

1) Aspen Information for Staff and Patrons

WVLS V-cat libraries are rolling out a new, user-friendly catalog designed to make it easier to find and borrow materials. With this new implementation, each library will have its own custom-tailored site to highlight new materials and special collections. <u>Three Lakes</u> now has a live Aspen Discovery site. The following information is available to staff and patrons:

- Anne Hamland has created customizable marketing tools, available on the V-Cat Aspen Implementation Page.
- Aspen has helpful patron and staff education suggestions available:
 - Talking to patrons about Aspen
 - Aspen for frontline staff
- Aspen Discovery bookmark templates in Canva are customizable.
 - Single Aspen Bookmark (Canva)
 - Single Aspen Bookmark (pdf)
 - Three Discover More Bookmarks (Canva)
 - Three Discover More Bookmarks (pdf)

WVLS is working on a page within each Aspen site for patron education. This is a work in progress, and more content will be added as it is created.

2) WVLS February Newsletter

The WVLS February Newsletter is now available. Features include:

- WVLS Libraries Celebrate Valentine's Day
- WVLS Represented at Library Legislative Day
- Wisconsin Libraries Talk About Race Project
- More!

3) Upcoming Sierra Training

V-Cat Sierra Z39.50 Cataloging Training

Wednesday, February 23 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. – registration link

Attendees will learn how to use Z39.50 to connect to OCLC to search, analyze, and save bib records to the V-Cat Sierra database. To attend, library staff must attend a MARC Alert training prior to attending or receive approval from Rachel.

4) This Week's Webinars

- Finding Joy in Your Work 12 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22
- How to Create Psychological Safety in the Workplace 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb 22
- <u>Build a Better World at Work and in Life with Kindness and Gratitude</u> 9 a.m. on Wednesday,
 Feb. 23
- Promoting the Positive Racial Identity of Black Infants and Toddlers in Early Childhood Programs
 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24
- Welcoming Immigrants Through Cultural Programming: Lessons from the Field 3 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24

5) Reminders

The "Big Talk from Small Libraries" Conference is set for Friday, February 26. This <u>free one-day online conference</u> is aimed at librarians from small libraries. Each presenter is from a library serving fewer than 10,000 people, or directly works with small libraries. <u>Everyone is welcome to register</u> and attend.