



1. WVLS Seeks ILS Administrator

Wisconsin Valley Library Service (WVLS) is seeking a full-time ILS Administrator. This position reports directly to the WVLS Director and is responsible for:

- Managing the efficient operation of the WVLS Integrated Library System (ILS), including application performance, administration, maintenance, upgrades and reporting.
- Providing professional and courteous ILS administrative support, training and services to thirty-six remote public libraries and branches spanning a 7-county area.
- Ongoing and effective communications with a broad range of people in individual and group settings.

[Read more.](#) for more information and to apply.

2. Stream WLA Conference Sessions

The WLA Conference Committee is excited to announce [three sessions on Thursday, October 10](#) will be streamed live from the Kalahari at no cost. The public may register to attend live or to receive a recording after the event for each of the three sessions below for free. These three sessions will be recorded and available online after the conference.

- Defusing Tense Situations and Setting Effective Limits, October 10, 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM [Register here.](#)
- Putting Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion into Action, October 10, 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM [Register here.](#)
- Get Ready for 2020! Voter Education and Registration Assistant Project, October 10, 1:45 PM -2:30 PM [Register here.](#)

3. Macmillan/Ebook Update

We information professionals can't possibly stay on top of everything that affects our libraries, so here's a quick synopsis of the current situation with ebook lending via libraries. Perhaps you've been hearing about Macmillan Publisher's newly proposed lending model? In a recent American Libraries article we learn, "Starting November 1, Macmillan will limit libraries to purchasing one copy of each new ebook and impose an eight-week embargo on buying additional copies." [Read more.](#)

4. WPLC Updates

- **SELF-e Select is now Indie Author Project (IAP) Select**, and the collections will include not just the Fiction and YA selections from Library Journal (which will continue as normal), but also curated eBooks from other partners such as Publishers Weekly, Black Caucus of the ALA, and regional library editorial boards around North America working within the IAP Contest network. Promotional materials are being created and updated to reflect this change. [Read more](#) about this change and why it's happening.
- In response to some patron dissatisfaction, OverDrive is rolling back its discontinuation of support for **OverDrive for Mac**. By October 2, the download option for MP3 audiobooks will be restored to users running macOS 10.6 (Snow Leopard) through 10.14 (Mojave) and the following message will appear for Mac users with a link to an updated Help article: *MP3 audiobooks are only supported on macOS 10.6 (Snow Leopard) through 10.14 (Mojave).*

5. Wisconsin's Agricultural Economy

In response to the decline in dairy farms in Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Dairy Task Force 2.0 was created in June 2018 as a joint effort between DATCP and the UW System to study the Wisconsin dairy industry with the goal of making recommendations on actions needed to maintain a viable and profitable dairy industry in Wisconsin. The task force released their final report in June 2019. Access to the Wisconsin Dairy Task Force 2.0's final report is available through the Wisconsin Digital Archives, along with other agricultural reports and statistics for research. [Read more.](#)

6. Schedule a "Tally Week" This October (repeat)

Have you scheduled your library's annual survey week this October to collect data for the annual report? The annual report requires an annual count of reference transactions and all public computer uses. If your library does not keep an annual count of reference transactions and a count of all public internet computer uses, your library needs to schedule a survey week to "count transactions during a typical week." October is the month for tally week as established by Channel Weekly, the former online newsletter of the Wisconsin Division for Libraries and Technology.

For more information, see page 14 of the [Wisconsin Public Library Annual Report](#). It shares instructions on survey week and definitions for a reference transactions, public internet computers and catalog computers.