

1. New Instructional Video on the Discovery Catalog

<u>WVLS created a video</u> to help library users and staff navigate the Discovery Catalog with ease. Feel free to share this with your patrons on your social media platforms and websites to help them find what they're looking for in the Discovery Catalog. If you have any questions, ask Anne Hamland (ahamland@wvls.org) or Rachel Metzler (rmetzler@wvls.org).

2. Youth Services Development Institute Attendees Announced

Twenty-five participants were recently selected from a large pool of applicants for the Wisconsin Youth Services Development Institute, representing 14 of the 16 regional library systems.

WVLS will have three representatives participating in the Institute, which runs August 25-28.

- Erica Dischinger, Minocqua Public Library
- Elizabeth Lutz, Marathon County Public Library--Marathon City Branch
- Mary Jo Netzer, Marathon County Public Library--Stratford Branch.

"This immersive training will help me to gain confidence as a librarian in general," said Erica Dischinger. " At the end, I am hoping to have a deeper knowledge of how to spread the joy of learning, literacy and life skills to the children and families that I serve."

Read more.

3. Gale Courses May Statistics

You can view the Gale Courses student activity by zip code for the month of May, as well as stats on enrollments, log ins and minutes spent in a course since November. You can view those here. If you have questions about these statistics, please contact Anne Hamland at ahamland@wvls.org.

4. State News

- Want to stay up to date on all things BadgerLink? Subscribe to Badger Bulletin. Over the past few weeks, Badger Bulletin posts have highlighted newer BadgerLink content. In the coming weeks, posts will continue to highlight new resources including Newspapers.com and US Newsstream.
 <u>Read more</u>.
- Summer is nearly in full swing and with the arrival of June, so arrives some new collection curations from OverDrive and BiblioBoard:
 - <u>Celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride!</u>
 - <u>A Summer of Space: A Universe of Stories</u>

• I Will Turn This Car Around: Books For and About Dads

As of May 31, there were 65 submissions to the Wisconsin Author Project from patrons. The contest is now closed, judging is underway, and one winner and runner up will be announced this fall.

• The Division for Libraries and Technology's Public Library Development Team administers the state's Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) *Grants to States* (G2S) program, with feedback and oversight from the LSTA Advisory Committee (LSTAAC), appointed by the State Superintendent's Office. The LSTAAC met on April 18, 2019, and draft minutes are available on the LSTA Website. <u>Read more</u>

5. 2019 Public Libraries CE Survey (repeat)

Here is your opportunity to tell WVLS what you would like to learn in the areas of administration, general skills, inclusivity and social justice, leadership and management, and library services and skills as well as how you would like to receive these opportunities. Your responses will help shape and develop offerings. Click <u>here</u> to take they survey. This should take you about 10-15 minutes. Deadline to submit your responses is Friday, June 28, 2019.

Questions? Problems? Contact Laurie Freund (ljfreund@bridgeslibrarysystem.org or 262-896-8083).