



1. Innovation and Collaboration Literacy Grant

To support literacy for all library users of Wisconsin Valley Library Service member libraries, a \$20,000 grant will be provided to partnering WVLS libraries to create a space in their libraries where families can talk, read, sing, write, and play together. Libraries are literacy centers in communities. Family literacy spaces filled with fun, activities focused on literacies, and quality information under the leadership of librarians, will enhance library offerings as a major literacy resource in the community.

[See the WVLS scholarships and grants web page](#) for more information, and for a grant application. The deadline to apply is Feb. 1.

2. 'Wild Wisconsin' Opens Soon

Registration for the Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference opens on Tuesday, November 20.

[Check out the conference website](#) for more information.

3. Director Opening at Withee

The Withee Public Library Board of Trustees is accepting applications for a creative, energetic, outgoing, self-motivated and organized individual that will provide leadership to maintain current and enhance library services. The library director reports to, and implements the policies and vision of, a five-member Board of Trustees. [Read more.](#)

4. New Digital Byte

Jamie talks about setting up an [Internet Discount Finder at your library in the latest Digital Byte.](#)

5. Latest Digital Lites Blog Posts

- [Weeding Wisdom from WLA](#)
- [Gale Courses: The Word is Out](#)

6. State News

- **OverDrive** offers a number of ways to get a hold of marketing materials, analog and digital, for your library. [Read more.](#)
- Wisconsin state agencies have been working collaboratively to promote awareness to Wisconsin residents about the **growing problem of elder abuse**. [Read more.](#)
- [Registration is now open](#) for the **7th Annual Lake Superior Libraries Mid-Winter Unsymposium** at the Superior Public Library in Superior, Wisconsin! Join us on January 11th, 2019, for an afternoon of networking, discussion, and collaborative problem-solving.
- **Recollection Wisconsin** is now accepting applications from Wisconsin libraries, archives, museums and historical societies to participate in Year Two of our IMLS-funded Curating Community Digital Collections (CCDC) program. In 2019, CCDC will support a cohort of ten teams. [Read More.](#)
- The next episode of **CCBC Shorts** is 9 a.m. at December 12 at 9 a.m. and you can register [here](#). December's topic will be New Nonfiction.

7. National News

- [The PLA Awards Online Application is now open!](#) The deadline to apply for [PLA 2019 Service Awards and Grants](#) is December 10, 2018 at 11:59 PM Central.
- **Teen Tech Week™** will be [revamped](#) starting next year and all the resources on this Teen Tech Week site will be relocated to the [YALSA site](#). As a result, this site will be deactivated on Nov. 16, 2018, and there will be no theme for TTW next year. Library staff are encouraged and welcome to continue to celebrate TTW in March or during a time that is convenient for their teens & library, under the general theme of "Get Connected." To learn more, please read the [re-envisioning TTW and TRW board document](#), along with [board document #32](#) from last year. If you would like to be kept in the loop about the re-envisioning process, please sign up [here](#).

8. WVLS Closed

The WVLS Office is closed on Thursday, November 22, and Friday, November 23. We wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving!

