

# Morrison Community Guide

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**Morrison Chamber of Commerce  
Morrison Area Development Corporation  
221 W. Main Street  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815)772-3757**



## Welcome to Morrison, Illinois



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## Morrison Chamber of Commerce

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The Morrison Chamber of Commerce is a community-based organization dedicated to supporting and promoting Morrison, building relationships and providing structure and events that unite the community. It has been a part of Morrison life and business for many years. First incorporated in 1927, as an official Chamber of Commerce organization, the first roster of Board of Directors included distinguished Morrison businessmen Charles Bent, Jr., owner of the Whiteside News Sentinel, and E.A. Smith of Smith Trust and Savings Bank.

In the 1930's it appears that the organization either became inactive or changed its name to the Merchant's Association. As the decade waned, the Merchant's Association evolved into the Morrison Improvement Association. This group remained active throughout the 1940's and into the 1950's.

In 1952, the Chamber of Commerce was reactivated by W.E. Beck, publisher of the Whiteside News Sentinel, as president; John Ardapple of Arden's Clothing as secretary; businessmen Vern Renkes of Vern's Home Furnishings; and Jim McDuffy of General Electric. From the 1950's until the mid-1980's, the Chamber remained the primary business organization. Then, in 1988, a group of Main Street business owners split off from the Chamber and organized the Morrison Merchant's Association, to bring more focus to the downtown businesses and work to revitalize a sagging Main Street economy.

By 1995, many of the Merchants had rejoined the Chamber organization. The remaining funds in the Merchant's treasury were generously contributed to a joint Downtown Development, Chamber of Commerce, and Morrison Merchant's project to purchase new planters for the Main Street Business District.

The Chamber has a long history of supporting local businesses through information, referral, workshops, and networking opportunities. Projects such as the Main Street banners, Christmas decorations, and the Rockwood, Sports Complex, and Main Street kiosks, enhance and promote the community. Community events such as the Halloween Parade and the Christmas Walk, contribute to an active, vital hometown.

Chamber Board Members serve three-year terms and are elected by the membership-at-large at the Chamber's annual meeting in February. Board members represent a cross-section of Morrison, sharing a common interest in making Morrison a better place to live, work, and play.

### CHAMBER MISSION

*"With a focus on business, the Morrison Chamber of Commerce serves its members and community by supporting and by promoting Morrison, building relationships, and providing structure and events that unite the community."*

### Board of Directors

The board meets the fourth Thursday of each month at City Hall at 8:30 a.m. Chamber members are welcome to contact board members to suggest agenda items.

**Kevin Schisler—President**

**Brandi Renkes—Vice President**

Wells Fargo

**Dana Verdick—Secretary/Treasurer**

Morrison Institute of Technology

**Katie Selburg—Past President**

Bill Bart—Kunes Country Auto Group

Barry Dykhuizen – City of Morrison (Ex Officio)

Mark Musselman—Country Financial

Pam Pfister – Morrison Community Hospital

Joe Robbins – MCUD #6

Josh West—Sauk Valley Community College

**Chamber Hours: Tuesday—Thursday**

**9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**Think Local! Shop Local!**



**Morrison First!**

### **Chamber Membership offers numerous benefits:**

**Internet Visibility:** One of the many values of membership is a free listing on the Morrison Chamber of Commerce website [www.morrisonchamber.com](http://www.morrisonchamber.com) and a link to your own web site. The Chamber of Commerce website is continually updated, improving our Google ranking.

**Business Recognition Opportunities:** Your businesses' visibility will be increased through weekly informational e-blasts and a quarterly e-mail based newsletter (Chamber Chatter) featuring noteworthy business milestones, achievements, promotions, photos, and interesting articles applicable to your business. Businesses and employees have the additional opportunity to be recognized for their exceptional customer service.

**Welcome Center/Information Resource:** The Chamber office is home to brochures, business cards, phone books, maps and other information for businesses, organizations, community services and recreation, providing you with another great opportunity to promote yourself to new residents and the many visitors of the Chamber office.

**Tourism Bureau:** The Chamber promotes the town of Morrison and its businesses by publishing booklets, developing content and working with our local Convention and Visitors Bureau and tourism agencies to increase the visibility of our community and businesses.

**Membership Referral:** The Morrison Chamber of Commerce works tirelessly to promote members, and can provide referrals to grow your business.

**Chamber Membership Plaque:** Your business will gain respect and show the public you support the community when you display your Chamber Membership Plaque.

**Tax Deduction:** Your Chamber membership fee is tax deductible.

**Shop Local Campaign:** The Chamber builds support for locally owned businesses through their "Think Local, Shop Local" campaign, which promotes the many benefits that shopping locally brings to the community.

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies:** The Morrison Chamber of Commerce performs ribbon-cutting ceremonies celebrating a new business, ground breaking, or location, providing an excellent promotional opportunity for your business.

**Networking Opportunities:** Meet business people and community leaders at Chamber events, such as the Annual Dinner, Business after Hours, Workshops, Ribbon Cuttings, and other networking events, which provide wonderful opportunities to promote your business and expand your customer base.

Any business, organization, school, or individual located in or doing business in the Morrison area is eligible to be a member of the Morrison Chamber of Commerce. Contact them today!

## **Morrison Area Development Corp.**

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### ***Board of Directors***

The Morrison Area Development Corporation (MADC) is a non-profit organization established to promote and coordinate economic growth and development in Morrison. The ultimate goal of the MADC is to maintain and enhance the quality of life enjoyed by all Morrison residents. MADC will assist organizations in their pursuit of local development efforts, and direct efforts including facilitating community cooperation, and guiding initiatives such as housing, business development and retention.

Jerry Lindsey, President  
Brian Frickenstein, Vice President  
Lynn S. Kenady, Secretary  
Kevin Schisler, Treasurer  
Barry Dykhuizen, City Administrator  
Michael D. Blean  
Ronald F. Coplan  
Tanner Girard  
Craig Gray  
R. Everett Pannier  
Pam Pfister  
John R. Prange  
Merle Reisenbigler  
Mark Schuler  
Christ Scott  
Bob Smith  
Betty Steinert  
Scott Vance  
Mike Vegter  
Dr. Bradley Yaklich

**New to Morrison?** The Morrison Chamber of Commerce's "Welcome to Morrison" new resident program has a free gift basket for you. Filled with gifts, coupons, and information from area Chamber Members, the basket is our way of saying "Welcome to Morrison." If you are new to the Morrison area, contact the Chamber at (815) 772- 3757 to schedule a visit from a welcoming chamber representative.



## City Ordinances & Policies

**Bicycles:** No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district.

**Building Permits:** The City of Morrison has Zoning Codes in place. Residents making structural changes to a building or building a new structure, including remodeling, decks, fences, sheds, and pools are required to obtain a building permit. Please contact City Hall before beginning any building project.

**Burning:** Open burning is allowed on Tuesday and Thursday from 3 pm until sundown and Saturday during daylight hours, only. No burning is allowed in a closed container, such as a burning barrel (outdoor grills are acceptable). You may only burn yard waste. No burning during Trick or Treat hours and on Halloween.

**Curfew:** It is unlawful for a person less than 17 years of age to be present at or upon any public assembly, building, place, street or highway at the following times unless accompanied and supervised by a parent, legal guardian, or other responsible companion at least 18 years of age approved by a parent or legal guardian or unless engaged in a business or occupation which the laws of the state authorize a person less than 17 years of age to perform: Between 12:01 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Saturday; Between 12:01 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Sunday; and Between 11:00 p.m. on Sunday to Thursday, inclusive, and 6:00 a.m. on the following day. Driving restrictions follow Illinois Graduated Driving License Laws.

**Disturbing the Peace:** No person shall, in the city, keep any dog or any other animal shut up, or tied up in any yard, house, building, or other place, which by barking, howling, or other noises disturbs the peace and quiet of any family, individual, or neighborhood.

**Dogs:** All dogs, not on the owner's property, must be tethered by a leash. No dogs are allowed in the cemetery. Owners are responsible for the removal of any waste from such animals in public streets, sidewalks, alleys, parkways, and other public places. It is recommended that all pet owners properly tag their pet, which should include owner's name, address, and phone number.

**Garbage Service:** The City contracts with Moring Disposal for the weekly curbside collection of household refuse, recyclable materials as well as seasonal yard waste collection. Residential service, which includes multi-family dwellings up to 8 units, is normally offered on Tuesday and Thursday each week; holiday observances may require a revision in normal schedule from time to time. Residents may dispose of all ordinary household refuse/garbage, not including yard waste or recyclables in any suitable trash bag.

**Grass:** No owner or other person occupying any lot, place or area within the city, and including the parkway located between the sidewalk or property line, shall permit any grass, weeds or other unhealthful or noxious

growth to grow or stand to a height exceeding eight inches anywhere on such lot, place, area, or parkway.

**Inoperable Vehicles:** Vehicles in view of a public right-of-way must be licensed and operable.

**Parking:** No motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall be parked or otherwise allowed to remain upon any street or public way within the city for more than a period of twenty-four hours, except in cases of emergency.

**Peddlers and Solicitors:** Anyone wishing to engage in business as a peddler or solicitor within the City is required to obtain a license from the city clerk and pay a fee prior to engaging in the practice.

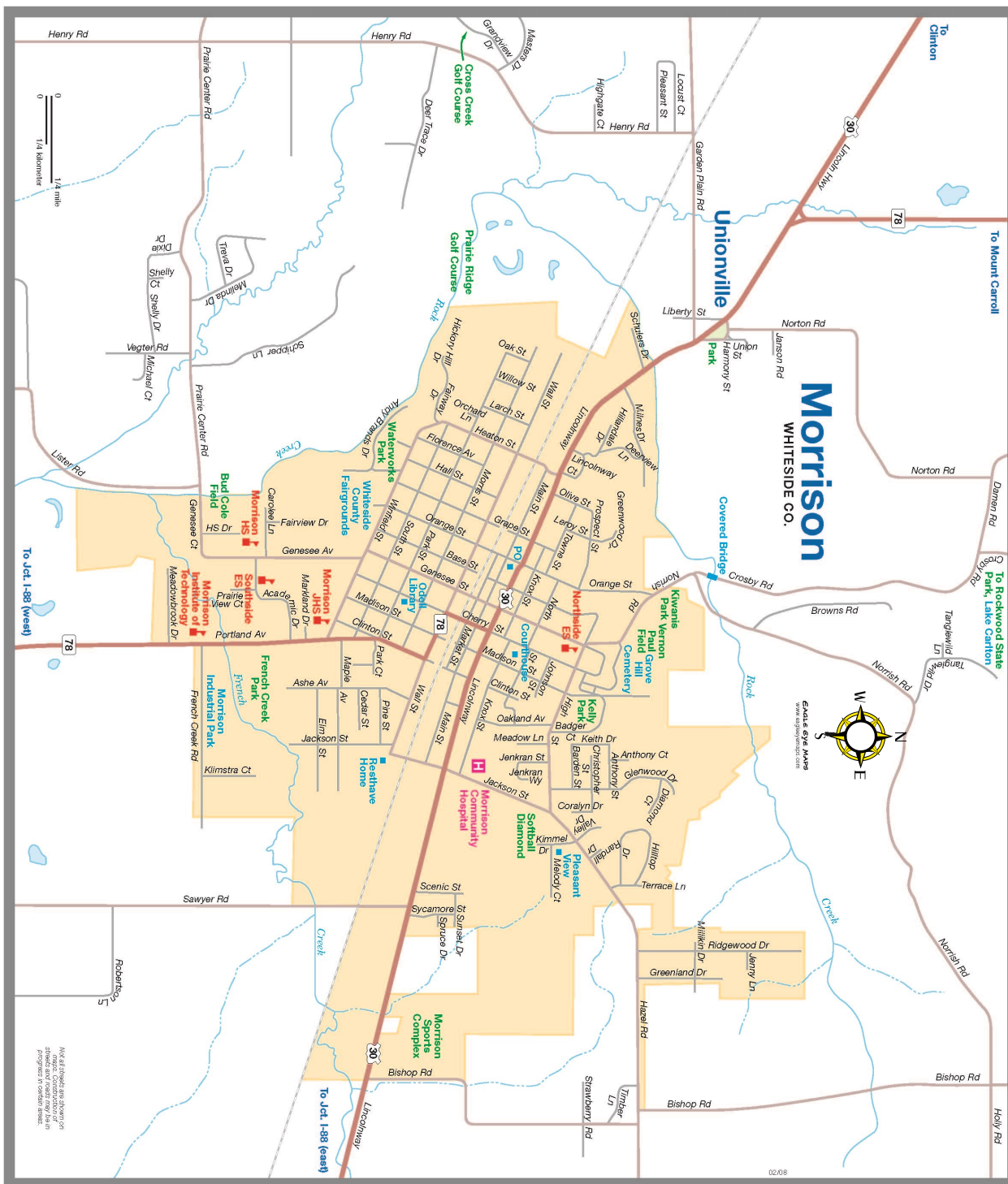
### Street Closure Permit

From time to time various civic organizations require the closure of city streets in order to host a community event and/or festival. Although such activities are of benefit to the community, there are attendant concerns in the area of vehicles/pedestrian safety; traffic flow; and exposure to increased risk of liability. Therefore it is necessary for the City to establish certain requirements regarding the closure of city streets. It is the intent of the Street Closure Permit to ensure the public's safety during any event held on city property. The Street Closure Permit can be obtained on the City of Morrison website.

**Swimming Pools:** All private outdoor swimming pools having a depth of twenty-four inches or more shall be completely enclosed by a fence erected along the periphery of the pool area. The fence and gates shall be a minimum of four feet in height. Temporary soft-sided pools are exempt from this requirement. But must be secured.

**Water/Sewer Bills:** Utility bills are calculated monthly for usage from the 15th of the month to the 15th of the following month. Customers should receive them around the 1st of each month. Bills are due on the 15th of the month in which it was received. A second notice reminder is mailed around the 16th of each month. An additional 10% is added to the current charges if payment is not received on or before the 15th of the month. Failure to pay the bill before the time of the next mailing will result in the mailing of a disconnect notice to the user. Failure to post a payment within 20 days from the date of the disconnect notice, will result in service termination. A fee will be assessed to any account receiving a disconnect notice. The fee will appear on the bill following the month in which the notice was dated. Bills can be mailed, paid in person at City Hall, or dropped in the drop box outside City Hall.

**Yard Waste:** Weekly yard waste collection for residential customers is on Mondays from April—September and Mondays and Fridays from October—November. Materials are to be placed curbside in brown paper yard waste bags or in containers no larger than 30 gallons. It is recommended materials be placed out the evening before collection. Yard waste bags from any retailer are acceptable.



Morrison, Whiteside County, Illinois  
Map of Morrison, Whiteside County, Illinois  
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**Mission:** Morrison is a community with rich heritage and strong cultural identities, seeking to maintain our warm small town character while strongly embracing growth and development.

**Vision:** Morrison is a culturally strong and growing family-oriented community known for energizing business, promoting economic growth, cultivating investment, and recognized as a choice visitor destination.

The City Council of Morrison meets twice monthly on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Meetings are at 7:00 PM and are held in the Whiteside County Board Room at 400 N. Cherry Street, Morrison, Illinois.

| <b>Officials</b>   |                      | <b>Term Expires</b> | <b>Contact</b> |
|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| City Mayor         | R. Everett Pannier   | 2021                | (815) 772-2528 |
| City Clerk         | Melanie T. Schroeder | 2021                | (815) 772-7657 |
| City Attorney      | Tim Zollinger        | 2018                |                |
| City Administrator | Barry Dykhuizen      | 2021                | (815) 772-8247 |
| City Treasurer     | Evan Haag            | 2021                | (815) 772-7657 |

| <b>Aldermen</b> |                  | <b>Term Expires</b> | <b>Contact</b> |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Ward 1          | Kenneth Mahaffey | 2019                |                |
| Ward 1          | Dale Eizenga     | 2021                | (815) 409-5762 |
| Ward 2          | Mick Welding     | 2019                | (815) 772-8024 |
| Ward 2          | Harvey Zuidema   | 2021                | (815) 772-3084 |
| Ward 3          | Vernon Tervelt   | 2019                | (815) 772-3090 |
| Ward 3          | Josh West        | 2021                | (815) 499-4556 |
| Ward 4          | Arlyn Deets      | 2019                | (815) 772-4972 |
| Ward 4          | David Helms      | 2021                | (815) 772-2644 |

The Morrison City Council is comprised of eight elected Aldermen from four wards and the Mayor, who is elected at large. The City Clerk is also an elected position. The Chief of Police and Public Works Director are appointed by the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council. Elected officials serve four-year terms, with the Aldermen serving staggered terms. Municipal elections are held in April of odd numbered years.

Generally, matters to be considered are first referred to the appropriate department head or board/commission, which will meet to discuss the matter and make recommendations to the Council. Notices of board/commission meetings are posted at City Hall, along with an agenda for that meeting. Agendas for regularly scheduled City Council meetings are also posted at City Hall. Visit our website, [morrisonil.org](http://morrisonil.org) for up to date information regarding all City meetings, agendas, cancellations notices, public hearing notices, and minutes.

All City Council and Commission meetings are open to the public and citizens are encouraged to attend. Each City Council meeting has a public comment section where citizens may address the Mayor and Council about topics of interest or concern. Citizens are required to sign-in before the meeting if they would like to make a comment, so they can be included in the minutes.

City of Morrison Ordinances are available on the [Municode website](#)



## Morrison City Government

### *City of Morrison Hours*

Monday—Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
 Closed Saturday and Sunday  
 Closed Major Holidays  
 24 Hour Drop Box Available for your Convenience  
 MC/Visa/Discover Cards Accepted

### *City of Morrison Staff*

#### **Superintendent of Public Services**

Gary Tresenriter—(815) 772- 7657

#### **Chief of Police**

Brian Melton—(815) 772- 7650

#### **Director of Recreation & Sports Complex**

Travis McBride—(815) 772-6139

#### **Executive Secretary**

Barbara King—(815) 772-7657

#### **Accounting Director**

Shelli Davis—(815) 772-7657

#### **Collector/Human Resource Director**

Melanie Schroeder—(815) 772-7657

### *Historic Preservation Commission*

5 members, staggered 3-yr terms

The purpose of the commission is to promote the protection, enhancement, perpetuation, and use of structures of special character or historical interest or value for the quality of life, prosperity, safety, and welfare of the people of the City of Morrison.

The Commission meets once monthly on the first Tuesday at 5 PM at City Hall.

| <b>Member</b> | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Tim Slavin    | 2020                |
| Sharon Moore  | 2020                |
| Bill Shirk    | 2019                |
| Charidy Drawz | 2019                |
| Bob Vaughn    | 2018                |

### *Planning Commission/Zoning Board*

7 members, staggered 5-yr terms

The Planning/Zoning Board of Appeals is required by Illinois State law. The Board hears appeals on actions taken by the Zoning Administrator and on requests for zoning changes. Their decisions are recommendations to the City Council, which upholds or denies the Boards recommendations. The Board functions only as a hearing board and is not authorized to become involved in the day-to-day administration of the Zoning Code.

The Board meets the last Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM at City Hall.

| <b>Member</b> | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Sherri Shirk  | 2018                |
| Kevin Kuehl   | 2018                |
| Doug Belha    | 2020                |
| Nick Alvarado | 2022                |
| John Prange   | 2019                |
| Andrew Holt   | 2020                |
| Cheryl Bush   | 2019                |

The City of Morrison maintains current records of the following types: finance, Zoning Board minutes, Council minutes, ordinances, resolutions, bid documents, general correspondence, administrative reports/memoranda, building permits, revenue receipts, audits, personnel code, personnel files, officials' bonds, police records, birth and death certificates, cemetery and burial records, insurance records, payroll records, water/sewer customer records, subdivision plats, and related departmental records necessary to the operations of the City.

All of the cited records are housed at the Municipal Building and can be inspected on the premises. Access to said records can be obtained either by oral or written request of the City Clerk. Written requests should be addressed to the City Clerk, 200 West Main Street, Morrison, Illinois 61270, and shall specify in particular the records requested for disclosure and/or copy. Should certified copies be required, you must so indicate in your request and specify which records are to be certified. Fees for any records requested, if copies are provided, are: \$.50 per page.

## Morrison Area Voting & Election Information



**Congressional District: 17**  
**Legislative District: 36**  
**Representative District: 71**  
**County Board District: 3**  
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The City of Morrison is divided into 4 wards with 2 Aldermen per Ward. Elections for Mayor and City Clerk are held every 4 years. Elections for Alderman are held every 2 years. Each Alderman holds a 4-year term.

Voter Registration forms are available at the Whiteside County Courthouse through the County Clerk's office, which is located at 200 East Knox Street, Morrison. You must be registered at your current address at least 30 days prior to the next election in order to vote. Your precinct name and number is shown on your voter registration card. You will vote at the same location for every election.

Polling places are open from 6 AM—7 PM for voting on election day.

**Polling places for City of Morrison Wards are:**

- Ward 1  
St. Peter's Lutheran Church—601 N. Jackson St.
- Ward 2  
United Methodist Church—200 W. Lincolnway
- Ward 3  
Odell Library Building—307 S. Madison St.
- Ward 4  
Odell Library Building—307 S. Madison St.

**Polling places for Morrison Area Townships are:**

- Union Grove - Ustick  
Open Bible Fellowship Church—11429 Ward Rd.  
Mt. Pleasant 1  
St. Peter's Lutheran Church—601 N. Jackson St.  
Mt. Pleasant 2 & 5  
United Methodist Church—200 W. Lincolnway  
Mt. Pleasant 3, 4 & Clyde  
Odell Library Building—307 S. Madison St.

**VOTER REGISTRATION**  
 County Clerk's office at (815) 772-5189

**WHAT TO VOTE FOR WHEN:**

**IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS...**

General Primary Election - Third Tuesday in March  
 Nomination of: Federal, State, Legislative, Judicial, and County Officers  
 Election of: Political Party Officers (Committeemen, Delegates to National Conventions)  
General Election - First Tuesday after the First Monday in November  
 Election of: Federal, State, Legislative, Judicial, and County Officers  
 Retention of: Judicial Officers

**IN ODD NUMBERED YEARS**

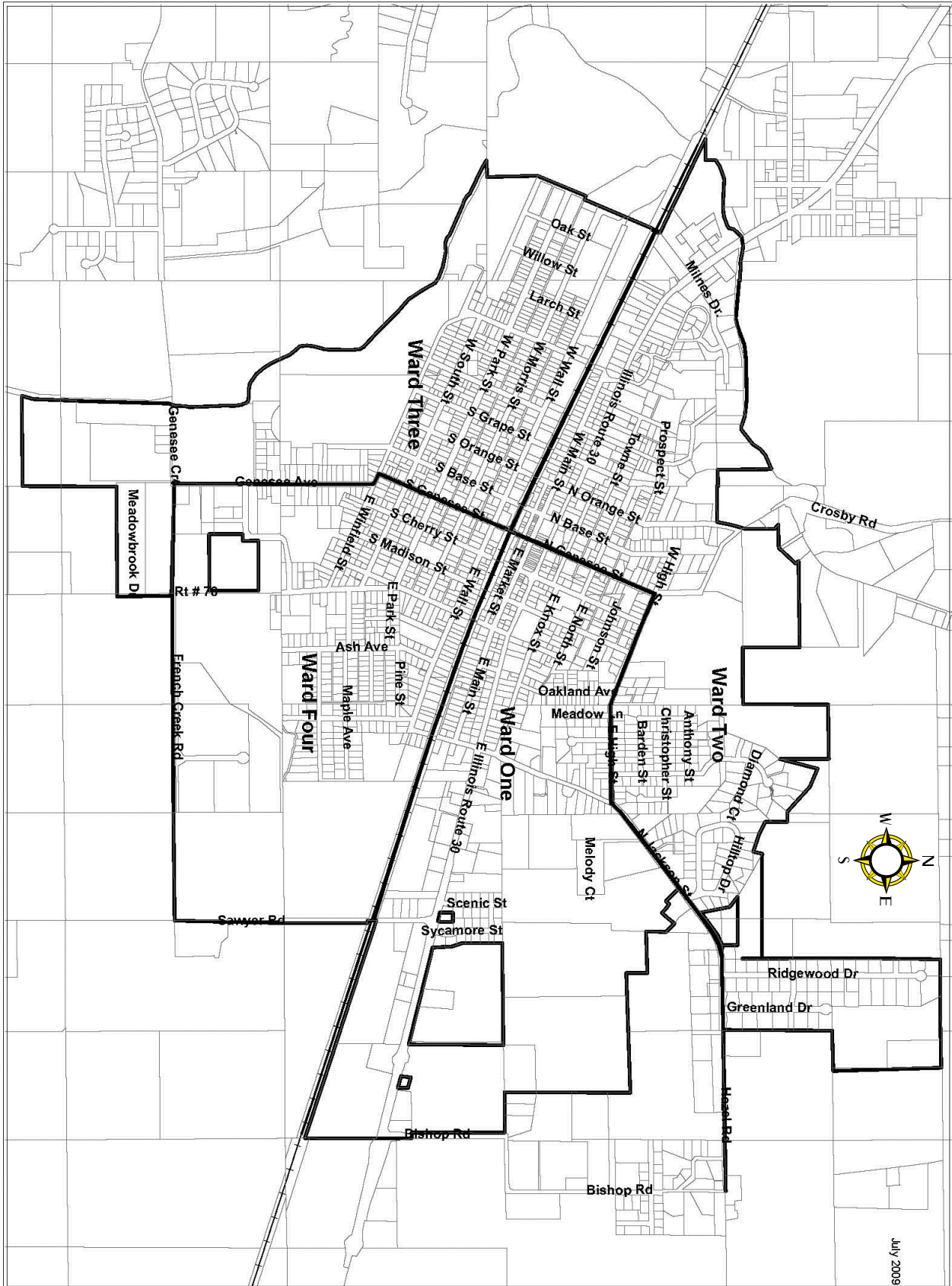
Consolidated Primary - Last Tuesday in February  
 Nomination of: Municipal and Township Officers  
Consolidated Election - First Tuesday in April  
 Election of: Municipal, Township, Library, School District, and Community College Officers (Officers of Other Special District)

**Elderly & Handicapped Voters:** Although all polling places are now accessible, there are some special provisions to assist Elderly or Handicapped Voters. Among these are:

- Absentee voting without the affidavit from an attending physician or Christian Science Practitioner.
- Curbside Voting -- Election Judges are now permitted to go to the voter in his or her auto or at any point at which the voter is unable to continue forward into the polling place. To take advantage of this special provision the voter must contact the County Clerk's Office prior to Election Day.
- Assistance in the voting booth by the Election Judges or by a person of your choice other than your employer, or agent of that employer, or an officer or agent of your union.

**Absentee Voter:** To qualify for an absentee ballot a person must be a registered voter who is unable to vote in-person at his/her polling place on election day for one of the following reasons: expect to be absent from the county on election day, be appointed to serve as an election judge in the precinct outside of their home precinct, be physically incapacitated, be observing a religious holiday, or be acting in an official capacity as an election official. In addition, members of the armed forces and their families, nursing home residents and permanently physically incapacitated persons may qualify to vote absentee. To request an absentee ballot, call the County Clerk.

City of Morrison Voting Wards



**Morrison Department of Public Works  
105 Andy Brands Drive  
Morrison, IL 61270**



The Public Services Department is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the streets, water and sewer systems, and the maintenance of the cemetery and parks. Gary Tresenritter is the Superintendent of Public Services.

### **Emergency Contacts**

In case of an emergency which requires the attention of the public works department, please contact any one of the following:

For emergencies *during* business hours, contact City Hall at (815) 772-7657. City Hall is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Workers will be dispatched immediately to the problem location.

For emergencies occurring *after* business hours, contact the Whiteside County Sheriff's Department at (815) 772-4044. Inform the dispatcher of the nature and location of the problem. They will then contact the officer on duty, who will contact someone from the Public Service Department.

Please DO NOT call 9-1-1 for Public Services emergencies!

### **Tree Services Overview**

Each year, the City of Morrison trims and removes trees located on the parkway (the grassy area between the sidewalk and curb). The City of Morrison contracts with a tree removal service, who performs the trimming and removal. Trees to be trimmed or removed must meet certain criteria set by the Superintendent of Public Services. Residents who wish to have a tree inspected for trimming or removal are asked to contact City Hall to be placed on the inspection list.

### **Boil Orders**

The City of Morrison must issue a Boil Order when the system pressure drops below 20 psi in our distribution system. When this occurs, we:

1. Restore system pressure as soon as possible.
2. Increase the chlorine to the system. Chlorine will kill any bacteria, which might have entered the system.
3. If a large area is effected, a fax copy of the boil order is sent to all local media (Radio and Television Stations).
4. If only a few blocks are affected, we will hand deliver notices.
5. Notify the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) and the Whiteside County Health Department of what has happened and what we intend to do about it.
6. Flush hydrants in effected area (s).
7. Collect microbiological samples in the area (s).

These samples are taken to an IEPA certified lab in Dixon, IL. When the samples arrive at the lab, a technician prepares the samples, inserts them into an incubator for 24 hours. If any coliform bacteria are in the sample after 24 hours, they will be visible to the naked eye. If any bacteria

are present at this time, the sample is rejected. If any one of the samples is rejected, we are then required to collect two consecutive sets of samples, 24 hours apart, from the same locations until satisfactory results are achieved.

8. Test chlorine residuals periodically in effected area (s). If bacteria has entered the system, the chlorine will diminish.

9. When satisfactory results are returned from the lab, we notify all local media and the Health Department that we have lifted the boil order.

10. Send copies of the boil order along with the lab results to the IEPA.

### **Snow Removal**

Snow Emergencies may be declared by the Superintendent of Public Services, or his designee, during the months of November 1 through March 31. The Superintendent will notify the Police Department, WSDR (AM 1240), WLLT (FM 107.7), and WZZT (106.5). Snow emergencies may also be posted on the City of Morrison PEG Access channel on Mediacom channel 18. As soon as a snow emergency is declared, motorists are asked to observe the following parking restrictions:

**Snow Routes:** Parking on snow routes is prohibited during snow emergencies. Parking on snow routes may resume after the street has been plowed clear of snow. Vehicles in violation are subject to being towed at the owner's expense. Snow Routes are clearly marked by blue and white signs.

**Central Business District (CBD):** The CBD includes all streets within the boundaries of Knox Street, Orange Street, Clinton Street, and the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way. Parking is always prohibited on these streets from 2:30 AM to 6:00 AM.

**All Other Streets:** During snow emergencies, streets that are not Snow Routes or within the CBD are subject to odd-even parking. This means that on odd days (1st, 3rd, 5th, etc...), vehicles must be parked on the side of the street with odd street numbers (101, 103, 503, 505, etc...). On even numbered days (2nd, 4th, 6th, etc...), vehicles must be parked on the side of the street with even numbers (102, 104, 504, 506, etc...). The change-over time for odd-even parking is between the hours of 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM. **THIS PARKING RESTRICTION ONLY APPLIES DURING SNOW EMERGENCIES.** Motorists may park on either side of the street if the street has been plowed clear of snow.

**End of Snow Emergency:** When the Superintendent feels that conditions have improved on our streets, he will declare an end to the Snow Emergency. At that time, such parking restrictions are no longer in effect.

## City of Morrison Curbside Recycling Program



### Pick-up Days:

South side of the Railroad Tracks: Tuesday

North side of the Railroad Tracks: Thursday



The City of Morrison encourages residents to recycle everything possible.

The following is a guideline for what is acceptable recyclable material.

### NEWSPAPER/MAIL

- Any type of news-print and all inserts
- All things that come in the mail including magazines, brochures, phone books and catalogs
- Do not bundle these items; place them loosely in the bin or in brown paper bags

### GLASS CONTAINERS

- All types of glass containers are accepted
- Rinse all glass containers and remove caps or lids
- Labels and rings may be left on

### PLASTIC CONTAINERS

- Plastic food and beverage containers are accepted, regardless of the recycle symbol/number on the bottom
- All containers must be empty and rinsed well
- Also accepted are rinsed laundry detergent jugs, empty antifreeze containers and rinsed oil containers

### METALS

- Aluminum and tin cans are accepted
- Metal pie and cake pans are acceptable, as well as aluminum foil products
- Rinse all containers

### PAPER (FIBER) PRODUCTS

- Items such as shoeboxes, clothing boxes, all food boxes, cardboard boxes, and any size appliance or electronic goods boxes are accepted
- Paper grocery bags are also accepted and can be used to place additional recyclable materials in
- Not accepted are wax-type milk and juice cartons

### HOW TO LOAD YOUR BIN

Although no special arrangement of recyclables is necessary, the following hints may be helpful:

- Newspapers should be placed loosely on the bottom or along the sidewall of the bin; excess papers may be placed outside the bin in a brown paper bag.
- Glass, cans and plastics may be mixed and placed loosely in the bin.
- Recyclable materials that will not fit in the bin may be placed on the ground alongside the bin, but be sure to secure them so the wind does not blow the materials away.
- Any material other than accepted materials will be left at the curb with a "Report Card" from the hauler indicating the reason(s) that the materials were rejected.

### Morrison Annual Recycling Day

3rd Saturday in June

Items collected: lead-acid batteries, aluminum cans, ammunition, appliances, electronics, flags, ink jet cartridges, motor oil, paper products, scrap metal, cell phones, eye glasses, hearing aids, and unwanted medications.

New recycle bins are free of charge to all newly constructed residences only. If you need a second bin, the cost is \$15.00. Bins are available at City Hall.

If your recycle bin has turned up lost, you may purchase a replacement bin from City Hall. Replacement recycle bins are \$15.00 each. If your recycle bin is in poor shape and you would like to trade it in for a new one, you may bring it to City Hall. Trade-ins cost \$15.00.

## Morrison Police Department

200 West Main Street

Lower Level of City Hall

**Brian R. Melton, Chief of Police**

Emergencies, dial **911**

Non-Emergencies, dial **(815) 772-7659**

Whiteside County Crime Stoppers is  
**(815) 625-7867**

The primary purpose of the Police Department is to provide general law enforcement and public safety for the City of Morrison, its residents, businesses, and visitors. General law enforcement and public safety services include patrol, responding to calls for service, handling complaints and investigating crimes. These services are provided at all times; 24/7/365. The Police Department consists of the Chief of Police, one Sergeant, five full-time Police Officers, and several part-time Police Officers.

Along with its primary purpose of general law enforcement and public safety, the Police Department provides numerous and diverse services, programs and activities. These services include Enhanced Emergency 911 Response, Bike Patrol, Bicycle Safety and Registration, Drug Abuse Resistance Education, NetSmartz Internet Safety for Children, Ministry Council Program Services, and Extended Vacation Residence Security Checks.

The Police Department maintains memberships with the Illinois Association for Chiefs of Police, International Association for Chiefs of Police, Northwest Illinois Law Enforcement Executives Association, Northwest Criminal Justice Commission – Mobile Training Unit #1, Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy Associates, Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center, and Whiteside County Crime Stoppers.

The Morrison Police Department prides itself in working to become a more proactive and progressive law enforcement agency in its relentless pursuit for a higher quality of life in Morrison. The Police Department commits itself to continuously striving to improve effectiveness and efficiency through the use of available staffing, technology, and community partnerships.

## In An Emergency—DIAL 9-1-1

### Dial 911 for:

All medical emergencies

Reporting a fire

Reporting a police emergency such as:

- any crime in progress that you are aware of or are observing.
- a crime that has just been committed against you that you just witnessed. For example, you observed someone taking an item from your car that is parked in your driveway and the suspect and/or vehicle description may help the Police Department make an apprehension.

### When You Dial 911:

- Speak slowly
- Give the dispatcher your name, address, and the address of the incident.
- Follow the instructions of the dispatcher, exactly.
- Observe the people involved and describe them in terms of weight, height, age, hair, eye color, and types and color of clothing.
- If a vehicle is involved, get the license plate number and state, the color and the make of the vehicle, and if possible, a description of the driver.
- In a life-threatening or dangerous situation, do not delay calling, in order to collect all of this information.

### ILLINOIS ROAD CONDITIONS

(800) 452-4368

[www.gettingaroundillinois.com/](http://www.gettingaroundillinois.com/)

### *What Does That Siren Mean?*

#### **Monthly Test of Emergency Siren:**

Steady Tone First Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM

#### **Steady Tone at Other Times:**

Denotes major emergency situation

#### **Up and Down Tone: Severe Weather Alert**

Residents should tune to local TV/Radio Stations for more information.

## Morrison's Public Access Channel

The City of Morrison Public, Education, and Government (PEG) Access Channel is a community television station, which cablecasts Public, Educational, and Governmental programming. The Morrison City Council governs the PEG Access Channel. Our mission is to provide programming for the community, which deals with Public, Education, or Government issues.

Any non-profit group may submit a program for inclusion in the Public Access program schedule. First preference is given to programs for the City of Morrison. Acceptance of any program is conditional on prior schedule commitments, channel airtime availability, and compliance with established Policies and Procedures.

It is the objective of the City of Morrison PEG Access Channel to provide public service programming of general interest to viewers, provide coverage of local events, and to provide information of local issues and events.

Morrison's Public Access Channel can be seen on Mediacom Cable channel 18. The station is operated and programmed by city staff. To request your non-profit organizations event be listed on the channel or to broadcast your non-profit organizations program, call City Hall at (815) 772-7657.



### Local Radio Stations

|        |          |                 |                    |
|--------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|
| WVIK   | 90.3 FM  | Rock Island, IL | Public Radio       |
| WSSQ   | 94.3 FM  | Sterling, IL    | Hot AC             |
| KMCN   | 94.7 FM  | Clinton, IA     | Adult Hits         |
| KMXG   | 96.1 FM  | Clinton, IA     | Adult Contemporary |
| K249DO | 97.7 FM  | Clinton, IA     | Religious          |
| WCCI   | 100.3 FM | Savanna, IL     | Country            |
| WZZT   | 102.7 FM | Morrison, IL    | Classic Hits       |
| WLLR   | 103.7 FM | Davenport, IA   | Country            |
| WQUD   | 105.5 FM | Erie, IL        | Vintage Radio      |
| KCQQ   | 106.5 FM | Davenport, IA   | Classic Rock       |
| WLLT   | 107.7 FM | Polo, IL        | Adult Contemporary |
| WFXN   | 1230 AM  | Moline, IL      | Sports             |
| WSDR   | 1240 AM  | Sterling, IL    | News/Talk          |
| WKBF   | 1270 AM  | Rock Island, IL | Regional Mexican   |
| KROS   | 1340 AM  | Clinton, IA     | Variety            |
| KCLN   | 1390 AM  | Clinton, IA     | Nostalgia          |
| WOC    | 1420 AM  | Davenport, IA   | Talk               |

### Local Television Stations

|      |            |             |      |
|------|------------|-------------|------|
| WHBF | Channel 4  | Rock Island | CBS  |
| KWQC | Channel 6  | Davenport   | NBC  |
| WQAD | Channel 8  | Moline      | ABC  |
| KLIB | Channel 18 | Davenport   | FOX  |
| WQPT | Channel 24 | Moline      | PBS  |
| KQIN | Channel 36 | Davenport   | IPTV |



## Morrison Fire Department

206 W. Main Street

Morrison, IL 61270

Non-Emergency: (815) 772-2218

Emergency: 911

The Morrison Fire Department was founded in 1876 and was originally called The Jackson Hose Company. They started with 10 volunteers and horse drawn equipment. Today, there are 30 volunteers and a station full of state-of-the-art equipment.

The Morrison Fire Department serves and protects the city limits of Morrison and a rural area of about 160 square miles. The Fire Department is one of the most modern equipped volunteer departments of its size, with a fleet of nine trucks, including 3 engines, 3 tankers, 2 rural fire fighting trucks, and a rescue boat. Morrison's Fire Department is different than most.

They are not a taxing district with a board of directors or trustees. Morrison Fire Department is a not-for-profit corporation. The Department contracts with the City of Morrison to provide fire and rescue services within the city limits, but also collects operational expenses by directly billing residents in the rural service area. Rural bills are mailed out yearly around June 1st, and the payments can be mailed to the Fire Department or dropped in the mail slot at the Department's entry door located at 206 W. Main Street in Morrison.

The Department is very active in the Morrison Schools with activities and programs centered on fire prevention and family household safety issues. In May, the elementary school hosts the Fire Safety House, which is a mobile travel trailer that has been turned into a scaled down "kid-sized" functional house. The Fire Safety House teaches children exit drills in the home and other home safety tactics, precautions, and proper safety procedures in the event of a fire. The station is also open for tours for children in preschool and elementary school, during Fire Prevention Week. In May, the Morrison Fire Department hosts their Firemen's Breakfast. This popular event brings hundreds of local residents to the Fire Station, where they are treated to delicious pancakes, eggs, and sausage. Proceeds from this event go toward needed equipment for the Department.

Officers of the Fire Department are: Chief—Dave Benters; 1st Assistant Chief—Joe Bielema; 2nd Assistant Chief—Dalbert Wiebenga; Captain/Training Officer—Brian Johnson; Treasurer—Richard Wieneke; Secretary—Boone Brackemyer. Election of officers occurs annually. With few exceptions, meetings are held on the first & third Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 P.M.

## Morrison Planning & Zoning

The City of Morrison has Zoning Codes in place. Residents making structural changes to a building or building a new structure are required to obtain a building permit. Permits are available at City Hall at 200 W. Main Street or on the City of Morrison website at [www.morrisonil.org](http://www.morrisonil.org). Questions regarding zoning may be directed to City Hall at (815) 772-7657.

**General Permit Requirements - A Zoning/Building Permit** must be obtained for construction of new structures, additions to existing structures, or any activity, which constitutes an external change. Such projects as re-roofing or siding an existing structure does not require a permit. The City's ZONING CODE defines "STRUCTURE" as anything constructed or erected; the use of which requires permanent location on the ground. Included in this definition are patios, decks, storage sheds (on permanent foundation), carports, in-ground swimming pools, and fences.

To obtain a Permit, the applicant is to complete the application and submit the completed form to City Hall. The permit can be obtained at City Hall or printed from the City of Morrison website. The permit fee is \$35.00 plus \$5.00 for each \$1,000 of estimated improvement value. As an example, a \$15,000 construction project would require a \$110.00 permit fee. Zoning regulations vary among the zoning districts, and applicants should determine the specific requirements applicable to their project. In most cases, approval of the permit application is subject only to the City's verification of compliance with appropriate zoning regulations. Please allow 1 week for processing.

In order to expedite verification of zoning compliance, applicants are asked to "stake" the proposed construction and identify property stakes. If property stakes cannot be identified by the applicant, a certified plat of survey must be submitted. Once property stakes have been located and the proposed construction "staked", the city will measure setbacks from property lines. Upon verification that measured setbacks comply with zoning regulations, a permit will be issued. The Zoning/Building Permit is to be posted during construction.

Generally, the following setback requirements are applicable to buildings in general business districts: No front setback is required except as necessary to provide a sidewalk between the building and the street of not less than eight (8) feet. This shall be required on all sides of a lot or parcel of land that are adjacent to an

improved public street. Adjacent buildings shall be separated by a space not less than ten (10) feet from wall to wall, unless such buildings are to be joined at a fireproof part wall. Unless a rear lot line is congruent with the line of a public right of way, a rear yard of not less than ten (10) feet is required.

No person shall within the city erect, construct, or maintain any wooden partition fence or any section or portion thereof which exceeds four (4) feet in height above the surface of the ground for the first thirty (30) feet back from the front line of the lot or lots or parcels of ground, nor exceeding six (6) feet in height above the surface of the ground for the remainder of the distance to the rear end of such lot, lots, or parcels of ground, except where such partition fence forms a necessary part of the some outbuilding on the premises, under a penalty. No fence consisting or made in whole or in part of any kind of barbed wire shall be built, maintained, or kept upon or along the line of any street, alley, or public ground within the city.

If the proposed construction project requires new water and sewer service, a Zoning/Building Permit will not be issued without first obtaining the required water and/or sewer permits from City Hall. If a structure is to be demolished and is located within Morrison City limits, a Demolition Permit is required. A permit must be obtained prior to demolition. The Demolition Permit fee is \$5.00.

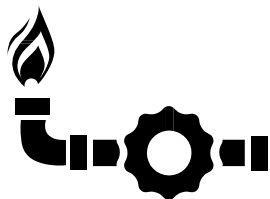
Zoning regulations vary among the zoning districts, and applicants should determine the specific requirements applicable to their project. Generally, the following setback requirements are applicable to buildings in residential districts:

- 60' from center line of street
- 10' from interior side lot line
- 30' from rear lot line (principal building)
- 5' from rear lot line (accessory building)

Call **JULIE** Before Digging  
Dial 811 or (800) 892-0123  
Know What's Below  
[WWW.CALL811.COM](http://WWW.CALL811.COM)







### Utility Service Providers

The following is a list of providers servicing the Morrison community. Please contact the service provider directly for more information.

#### Telephone

Frontier Ph (800) 921-8101  
 Mediacom Ph (855) 633-4226

#### Natural Gas

NiCor Ph (888) 642-6748

#### Electricity Aggregation Program

Rock River Energy Ph (815) 732-4603  
 (Contact to apply or to compare rates)  
 Homefield Energy (Current City Supplier)  
 ComEd (Delivery) Ph (800) 334-7661  
 (Contact ComEd for power outages, service, etc.)

#### Water/Sewer

City of Morrison Ph (815) 772-7657

#### Refuse-Residential

Moring Disposal  
 Ph (815) 772-7657 – for problems with service  
 Ph (800) 423-0759 – for scheduling pick-up of bulky household items  
[www.moringdisposal.com](http://www.moringdisposal.com) for holiday schedule

#### Rural Waste Collection & Commercial

Allied Waste, Moring Disposal, Wiersema's

#### Rural Recycling

Waste Management (Drop-Off Available)  
 18762 Lincoln Road (815) 772-7308

#### Propane Gas

Gold Star FS, Eastern Iowa Propane

#### Cable/Satellite Television

Direct TV, Frontier, Mediacom, Comcast, Dish

#### Telecommunications

US Cellular, Frontier, Verizon

### Frequently Asked Questions:

#### Airports

There are two area airports which are primarily used by Morrison Residents: Quad City International Airport in Moline, IL and Chicago Rockford Int'l Airport in Rockford, IL. Both provide affordable long-term parking. Morrison is also conveniently located near O'Hare International Airport, Midway International Airport, Peoria International Airport, and Des Moines International Airport. Limousine service is available from Morrison. Call (815) 772-7226.

#### Where can I get a driver's license or vehicle registration?

There is a Drivers License facility at 1224 W. 4th St., Sterling, IL 61081, ph. (815) 626-2825 and at 236 Main St., Chadwick, IL 61014, ph. (815) 684-5156. Both offices are closed on Sunday and Monday. For more information visit [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com).

#### Where can I register to vote?

At the County Clerk's Office; At any Drivers License facility. Also, mail-in registration forms are available at nearly all financial institutions and governmental offices in the county. Registration always closes 28 days prior to Election Day.

#### Notary Public

Documents can be notarized at your financial institution, City Hall, and some accounting and insurance offices.

#### Where can I get a hunting or fishing license?

Licenses are available at Morrison-Rockwood State Park Concession Stand, Exner's Sportsmans Paradise, 101 W. Lincolnway, or Sullivan's Foods at Route 30 and Madison Street.

#### Where can I get an LP tank filled?

Tanks can be filled at Valvoline Express Care, 611 E. Lincolnway, Morrison, IL and Gold Star FS 505 E. Commercial, Lyndon, IL.

#### Where can I register my pet?

The Whiteside County Animal Control office is located at 1701 Industrial Park Rd., Rock Falls, IL 61071. Phone (815) 625-3507 M-F from 12-4 PM.

#### Does Morrison have a community newspaper?

The Whiteside News Sentinel is published every week by WNS Publications, Inc., 100 E. Main St. Morrison, IL. Call (815) 772-7244 for subscription information. The community also has an online magazine, [www.thecity1.com](http://www.thecity1.com), focused on area schools, sports, businesses, government, and daily issues of citizens.



#### Where is the nearest hospital?

The Morrison Community Hospital, 303 N. Jackson St., Morrison, IL, offers physician coverage, ambulance service, patient transfer helipad, and a skilled care unit. Morrison is also home to three fully staffed clinics and a regional network of hospitals in nearby Sterling, IL and Clinton, IA which provide additional, outstanding medical care and services.

#### Where is the nearest Amtrak train station?

The Illinois Zephyr (daily service between Chicago and Quincy, IL) stops in Princeton, IL, which is about 1 hours drive from Morrison. Visit [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com) or call 800-USA-RAIL for more information.

## Who Should I Call?

| Subject                                  | Organization/Department | Area Code 815  |
|--|-------------------------|----------------|
| Abandoned Cars                           | Police Department       | 772-7659       |
| Address (New)                            | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Animal Control                           | Police Department       | 772-7659       |
| Annual Financial Reports                 | City Administrator      | 772-7657       |
| Birth Certificates                       | County Clerk            | 772-5189       |
| Budget                                   | City Administrator      | 772-7657       |
| Building Code Enforcement                | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Building Inspections                     | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Burning                                  | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Cemetery Questions                       | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Community Room & Kitchen                 | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Concerns/Complaints                      | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Court Dates                              | Circuit Clerk           | 772-5188       |
| Curb, Gutter, Sidewalks                  | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Death Certificates                       | City Clerk/County Clerk | 772-7657/5189  |
| Electrical Inspections                   | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Emergency Management Services            | Police Department       | 772-7659       |
| Garbage Collection                       | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Handicap Ramps                           | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Hazardous Materials                      | IEPA                    | (309) 797-3341 |
| Health Department                        | Health Department       | 772-7411       |
| Housing (low income/elderly)             | Housing Authority       | 626-5043       |
| Inspections (electrical, plumbing, etc.) | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Landfill                                 | Landfill                | 772-7308       |
| Library                                  | Library                 | 772-7323       |
| Liquor Issues                            | Mayor                   | 772-7657       |
| Marriage Licenses                        | County Clerk            | 772-5189       |
| Motor Fuel Tax                           | City Administrator      | 772-7657       |
| Noise Violations                         | Police Department       | 772-7659       |
| Permits (building, construction)         | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Permits (special events, parades)        | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Plumbing Inspections                     | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Property Assessments                     | County Assessor         | 772-5195       |
| Property Tax Bill                        | County Treasurer        | 772-5196       |
| Property Tax Challenge Procedures        | County Treasurer        | 772-5196       |
| Public Defender                          | Public Defender         | 772-5191       |
| Recycling Information                    | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Sidewalks                                | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Signs & Signals                          | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Snow Removal                             | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Storm Sewer Backups                      | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Street Light Maintenance                 | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Street Maintenance                       | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Subdivision Regulations                  | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Tree-Trimming (City Owned)               | Public Works            | 772-7657       |
| Utility Taxes                            | City Administrator      | 772-7657       |
| Voter Registration/Voting Info           | County Clerk            | 772-5189       |
| Water/Sewer Service                      | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Weeds & Tall Grass                       | Code Inspector          | 772-7657       |
| Zoning – City of Morrison                | City Hall               | 772-7657       |
| Zoning – Rural Morrison                  | Development/Zoning      | 772-5175       |



## Odell Public Library

307 S. Madison Street  
Morrison, IL 61270-2724  
Ph/Fax: (815) 772-7323

Email: [odell.library@gmail.com](mailto:odell.library@gmail.com)  
[www.odellpubliclibrary.com](http://www.odellpubliclibrary.com)



The Odell Public Library is a cultural and educational center for the people of Morrison, where they can find books, magazines, computers, and children's videos for enlightenment and entertainment. The library endeavors to attract new patrons of all ages. By judicious selection of material, the library augments the learning programs of the community and attempts to present all points of view concerning problems and issues of our times. The library is a member of the Prairie Area Library System.

### Library Hours

Monday & Wednesday 10:00 AM—8:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday 2:00 PM—8:00 PM

Friday 2:00 PM—5:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

The Odell Public Library offers public computers with Internet access and word processing, fax service, photocopier, interlibrary loans, large print books, books on tape, Bifolkal Kits, Whiteside County Genealogy Collection, Summer Reading and Storytime Programs, and room rental for parties, meetings, and programs. Residents of the city of Morrison are eligible for a library card at no cost.

### Library Board of Trustees

Director: Lori Matlock

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Melissa Nyboer  
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Chris Vanderleest

The Board of Trustees of the Odell Public Library is made up of nine members elected to a 3 year term. Elections are conducted during the April Board meeting with approval of the Mayor of Morrison.

The Board meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Library Program Room at 5:30 PM. All meetings of the Board of Trustees are open to the public.

### State of Illinois Public Records

Search Illinois public records statewide for vital information such as death, birth and marriage certificates with official government websites. Get property information, conduct a business search, verify professional licenses, Illinois court records for small claims matters and traffic cases to the state supreme court decisions. Access bankruptcy courts, search for liens, judgments and court case information available to the public online at <http://illinoispublicrecord.com/>

**Morrison Post Office**  
 226 W. Main Street  
 Morrison, IL 61270-9998  
 (815) 772-3311 (800) ASK-USPS  
 Postmaster—Bill Borum

The Morrison Post office delivers mail to all households and businesses in the 61270 zip code, including 4 rural routes, 3 1/2 city routes, and 292 post office boxes. Post office boxes are available in five sizes. The Morrison office employs four rural carriers, three city carriers, two substitutes, and three clerks. Rural route carriers also provide all of the services available at your post office window such as selling stamps, money order purchases, and mailing packages.

**Hours of Operation**

**Lobby:**

Monday—Friday 6:30 AM—4:45 PM  
 Saturday 6:30 AM—4:00 PM

**Window Hours:**

Monday—Friday 8:30 AM—4:30 PM  
 Saturday 9:00 AM—Noon  
 Box Mail Available at 10:00 AM  
 Closed Legal Holidays and Sundays

**Collection Boxes—Pick-Up Times**

**Lobby:**

Monday—Friday 4:30 PM  
 Saturday 4:00 PM

**Outside Drive-Up Boxes:**

Monday—Friday 4:30 PM  
 Saturday 4:00 PM  
 No Collection on Major Holidays

**Morrison’s Heritage Museum**  
 202 E. Lincolnway  
 Morrison, IL  
 (815) 772-8889

Located on the famous Lincoln Highway and in a building on the National Historic Register, Morrison’s Heritage Museum has many interesting exhibits of Morrison memorabilia and special exhibits of the area. Displays include many products manufactured locally in the past such as Rich Toys, Summit Stoves, Illinois Refrigerator, and Volckman Furniture. The museum, which is owned and staffed by the Morrison Historical Society, is a great place to spend an afternoon and to broaden your knowledge of the community.

**Hours of Operation**

Friday— Sunday 1:00—4:00 PM  
 From the Last Friday in April  
 Until Thanksgiving

Admission is free,  
 but donations are always appreciated.

**Monthly Meeting Schedules**

| <u>Group</u> | <u>Meeting Day</u>                                    |
|--------------|---|
| Chamber      | 4th Thursday—8:30 AM<br>City Hall                     |
| Kiwanis      | 2nd & 4th Tuesdays—6:30 PM<br>Community Room          |
| Lions        | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays—Noon<br>Happy Joe’s                |
| Rotary       | Every Wednesday—12:10 PM<br>Windsor Manor             |
| VFW          | 4th Monday Bi-Monthly—7:00 PM<br>American Legion Hall |

## Morrison Area Community Groups, Clubs and Organizations

- AMERICAN LEGION (UNIT 328)**  
(815) 772-0153 → DALE USTERBOWSKI
- AMERICAN RED CROSS**  
(815) 963-8471 → LISA LASALA
- AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD MOBILE**  
(815) 772-3169 → KAYWYN BESWICK
- BOY SCOUTS/CUB SCOUTS**  
(815) 772-4631 → ARLYN HAYEN
- BRUSHPOPPERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB**  
(815) 622-4099 → JACK SUMPTION
- CHILDREN'S ART PRESERVATION ASSOC.**  
(815) 772-7406 → JOHN MARTIN
- CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**  
(815) 772-4127 → JUDY MANCHESTER
- 4-H (U OF I EXTENSION)**  
(815) 632-3611 - ALLIE LANCASTER
- FRIENDS OF THE PARKS**  
(815) 772-7506 → BARB BENSON
- GIRL SCOUTS/BROWNIES**  
(815) 772-3214 → CHERYL NEUMANN  
(815) 772-8478 → STEPHANIE SHELTON
- GOLDEN MEALS**  
(815) 772-4003 → MC HOSPITAL
- HOSPICE OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY**  
(800) 646-9242
- INTERNATIONAL THANKSGIVING**  
(815) 772-7668 → JANET FISHER
- KIWANIS**  
(815) 772-7325 → WALT GORZNEY
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
(815) 772-7298 → TERRY HOEHN
- LIONS CLUB**  
(815) 772-5658 → KEN JANSMA
- MASONIC LODGE**  
(815) 772-0186 → JOHN MILLER
- MASTER GARDENERS**  
(815) 772-4075 → MARYELLEN NELSON
- MORRISON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
(815) 772-3757 → KIM EWOLDSEN /
- MORRISON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY**  
(815) 772-2915 → LYNN PRENTISS
- MCUD #6 BEST**  
(815) 772-7264 → JR. HIGH SCHOOL
- MCUD #6 PTO (GRADE SCHOOL)**  
(815) 772-2153 → GRADE SCHOOL
- MCUD #6 ATHLETIC BOOSTERS**  
(815) 772-7768 → ARNIE VEGTER
- MCUD #6 FRIENDS OF SWIMMING**  
(815) 772-3112 → STEVE WILKINS
- MCUD #6 MUSIC BOOSTERS**  
(815) 772-4071 → DISTRICT OFFICE
- MCUD #6 SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**  
(815) 772-4071 → DISTRICT OFFICE
- MORRISON FOOD PANTRY**  
(815) 772-3169 → KAYWYN BESWICK
- MORRISON FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
(815) 772-2218
- MORRISON GARDEN CLUB**  
(815) 772-4205 → JAN KELLY
- MORRISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
(815) 772-8889 → HERITAGE MUSEUM
- MORRISON MINISTER'S COUNCIL**  
(815) 772-3510
- MORRISON MUSIC THEATER ASSOC**  
(815) 772-2785 → JANET WINSLOW
- MORRISON ROTARY CLUB**  
(815) 632-9631 → DAVE ABELE
- MORRISON SCHOOLS FOUNDATION**  
(815) 440-1218 → TRENT BUSH
- ODD FELLOWS OF ILLINOIS**  
(815) 718-0833 → BARRY LINDER
- PARENT EDUCATION (U OF I EXTENSION)**  
(815) 632-3611 → JANICE MCCOY
- P.E.O.**  
(815) 505-2670 → JEAN EGGEMEYER
- PLEASANT VIEW NURSING HOME**  
(815) 772-7288
- RESTHAVE NURSING HOME AUXILIARY**  
(815) 772-4021
- RIVER CITIES QUILT GUILD**  
(815) 499-5618 → VICKY MURNEY
- SHRINERS**  
(815) 772-2766 → LARRY WIERSEMA
- TRI-CITY TRAIL RIDERS**  
(815) 499-0278 → SALLY JOHNSON
- UNITED WAY OF MORRISON**  
(815) 625-7973 → RUSS SIEFKEN
- VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**  
(815) 772-8398 → JOE BREWER
- WA-TAN-YE SERVICE CLUB**  
(815) 772-4902 → CLARITA VANDERMYDE
- WHITESIDE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION**  
(815) 772-2076 → PAUL VOCK
- THE WHITESIDE FORUM**  
(815) 772-4949 → MARC ADAMI
- WHITESIDE COUNTY NATURAL AREA GUARDIANS**  
(815) 772-4117 → SANDY RIDEOUT  
(815) 626-4759 → TIM KELLER
- WHITESIDE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN**  
(815) 772-7378 → DARLENE HOOK
- WHITESIDE COUNTY SNOWBIRDS SNOWMOBILERS**  
(309) 314-3625 → JEFF LALEMAN

Is your group missing from this directory? Call (815) 772-3757.

Robert's Rules of Order is the standard for facilitating discussions and group decision-making. Copies of the rules are available at most bookstores. Although they may seem long and involved, having an agreed upon set of rules makes meetings run easier. Robert's Rules will help your group have better meetings, not make them more difficult. Here are the basic elements of Robert's Rules, used by most organizations: <http://www.andr.org/RA/rrules.pdf>



## Morrison Community Unit School District 6

[www.morrisonsschools.org](http://www.morrisonsschools.org)



The Morrison schools and staff are second to none and this is reflected in the fine students they produce!

### Northside Elementary School

520 North Genesee St.  
Morrison, IL. 61270  
PH (815) 772-2153  
Principal—Jennifer Oetting  
Enrollment—252

### Southside Elementary School

100 Academic Dr.  
Morrison, IL. 61270  
PH (815) 772-2183  
Principal—Jennifer Oetting  
Enrollment—245

### District Office

643 Genesee Ave.  
Morrison, IL. 61270  
PH (815) 772-2064  
Superintendent—Scott Vance

### Jr. High School

300 Academic Dr.  
Morrison, IL. 61270  
PH (815) 772-7264  
Principal—Joe Robbins  
Enrollment—220

### High School

643 Genesee Ave.  
Morrison, IL. 61270  
PH (815) 772-4071  
Principal—Kay Harwood  
Enrollment— 324

### Board of Education

President—Cathleen Vegter  
Vice President—Jim Ridley  
Secretary—Wolfgang Schmidt  
Stephanie Neas  
Tricia Mickley  
Brandon Shelton  
Gus Linke Jr.

Enrollment Source: Illinois School Board of Education

### Online Resources for Students & Parents

**Lunch Account Balance:** Check your child's account balance and add funds through Skyward Family Access. For deposits, register on Illinois ePay under Menu on School's website.

**Skylert Text & Email Alerts:** This web-based, secure application allows parents to receive school reminders; school closings, dismissals, or delays; and text alerts. Sign up for free through Skyward Family Access.

**Grades & Attendance:** Access your child's grades and attendance information through Skyward Family Access.

**Accelerated Reader:** Elementary School Accelerated Reader program is available online to verify book titles. The website is <http://hosted46.relearn.com/182260>.

**Calendar of Events:** To access the school calendars on the web, go to [www.morrisonsschools.org](http://www.morrisonsschools.org) and click on the "Calendar" link to access each school's calendar.

**Busing & Transportation:** Contact RC Smith Transportation at (815) 772-7226.

**And More:** Visit [www.morrisonsschools.org](http://www.morrisonsschools.org) for links to all the schools. Each school site features online copies of newsletters, teacher contact information, homework assignments, and daily announcements.

The Morrison School Board consists of seven community members who are elected at-large to four year terms. Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the High School Office.

There is a specific time set aside at each meeting for public communication to the Board. At that time interested people may present comments, suggestions, or concerns, even if they are not on the agenda. Any community member wishing to address the Board during Public Comments should contact the Superintendent or Superintendent's secretary prior to the meeting. Public comment items must be included on an agenda of a future meeting before the Board can officially take action.

### Help to send money to our local schools!

Drop off UPC Labels from Campbell Soups, General Mills Box Tops for Education logos, old cell phones, EMPTY printer ink cartridges from HOME PRINTERS, Pop tabs, and Swiss Valley Cash for Caps off milk & juice jugs (WASHED) at Morrison Elementary Schools. All monies will benefit student programming and activities for students at the elementary buildings.

### How do I register my child for school?

Parents new to the community may call the District office at 772-2064 for information about where their child will attend school.

You will need the following information to enroll your child in MCUD#6:

- An official birth certificate (not a hospital-issued certificate).
- A transfer slip from the previous school attended; transcripts or report card.
- Physician's telephone number and address, if known.
- The name and phone number of a reliable local person to call if you are unavailable in an emergency.
- Proof of residency (copies of driver's license, lease, or utility bills).
- Any pertinent health information including a physical examination at required intervals and vaccination records.

Regular school registration can be completed in July, online through the district website, or at the High School Office and Odell Public Library.

## Morrison Institute of Technology

701 Portland Avenue  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-7218  
[www.morrisontech.edu](http://www.morrisontech.edu)

Morrison Institute of Technology is an independent, co-educational, not-for-profit institution of higher learning. The college was founded in 1973 by acquiring the assets of the Institute of Drafting and Technology located in Morrison, Illinois. The college was first authorized by the State of Illinois to grant an Associate in



Technology degree in 1973.

The college offers a two year, Associate in Applied Science degree in Engineering Technology with two areas of concentration: Highway and Building Construction, and Drafting Design and CAD. The college also offers a program in Networking Administration. Courses are offered on a semester basis during the day, with semesters starting in January and August. The college maintains small class sizes to provide students with more individualized instruction.

Student housing facilities are available on campus in Odey Residence Hall. This facility has been designed to provide housing for students in an efficiency apartment arrangement. The residence hall is co-educational, but individual rooms are not co-educational and accommodations for married couples are not available. The 34 apartment building, with a capacity of up to 170 students is managed by a college residence hall supervisor with the aid of student resident assistants.

## Sauk Valley Community College

173 IL Route 2  
Dixon, IL 61021  
(815) 288-5511  
[www.svcc.edu](http://www.svcc.edu)

Sauk Valley Community College was created through public referendum in June 1965. Since that time, Sauk has expanded its programs to provide opportunities not only in the traditional transfer areas, but also in vocational-technical, adult and continuing education, community service, and career education. The College has been accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association since 1972. The College campus is located in the heartland of rural, agricultural America, on Illinois Route 2, along the scenic Rock River, midway between Dixon and the twin cities of Sterling and Rock Falls. The College district encompasses 1,625 square miles and includes portions of Bureau, Carroll, Henry, Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside counties in northwest Illinois. Today, approximately 3,000 students register for classes at Sauk each semester. The College serves recent high school graduates, part-time learners who may also be employed, men and women starting or resuming their education, qualified high school students, and senior citizens.

Sauk Valley Community College is authorized to confer the associate in arts, associate in science, associate in engineering science, and associate in fine arts degrees to students that complete requirements in the university transfer programs. The College confers the associate in applied science degree and certificates to students that complete requirements in career education programs. The associate in liberal studies degree is available to students that desire a non-specialized degree.



## Morrison Early Educational Opportunities

### **Morrison Community Day Care Center**

**100 E. Lincolnway  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-3707**

**[morrisondaycare.org](http://morrisondaycare.org)**

Founded in 1972, Morrison Community Day Care Center is an Illinois Department of Children and Family Services licensed facility. Open from Monday—Friday from 6:00 AM—5:30 PM, our qualified and experienced teachers and aides provide high quality care for children ages 6 weeks through 12 years of age, whose parents or guardians are away from home during the working day. We provide a relaxed and homelike atmosphere while also integrating many activities designed to promote healthy development. Our core areas of focus include opportunities for self-expression; preschool academics; large and fine motor development; and the introduction and practice of social skills. We provide nutritious snacks and lunches; structured pre-school; learning time; crafts, games, and outdoor play; nap time; after-school and summer programs; and morning pick-up and drop-off to and from school thru the school district.

### **Morrison Community Pre-School**

**200 W. Lincolnway  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-7158**

Morrison Pre-School's Program addresses the needs of the whole child in a way that makes their first experience with school fun and meaningful. The Pre-School offers parents several options designed to best meet the needs of their child. The Program follows Unit 6 school year calendar, except that we begin after Labor Day and finish before Memorial Day. The Program is for 3, 4, and 5 year old children.

**Preschool Blast  
300 W. South Street  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-4657**

This free, educational, religious-based program is offered from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM every Wednesday, September through May, for preschool age children. Located at the Morrison Christian Reformed Church, call (815) 772-4038 or (815) 772-4657 for information.

### **Morrison Early Learning Program**

**520 N. Genesee  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-2153**

The Morrison Early Learning Program is a high quality preschool program which uses the High Scope Preschool curriculum; developmentally appropriate guidelines established by the National Association of Educating Young Children (NAEYC); and the Illinois Early Learning Standards. Morrison Early Learning Program is held at Northside Elementary School. The early learning program is funded by a grant through the state of Illinois. The program meets Monday through Friday and has approximately 20 children ages 3-5. Two sessions are offered throughout the course of the week. The morning session is held from 8:10 until 10:50 a.m. each day. The afternoon session is held from 12:15 until 2:55 p.m. each day. Parental involvement, through a parent contract, is a key component of the early learning program.

### **Head Start**

**11429 Ward Road  
Morrison, IL 61270  
(815) 772-8008**

Head Start is a comprehensive child and family development program for low-income or disabled preschool aged children and their families. Main goals are to work in partnership with parents to promote self-esteem, self-confidence, and school readiness for children. Components included within the comprehensive programming include: educational services; medical health, dental health and mental health services; nutritional services; services to children with disabilities or special needs; family educational and development services; social services support and referrals; transportation. A variety of programming options is available to meet the needs of the children and families served. These options include: part-day/part-year center based; extended-day/part-year center based; full-day/full-year center based; children care collaboration center based; home based.

*Contact the Illinois Department of Children & Family Services (DCFS) for information on Licensed Day Care Homes & Centers in our area. (800) 848-8727.*





### **Bethesda Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

301 W. South St.  
 (815) 772-4896  
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:15 AM

### **Crossroads Community Church**

Office at 125 W. Main St.  
 Worship at Morrison Inst. of Technology  
 701 Portland Ave.  
 (815) 956-0090  
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM  
 Crave Student Ministries: Wed 7:00 PM  
[www.crossroadscn.com](http://www.crossroadscn.com)

### **Ebenezer Reformed Church**

309 E. Park St.  
 (815) 772-2472  
 Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:00 AM  
[www.ercmorrison.com](http://www.ercmorrison.com)

### **Emmanuel Reformed Church**

202 E. Morris St.  
 (815) 772-3890  
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:30 AM  
[www.emmanuelreformedchurch.org](http://www.emmanuelreformedchurch.org)

### **Episcopal Church of St. Anne**

401 N. Cherry St.  
 (815) 772-2818  
 Sunday Mass: 7:30 AM & 10:00AM  
 Sunday School: 10:00 AM  
 Adult Bible Study: 9:00 AM

## **Morrison Area Churches**

### **First Baptist Church**

406 Maple Ave.  
 (815) 772-2696  
 Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM  
 Sunday School: 9:00 AM  
[morfbc406@gmail.com](mailto:morfbc406@gmail.com)

### **First Presbyterian Church**

100 E. Lincolnway Rd.  
 (815) 772-3510  
 Sunday Worship: 10:15 AM (Sept--May)  
 9:30 AM (June—Aug.)  
 Sunday School: 9:00 AM (Sept—May)

### **Morrison Brethren in Christ Church**

209 E. Knox Street  
 (815) 772-4871  
 Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM  
 Sunday School: 9:30 AM  
[www.morrisonbic.org](http://www.morrisonbic.org)

### **Morrison Christian Church**

201 S. Genesee St.  
 (815) 772-4928  
 Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:30 AM

### **Morrison Christian Reformed Church**

300 W. South St.  
 (815) 772-4657  
 Sunday Worship: 9 AM  
 Church School: 10:15 AM  
 Preschool Blast: Wednesdays 9 -10:30 AM



### **Morrison United Methodist Church**

200 W. Lincolnway Rd.  
 (815) 772-4030  
 Saturday Worship: 5:30 PM  
 Sunday Worship: 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM  
 Sunday School: 9:00 AM (Sept—May)  
[morrunc.org](http://morrunc.org)

### **Open Bible Fellowship**

11429 Ward Rd.  
 (815) 772-4098  
 Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May)  
 9:30 AM (June—Aug.)  
 Sunday School: 8:45 AM (Sept—May)  
[www.obfmidwest.org](http://www.obfmidwest.org)

### **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

21496 Hazel Rd  
 (815) 772-4345  
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:00 AM

### **St. Mary's Catholic Church**

13320 Garden Plain Rd.  
 (815) 772-4890  
 Saturday Mass: 5:30 PM  
 Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM

### **St. Peter's Lutheran Church**

601 N. Jackson Street  
 (815) 772-3386  
 Saturday Worship: 5:42 PM  
 Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM  
 Sunday School: 10:45 AM  
[www.stpetersmorrison.com](http://www.stpetersmorrison.com)

## Morrison Area Community Outreach

### Whiteside County Public Transportation

Whiteside County Public Transportation provides service to individuals of all ages who reside in Whiteside County. Transportation is provided to resources throughout the area including hospitals, employments, library, doctor offices, dialysis centers, grocery stores, senior center, banking facilities, utility companies, beauty salons and barber shops, college... anywhere you need to go. Rides must be scheduled 24 hours in advance for local rides and at least 2 days in advance for out of town rides. Out of town rides are based on vehicle availability and director approval. Transportation is available Monday through Friday, 7 AM—4 PM to Morrison, Sterling, and Clinton, IA. Suggested donations and fees are required. With prior approval, Medicaid is accepted at no cost to Medicaid recipients for transportation to medical appointments. Call (815) 625-RIDE(7433) to schedule a ride.

### Whiteside County Health Department

The purpose the Whiteside County Health Department is to provide health services through prevention, early detection and education to county residents regardless of their ability to pay. The branch office at 18929 Lincoln Road, Morrison, oversees the environmental health of the county including food protection, unsanitary complaints, well & septic permits and inspections, landfill inspection, bio terrorism preparedness, tanning facility inspection, and body art. The Morrison office also provides immunizations and Homecare services, helping people heal at home. Contact Homecare at (800) 772-4213. The Rock Falls facility at 1300 W. 2nd Street is home to a Community Health Clinic providing medical, dental, behavioral, and family planning services and public health programs including immunizations, school physicals, WIC services, well child care, communicable diseases, and lead and tuberculosis screenings. Contact Animal Control at 1701 Industrial Park Road, Rock Falls, ph. (815) 625-3507 for assistance with rabies, microchips, dangerous and vicious dogs, humane care laws, dog tags, claiming your dog, reporting and fines for a stray dog, and livestock loss. Hours for Animal Control are M-F 12:00 PM—4:00 PM. Contact the Rock Falls Facility toll free at (866) 230-2230 or (815) 626-2230 and the Morrison Office at (815) 772-7411 M-F from 8:00 AM—4:30 PM.

### Morrison Friends Food Pantry

The pantry is located at the United Methodist Church at 203 W. Knox. The pantry is open every Thursday from 7:30 AM – 9:30 AM and offers canned food, commodities, toiletries, and donations from the community. Recipients are eligible once every month and must be a resident of Morrison, IL. Income guidelines apply. Call (815) 772-3169 for more information.

### Golden Meals

Home delivered meals are nutritious meals delivered daily to homebound older adults. Each meal provides one-third of the Dietary Reference Intakes. Frozen meals can be requested for holidays and weekends. Sack lunches for the evening meal may also be requested. Call (815) 626-4442 to schedule deliveries to your home.

### Senior Meals

For those 60+ seniors and guests, meals are served Monday through Friday at the Morrison Community Hospital, 303 N. Jackson Street, Morrison, IL. Doors open at 11:15 AM and food is served at 11:30 AM. Fee required. Call (815) 772-4003 for more information.

### Other Outreach Providers:

#### Bethesda Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Morrison Diet Club: Tues at 4:30 – 5:30 PM – Provides support for those wanting to lose weight – (low weekly & joining fees)

#### Crossroads Community Church

Celebrate Recovery: Mon at 6 PM – 8 PM – Safe and confidential support designed to help overcome hurts, hang-ups, and habits.

Feed the Children: Summer Months - Tues, Wed, Thu at 11:30 – 12:30 – Kids get a free lunch

Back Pack Mission: Provides backpacks to school children

Bridge Ministry: Takes donations of household items (furniture & appliances) to give to those in need

#### Ebenezer Reformed Church

Thanksgiving Dinner: Thanksgiving Day at Noon

#### Emmanuel Reformed Church

Walking Ministry: Mon – Fri from 5:30 AM – 9:30 AM – Church gymnasium open to walkers

#### Episcopal Church of St. Anne

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Meetings: Sun at 6 PM & Thu at 7:30 PM

#### First Presbyterian Church

Community Meals: Last Thursday of the Month at 5 PM

#### Morrison Christian Reformed Church

Preschool Kids Blast: September thru May – Wed at 9 – 10:30 AM

Community Breakfast: Spring & Fall – Thursdays – (Food pantry donation)

#### Morrison United Methodist Church

Site of Morrison Food Pantry & Community Preschool

Coats for Kids: October – Coat collection and distribution

Helping Hands: December – Christmas gift collection and distribution for children in need

#### Open Bible Fellowship

Site of the Head Start Program

#### St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Weight Watchers: Monday at 5 PM

Emergency Shelter: For residents in the event of a disaster.

## Local Resource Directory

### ADOPTION

CATHOLIC CHARITIES..... 815-625-6945  
DEPT. OF CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES..... 815-625-7594

### CHILD/HEALTH/NUTRITION/DEVELOPMENT

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS..... 815-625-0333  
CGH MEDICAL CENTER ..... 815-625-0400  
EARLY CHILDHOOD PARENTING..... 815-625-1495  
HEAD START ..... 815-625-7830  
MORRISON DAY CARE CENTER..... 815-772-3707  
• AFTER SCHOOL CLUB..... 815-772-2153  
MORRISON PRESCHOOL..... 815-772-4032  
WHITESIDE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
• MORRISON ..... 815-772-7411  
• ROCK FALLS..... 815-626-2230  
SELF-HELP ENTERPRISES ..... 815-626-3115  
STATE OF IL HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES ..... 815-625-4045  
STERLING/ROCK FALLS YMCA..... 815-535-9622  
U OF I EXTENSION ..... 815-772-4075

### COUNSELING

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES ..... 815-626-7333  
MORRISON MINISTER'S COUNCIL..... 815-772-3890  
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES ..... 815-772-3626  
SINNISSIPPI CENTERS..... 815-284-6611

### DRUG & ALCOHOL ABUSE/PREVENTIONS

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES ..... 815-626-7333  
SINNISSIPPI CENTERS..... 800-242-7642

### ENERGY/TRANSPORTATION AID

SALVATION ARMY..... 815-625-1622  
TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL..... 800-323-5434  
WHITESIDE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ..... 815-622-9230

### EMERGENCY AID

AMERICAN RED CROSS ..... 815-625-0382  
FISH..... 815-626-1734  
GOODWILL CLOTHING..... 815-625-1740  
MORRISON FOOD PANTRY..... 815-772-3169  
SALVATION ARMY..... 815-772-2017  
TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL..... 800-323-5434

### EMPLOYMENT

DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES ..... 815-625-8885  
JOB SERVICE..... 815-625-1970  
SELF HELP..... 815-625-3115  
PARTNERS FOR EMPLOYMENT ..... 815-625-7941  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ..... 815-625-2313

### FAMILY PLANNING

WHITESIDE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT .....815-772-7411

### FAMILY VIOLENCE

CHILD NEGLECT & ABUSE HOTLINE .....800-252-2873  
CITIZENS OPPOSED TO VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS

- HOTLINE .....815-626-7277
- NON-EMERGENCY.....815-625-0343

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES .....815-626-7333  
SINNISSIPPI CENTERS.....800-242-7642  
STERLING ROCK FALLS YWCA .....815-625-0333

### FINANCIAL AID

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AID.....815-626-4957  
SOCIAL SECURITY .....815-625-7301  
TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL.....800-323-5434

### HOUSING

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT .....815-772-7494  
WHITESIDE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY .....815-625-0581

### LAW ENFORCEMENT

CRIME STOPPERS .....815-625-7867  
CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE .....815-772-5194  
D.A.R.E. ....815-772-7650  
ILLINOIS STATE POLICE HEADQUARTERS.....815-632-4010  
MORRISON POLICE DEPARTMENT.....815-772-7659  
WHITESIDE COUNTY SHERIFF.....815-772-4044

### LEGAL ASSISTANCE

APRIL HOUSE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER.....815-772-8663  
LAWYER REFERRAL.....800-252-8916  
LEGAL AID.....815-625-7409  
PRAIRIE STATE LEGAL SERVICES .....309-794-1328

### PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

BI-COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION .....815-622-0858  
DEPT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES .....815-625-8885  
DIVISION OF SPECIALIZED CARE FOR CHILDREN .....815-987-7571  
NORTHERN IL CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING .....815-625-7860  
SELF-HELP ENTERPRISES.....815-626-3115

### SELF-HELP GROUPS

ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME .....815-772-7411  
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS .....815-772-4821  
CHOLESTEROL SUPPORT GROUP .....815-772-7491  
DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP .....815-772-7491  
HOSPICE.....815-626-9242  
RAINBOW SUPPORT GROUP.....815-772-3848

### SHELTER

FIREHOUSE OF GOD MINISTRIES.....815-622-9490  
PADS.....815-626-2210

## ANNUAL EVENTS

**Easter Egg Hunt**—The excitement begins with the arrival of the Easter Bunny for this annual event sponsored by the Morrison Kiwanis and High School Key Club, held the Saturday before Easter Sunday at Kiwanis Park, west of the baseball field on North Genesee Street. Hunts are held for children age 2 and under; 3 to 4; 5 to 6; and 7 to 9. Bring your own container and a camera for photos with the big bunny. There is no rain date.

**Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony**—Held on Memorial Day to honor our Veterans, the parade begins on Main Street and proceeds to Grove Hill Cemetery for a patriotic ceremony.

**Morrison Farmers' Market**—Locally grown, fresh produce is available at the Morrison Farmers' Market, which opens the middle of May and runs until the end of September, approximately. Open every Saturday from 8 AM—11 AM, rain or shine, the market is located at 204 E. Lincolnway (Route 30) behind Whiteside County Court Services. Further information on the market and vendor inquiries can be made by visiting [morrisonfarmersmarket.com](http://morrisonfarmersmarket.com).

**Firecracker Weekend**—Located at 13524 Black Road, the Bike Barn is home to off-road racing events for M/C's, ATV's, 4x4 Trucks, and Demolition Derby's such as the annual "Firecracker Weekend" held on 4th of July Weekend featuring Bogs, Drags, MotoX and a fireworks display.

**Back to School Bash**—The Morrison Chamber of Commerce sponsors this annual event where businesses exhibit and host games for kids. Students pre-k through High School can register to win 1 of 25 backpacks which are given away at the end of the event. Check [www.morrisonchamber.com](http://www.morrisonchamber.com) for more information.

**The Whiteside County Fair**—The annual county fair, held every August at the fairgrounds in Morrison, IL, starts and ends with a bang, with the crowd-pleasing demolition derbies grandstand events. The fair provides something for everyone, young and old alike including a carnival and midway attractions, a petting zoo, and grandstand events including harness racing and bull riding competitions. Check [www.whitesidecountyfair.org](http://www.whitesidecountyfair.org) for more information or phone the Secretary's Office at (815) 772-7329.

**Whiteside County Sheriff's Department Youth Fishing Derby**—Held the Saturday after Labor Day at Morrison Rockwood State Park, 18750 Lake Road, Morrison. Children 15 and younger may participate, with registration starting at 8:30 AM. It's not necessary to catch a fish to be eligible to win one of the many prizes awarded. Visit [www.whiteside.org](http://www.whiteside.org) or call (815) 772-4044 for info.

**Harvest Hammer**—The third Saturday in September, starting at 8:00 AM, the Harvest Hammer event is held at the Morrison High School. The major race event, sponsored by Morrison Rotary, includes a Duathlon for men and women; a Children's Fun Run for children 5th grade and under; a 1-mile challenge run for 5th-8th grad students; and a 5k run/walk for all. Call (815) 772-3249 or online at [www.harvesthammer.org](http://www.harvesthammer.org) for more information.

**Paint the Town**—Morrison's downtown is transformed into hundreds of works of art and self-expression during this popular CAPA sponsored event, held the third Saturday in September. Painting begins at noon on Saturday and streets remain closed on Sunday for viewing. Entertainment, street musicians, food, and live bands add to the festivities. Call City of Morrison at (815) 772-7657 or visit [www.paintthetownmorrison.com](http://www.paintthetownmorrison.com).

**The Moose Run**—October 24th-25th, the Bike Barn, 13524 Black Road, is home to the nationally known Round 10 of the OMA National Off-Road Racing Series. For more information and other events call (815) 778-3641 or visit [omanationals.com](http://omanationals.com), or [peatmonster.net](http://peatmonster.net).

**Halloween Parade**—Held the Saturday before Halloween, Ghouls, Goblins, Princesses, Witches, Super Heroes and more converge on downtown Morrison. Line-up for the parade begins at Community State Bank with the parade proceeding down Main Street to the Post Office. The first 200 registrants receive treat bags and prizes are awarded for best costumes. Contact the Morrison Chamber of Commerce at (815) 772-3757. Parade is held, rain or shine. Sponsored by the Chamber and Cottonwood 4-H Club. (Rain location: Morrison Jr. High)

**Christmas Walk**—The first Saturday in December, Morrison celebrates a "Hometown Christmas" with a lighted parade, window displays, church suppers, holiday entertainment, and Santa visits. Call the Morrison Chamber of Commerce for more information, (815) 772-3757.

**PTO Craft Fair and Bake Sale**—Held the first Saturday in December from 8:30 AM to 2 PM at the Southside Elementary School, 100 Academic Dr., Morrison. Admission is free and a lunch stand is provided. Contact Southside School at (815) 772-2183.

## Morrison Recreation



The City of Morrison offers various programs through the City Recreation Program and Morrison Sports Complex. Registration information is published in the Whiteside News sentinel; the City's website, [www.morrisonil.org](http://www.morrisonil.org); the PEG Channel (channel 18 Mediacom); and [www.thecity1.com](http://www.thecity1.com). When the program involves the children in the community, registration information is distributed through the school district and nursery schools and day cares. For answers to questions call City Hall at (815) 772-7657, or Sports Complex Director Jim DuBois at (815) 535-1105, at the Sports Complex at (815)



772-6139 or email at [jdubois@morrisonil.org](mailto:jdubois@morrisonil.org).

- **Winter Intramural Basketball Program**—Runs December through February: Program is for 1st through 8th Grades; Boys and Girls.
- **Youth Wrestling Winter Program**—Runs December through March: Program is for 1st through 8th grades; Boys and Girls.
- **Women's Volleyball Leagues**—Begins September or October: Program is for women wanting to play volleyball one time per week for several weeks.
- **Men's Basketball**—Runs during winter months: Available to men (graduated from high school) looking to play some basketball once a week.
- **Table Tennis League**—Runs January through March: Available to anyone interested in playing some table tennis on Monday evenings.
- **Youth T-Ball League**—Runs Mid-May through Mid-July: Program is for age 5 by May 1 and no older than age 9 by April 30 of the current year; Boys and Girls.
- **Fall Adult Leagues**—Runs September through October: Coed Softball, Coed Kickball, and Men's Softball: Open to 16 years and older.
- **Deep Water Aquacise Classes**—Runs October through March: Classes are held three times per week in the mornings.

### Basketball – Intramural

(815) 772-3890

### LeAnn's Dance Connection

(815) 772-7770

### Morrison Youth Wrestling

(815) 499-4393

### Basketball - Mens

(815) 772-3890

### Midwest Derby Divas

(563) 370-9973

### Motocross/4 Wheel Riding

(815) 778-3641

### B-Fit

(815) 704-2049

### Model Aircraft Flyers

(815) 625-4161

### Open Hand Self-Defense

(815) 718-3994

### Bowling - Hilltop Lanes

(815) 772-2217

### Morrison Fall Soccer League

(815) 535-1105

### Table Tennis League

(815) 772-7668

### The Cage (Hitting, Pitching, Driving)

(815) 441-8566

### Morrison T-Ball

(815) 535-1105

### Tri-City Riders

(815) 631-5310

### City of Morrison Recreation Program

(815) 772-7657

### Morrison Youth Baseball & Softball

(815) 499-8922 or (815) 440-1218

### Yoga Classes

(815) 772-4473

### Grand Squares Dancing

(815) 772-2785

### Morrison Seahorses Swim Club

(815) 772-4130

### Hunting & Clay Range

(815) 772-3394

### Morrison Junior Tackle Football

(563) 249-5564

### Jennifer's Dance Center

(815) 772-4108

### Morrison Sportsmen's Club

(309) 887-4131

## Morrison Parks

**Morrison Sports Complex**, is located on the east edge of town along Route 30 and the intersection of Bishop Road. The 35 acre park features four fast-pitch softball/little league diamonds, one baseball diamond, and a junior tackle and football field. A sledding area, nature trail, and a walking path connecting with North Jackson Street are also planned.

**Waterworks Park** has 12.4 acres and offers a baseball diamond, sand volleyball courts, tennis courts, a playground, sledding, and a picnic area. A dog park is in the planning stages. Waterworks Park is located on the south side of Morrison on W. Winfield Street. For the non-traditionalists, there is the professionally designed 9-hole Frisbee Golf Course at **Kelly Park**. This park has 3.4 acres and is located adjacent to Grove Hill Cemetery, just off of E. High Street. Tennis courts, a playground, a walking path, and a picnic area can also be found at Kelly Park.

**Kiwanis Park**, located on N. Genesee Street, is 1/2 acre with playground equipment, picnic area, and Rolle Bolle court. It is also the home of the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

**French Creek Park** provides an .84 mile walking path amongst prairie grasses and the French Creek. It also boasts soccer fields, a playground, a picnic area and the Morrison Community Garden. It's also ideal for flying a kite.

If you are looking for a great place to have lunch outdoors in Morrison's historic downtown district,

**Robert A. Millikan Park** is the place. Named for Morrison's own Robert A. Millikan, who won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1923, this park planted in wildflowers is a delightful addition to the downtown.

The **Veteran's Park and Memorial**, located on East High Street by Grove Hill Cemetery, provides a tranquil spot to consider the sacrifices made by Morrison area veterans.

**Morrison Rockwood Recreation Trail** is a scenic bicycle and walking trail, connecting the City of Morrison to the entrance of Rockwood State Park.

## Morrison High School Facilities

643 Genesee

**Swimming Pool: (815) 772-7570**

**Auditorium Rental: (815) 772-2064**

Open Swim Hours (Follows the School Calendar)

TuTh 7:00—9:00 PM

Lap Swim Hours (Follows the School Calendar)

MWF 5:30—7:30 AM

Open Swim Summer Hours

MTuWTh 7:00—9:00 PM

Lap Swim Summer Hours

MTuWThF 5:30—7:30 AM

\*Swimming Lessons and Open Swim for Competitive Swimmers available during the summer months.

## Morrison Rockwood State Park

18750 Lake Road

Morrison, IL 61270

(815) 772-4708

Park Office Hours: M—F 8—4

The Morrison-Rockwood State Park is comprised of 1,164 acres, located north of Morrison in Whiteside County. The park was established in 1971 and is named for the city of Morrison and a combination of nearby Rock Creek and the heavily wooded park area -- Rockwood. Lake Carlton, a focal point of the park, is a watershed impoundment which was constructed in 1969 by building a 38-foot high, 1,800-foot long earthen dam across a stream. The lake was named in memory of L. Carlton Anderson, a local citizen, who actively promoted the park and was an important civic and conservation leader.



While at the park, be sure to visit one of the picnic areas -- all equipped with tables and outdoor stoves. Lakeview picnic area offers a beautiful view overlooking Lake Carlton. A pavilion with a

fireplace adds to the rustic atmosphere here. Electricity is available for those wanting a more modern facility. This shelter, along with the shelter at Cedar Ridge can be reserved for large groups or family reunions.

Ninety-two camping sites are available in heavily wooded areas of the park. Each site has electricity, grill and a table. A shower building with flush toilets is available from May 1st through October 31st. Register at site.

Lake Carlton provides one of the best fishing spots in Illinois. Its average depth is 12 foot, with a maximum depth of 27 foot. Anglers may catch largemouth bass, black crappie, Rock bass, channel catfish, redear sunfish, bluegill, muskie and walleye. In addition to shoreline fishing, there are nine piers which are designated for fishermen. Held in June, Illinois Free Fishing Days (no license required) is a great time to learn or teach fishing. A two-lane concrete boat ramp allows easy access to Lake Carlton. Outboard motors are restricted to 10 HP and under and all boats with motors are to be operated under "no wake" speeds to protect the shoreline from wave erosion. An area is provided for private boat dockage for a small fee through the concessionaire.

The trails at Rockwood offer many scenic views of the lake as it winds through the park including an equestrian 14-mile trail, which features a watering well and an overnight camping site with shelter. An archery range is also available. Another amenity you will find at the park is a concession facility that offers a vast array of fishing tackle, boat rentals, bait sales, and a dining area that offers breakfast, lunch and dinner and their famous Friday Night Fish Fry. Rockwood Restaurant and Marina is open April 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup> (weather permitting) from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM (Friday and Saturday until 8:00 PM). Contact the restaurant at (815) 772-3613.

## **Morrison Farmers' Market**

[www.morrisonfarmersmarket.com](http://www.morrisonfarmersmarket.com)

Locally grown, fresh produce is available at the Morrison Farmers' Market. The market, which opens in the middle of May and runs until the first Saturday in October, is open every Saturday from 8 am—11 am, rain or shine. It is located at 204 E. Lincolnway (Route 30) behind Whiteside County Court Services. The market offers fresh produce,



baked goods, locally produced meat products, eggs, flowers & plants, and works by local artisans. Shoppers can also enjoy fresh coffee and cold drinks, while listening to various entertainers performing at the market. Vendor

rates are available weekly or seasonally. Further information on the market and vendor inquiries can be calling (815) 772-4874.

## **The Whiteside Forum**

The Whiteside Forum began with a vision of a small group of people interested in a non-partisan, independent, not-for-profit organization, with their goal, the Forum's purpose: "to provide an ongoing forum for education and discussion of timely international issues so people may act in more informed and reasonable ways." To that end, Forum subjects have been chosen by a steering committee which always considers suggestions from people who attend the Forum.

Speakers have represented various levels of national and international governments; businesses and industry; labor and management; issues-oriented groups; religious; scientific, academic and personal views. Topics that have been addressed include nuclear weapons, immigration, globalization, healthcare, Cuba, Europe, terrorism, and global hunger.

The organization is supported entirely by individual, special, and business contributions, and all events are free and open to the public. Call (815) 772-4949 for information.

## **University of Illinois Extension Carroll, Lee, & Whiteside Counties**

12923 Lawrence Road

Sterling, IL 61081

(815)632-3611

[web.extension.illinois.edu/clw](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/clw)

The Carroll, Lee, and Whiteside Unit of the Illinois Extension gives residents a local link to the University of Illinois. Educators provide training and expertise in a variety of areas including agriculture and natural resources, community and economic development, family life, money matters, nutrition and health, youth development, horticulture and the Master Gardeners program. The 4-H program reaches out to the youth of the community giving them life skills in leadership, communication, and citizenship. University of Illinois Extension provides educational programs and unbiased research-based information to help Illinois residents improve their quality of life, develop skills, and solve problems by "helping you put knowledge to work."

## **Whiteside County Soil & Water Conservation District**

16255 Liberty Street

Morrison, IL 61270

(815)772-2124

[www.whitesidecountyswcd.com](http://www.whitesidecountyswcd.com)

The function of the Whiteside County Soil & Water Conservation District is to take available technical, financial, and educational resources, whatever their source, and focus or coordinate them so that they meet the needs of the local land user for conservation of soil, water and related resources. The Whiteside Natural Area Guardians are volunteers dedicated to preserving, restoring, and managing remaining natural areas and their flora and fauna in Whiteside County. Among their accomplishments are providing scholarships, helping landowners deal with natural land management, and taking part in River Watch to monitor systems in Whiteside County. The Natural Area Guardians meet on the second Thursday of each month. Summer meetings are at various locations in conjunction with field trips or work projects.

**Whiteside County Government**  
**200 E. Knox Street**  
**Morrison, IL 61270**  
**(815) 772-5100**  
[www.whiteside.org](http://www.whiteside.org)

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| Administrator                | (815) 772-5100 |
| Animal Control               | (815) 625-3507 |
| Circuit Clerk                | (815) 772-5188 |
| County Clerk                 | (815) 772-5189 |
| Collector                    | (815) 772-5196 |
| Coroner                      | (815) 772-5274 |
| Court Services               | (815) 772-5190 |
| Court Services - Juvenile    | (815) 772-5276 |
| Economic Development         | (815) 772-5182 |
| Health Department            | (815) 772-7411 |
| Highway Department           | (815) 772-7651 |
| Jury Commission              | (815) 772-5181 |
| Management Services          | (815) 772-5101 |
| Planning & Zoning            | (815) 772-5175 |
| Public Defender              | (815) 772-5191 |
| Public Works Department      | (815) 772-7651 |
| Recorder                     | (815) 772-5192 |
| Regional Office of Education | (815) 625-1495 |
| Sheriff's Department         | (815) 772-4044 |
| State's Attorney             | (815) 772-5194 |
| Supervisor of Assessments    | (815) 772-5195 |
| Treasurer                    | (815) 772-5196 |



**Tips on Writing Your Legislator**

It's usually best to send letters to the representative from your local Congressional District or the senators from your state. Your vote helps elect them -- or not -- and that fact alone carries a lot of weight. It also helps personalize your letter. Sending the same "cookie-cutter" message to every member of Congress may grab attention but rarely much consideration.

Your letter should address a single topic or issue. Typed, one-page letters are best. Many PACs (Political Action Committees) recommend a three-paragraph letter structured like this: Say why you are writing and who you are. List your "credentials." (If you want a response, you must include your name and address, even when using email.)

Provide more detail. Be factual not emotional. Provide specific rather than general information about how the topic affects you and others. If a certain bill is involved, cite the correct title or number whenever possible. Close by requesting the action you want taken: a vote for or against a bill, or change in general policy.

**Helpful Suggestions**

- DON'T write on a postcard.
- DON'T sign and send a form letter.
- DON'T use vulgarity, profanity, or threats. The first two are just plain rude and the third one can get you a visit from the Secret Service. Simply stated, don't let your passion get in the way of making your point.
- DON'T be vague. Make sure your point gets across and include specific supporting examples.
- DON'T fail to include your name and address.
- DON'T demand a response.

**2011 Municipal Tax Rates**

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| Albany        | 8.2871  |
| Dixon         | 8.9870  |
| Erie          | 6.7080  |
| Fulton        | 8.0280  |
| Galena        | 6.6770  |
| Lyndon        | 9.2524  |
| Milledgeville | 9.7326  |
| Morrison      | 8.7324  |
| Mount Carroll | 10.0930 |
| Oregon        | 8.2902  |
| Port Byron    | 6.9778  |
| Prophetstown  | 9.0009  |
| Rock Falls    | 10.3287 |
| Savanna       | 9.8100  |
| Sterling      | 9.8193  |
| Stockton      | 7.4612  |
| Tampico       | 8.5144  |



## Government

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## Local Township Government

Townships assess real property so it can be taxed fairly; maintain township roads and bridges; and provide general assistance to the poor.

### Clyde Township

Supervisor—Sandy Shetler (815) 772-2143  
 Clerk—Nina M. Rumfelt (815) 772-3204  
 Commissioner—Ray Peterson (815) 772-3612  
 Assessors—Charles Rumfelt (815) 772-3204  
 Trustees—Jean Ridley (815) 772-2314  
 Richard Swanson (815) 772-4546  
 Mark Hill (815) 772-7844  
 Michelle Meurs (815) 772-3560

### Mt. Pleasant Township

Supervisor—B. Craig Gray (815) 772-4876  
 Clerk—Merle Reisenbigler (815) 772-2907  
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 Assessor—Katheryn Hogue (815) 772-8437  
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 Paulette Zaagman (815) 772-2683  
 Marilyn Habben (815) 772-4806  
 Ken Swanson (815) 772-7688

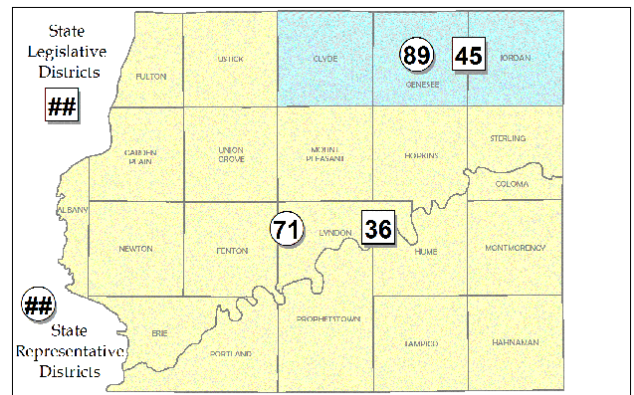
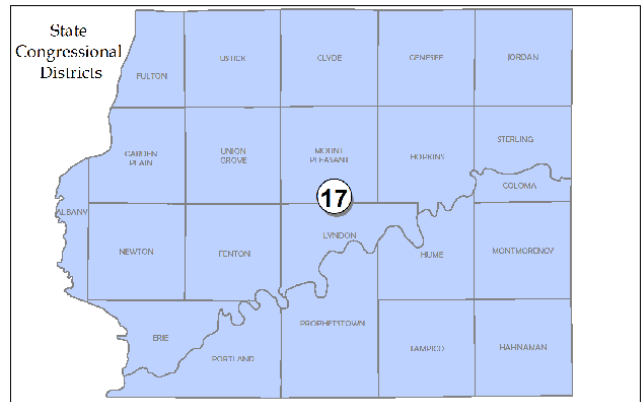
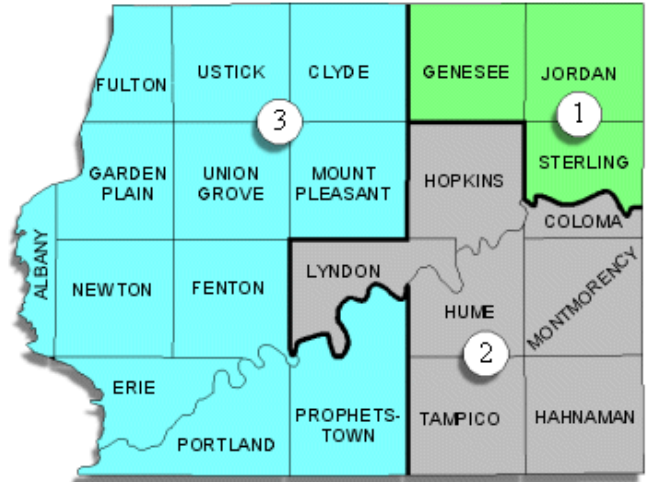
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 Commissioner—Arnold Vegter (815) 772-7768  
 Assessor—Katheryn Hogue (815) 772-8473  
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 Commissioner—Randall Smit (815) 772-3579  
 Assessors—Charles Rumfelt (815) 772-3204  
 Trustees—Albert Lewis (815) 772-2606  
 Gale Toppert (815) 772-4341  
 Ronald Schaver (815) 772-7345  
 James Pessman (815) 772-2027

### Whiteside County Board Districts



## State of Illinois Toll Free Numbers



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| ADOPTION INFORMATION.....                | 800-572-2390 | FOSTER CHILD CARE HOTLINE.....        | 800-624-5437 |
| AGING, SENIOR ASSISTANCE.....            | 800-252-8966 | HUMAN SERVICES, DEPT. OF.....         | 800-843-6154 |
| AIDS HOTLINE.....                        | 800-243-2437 | HEARING AID ACTION LINE.....          | 800-545-2200 |
| ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE.....                 | 800-272-3900 | ILLINOIS HOUSING AUTHORITY.....       | 800-942-8439 |
| AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY.....             | 800-227-2345 | ILLINOIS TOURISM INFORMATION.....     | 800-223-0121 |
| AMTRAK.....                              | 800-872-7245 | INCOME TAX—FEDERAL.....               | 800-829-1040 |
| ARSON HOTLINE.....                       | 800-252-2947 | INCOME TAX—STATE.....                 | 800-732-8866 |
| ARTS COUNCIL OF ILLINOIS.....            | 800-237-6994 | LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION.....          | 800-252-6300 |
| CANCER INFORMATION SERVICE.....          | 800-422-6237 | LITERACY HOTLINE.....                 | 800-321-9511 |
| CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT HOTLINE.....       | 800-252-2873 | LOTTERY INFORMATION.....              | 800-252-1775 |
| CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL.....      | 800-848-8727 | MEDICARE/MEDICAID.....                | 800-633-4227 |
| CHILD SUPPORT ACTION LINE.....           | 800-447-4278 | MISSING CHILDREN HOTLINES.....        | 800-843-5763 |
| CIRCUIT BREAKER.....                     | 800-624-2459 | MOTORCYCLE SAFETY PROJECT.....        | 800-892-9607 |
| CITIZENS UTILITY BOARD.....              | 800-669-5556 | NURSE HELPLINE.....                   | 800-571-8094 |
| CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMM.....        | 800-638-2772 | NURSING HOME INFORMATION & ABUSE..    | 800-252-4343 |
| CONSUMER PROTECTION.....                 | 800-252-2518 | OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY/HEALTH ACT.....   | 800-321-6742 |
| CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE.....             | 800-228-3368 | POACHERS—TO REPORT.....               | 800-252-0163 |
| DENTIST REFERRAL SERVICE.....            | 800-252-2930 | POISON CONTROL.....                   | 800-222-1222 |
| DEPT. OF COMMERCE & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS    |              | PUBLIC AID—FOOD STAMPS.....           | 800-843-6154 |
| .....                                    | 800-252-8955 | PUBLIC HEALTH FAMILY HOTLINE.....     | 800-545-2200 |
| DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE.....                | 800-555-1212 | SECRETARY OF STATE.....               | 800-252-8980 |
| DISABILITIES DETERMINATION SERVICES..... | 800-252-5109 | SOCIAL SECURITY.....                  | 800-772-1213 |
| DRUG & ALCOHOL ABUSE.....                | 800-662-4357 | SUICIDE HOTLINE.....                  | 800-322-1431 |
| EDUCATION SERVICES ILLINOIS OFFICE.....  | 800-252-4822 | STD (SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES) . | 800-252-8989 |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY.....         | 800-782-7860 | TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE.....              | 800-732-8866 |
| ENERGY ASSISTANCE & WEATHERIZATION       | 800-252-8643 | TRANSPORTATION—OVERWEIGHT PERMIT      | 800-252-8636 |
| FEDERAL FLOOD INSURANCE.....             | 800-638-6620 | VETERAN'S BENEFITS.....               | 800-827-1000 |

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| ALBANY.....        | 61230 |
| CHADWICK.....      | 61014 |
| CLINTON, IOWA..... | 52732 |
| CORDOVA.....       | 61242 |
| DIXON.....         | 61021 |
| EAST MOLINE.....   | 61244 |
| ERIE.....          | 61250 |
| FENTON.....        | 61251 |
| FULTON.....        | 61252 |
| LYNDON.....        | 61261 |
| MILLEDGEVILLE..... | 61051 |

## Area Zip Codes



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| MORRISON.....      | 61270 |
| MOUNT CARROLL..... | 61053 |
| OREGON.....        | 61061 |
| POLO.....          | 61064 |
| PORT BYRON.....    | 61275 |
| PROPHETSTOWN.....  | 61277 |
| ROCK FALLS.....    | 61071 |
| SAVANNA.....       | 61074 |
| STERLING.....      | 61081 |
| TAMPICO.....       | 61283 |
| THOMSON.....       | 61285 |

## Morrison Area Dining Guide

### Baked by Liz

119 E. Main Street  
(815) 772-2253  
Mon/Tue/Wed/Friday  
8 am—12 pm  
Sat 8 am—12 pm

### Brick Block Pub

109 W. Main St.  
4 pm—2 AM

### Casey's Pizza

602 E. Lincolnway  
(815) 772-2106  
Delivery 7 Days a Week  
4:30—10 pm

### China House

222A W. Main St.  
(815) 772-8868  
Mon – Fri 10:30 am- 9:30 pm  
Sat – Sun 4 – 9:30 pm

### Co-Z Corner Pizza

401 Tech Drive  
(815) 772-2343

### DQ Grill & Chill

200 N. Sawyer Rd.  
(815) 772-7070  
Mon – Sun 11 am – 10 pm

### Family Chef Restaurant

701 W. Lincolnway  
(815) 772-4785  
Open 7 Days a Week  
Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner

### Fat Boys Bar & Grill

201 E. Main St.  
(815) 772-3978  
Lunch & Dinner Specials

### Forest Inn Restaurant & Lounge

20657 Lincoln Rd.  
(815) 772-4557  
Tues – Sat 4:30 – 10 pm  
Sunday 4 – 9 pm

### Happy Joe's Pizza

109 W. Main St.  
(815) 772-7840  
Mon – Thu 11 am – 10 pm  
Fri – Sat 11 am – 11 pm  
Sunday 4 – 10 pm

### Hero's Tap

208 E. Main St.  
(815) 772-8770  
Mon—Fri 11 am—2 am  
Sat—11 am—2 am  
Sun—12 noon—10 pm

### Kitchen Hours

Mon—Sat 11 am—8:30 pm  
Sun—12—8:30 p.m.

### Isles of Rhodes

111 W. Main St.  
(815) 772-7431  
Sun – Thu 2 pm – 9 pm  
Fri – Sat 2 pm – 11 pm  
Closed Sundays

### KJ's Bar & Grill

115 W. Main St.  
(815) 772-8788  
Breakfast 6:00 – 10:30 am  
Serving Mon – Sat;  
Sun 7:00 – Noon  
Lunch & Dinner Specials

### McDonald's

604 E. Lincolnway  
(815) 772-2210  
Weekends - Open 24 Hours

### Morrison Rockwood Restaurant & Marina

18301 Lake Rd.  
(815) 772-3613  
Open Daily 7 am - 7 pm  
Seasonal

### Morrison Community Hospital

303 N. Jackson St.  
(815)772-5519  
Open Daily  
5:30 am—7 pm

### Movie Magic

633 E. Lincolnway  
Sun-Sat 10 am—10 pm

### Original Taco

123 E. Main St.  
(815) 772-8226  
Mon – Sat 10 am – 10 pm  
Sunday 12 pm – 9 pm

### Subway

412 E. Lincolnway  
(815) 772-7827  
Mon – Fri 7 am– 10 pm  
Sat – Sun 8 am – 10 pm



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living!***

**Agriculture**

**Healthcare**

**Schools**

**Service**

**Sales**

**Recreation**

### **Helpful Suggestions**

- Don't park on the wrong side of the street.
- City streets carry a 25 MPH speed limit. Please drive carefully for the protection of our children.
- Every dog that resides in Whiteside County is required to be registered through the Health Department. This ensures that the dog is currently vaccinated against rabies.
- Please clean up after your pet in public streets, sidewalks, alleys, parkways, and other public places.
- An Illinois drivers license should be secured within 30 days after moving from another state.