

## 1) V-Cat Activities This Week

• V-Cat Sierra Cataloging Training - Attaching Items

Wednesday, March 8 - 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Link to register

This training will introduce and review the process of attaching item records to existing bib records in the V-Cat Sierra database. Library staff new to cataloging in V-Cat or interested in a refresher training are encouraged to attend. <u>Link to attend</u>

#### • V-Cat ILS Evaluation and Review Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 9 - 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

An agenda and meeting documents will be available on the <u>ILS Evaluation and Review</u> committee page ahead of the meeting.

#### • V-Cat Cooperative Circulation Committee Meeting

Friday, March 10 - 10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

An agenda and meeting documents will be available on the <u>V-Cat Cooperative Circulation</u> <u>Committee page</u> ahead of the meeting.

#### 2) WVLS March Newsletter

The WVLS March Newsletter is now posted and <u>can be viewed here</u>. Features include: WVLS Acknowledges Leaders, Library Legislative Day Sees Record Attendance, Matczak Connects and Communicates, and more. Libraries who have a feature for the April newsletter should submit it to Jamie Matczak by Monday, April 3.

## 3) Public Library Staff Compensation Survey Reminder

All Wisconsin public library directors received an email request to complete a Public Library Staff Compensation Survey from the Qualtrics survey platform in February. The Compensation Survey supports the DPI's 2023-2027 LSTA goal to support the recruitment and retention of library staff, including administrative, professional, and support roles, reflecting their diverse communities. Results of this study, anticipated to be completed in June 2023, will be shared with all Wisconsin libraries.

The survey will be open through Friday, March 17 and should take 20 minutes to complete. Before taking the survey, take a moment to review the following tutorials.

- <u>Job Classification Descriptions Survey Order</u>
- Job Classification Descriptions- Alphabetically

• Survey Tutorial Video (Who, What, When, Where, & Why)

Given the staffing challenges libraries are facing, a comprehensive response to this survey will provide a strong foundation of data and information that will help libraries recruit and retain staff to best meet the needs of their communities. Thank you for your time and your participation.

### 4) Badgerlink Training Schedule for Spring 2023

This spring, a webinar series will be offered on BadgerLink resources. All sessions will be recorded and posted if attendees cannot attend live.

The first webinar on Tuesday, March 31 at 12 p.m. will cover Britannica. <u>View the schedule and register for the Badgerlink trainings</u>.

# 5) Upcoming Webinars

- How to Start a Major Donor Program 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7
- How to Assess Volunteer Engagement 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7
- Role of Rural Libraries in Promoting Digital Health Literacy 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 8
- Serving the LGBTQ+ Community in Your Library 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 8
- Podcasts for Patrons and Professionals 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8

## 6) Registration Open for Government Information Day

Do you work with government information or have an interest in using government information? Join librarians, archivists, and other government information colleagues to hear about current projects, the issues they face, and the tools and resources available to the public.

The Government Information Special Interest Group (GI SIG) of the Wisconsin Library Association is pleased to present a virtual Government Information Day on Tuesday, March 21. Read more.

#### 7) Reminders

- WVLS is awarding scholarships to area library staff to attend the national 2023 American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference. The 2023 ALA Annual Conference will be held in Chicago and will run from June 22-27. As the world's largest library event, the ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition brings together thousands of librarians and library staff, educators, authors, publishers, friends of libraries, trustees, special guests, and exhibitors. The scholarship application deadline is 12 p.m. CST on Monday, March 13. <a href="Download and submit an application">Download and submit an application</a>.
- Wisconsin public library workers now have access to a tutorial covering the basics of privacy and public libraries, with specific attention to Wisconsin laws. These tutorials were created by the University of Wisconsin-Madison's iSchool, and are sponsored by Wisconsin Public Library

Systems with support from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, with funding from the Institute for Museum and Library Services.

- o Privacy and Wisconsin Public Libraries Tutorial for Front-Line Staff
- o Privacy and Wisconsin Public Libraries Tutorial for Managers and Directors

If you have questions or have difficulty accessing the tutorials, please contact Anne Hamland at ahamland@wvls.org.