

Director's Report
WVLS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 11, 2019

CORRESPONDENCE

2019 State Aid

WVLS was notified by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction that our **second 2019 State Aid Payment** in the amount of \$227,173 was approved. This payment allows WVLS to continue to carry out this year's system plan as approved earlier by the Division for Libraries and Technology (DLT). Public library system funding is provided from the Universal Service Fund.

Notes of Appreciation

Marla Sepnafski and the WVLS Board of Trustees received a thank you card from the **WVLS staff** for providing them with a COLA increase in the 2019 budget. It is very much appreciated!

Loyal Public Library Director **Teresa Hall** mentioned in her March *Director's Report* to her board that she received a thank you from a patron regarding Gale Courses. In her report, Teresa stated *"I received a thank you call from a patron regarding the Gale Courses we offer. She indicated she thought these were extremely worthwhile and a great benefit to herself and our patrons. She hopes that WVLS will renew their contract and if I need someone to promote them to the community she is more than willing."* (See also **Exhibit 14-d** for a letter the Loyal Public Library received thanking WVLS and the Library for Gale Courses.)

Jamie Matczak received an email from **Katie Schneider**, Glenwood City Public Library Director, for her WAPL (Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries) Conference presentation "30 Ways to Make Your Small Library Extraordinary". **Tammy Peasley**, Black River Falls Public Library Director, also sent Jamie an email thanking her for the aforementioned presentation as well as for her second WAPL Conference presentation "Current Library Marketing Trends".

Wessler Memorial

In March, we learned that **Joan Hamilton**, former WVLS staff member, passed away in June 2015. WVLS let her family know that a \$100 memorial was placed in the Carol Ruth Wessler Memorial Scholarship Fund in her honor.

Future of DPI Library Communications

The Wisconsin Division for Libraries and Technology (DLT) established WISPUBLIB in 1994 as a venue to discuss public library issues of interest to the state's public library community. That email list was replaced by DPI Google+ Communities in late 2015 until they were sunsetted by Google in **April 2019**. The Public Library Development Team (PLD) understands the value of open and trustworthy communications, and discussion of a replacement for the communities is in the works among Wisconsin library systems. (From WI Libraries for Everyone blog; May 9, 2019)

PEOPLE / LIBRARIES / SYSTEMS IN THE NEWS

Columbus Public Library Director **Cindy Fesemyer** will be joining the Division for Libraries and Technology's Public Library Development Team as the new Adult and Community Services Consultant effective May 28, 2019. In late April, the Instructional Technology Services Team announced that **Bill Herman** will retire from

employment at DPI on May 24, 2019. He has worked for four years as DPI's E-rate and Broadband Consultant, and recently took on the additional duty of Technical Liaison to Wisconsin Public Libraries and Libraries. In addition, he worked for 18 years as technology director for Monona Grove and River Valley school districts. His retirement date has been timed to align with the beginning of a relatively quiet period in the E-rate cycle, when most PIA inquiries have been completed and the next filings will not be done until the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year. Should any questions come up, **Bob Bocher** will be available to provide E-rate support until Bill's successor is hired.

The **Minocqua Public Library** Board of Trustees has retained **Peggy O'Connell** as Director of the Minocqua Public Library. **Peggy** has been the Outreach Services Coordinator for the Library, and will work with outgoing director Mary Taylor over the next several weeks to transition into her new role. WVLS wishes Peggy and Mary all the very best!

Julie Beloungy recently announced her resignation as director of the **Thorp Public Library**. The Thorp Public Library Board is seeking an innovative, energetic and creative person, with a strong dedication to community and customer service to fill the position. A complete job description and application can be found at thorppubliclibrary.org or cityofthorp.com. The position will remain open until a successful candidate is determined; however, applications received by Wednesday, May 29, 2019 will receive first consideration.

A member of the LAWDS (Libraries Activating Workforce Development Skills) Project Advisory Council (PAC) recently requested **Anne Hamland's** planning document "LAWDS: Workforce Development Relationship Building" to assist with the relationship building component of the LAWDS project. The planning document summarizes relationship building activities, and workforce development efforts between WVLS, IFLS, NWLS, and SCLS and workforce development centers in the North Central, North West, and West Central regions. In her role as Public Library Services Consultant, Anne will be the liaison to LAWDS on behalf of WVLS and our member libraries.

Jamie Matczak and Amy Calhoun's webinar on "**Building a Positive Social Media Presence**" was recently featured in WebJunction's *Crossroads: The newsletter for learning*. Developed with funding from IMLS, the self-paced, 1-hour course provides guidelines for what should and should not be shared online, how to build social capital and how to put your best foot forward when using social media. Visit the WebJunction Course Catalog (<https://learn.webjunction.org>) to register for this webinar or to see what other library-specific courses and webinar recordings are available.

WVLS awarded Erica Dischinger (Minocqua Public Library) a Youth Services **Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) Membership/Professional Development Scholarship**. Erica will join the Youth Services Section (YSS) of WLA and attend the annual fall conference in the Wisconsin Dells in October. WVLS awarded **ARSL (Association of Rural and Small Libraries) Scholarships** to **Heather Bain** (Marathon County Public Library – Hatley Branch), **Erica Brewster** (Demmer Memorial Library, Three Lakes), **Dominic Frandrup** (Antigo Public Library) and **Loralee Petersen** (Owen Public Library). The scholarships cover a one year membership to ARSL, and the full cost to attend the September 4-7 ARSL Conference in Burlington, Vermont. Conference registration for ARSL members opened on April 14, and there was some buzz, like last year, that registration would sell out quickly. Jamie Matczak alerted WVLS scholars to sign up quickly once registration opened. This turned out to be sage advice, as registration sold out in less than a week, and there is currently a waiting list for those wanting to attend. All of the new WVLS ARSL scholars expressed their thanks and gratitude when hearing about the results and will complete a post-conference report with the WVLS Board later in the year.

The **Marathon County Public Library** (Wausau) will undergo a big renovation this year which will include the addition of a makerspace. To make room for the makerspace the \$750,000 project will move fiction,

computers and the teen zone to new areas. According to MCPL Director **Ralph Illick**, the library will work with such places as Greenheck Fan Corporation and Crystal Finishing to decide what technologies to include in the makerspace to help people, especially children, develop skills for the workforce. The design should be completed by summer and the project completed by the end of the year. Stay tuned! (Edited from City Pages; March 28-April 4, 2019)

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) announced in March 2019 that the **McMillan Memorial Library** (Wisconsin Rapids, WI) was among 30 finalists for the 2019 National medal for museum and Library Service. This is the nation's highest honor for institutions that make significant, innovative and exceptional contributions to their communities. The Library's application highlighted a tradition of building community and meeting local needs. Their program menu includes concerts, foreign films and art displays. The facility has a social commons, environmental learning station, makerspace, podcast studio, coffeehouse and 235 kW solar roof. The Youth Services space is modeled after a children's museum, with many hands-on activities. The staff initiated and operates an online community calendar. Their digital archives range from corporate newsletters to plat books, maps and photographs. Many of McMillan's innovations have been in response to their numerous community partners, the fruit of an "outward facing" staff initiative. Library Director Andy Barnett said "McMillan's selection as an IMLS National Medal Finalist gives us the opportunity to celebrate the many community partners who have enriched our program. If McMillan is an exceptional library, it is because we have received exceptional support from our community." For 25 years, the award has celebrated institutions that demonstrate extraordinary and innovative approaches to public service. Previous medal winners from Wisconsin include Appleton's History Museum at the Castle (2018), Wausau's **Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum** (2017) and Madison Public Library (2016). (Edited from *WI Libraries for Everyone*; 3.14.19)

The **Poy Sippi Public Library** is one of 15 public libraries selected for the 2019 "Small Libraries Create Smart Spaces" project. With leadership from OCLC and in partnership with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries, this will be the second cohort to participate thanks to an IMLS grant. The project team received 120 applications from 38 states. The selected libraries represent 15 states and serve communities ranging in size from 909 to 15,500 people. The Poy Sippi Public Library services a population of 909. More information about this project and how the first cohort of Smart Space libraries made space for active learning, visit <https://www.webjunction.org/explore-topics/smart-spaces.html>.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



Kris Adams Wendt coordinated statewide colleague testimony for the Wisconsin Library Association at **Joint Finance Committee (JFC) public hearings** in Janesville on April 3, Oak Creek on April 10, River Falls on April 15 and Green Bay on April 24. Site captains from WLA's Library Development & Legislation (LD&L) Committee at each location provided testimony from one or two individuals backed by a group of colleagues literally standing up for libraries during the five minutes allotted. A cumulative total of 52 people signed in on behalf of libraries at the four events. **Jamie Matczak** (pictured at left with NFLS Director **Tracy Vreeke** in line at 6 AM to secure an early spot on the testimony list) represented WVLS and provided key assistance at the Green Bay hearing. For more information on the JFC public hearings, see **Exhibit 14-A** "2019 Joint Committee on Finance Public Hearings – Summary of WLA Participation."

A majority of JFC members are likely to choose the route of “based budgeting” (i.e. re-examining the current two-year budget as the starting point for change going forward) rather than taking up and making changes to the Executive Budget proposal introduced as [AB56/SB59](#). The next step is a series of JFC meetings at the capitol, during which individual agency budgets will be re-examined and updated. LD&L is working to ensure that items from the DPI section of the Executive Budget supported by WLA are included in the JFC version of the budget (see [Exhibit 14-b](#)).

See also the letter Loyal Public Library Director **Teresa Hall** sent to the JFC as well as to Senator Kathleen Bernier and Representative Robert Kulp ([Exhibit 14-c](#)), Gale Courses testimonial letter from Barb Lucht ([Exhibit 14-d](#)), and articles from the *Clark County Press* & *TRG* ([Exhibits 14-e](#) and [14-f](#) will be shared at the meeting).

On March 26 at the Antigo Public Library, Director **Dominic Frandrup** presented 35th Assembly District **Representative Mary Felzkowski** with the WLA Library Champion award originally scheduled for Library Legislative Day. WVLS Trustee **Peg Jopek** and other members of the Antigo Public Library Board and Library Foundation were present, along with T.B. Scott Free Library Assistant Director **Laurie Ollhoff**. (photo below)
Rep. Felzkowski posted a video linked here
<https://www.facebook.com/RepFelzkowski/videos/370036633838435/>.



(above left) WVLS Trustee **Louise Olszewski** and Withee Public Library Director **Brandon Hardin** (not pictured) welcomed 68th Assembly District **Representative Jesse James** and his aide Dan Sievert to a listening session at the library on April 1.

(above right) Western Taylor County Public Library Director **Ruby Wenzel** and WVLS Trustee **Eileen Grunseth** welcomed 87th District **Representative Jim Edming** to a listening session at the library in Gilman on April 8.

WVLS PROJECTS

New LEAN WI Partner: Northern Waters Library Service Onboarding

NWLS is using the shared Help Scout helpdesk platform and member libraries are beginning to communicate support needs via that channel. Kris and Benjamin have worked to deprecate the need for renewal of maintenance and cloud storage services of the NWLS Unitrends Backup appliance. NWLS is staged for an Active Directory integration, pending a subproject to adjust the three systems' respective BadgerNet aggregation (or "head end") circuits. There was significant crossover between general onboarding and LSTA project specific discussion at the ARC Project kickoff meeting on April 18, 2019 (see FY18 LSTA summary, below).

Fiscal Year 2018 Library Services and Technology Act (FY18 LSTA) Grant

LEAN WI partners applied jointly for a two-part project, the first which involves procurement, configuration, and deployment of Microsoft System Center licensing components which will help streamline computer management, maintenance, and support across the roughly 1500 computers operating within the partnership. The second part involves catalyzing the Active Directory integration of the NWLS office network and computers.

On April 18, 2019 the joint technology team members met to kick off the LSTA project with a review and outlining of the tasks necessary for success. The process of further blending the wide area networks of all three systems is underway.

On April 29, 2019, DPI announced that Library Systems would receive additional funding in the FY2018 LSTA cycle (approximately \$56,700) between the partners. We already have some project templates available to reanalyze against this additional (one time) funding but will need to be sure we don't overextend our ability to complete FY18 LSTA funded projects on time. The team will work to prepare a supplemental proposal for use, looking at each systems' individual needs as well as joint needs for the broader service platform that feels is realistic and meaningful.

V-Cat Update

At the April 12 V-Cat Council meeting, WVLS ILS Administrator **Kyle Schulz** presented the 2020 draft budget included in this meeting's information packet. It will come up for a vote at the V-Cat Council meeting in June. The Cooperative Circulation Committee continues to work on standardizing loan rules. They plan to complete their work by the end of the year. Also, **Rachel Metzler** has started a cataloging course provided by ALA as a cataloging refresher.

Adding Wabeno Public Library data to the V-Cat database is complete and this project is winding down. The library went live on May 6, but will continue to catalog their collection throughout the year. Kyle completed initial training and library set-up in the database with **Cindy Lemerande**, Wabeno Public Library Director, on April 17, and will be available for additional training should it be needed.

Hosted by LEAN WI partners, **Rachel**, with MCPL staff member and WVLS intern **Katie Zimmermann** and **Josh Klingbeil**, attended a meeting of Sierra ILS administrators of Wisconsin on April 25. **Jennifer Schmidt** of Milwaukee County Federated Library System (MCFLS) expanded an outline agenda created by **Lori Roholt** of IFLS Library System (IFLS). The Outagamie Waupaca Library System (OWLS) and Nicolet Federated Library System (NFLS) consortium was represented, as well as IFLS, MCFLS, Northern Waters Library Service (NWLS) and WVLS. The Winding Rivers Library System (WRLS) administrator had planned on participating as well, but

ended up having a conflicting event. The meeting was generally agreed to be informative and valuable, and participants expressed the desire to establish a follow up meeting.

Rachel assisted **Katie** with the Monthly Totals Report. One of Katie's goals was to understand data and how we present it. The Monthly Totals Report gave her a great picture of one of the main ways WVLS currently presents data. May 3rd was Katie's last day as an intern at WVLS. She has completed some great projects within her time at WVLS and we wish her all the best in her library career.

Evaluation of WVLS Databases

Together with **Anne Hamland** and a group of member library staff, **Rachel Metzler** has considered our EBSCO database offerings to member libraries very carefully. Member library staff participants include **Julie Kinney** (MCPL), **Dominic Frandrup** (Antigo), **Kim Metzke** (Greenwood), **Julie Beloungy** (Thorp) and **Ashley Polinski** (Rhineland). The group looked at usage, cost, and value, and determined to discontinue offering *Hobbies and Crafts Reference Center* and *Home Improvement Reference Center*. WVLS will continue to offer EBSCO's *Small Engine Repair Reference Center*, *NovelList Plus*, and *NovelList Select*. The group plans to evaluate our non-EBSCO database offerings in early fall.

Computer Procurement Cooperative

LEAN WI, South Central Library System (SCLS), and many other library system worked with SCLS and their Dell service team to migrate our respective accounts to that single service team. The Dell service team implemented common access to discounted pricing and custom configurations via the "Dell Premier Portal" and are finalizing tweaks to account settings and configurations. LEAN WI joint technology team members have now begun preliminary discussions, working toward a more unified process for procurement, staging, and deployment coming to consensus on "standards" for desktop computer configurations and for exploring best options for laptop computer procurement. Several WVLS members have begun procurement inquiries and/or committed to orders for new PCs and have been patiently waiting for us to see Dell Premier Portal setup completion and access to the new configuration and pricing. We see reductions in cost across the board for the "Standard Configurations" the joint technology team is comfortable with, and WVLS will begin executing orders and normalizing our provisioning process with IFLS and NWLS.

Collaborative Backup Project

The Collaborative Backup Project is at a critical decision point. The FY18 LSTA funding opportunity catalyzed efforts and garners support from many participating systems, but the adopted proposal relies on additional external funding. DPI referred to potential funding available through the TEACH program, that that channel fell through. SCLS submitted a request to DPI for additional unallocated funds from the FY18 LSTA pool, but remaining funds in that pool have now been otherwise allocated. In order to secure the original allocations of FY18 LSTA monies committed to this project by SCLS, Monarch Library System and several other participating systems, one or more viable alternative projects of a collaborative nature will need to be proposed and adopted. LEAN WI partners did not have LSTA allocations committed but are committed to fostering and facilitating broad collaboration among library systems and still have a need of a strong backup and archival strategy. We are positioned to work with the Collaborative Backup partners to quickly develop one or more proposals for first-phase efforts to help ensure that FY18 LSTA funds originally allocated, as well as the recent additional allocation, can be fully leveraged in a meaningful way.

Orientation for New Directors

Jamie Matczak is giving the WVLS orientation for new public library directors a complete overhaul. The updated approach, which will be strategically incremental, will include opportunities to meet WVLS staff, and to receive information and tools to familiarize themselves with processes, procedures, legal matters and WVLS services.

Listening Session Held in Westboro

The first Listening Session of 2019 was held on April 9 at the Westboro Public Library. Regional in nature, and small group by design, the listening session provides an opportunity for library directors or a proxy to have an open, informal conversation with colleagues and WVLS staff. Attendees were: Candice Celestina-Smith (Westboro), Tammie Blomberg (Rib Lake), Dominic Frandrup (Antigo), Ruby Wenzel (Gilman) and Heidi O'Hare (Tomahawk). WVLS staff in attendance included: Sue Hafemeister, Anne Hamland, Josh Klingbeil, Jamie Matczak, Rachel Metzler, Kyle Schulz and Marla Sepnafski. The next listening session will be held at the Antigo Public Library on Tuesday, November 19.

After attending the Listening Session in Westboro, several staff visited libraries in Medford, Stetsonville, Dorchester, Abbotsford, and Colby, while Susie and Marla attended an open house to meet the new director at the Withee Public Library.

Libraries Activating Workforce Development Skills (LAWDS) Project

Made possible with IMLS funding, LAWDS will bring together public library staff with regional Workforce Development Boards (WDBs) and Wisconsin Job Centers, to facilitate more seamless support of job-seeking patrons, business owners and entrepreneurs. **Anne Hamland** is working with Leah Langby (IFLS Library System), Sherry Machones (NWLS) and Mark Jochem (SCLS) on this statewide project. Hamland will meet with the Workforce Development Director Jon Menz of the West Central office and Leah Langby on May 16 in the IFLS Library System offices. She will also meet with Workforce Development Director Mari Kay-Nabozny of the North West office with Leah Langby and Sherry Machones on May 14 in Ashland. A meeting with North Central Director will be scheduled soon. These introductory, casual meetings serve as an opportunity for the Workforce Development Directors to meet with library consultants from their regions to continue building communication and partnership.

Central Wisconsin Book Festival

Rachel Metzler attended the March and in April Central Wisconsin Book Festival planning meetings. The lineup for the festival is starting to form, and Rachel has been in communication with audiobook narrator **Kate Rudd** to set up a potential program.

CONTINUING EDUCATION & TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities



Planning for **Trustee Training Week 2019** is in progress, and more information and registration will be available soon at <http://www.wistrusteetraining.com>. In the meantime, hold the dates August 12-16, 2019.

Library Trustees are instrumental to the success of public libraries, and the annual Trustee Training Week program is a great opportunity for them to learn ways to be more effective library leaders and advocates. Webinars will be held each day from noon to 1 p.m. on topics of particular interest to Wisconsin library trustees.

The project is sponsored by the South Central Library System, with financial support from WVLS and other Wisconsin Public Library Systems. It is also supported by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Public Library Development Team, with funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. In addition

to this year's program, trustees can also access the recorded webinars from past years at the [Trustee Training Week website](#). Webinar recordings from 2015-18 are available for streaming.

The following workshops/webinars are scheduled and/or in the planning stages:

- 2019 WVLS Director's Retreat; September 26
- 3 webinars with a marketing focus; October 1, 15, 29
- Tech Days Workshops; November 5-7 (November 6 at MCPL)
- NWLS Winter Retreat (Date TBD)
- Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference (January 22-23, 2020)

Website Service

The spring **Webmaster Co-work Day** took place at the IFLS Library System offices on March 29 from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. Anne Hamland was ill. **Rebecca Kilde**, PR and Communications Coordinator for IFLS, graciously stepped in and hosted the entire day. Kilde walked through using Canva.com for creating website graphic content in the morning and webmasters worked on their website building and design skills with the Divi theme in the afternoon. Thus far in 2019 **seven** additional websites have gone live and **eight** new websites have been drafted. A transition from Website Webinars to Website Office Hours was implemented in May 2019. Find more information about this service on the Libraries WIN website at <http://wvls.org/website-resources/>.

Past Continuing Education Opportunities

- [Overcoming the Email Avalanche](#): Three Steps to an Empty Inbox (webinar) 10 a.m., March 20 and [From Inbox to Completion: The Secrets to Successful Workflow](#), (webinar) 10 a.m., March 27 were presented by Doug Crane, a library director in Florida. Both were well received. Doug agreed to speak for the Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference in 2020.
- [Creativity and Aging: Arts Education for Older Adults](#) (workshop), 9 am - 3:30 pm, Friday, April 5, in Rice Lake had 24 attendees, 3 from WVLS. The workshop focused on ways that public libraries can use the arts to engage older adults in their communities. The feedback was positive.
- [Outdoor Learning at the Library: It's Only Natural](#) (webinar), 1 pm, Wednesday, April 17, had 18 attendees. The program was well received.
- The Bubbler Makes over WVLS (workshop), 9 am – 3:30 pm, Tuesday, May 7, in MCPL's Wausau Community Room had 26 attendees representing libraries in WVLS, IFLS and MCFLS. **Carlee Latimer** and **Rebecca Millerjohn**, from the **Madison Public Library's Bubbler Team** and previous Bubbler artist-in-resident, **Bird Ross** shared programming models, intentional service practices, hands-on making experiences, and successful documentation & evaluation strategies for program experiences. Attendees also explored how to create a vision for library spaces and implement hands-on experiences or programs. Ross led the attendees through a series of mini-workshops in the afternoon. The feedback from the workshop was positive and all attendees said the information shared was practical for their libraries. One attendee said, "*I plan to find a way to program for interaction of seniors and preschool children to create art projects from random items at our library.*" Another one said, "*The speakers were entertaining, interesting and knowledgeable.*"

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (handouts to be shared at meeting)

- "National Library Week is April 7-13"; *Clark County Press*; April 3, 2019 (**Exhibit 14-e**)
- "Local libraries far more than just a place to go read a book"; *Tribune Record Gleaner*; April 3, 2019 (**Exhibit 14-f**)
- MCPL Summer Program 2019 Brochure (**Exhibit 14-g**)

- Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden has “audacious” plan to make the world’s largest library collection available to everyone online. <https://www.cnet.com/news/carla-hayden-has-an-audacious-plan-to-make-the-library-of-congress-available-to-you-online/>
- “The State of America’s Libraries 2019” a Special Report from *American Libraries*; April 2018 (**Exhibit 14-h**)
- “Shh, No Roaring! When A Lion Lived In The Downtown Milwaukee Library Building [Bubbler Talk]; April 12, 2019; <https://www.wuwm.com/post/shh-no-roaring-when-lion-lived-downtown-milwaukee-library-building> and “When a Lion Called Milwaukee’s Main Library Home”; *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*; April 8, 2019 <https://www.jsonline.com/story/life/green-sheet/2019/04/08/milwaukee-main-library-home-lion-public-museum-africa/3395199002/> (**Exhibit 14-i**)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 1 – WiscNet Community Area Networks meeting; Stevens Point (Klingbeil)
- May 1 – WPLC Annual Board meeting; Rothschild (Hamland)
- May 1 – SRLAAW meeting; Rothschild (Sepnafski, Klingbeil)
- May 1-3 – Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries (WAPL) Conference; Rothschild (Sepnafski, Klingbeil, Hamland, Matczak, Metzler)
- May 3 – Visits at MCPL Branches (Matczak)
- May 6-7 – WiscNet Connections Conference; Madison (Klingbeil)
- May 7 – **“The Bubbler Makes Over WVLS” workshop**; MCPL (Hamland, Matczak)
- May 7 – **WVLS/SCLS Cross-System Borrowing meeting** (Sepnafski)
- May 9 – “The Key to Managing Too Much Website Content” webinar (Hamland)
- May 9 – “OverDrive Marketplace for Selectors” webinar (Hamland)
- May 10 – COLAND meeting; Tomahawk School District (Klingbeil)
- May 11 – WVLS Board of Trustees meeting (Sepnafski, Hafemeister, Wendt, Klingbeil, Hamland, Schulz, Matczak, Metzler, Hildebrand)
- May 14 – Meeting with Northwest Wisconsin Workforce Investment Board members; Ashland (Hamland)
- May 14 – WISCAT User Group meeting (Metzler)
- May 16 – Local Area Workforce Development meeting; Eau Claire (Hamland)
- May 16 – **WVLS OverDrive Advantage Selection Committee meeting** (Hamland)
- May 17 – WLA Library Development and Legislation Committee meeting; Madison (Wendt)
- May 21 – **WVLS YSIE (Youth Services Information Exchange)**; Loyal (Hamland)
- May 22 – WVLS Staff meeting
- May 23 – **NWLS/WVLS IDEA (Inclusive, Diversity, Equity and Access) Team meeting**; Mercer
- May 27 – Memorial Day; WVLS office closed
- June 4 – WPLC Board meeting (Hamland)
- June 6 – **WVLS V-Cat Council meeting** (Schulz, Klingbeil, Metzler)
- June 6 – **V-Cat Cooperative Circulation Committee meeting** (Schulz, Metzler)
- June 11 – **IFLS/WVLS “Webmaster Office Hours” online meeting** (Hamland)
- June 20-25 – American Library Association Annual Conference; Washington DC
- June 25 – WiscNet Community Conversation; T.B. Scott Library, Merrill (Klingbeil)
- July 4 – Independence Day; WVLS office closed

- July 13 – NWLS Board of Trustees meeting (Matczak)
- July 18 – Oneida County Library Board meeting; Rhinelander (Wendt)
- July 20 – Withee Public Library 100-Year Anniversary Celebration; Withee (Sepnafski)
- July 23-24 – WiLS World; Madison
- July 26 - WLA Library Development and Legislation Committee meeting; Madison (Wendt)
- July 29 – Forest county Library Board meeting (Wendt)
- August 8 – WisCat User Group meeting (Metzler)
- August 12-16 – “**Wisconsin Trustee Training Week**”, daily webinars on topics of interest to library trustees (Sepnafski)
- August 13 – WPLC Board meeting (Hamland)
- August 15 – **WVLS Library Advisory Committee meeting** (Matczak, Sepnafski, Klingbeil, Hamland, Metzler, Schulz, Machones)
- August 17 - **WVLS Board of Trustees meeting** (Sepnafski, Wendt, Klingbeil, Hafemeister, Hildebrand, Hamland, Matczak, Metzler, Schulz, Machones)
- August 21 – Resources for Libraries and Lifelong Learning’s Interlibrary Loan Conference; Marshfield (Metzler)
- August 21-23 – DPI-Sponsored “New Director Boot Camp”
- August 25-28 – DPI-Sponsored “Youth Services Institute” (Hamland)
- September 2 – Labor Day; WVLS office closed
- September 4-7 – ARSL (Association of Rural and Small Libraries) Conference; Vermont (Matczak)
- September 5 – **WVLS V-Cat Council meeting** (Schulz, Klingbeil, Sepnafski, Metzler)

Respectfully,

Marla