

Calendar of Events

February 5, 2026

Annual Meet-Up 2026
American Rental / Create-A-Scene
620 Harding Rd
Morton, IL 61550
04:30 PM - 06:30 PM CST

February 7, 2026

Troop 178 Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction
Morton United Methodist Church
420 N. Tennessee Ave.
Morton, IL 61550
04:00 PM - 08:00 PM CST
Staci Gilmore, 630-707-2206
stacistone@hotmail.com

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction to benefit Scouts BSA Troop 178 will be Feb. 7, 2026, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Morton United Methodist Church, 420 N. Tennessee Ave., Morton. Tickets are: \$10 per person for adults, \$7 for seniors (60+) and children, \$33 for a family of up to five. Proceeds from this annual fundraiser helps Scouts pay for monthly outings, equipment and supplies, summer camp, high adventures and other activities throughout the year.

For discounted advance tickets or for answers to questions, contact a member of Troop 178 or call Staci Gilmore 630-707-2206.

February 13, 2026
- March 27, 2026

Friday Fish Fry at Morton Knights of Columbus
Morton Knights of Columbus Hall
616 W. David Street
Morton, IL 61550
05:30 PM - 07:30 PM CST
Ralph Mattia, 309-369-6039
ralphmortonkc@gmail.com

February 18, 2026

Starting Your Business in Illinois

Peoria Next Innovation Center

801 W Main St

Peoria, IL 61606

09:00 AM - 11:00 AM CST

Event Contact: Illinois Small Business Development Center, Name if asked: Amy Lambert, 3096772
illinoisbdc@bradley.edu

This 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 no cost 2-hour workshop, 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. After attending the workshop, our team of certified business advisors are available to work with you, one-on-one, to navigate the process and help you succeed! This workshop is sponsored by the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Bradley University and co-sponsored by Morton Community Bank. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email.

March 18, 2026

Starting Your Business in Illinois

Business and Engineering Convergence Center (BECC), Bradley University, Room 1130

1422 W Main Street

Peoria, IL 61606

03:00 PM - 05:00 PM CST

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April 15, 2026

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May 13, 2026

Starting Your Business in Illinois

Peoria Next Innovation Center

801 W Main St

Peoria, IL 61606

01:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

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June 10, 2026

Starting Your Business in Illinois

Peoria Next Innovation Center

801 W Main St

Peoria, IL 61606

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