



1) Mileage Reimbursement Available for 'Active Ally' Workshops

Part of the 'Wisconsin Libraries Talk About Race' Series, these workshops will teach allyship practices with a specific focus that is supportive of BIPOC and LGBTQIA2S+ people. Participants of all identities will learn opportunities to reflect and learn how to enact allyship to create change personally and professionally. Some funding is available for librarians to receive mileage reimbursement.

- Thursday, June 15; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Waunakee Public Library
- Friday, June 16; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., L.E. Phillips Memorial Library in Eau Claire

[Registration and more information are available here.](#)

2) April WPLC Meeting

The Wisconsin Public Library Consortium (WPLC) held an annual membership meeting and board meeting on Wednesday, April 26. During this meeting, the upcoming 2024 budget was discussed. [Find a recording of the meeting, the notes, and the budget here.](#)

3) New Digital Byte: Taking Photos

Summer is almost here, and that means libraries will be taking many indoor and outdoor photos for summer reading programs. In this Digital Byte, Jamie shares 13 tips for taking better photos.

[Watch it here.](#)

4) Upcoming Webinars

- [Using NovelList & NoveList K-8](#) (BadgerLink) - 12 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16
- [Build Skills & Take Action to Stand Up for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion](#) (WI Libraries Talk About Race) - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17
- [Disability Accommodations in Libraries](#) - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17
- [Port in the Storm: How You Can Support LGBTQ+ Youth](#) - 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 18
- [Library Safety and Security: A Holistic Approach](#) - 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 18
- [Food Programming in Libraries](#) - 12 p.m. on Monday, May 22

5) Ryan Dowd Recording Shown on Thursday

On Thursday May 18, the recording of Ryan Dowd's "Kicked Out: How to Safely Ask Someone to Leave (Without Calling the Police)" will be shown. The training is 50 minutes and attendees will learn tools to de-escalate experiences, how emotions affect safety, and how to change outcomes.

The recording will be offered at: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m.

Click here to sign up: <https://www.homelesstraining.com/free-training/> (if the link doesn't work, type it in your browser).

6) Reminders

- The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction is hosting a School and Public Libraries Workshop for library staff serving youth. The workshop will be held at Hotel Marshfield on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 1 and 2. There is no cost to attend, and meals will be provided. Topics to be covered include Collection Development 101, Childhood Development and Early Literacy, and Programming 101. There will also be speakers from the CCBC, PBS Wisconsin, and Beanstack. [Registration is open until Monday, May 22](#) and is limited to 100 attendees, 50 from public libraries and 50 from school libraries. Priority registration will be given to those who have been in the youth services field five years or less.
- Governor Evers, together with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, announced the "Internet for All Wisconsin Listening Tour," a series of nine in-person and two virtual interactive meetings to help develop the state 5-year Action Plan and state Digital Equity Plan. These events are an opportunity for the public to share their experiences, ideas, and vision for a more connected Wisconsin. These events are free and open to the public, registration is requested but not required. Walk-ins are welcome. The remaining schedule for the Governor's listening tour is [here](#).