



1) **Holiday Memories for December Newsletter**

WVLS wants to hear your holiday traditions and memories!

WVLS librarians and Board of Trustees are welcome to submit a favorite holiday memory to be featured in the December Newsletter. [Please complete the form by Thursday, December 1.](#)

2) **This Week's News**

- **The WVLS office** is closed on Thursday, November 24 (Thanksgiving), and Friday, November 25.
- **Waltco** is not operating on Thursday, November 24, in observance of Thanksgiving. Service will resume on Friday, November 25.

3) **WEMTA Conference Scholarships Available**

WVLS is awarding full scholarships to public and K-12 school library staff to attend the 2023 Wisconsin Educational Media and Technology Association (WEMTA) Conference in Rothschild, Wisconsin on February 5-7, 2023. Applicants must currently work at a WVLS area public or K-12 school library and have one year of experience working in libraries.

The deadline to apply is Friday, December 9. [See the WVLS Scholarships and Grants webpage for an application.](#)

4) **ILS Updates**

- **Koha Product demonstration recordings** are now available. All library staff who use Sierra are encouraged to view demonstration sessions of interest and complete a [post-demonstration survey](#). Recordings are split into separate modules and are available in an online dropbox folder.
- **Product demonstrations for TLC's Carl** are on Tuesday, November 29 and Wednesday, November 30. Both dates will be presented online and will be recorded. All library staff who use Sierra are encouraged to attend and complete a post-demonstration survey. Demonstrations will be split into separate modules and staff can attend or view portions of interest. See the [detailed schedule with meeting and survey links](#).

- For more information on all demonstrations, visit the [V-Cat ILS Demonstrations page](#). (Password is training).

5) Technology Notices and Updates

- **Notice:** Final Computer/Peripheral Order Date to receive 2022-dated invoicing is Monday, December 5.
- **Update:** Imaging and Deployment Services are again operational.
For the above bullets, please review original announcement email dated 11/15/2022 with subject "NOTICE and STATUS UPDATE: Computers and Peripherals Procurement and Deployment" sent to directors and technology managers
- **Update:** Faronics Antivirus removal and reinstatement of Windows Defender/Security is nearly complete. WVLS will continue working with libraries to clean up "straggler" computers case by case as needed.

6) BadgerLink Advisory Group: Call for Applicants

The [BadgerLink](#) team seeks applicants to participate in the [BadgerLink Advisory Group](#). This group seeks to improve the ability of all Wisconsin residents to access and effectively use high-quality, licensed resources provided by BadgerLink, expand program visibility, and build stronger relationships between the program and stakeholders. To maintain balanced representation, preference will be given to academic, K12 school library, and other community organization professionals.

Members serve staggered, two-year terms and the group meets twice annually, in the spring and in the fall. For more details, see the [Participation Handbook](#). [Applications](#) will close at the end of the day on December 16, 2022, with review and selection finalized on January 17, 2023.

7) Upcoming Webinars

- [Creating and Using Video in PowerPoint](#) - 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 22
- [Flannel Board STEM](#) - 12 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 22
- [Best New Children's Books of 2022](#) - 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23