



1. WVLS Gale Courses Launch

Gale Courses will go live to library patrons on Thursday, November 1. Last week's workshop was [recorded for viewing](#).

You can also familiarize yourself with the [marketing materials we have available on the WVLS website](#). [Check out our video on Powtoon](#) on the launch. (You need [Adobe Flash](#) to view).

2. Order Your 2019 WISCAT License

It's time to order a 2019 WISCAT license! A license remains \$200 per calendar year per library code for access to all WISCAT functionality. To learn more about WISCAT, visit our [WISCAT Licensing](#) page. To place an order, please use the [online order form](#). [Read more...](#)

3. Tally Week - Library Visits

We have put reminders in the last few Monday Mentions about scheduling your library's annual survey week to collect data for the annual report.

This should also include a tally for library visits, or people who enter your library. If your library does not have a door counter, you should also schedule a week to tally library visits.

See the [August 2014 Channel Weekly](#) for directions on [October Tally Week](#).

4. Listening Session in Westboro

The final WVLS Listening Session of 2018 will be held from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Westboro Public Library on Tuesday, Nov. 13. We invite WVLS member library directors or a proxy to have an informal conversation and ask questions of WVLS Staff. Refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP with Jamie Matczak at jmatczak@wvls.org or 920-455-0668.

5. Contribute to Library Flooding Recovery

Many have asked how they can contribute to the recovery of Wisconsin libraries affected by the recent

flooding. For those of you attending the WLA Annual Conference in La Crosse, a container for contributions will be located near the registration area. If you are not able to attend the conference but would still like to contribute to this cause, you may send those funds to the WLA office at 4610 Biltmore Lane, Suite 100, Madison, WI 53718. Please include a note indicating this purpose.

The WLA Foundation has agreed to support this cause by matching total WLA contributions. Thanks to all of you for your concern and generosity.

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WLA Executive Director

6. WPLC Updates

- There is a new WPLC brochure that you might find handy for your staff and for members of your library board. [Here is a link to a PDF file of the brochure.](#)
- OverDrive has added a new feature in the Support area in Marketplace, "View User Support Requests." This report lets you search for past issues you have reported to OverDrive through the Marketplace Support form by case number, date range, issue category, and request status.

7. State News

- Registration is open for the 2018 meeting of the Southwest Wisconsin Association of Libraries. It will be held on Friday, November 16th in Fennimore at Southwest Tech and tackles topics including change management, e-content trends in libraries, OverDrive's Libby and Sora apps, social media in libraries, and much more. Check out the meeting agenda at <https://www.wils.org/swal2018agenda> or register to attend at <https://goo.gl/forms/estkRp9524FmHpuW2>.
- October is Cyber Security Awareness month to highlight the work state government does to protect Wisconsin's infrastructure and to educate Wisconsin residents about how to be safe online...[Read more.](#)

8. National News

The American Library Association (ALA) and Dollar General Literacy Foundation invite public libraries to apply for grants of \$10,000 to expand services for adult English language learners or adults in need of basic education and workforce development.

Public libraries are eligible if they serve adult English language learners and are located within 20 miles of a Dollar General Store, distribution center or corporate office. [Read more.](#)

