



### **1) Register for Youth Services Workshop**

This year's annual youth services workshop will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 30 at the TB Scott Free Library in Merrill.

The workshop will feature presentations by Cathy Pescinski, Teen Librarian at Shawano County Library, and Nancy Baacke, advocate and community educator at HAVEN, Inc. Cathy will present "Dynamite Dozen: 50 Teen Programs from 12 Simple Items" and Nancy will present a session on ACE, or adverse childhood experiences and their impact on youth and families. Time will be spent reviewing this past year's summer reading program and brainstorming next year's program. Attendees will also take a tour of the library. Lunch is included.

Register [here](#) by Thursday, November 16. Contact Kristie Hauer at [khauer@wvls.org](mailto:khauer@wvls.org) with any questions.

### **2) Delivery Tracking**

Public libraries in Wisconsin will track incoming and outgoing delivery materials for one week in November. This data will be used to study trends and delivery efficiencies among systems.

WVLS libraries/branches should track incoming and outgoing bins and bags for a week. For example, a library that receives delivery on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday is considered "one week." Libraries can choose which week they want to track.

[Please enter the data on this spreadsheet](#). Note there are separate columns for "drop off" and "pick up." For counting bags: If you have 5-8 bags, that counts as 1 bin. If a library has 4 or less bags, they do not need to include it in the tally. If a library does not have anything incoming or outgoing on a certain day, write "0" in the column.

This data should be completed by Friday, November 24. Contact Jamie at [jmatczak@wvls.org](mailto:jmatczak@wvls.org) with any questions.

### **3) Scholarships for PLA Conference Available**

WVLS is awarding scholarships to area library staff to attend the national 2024 Public Library Association (PLA) Conference.

Offered biennially, the PLA Conference is an opportunity for librarians from across the country and around the world to reconnect with one another, recreate the services they provide, and revitalize the passion for the work they do every day. The PLA Conference will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on April 3-5, 2024. The scholarship application deadline is Friday, December 1.

For more information and an application form, [visit the WVLS Scholarships and Grants webpage](#).

#### **4) V-Cat Council Meeting This Week**

The V-Cat Council meeting will be held from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Thursday, November 2. An agenda and meeting documents are available on the [V-Cat Council meetings page](#).

#### **5) Upcoming Webinars**

- [Marketing Trends Nonprofits Need to Know \(and Embrace\)](#) – 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31
- [Engage Your Readers with One-Tap Digital Magazines](#) - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 1

#### **6) Reminders**

The Public Library Association (PLA) 2023 Technology Survey is now open and accepting responses through Saturday, December 16. More information about the survey can be found in this [press release](#) and on the [PLA website](#). PLA provides technical assistance as needed for public libraries to complete the survey. Questions can be directed to [plabenchmark@ala.org](mailto:plabenchmark@ala.org). A free public report will be published in summer 2024.