



## 1. WVLS Gale Courses Launch

Gale Courses for WVLS member libraries will have a go-live launch date of November 1.

To prepare for this launch, WVLS is offering a “Gale Courses Launch Workshop” from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 on Tuesday, October 16 at WVLS.

[Register to attend the workshop in person.](#)

[Register to attend the workshop via GotoMeeting.](#)

## 2. More Continuing Education This Week

- **Apps and Beyond:** A webinar at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17. [Register here.](#)
- **CCBC Shorts:** A (Brief) Monthly Look at New Fiction Books for Children & Teens at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, October 17. [Register here.](#)

## 3. Recent Digital Lites

- [Award-Winning Author To Visit Greenwood](#)
- [Author/Illustrator Award Application Open](#)

## 4. NEW Digital Byte

How do we get along with colleagues that we don't always see eye to eye with? Jamie talks about some solutions in the [latest Digital Byte on “Challenging Colleagues.”](#)

## 5. Registration Open for “Power Up”

Registration is now open for Power Up: A Conference in Leadership for Youth Services Managers and Staff. The conference is scheduled for March 28-29, 2019 in Madison, Wisconsin.

Join for two days filled with presentations from leaders in youth services, with an opening keynote address by Andrew Medlar (Director of BookOps for New York Public Library and Brooklyn Public Library), and a closing keynote address by Dr. Sarah Park Dahlen (Associate Professor, MLIS program, St. Catherine University).

Ten scholarships are available, which will fully cover the conference registration fee (\$300) for each winner.

[Full schedule, registration, scholarship info, and other details available here.](#)

## 6. State News

- The PLSR Steering Committee will meet from 1 - 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16. [Here is the agenda and link to log in to the meeting.](#)
- [Google Communities for Libraries](#) Update
- On September 28, 2018, President Trump signed the fiscal year 2019 budget into law. The budget includes a \$2 million increase for the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) from the prior year budget for a total of \$242 million. [Read More.](#)
- [US Newsstream Now Available](#) via Badgerlink

## 7. Games in Libraries Accepting Proposals

The [Games in Libraries Conference](#), a one-day conference devoted to looking at the intersection of games and libraries, is [now accepting presentation proposals](#).

The conference will be held in Eau Claire, WI on May 31, 2019 at UW-Eau Claire's McIntyre Library. It will be free to attend. Registration will open up in early 2019 after the conference schedule has been finalized. Additional information can be found [on the conference website](#). Please contact Eric Jennings ([jenninge@uwec.edu](mailto:jenninge@uwec.edu)) with your questions.

## 8. Schedule a "Tally Week" This October (Repeat)

Have you scheduled your library's annual survey week this 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." See pages 14-15 of the [Wisconsin Public Library Annual Report: Instructions](#) for more instructions on survey week and definitions for a reference transactions, public internet computers and catalog computers. See the [August 2014 Channel Weekly](#) for directions on [October Tally Week](#).

