



1. Elton Branch Closed

The Antigo Public Library Elton branch closed last Friday, Feb. 28. WVLS staff are working with Dominic and APL on ensuring a smooth transition for Elton branch patrons. Katie Zimmerman also sent out information on what this means in terms of V-Cat. Please contact WVLS if you have further questions.

2. Customer Service Webinar Series in April

Nationally-known library consultant Pat Wagner will present a three-part webinar series on April 1, 8 and 15, focusing on customer service in libraries. All of the webinars will be recorded and posted to the WVLS website. Each webinar is worth 1 contact hour. Registration is now open for all three webinars.

[Read more.](#)

3. New Digital Byte

Anne talks about the importance of resizing images for your library's website, and how to do it using Canva. [Watch it here.](#)

4. Public Library - School Library Subaward Recipients

To honor and encourage collaborative work between public and school librarians in Wisconsin, the Division for Libraries and Technology (DLT) provided grants, made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), as part of the 2018-2022 Five Year LSTA Plan for Wisconsin. The project proposals needed to involve either collection management with a focus on diversity, inclusion, and equity or hands-on learning, including maker and computational thinking. [Read more.](#)

Note that Greenwood Public Library School and the School District of Greenwood were awarded funding at the full amount!

5. ALA Conference Scholarship Due March 9

WVLS is awarding one full scholarship to the ALA Annual Conference. Applicants must be a WVLS member public library director, branch manager, or manager. The application is due on Monday, March 9. [See the WVLS Scholarships and Grants page](#) for more information and an application.

6. Genetic Kits Available

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) Human Genetics Film Kits contain a curated selection of materials designed to support public libraries in raising scientific literacy and awareness of precision medicine. Through attending screenings of the films and participating in wraparound discussions, library patrons will learn about human genetics and the advance of precision medicine. Applications are currently being accepted for this federally funded initiative. [More information](#).

7. Save the Date for WAPL 2020 (repeat)

The Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries (WAPL) will hold its annual conference April 29 - May 1, 2020 at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Conference Center in Oshkosh, WI!

The conference offers all kinds of possibilities for fellowship and professional development. In addition to a multitude of informational sessions to choose from, WAPL is excited to feature Gail Santy as the opening Keynote Speaker. Gail Santy is a certified 5 Languages of Appreciation in the Workplace trainer and will give you the tools you need to increase performance, morale, and job satisfaction, by showing genuine appreciation for your employees, trustees, and yourself.

[Check out the hotel accommodation page](#) and make your plans to join WAPL 2020 in Oshkosh.