

1. YSIE Meet Up

The next YSIE Youth Services Meetup is set for February 14th at the Loyal Public Library from 11-2 pm. Topics (in addition to topics brought by attendees) will cover Summer Reading plans and problem solving, revitalizing your youth spaces on a shoestring/no-string budget, and spring cleaning in youth services. Please let Anne Hamland know if you will be attending at ahamland@wvls.org.

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2. Upcoming Continuing Education

- Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference, Wednesday and Thursday this week, 14 contact hours.
- What I Wish I Had Known: Reflections of a Public Library Director (webinar)
 Thursday, Jan. 31; 1 pm, .5 contact hours.

3. PSLR Update

The PLSR Steering Committee will meet Thursday, January 24, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. via GoToMeeting. The <u>full agenda and GotoMeeting Information</u> has been posted to the PLSR site. The primary business of the meeting will be to continue reviewing the committee's recommendation report, discuss feedback related to each section, and make final draft decisions for each report section.

4. Latest Digital Lites

- Children's Book Fest Set for March 5 and 6
- Record-Setting Year for Digital Reading

5. Foundations in Wisconsin

Great news! WVLS recently renewed its subscription to the online directory <u>Foundations in Wisconsin</u>. This directory, maintained by Marquette University, allows you to search grant making foundations in Wisconsin. This directory provides contact information, assets, and areas of interest. If you would like to use this directory or have questions, contact Rachel Metzler at <u>rmetzler@wvls.org</u> or 715-261-7250.

6. State News

With the new year, why not check out the new blog from WLA's own <u>Community for Open Wisconsin (COW)</u>. Stay on top of developments for openness with "Have you Herd."

What do you think of when you think of the Wisconsin Public Library Consortium (WPLC)? If you said "OverDrive," you aren't alone. WPLC and the Wisconsin Digital Library are almost synonymous for many. But did you know that WPLC does more than just coordinate the OverDrive collection? Read more.

7. Overdrive

OverDrive has updated the desktop site (and OverDrive app) to include estimated wait time for titles on hold, much like the current Libby display. Users now see the number of copies available with estimated wait time and can see the full details (number of holds and holds per copy) by clicking the question mark next to estimated wait time.

The wait time estimation assumes a two-week lending period for each checkout, including the current one. Please contact wplc-info@wils.org if you have any questions.

8. WLA Conference Accepting Proposals

The 2019 WLA Conference Committee invites you to share your experience and creativity with the Wisconsin library community at our annual conference, to be held on October 8-11, 2019, at the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center in the Wisconsin Dells. We are seeking an array of programs that will appeal to a wide library audience.

The program submission deadline is March 1, 2019. You can submit your proposal here.

9. Short Survey for Tech Days 2019 (repeat)

We are starting to plan Tech Days Workshops for November of 2019. <u>Please complete the short survey</u>, so we can get some feedback. The survey will close on Jan. 28.