, 218 N. Main Street or visit us online at CIMKF.org.*

May 24, 2024	<p><b>Fourth Friday Concert: the Nikbeats</b>  <b>Morton Public Library</b>  <b>315 W Pershing Street</b>  <b>Morton, IL 61550</b>  06:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST  Morton Library, 309-263-2200  <a href="mailto:questions@mortonlibrary.org">questions@mortonlibrary.org</a>  <i>Enjoy a concert in Hannah's Reading Garden.</i>  <i>Concert begins at 6:30 pm, bring your own lawn chairs.</i>  <i>Nikbeats captures sounds from the 1960s British beats era as well as folk rock.</i>  <i>Enjoy food from the Station and Sweet Girl Treats.</i></p>
May 24, 2024	<p><b>?? Grundy Night at Peoria Chiefs ?</b>  <b>Dozer Park</b>  <b>730 SW Jefferson Ave.</b>  <b>Peoria, IL 61605</b>  07:00 PM - 10:00 PM CST  Payton Leverton, 3096804018  <a href="mailto:PaytonL@peoriachiefs.com">PaytonL@peoriachiefs.com</a>  <i>Join us for fun night at the Peoria Chiefs, \$2 of every ticket purchased supports our Grundy PTO. The first 1,000 people to the game will receive a FREE Hawaiian Night shirt! Enjoy the game and stay after for the fireworks show! ?</i></p>
May 27, 2024	<p><b>Memorial Day - No School</b>  <b>Morton 709 District Office</b>  <b>1050 S Fourth Ave #200</b>  <b>Morton, IL 61550</b>  All Day Event  <a href="mailto:info@mcusd709.org">info@mcusd709.org</a></p>
May 30, 2024	<p><b>Inservice - Half Day</b>  <b>Morton 709 District Office</b>  <b>1050 S Fourth Ave #200</b>  <b>Morton, IL 61550</b>  See Event Description  <a href="mailto:info@mcusd709.org">info@mcusd709.org</a>  <i>Elementary 11:55am</i>  <i>Brown 11:45am</i>  <i>Jr High / High School 11:00am</i></p>
May 30, 2024	<p><b>Last Day for Students - Tentative</b>  <b>Morton 709 District Office</b>  <b>1050 S Fourth Ave #200</b>  <b>Morton, IL 61550</b>  See website for schedule  <a href="mailto:info@mcusd709.org">info@mcusd709.org</a></p>
May 31, 2024	<p><b>Teacher Institute Day</b>  <b>Morton 709 District Office</b>  <b>1050 S Fourth Ave #200</b>  <b>Morton, IL 61550</b>  All Day Event  <a href="mailto:info@mcusd709.org">info@mcusd709.org</a></p>

June 26, 2024

**Go Global with Google Market Finder | Session 5**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlscOusqT4vGdMC-srgEJnY5F0DW3A7myEN>

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Theresa Bloom, 309-677-4321

Tbloom@bradley.edu

*The Turner Center for Entrepreneurship and Illinois Small Business Development Center, at Bradley University is hosting a series of no-cost webinars on digital marketing. Co-sponsor: Grow with Google. With the right tools and international marketing strategy, businesses are expanding globally to meet new demands. This workshop introduces Google's Market Finder, a free tool that can help you identify new international business opportunities and plan for success. In this workshop, we'll: Discuss the benefits of exporting; Introduce Google Market Finder; Show you how to use the tool to explore other markets*

*Series Speaker: Maria Elena Duron. In today's digital age, visibility is paramount. Maria Elena's expertise ensures that your business stands out in the crowded online space. Her strategies are designed to elevate your brand's presence, ensuring you're not just seen, but remembered. With over 18 years of experience in digital marketing, Maria Elena provides actionable insights that lead to tangible business growth. Her webinars are not just informative; they're transformative, turning knowledge into real-world results.*

June 28, 2024

**Fourth Friday Concert: Cousin Eddie**

**Morton Public Library**

**315 W Pershing Street**

**Morton, IL 61550**

06:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST

Morton Library, 309-263-2200

[questions@mortonlibrary.org](mailto:questions@mortonlibrary.org)

*Enjoy a concert in Hannah's Reading Garden.*

*Concert begins at 6:30 pm, bring your own lawn chairs.*

*Cousin Eddie plays four decades of classic music that will bring all of the nostalgia of those times.*

*Enjoy food from Big Papa Jake's and Gramma Nana's*

August 23, 2024

**Fourth Friday Concert: Water Street Stompers**

**Morton Public Library**

**315 W Pershing Street**

**Morton, IL 61550**

06:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST

Morton Library, 309-263-2200

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*Enjoy a concert in Hannah's Reading Garden.*

*Concert begins at 6:30 pm, bring your own lawn chairs.*

*The Water Street Stompers will bring the spirit of Mardi Gras to MPL with traditional New Orleans jazz.*

*Enjoy food from Rubi's Brickoven Pizza and Gramma Nana's.*