

Happy Holidays from WVLS. Cheers to 2017!

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Year End Checklist

- Brag about yourself!
- Send library accomplishments to boards, city, news outlets, social media, WVLS.
- Review your continuing education activities & paperwork for Director Certification.
- · Continue to use email lists for questions and feedback.
- Set a reminder to send meeting agendas and minutes to WVLS.
- Set a reminder to send major accomplishments and projects to WVLS so we can brag about you too!
- Brush up on instructions and what's new for the Annual Report more information coming soon!



Tax Season Tools

Every year patrons come to the library for tax forms and help.

Bookmark the <u>Federal IRS</u> forms page and <u>Wisconsin.gov</u> forms page to help you and your staff find tax forms for patrons faster. If you can, designate a public or catalog computer as the computer for patrons to find and print tax forms for themselves.

Consider printing out Federal and State customer service telephone numbers and website addresses for your patrons to call. <u>Tax season tools.</u>



Courier Best Practices Video

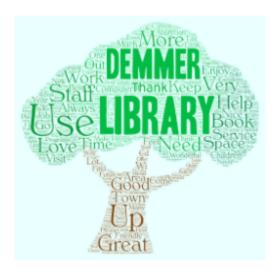
From transit slips to packing blue bins, this video demonstrates preparing library items for courier to the Waltco sorting site. Check out the WVLS YouTube channel for the courier video, workshop recordings, and makerspace videos!



Rib Lake Public Library

Juno's Book Club

Certified therapy dog Juno visits the Rib Lake Public Library each week for <u>Juno's Book Club</u>. Miss Juno listens to children grades 1-5 read to her as they work toward a free book and certificate of completion. See more pictures of Juno's Book Club on the <u>Rib Lake Public Library Facebook Page</u>.



Referendum Passes!

Congratulations Demmer Memorial Library!

Three Lakes voters voted yes on November 8, 2016 to approve a referendum securing \$900,000 in addition to private donations for a new Library! In an update email from Director Erica Brewster said: "And, as usual, the question is: what's next?? There are a lot of questions about what this means for the proposed design, collaboration with the Town Offices, or a proposed start date."



Jan 13 Youth Services Information Exchange: 11-2pm Minocqua
Jan 24-26 Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference 10EU per webinar
Feb 2 Periodic Renewat: 12-2pm Wausau
Feb 16 The All Generation Library; Tpm (Webinar) 10EU
Feb 21 Library Legislative Day: Madison
Peb 23 Big Ideas with an Itty-Bitty Budget: 1pm (Webinar) .5 CEU
Mar 5-11 Teen Tech Week
Mar 7-8 Rhinelander Children's Book Fest 10EU CCBC Book Talk
Mar 15 Way. Li Steining Session: Greenwood 10-12ncon
Mar 16 Hay to Your Strengths: 1pm (Webinar) 1 CEU
Mar 23 Power Up! Teen Leadership in Your Library & Beyond: 1pm (Webinar) 1 CEU
Apr 9-15 National Library Week
Apr 18 Data Into Action: Translating Web Statistics Into To-Dos: 1pm (Webinar) 1 CEU
Apr 26-28 W Association of Public Libraries Conference WAPL TBD
May 2 WU.S. Listening Session: Rhinelander 10-12ncon
May 3 Decoding Databases: 1-3pm (Webinar) 2 CEU NEW/

WVLS Spring 2017 CE Calendar Announced

The <u>Spring WVLS 2017 CE Calendar</u> has been released. Save the date for Youth Services Information Exchange discussions, Listening Sessions, Periodic Renewals, and more! Registration information coming soon. Webinars made possible through a NFLS and WVLS partnership.

Dates To Know

YSIE Youth
Services
Information
Exchange
Minocqua
January 13
10-2pm

ALA Youth Media

Awards

January 23rd

Information

Wild Wisconsin
Winter Web
Conference
Webinars
January 24-27
Register here!



Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference 19 Webinars January 24-26, 2017

Attend 60-minute webinars from powerhouse speakers focusing on public libraries without leaving your library in January! Enjoy tracks of webinars: staff empowerment, tech trends, youth services, small but mighty, and library leadership. All webinars will be recorded. Made possible through a NFLS and WVLS partnership. Register and view the 2016 archives.

Periodic Renewal
Discussion Group
February 2nd
12-3pm
Wausau-WVLS

The All-Generation Library

February 16th
Webinar
1pm
Register

Library Legislative
Day
February 21st
Information



Save the Date for State Library Legislative Day 2017

February 21, 2017

Library Legislative Day held at the state capitol in Madison, is an annual opportunity for librarians and citizen library advocates throughout the state to meet with legislators and legislative staff members in support of 2017-2019 state budget requests for regional and local library services, and other library related issues. Relationship building begins at home where frequent ongoing advocacy contacts in legislative districts is encouraged throughout the year to demonstrate the ways in which "Libraries Transform." An annual WVLS scholarship up to \$400 is available for a librarian, trustee or friend to attend Library Legislative Day for the first time. Find highlights from 2016 Library Legislative Day here. Email kawendt@wvls.org for more information.







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