



### 1) WVLS Welcomes New Staff Member

WVLS welcomed Kristie Hauer to the WVLS team on Monday, August 7 as the Public Library Services Consultant.

Kristie has been working in libraries since 1999, five of those years employed as a school librarian, and the rest in public libraries. She has been the Director of the Shawano County Library for the last 15 years.

"I am excited to meet and collaborate with new library colleagues. I feel that my time in public libraries as a librarian and director will provide value to the needs of WVLS member libraries. I believe that a variety of viewpoints and brainstorming can create stronger, more positive outcomes," she said.

Welcome, Kristie!

### 2) 'Trustee Training Week' One Week from Today

The [Trustee Training Week](#) webinars start the week of Monday, August 21. Here is the line up:

- Monday, August 21 - [How to Use Marketing to Position Your Library in Challenging Times](#) with Angela Hursh
- Tuesday, August 22 - [Wisconsin Library Law](#) with Kris Turner
- Wednesday, August 23 - [Nurturing Your Library Culture](#) with Jeannie Dilger
- Thursday, August 24 - [LGBTQ-Inclusive Trusteeship](#) with Ray Lockman
- Friday, August 25 - [Elected Officials are People, Too](#) with Lori Fisher

All webinars will be recorded and archived if trustees can't attend. Please share these webinars with your board of trustees and friends.

### 3) WISL Conference Scholarship Application Now Available

Applications are now being accepted for the 2023 Wisconsin Small Libraries (WISL) Continuing Education Scholarship to promote attendance at the Wisconsin Library Association Annual Conference, taking place October 24-27 at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton.

Two \$250 scholarships will be awarded to WLA members. The full cost of attending the WLA Fall Conference may be greater than the awarded scholarship. This annual scholarship is available to applicants meeting the following criteria:

- Employed by a Wisconsin library or information agency with 4 FTE or less or have a service population of under 6000 people (Grade II or Grade III Certification).
- Must be willing to communicate knowledge gained, especially how this knowledge can be applied to small libraries and to fellow WISL members.

- Must be a member of WLA and the Wisconsin Small Libraries Section at the time of application.

The application deadline is Monday, August 28. [Go to the WLA website to learn more and to apply.](#)

#### 4) Web Training This Week

Basic Divi Modules, Round 2

Thursday, Aug. 17; 2 - 3 p.m..

Attendees will learn about modules that offer more options for displaying text in a smaller space: Accordion, Blurb, Call to Action, Tabs.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 854 2832 1582 Passcode: xXj5xNUA

#### 5) Fall 2023 Barcodes

WVLS will be placing the Fall 2023 order soon for item barcodes. The next order will not be done until Spring 2023. The cost of barcodes varies depending on the size of the order. Approximate cost is \$20.00 - \$25.00 per thousand.

Please [fill out this form](#) by Wednesday, August 23 to request more.

WVLS also has patron cards if libraries are in need. Contact Rachel Metzler at [rmetzler@wvls.org](mailto:rmetzler@wvls.org).

#### 6) Upcoming Webinars

- [The American Community Survey: A Comprehensive Look](#): 1 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15
- [Fighting for the First](#): 1 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16
- [It's OK Not to Be OK: How To Navigate Mental Health in the Workplace](#): 1 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22
- [Libraries Helping Refugees & New Immigrants Learn the US Financial System](#): 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22

#### 7) Reminders

- **Registration and Scholarships for WLA Conference**  
Registration for the Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) Annual Conference will be available later this month. The conference takes place at the Madison Marriott West from October 24-27 in Middleton. Scholarships will be available to WVLS member libraries and trustees. Watch for more information in future Monday Mentions.
- **WVLS to Cancel Gale Courses Subscription**  
Due to low usage and high cost per use, WVLS has decided to cancel its subscription to Gale Courses. Courses will be available through October 31, but libraries should plan to remove Gale Courses information from their websites before October 1. If assistance is needed for this process, contact Erica Brewster at [help@librarieswin.org](mailto:help@librarieswin.org). WVLS will be exploring alternative educational digital resources. Contact WVLS Database and ILS Support Specialist Rachel Metzler at [rmetzler@wvls.org](mailto:rmetzler@wvls.org) to suggest databases to consider.