



1. New Partnership

WVLS is excited to announce a new partnership with the [Northern Waters Library Service](#).

Sherry Machones, Director of NWLS, will be serving as the Inclusive Services Consultant for both systems. Sherry has worked extensively in the area of Inclusive Services and is currently an [American Library Association GLBTRT](#) (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Round Table) Executive Board Member. She is also the President-Elect for ALA's [ASCLA](#) (Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies), which specializes in accessibility issues in libraries.

Jamie Matczak, Education Consultant of WVLS, will be serving as the Continuing Education & Training Consultant for both systems. Jamie has done continuing education programming in library systems for 12 years, and has coordinated the popular [Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference](#) for the last six years. In 2018, she created [Digital Bytes](#), bite-sized trainings that are 30 minutes or less, and can be viewed at any time.

What does this partnership mean for WVLS and NWLS member libraries? Watch the [following promotional video](#).

Questions about this new partnership can be directed to Marla Sepnafski, at 715-261-7251 or msepnafski@wvls.org.

2. WPLC News

- Please review funding model drafts for the 2020 Wisconsin Digital Library budget drafted by the [WPLC Steering Committee](#). **All models advocate for increasing the Wisconsin Digital Library budget in 2020**, which would translate to an increase in every library's share. Review the models here: [Potential models for an annual increase for the WPLC Buying Pool/Holds ReductionAmount](#). Please send your feedback to your WPLC Steering Committee Representative Dominic Frandrup at director@antigopl.org and Anne Hamland at ahamland@wvls.org.
- Would your library be **interested in a product to feature local musical artists** from Wisconsin [similar to the Indie Wisconsin Collection](#)? There has not been a cost presented. Please send your

WPLC Steering Committee Representative Dominic Frandrup at director@antigopl.org and Anne Hamland at ahamland@wvls.org.

- I recently contacted OverDrive to an ETA regarding Libby for Kindle Fires (in the Amazon App Store). We, and our patrons, have been waiting for some time! OverDrive shared that it's entirely in Amazon's hands right now and there is no word on when we will see the Libby app in the Amazon App Store. However, in the meantime, if users want to use Libby on their Kindle Fire they still can without the app by visiting <https://libbyapp.com> in their browser. From there, the experience is exactly the same as the app and they can either read in their browser or send their Kindle checkouts to their Kindle app to read from there. Thanks for your patience! I'll keep you updated if news comes along. - *Andi Coffin, WiLS*

3. July WVLS Newsletter

Now Available [on the WVLS website](#). Features include:

- TEACH Grants Awarded to WVLS Libraries
- I & C Grants Awarded
- MCPL Unveils Early Literacy Center
- Crandon Library Rocks
- Dots & DVDs
- New Partnership
- Trustee Training Week Set for August

4. State News

- [See the blog post](#) on Wisconsin Libraries are for Everyone on Biblioboard.
- [BadgerLink Procurement Update](#)

5. Gale Courses Webinar/Recording and Survey (Repeat)

If you missed the webinar on touring Gale Courses, you can [view the recording](#). There is a repeat webinar coming up at 1 p.m. on July 11, and you can [join the webinar here](#).

Once you view the recording or webinar, WVLS would appreciate your feedback by [completing a short survey](#).

Questions about the Gale Courses/webinar/survey can be directed to Anne Hamland at 715-839-5082 ext. 127, or ahamland@wvls.org.

Have a fantastic 4th of July!

