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Resources from the Wisconsin Valley Library Service

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Banned Books Week

September 24-30

Banned Books Week highlights the value of free and open access to information. Find free Banned Books Week program [ideas and resources from ALA](#): bookmarks, posters, social media images, display ideas, and virtual Read-Out videos! Check out ALA's [Top 10 Most Challenged Books of 2016 infographic!](#)

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month

Is your library celebrating National Library Card Sign-up Month? ALA provides free downloadable program ideas, artwork and more. [Teen Titans are Honorary Chairs for Library Card Sign-up Month 2017!](#) As honorary chairs, DC's Teen Titans will remind parents, caregivers and students that signing up for a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning.



W I S C O N S I N
P L S R
PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
REDESIGN PROJECT

**PLSR Regional Meetings: Marathon County Public Library
Friday September 22nd, 1-3pm**

Join members of the PLSR Steering Committee as they offer an update on the [Public Library System Redesign project](#) at the Marathon County Public Library-Wausau location. Library and System **directors, staff, and trustees** are all welcome to attend these meetings. Browse the PLSR website for [project information](#) and [updates on workgroup](#) service models. Bring questions and feedback to this town hall-style conversation. [Subscribe for PLSR email updates.](#)

Dates to Know

Webinars are made possible through a
partnership with [NFLS](#).

**ALA Conference At-a-Glance: WVLS
Scholarship Winners Report**

Webinar, Sep 19 @1pm

Denise and Debbie of the Rhinelander District Library will report on sessions and resources from the ALA National Conference in Chicago. [Webinar information.](#)



Developing Inclusive Library Services for Teens with Disabilities

Webinar, Sep 20 @ 10am

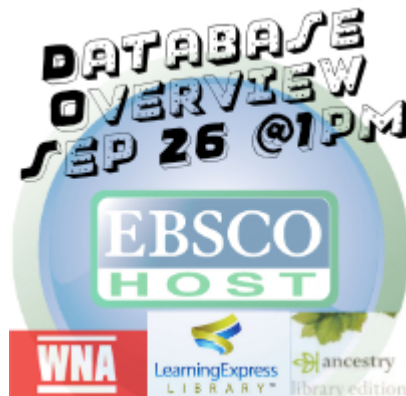
Renee Grassi will discuss developing a plan to welcome teens with disabilities into your library: collections and technologies, innovative program ideas, outreach and forging partnerships in the community. [Information and registration.](#)



Database Overview

Webinar, Sep 26 @ 1pm

A walk through databases such as LearningExpress Library, AncestryLibrary, EBSCOhost, Archive of WI Newspapers, and more! [Information and registration.](#)



WVLS Youth Services Workshop

Workshop, Dec 12 @ 9-3:30pm

Marathon County Public Library-Wausau School and public youth librarians from all Wisconsin public library systems are welcome! Sessions include: Flipping Your Space and Flashing Your NF, What Does It Mean to Be Inclusive?, Wisconsin Coding Initiative Update. [Information and registration.](#)



October 5th, 2017

Director's Retreat

Wisconsin Valley Library Service

WVLS Director's Retreat: Have you registered yet?

Oct 5th, 9-3:30pm at the Tribute Golf Course and Bunkers Bar & Grill in Wausau, WI

Discussion sessions, activities, comradery, and high-powered speakers!

This event is open to public library directors in Wisconsin. **Space is limited, reserve your spot today!** The WVLS Director's Retreat is a bi-annual event that gathers all WVLS and neighboring directors for a day of learning, sharing, and inspiration.

[Information and registration.](#)

News From WVLS Libraries



Hear ye! Hear ye!

The Demmer Design and Construction Committee has selected Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction, Inc., and planning has begun for the library expansion!

Congratulations Demmer Memorial Library team!

Resources You Should Know About

PICK A "TYPICAL WEEK" TO TALLY STATISTICS IN OCTOBER



Have you scheduled your library's annual survey week during October to collect data for the annual report? The annual report requires an annual count of reference transactions and all public computer uses. If your library does not keep an annual count of reference transactions and a count of all public internet computer uses, your library needs to schedule a survey week to "count transactions during a typical week." [More information.](#)

Coming Soon!

Webinar: ALA Conference At-a-Glance September 19th, 1pm
PLSR Regional Meeting: MCPL-Wausau September 22nd, 1-3pm
WVLS Director's Retreat October 5th

We'd love to hear from you!

Comments or questions? Is there something awesome happening at your library? Email Anne Hamland at comm.coordinator@wvls.org.



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