



## 1) What's New

- The next V-Cat Council meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7 from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. An agenda and meeting documents will be available on the [V-Cat Council meetings page](#) ahead of time.
- Now Posted:
  - [WVLS September Newsletter](#)
  - [September Inclusive Services Update](#)

## 2) Scholarships Available for WLA Conference

WVLS scholarships are now available to member libraries and trustees to attend the Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) Conference in Middleton from October 24-27. Applicants must have one year of experience working in public libraries or serving on a public library board as of October 1, 2023.

[See the WVLS website](#) for more information and an application. The deadline to apply is by 6 p.m. on Monday, September 11. Contact Jamie at WVLS ([jmatczak@wvls.org](mailto:jmatczak@wvls.org)) with questions.

## 3) Recorded Webinar on 'Social Media Trends and Challenges'

Social media for a library is no longer a novelty; it's part of how most modern-day libraries operate. However, social media as a platform has matured. In an environment that seems to be changing every moment, join social media author Laura Solomon for an in-depth look at what's happening now with social media and the challenges libraries may have going forward. [Watch Social Media: Trends and Challenges.](#)

This webinar is worth 1 contact hour toward public library certification.

## 4) Fall V-Cat Training

Information and registration links can be [accessed here](#).

Sierra Cataloging Training – Attaching Items  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20

Sierra MARC Alert Cataloging Training  
10 - 12 p.m. on Wednesday, September 27

In-Person Training Day  
Thursday, October 5 | Register for a whole or half day

Aspen Refresher Training

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 11

Sierra Create Lists The Easy Way

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18

## 5) Public Library Staff Compensation Survey Now Available

A final report on the Public Library Staff Compensation Survey is now available. The purpose of the report is to provide staff salaries and position classification information to help library boards determine appropriate compensation to attract and retain the best possible employees for the positions.

[Read more.](#)

## 6) Upcoming Continuing Education Events

- [Future-Proof Your Library](#): 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 6
- [Introduction to Finding Grants](#): 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 6
- [Orientation to Legal Research](#): 12 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 7
- [Libraries in the Age of AI](#): 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 7
- [Tech Days 2023](#): Tuesday, Sept. 12 and Wednesday, Sept. 13

## 7) Demco Book Care Happy Hour

On September 12 and 13, Demco (located in Madison) is hosting a hands-on book care workshop led by Book Doctor, Kimberly Young. Enjoy snacks and drinks while touring Demco's showroom, along with demonstrations, product overviews, door prizes, and giveaways!

Space is limited. [RSVP by Friday, Sept. 8](#)

## 8) Reminders

To help promote **Library Card Sign-Up Month** in September and beyond, system consultants designed vinyl, die-cut stickers for libraries to hand out to new and existing library patrons, board members and community members. These can be placed on water bottles, laptops, phone cases and more. WVLS libraries who requested stickers should receive them in delivery this week.

To promote the stickers and Library Card Sign-Up Month, there are several social media templates on Canva available:

[Template 1](#) [Template 2](#) [Template 3](#)

Don't forget that [ALA has a Library Card Sign-up Month Toolkit](#). Contact Jamie ([jmatczak@wvls.org](mailto:jmatczak@wvls.org)) at WVLS with questions.