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PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

MONTHLY UPDATE

WISCONSIN VALLEY LIBRARY SERVICE

MAKERSPACE

SCANSNAP

The ScanSnap SV600 is an innovative overhead-style scanner designed for contactless scanning of various document types, including newspapers, magazines, books, and delicate items up to 30mm thick. It features advanced image correction to flatten curve distortions, page-turning detection for automatic scanning, and multi-document detection to scan multiple items in one go. The SV600 uses high-quality processes to ensure clear, detailed scans without damaging the originals. It supports easy document organization through the ScanSnap Home software, making it ideal for professional use.

[Book makerspace kits and equipment](#)

ADULT SERVICES

➤ **MISINFORMATION DASHBOARD: ELECTION 2024**

This tracks and analyzes viral election-related misinformation, highlighting trends and tactics to help users identify and resist falsehoods. Misinformation is categorized by themes such as candidate image, popularity, conspiracy theories, and more.

➤ **COVERING WI**

The Outreach and Promotions Toolkit provides downloadable and customizable materials to help communities access affordable health insurance. It offers resources for outreach and education on health insurance options. Materials are available in English, Hmong, and Spanish.

➤ **DEMENTIA INCLUSIVE GUIDE**

The guide provides step-by-step support for libraries of all sizes and locations to enhance their inclusion efforts for individuals living with dementia and their caregivers. It covers gathering information, building an implementation team, and educating staff and volunteers.

YOUTH SERVICES

➤ **STARRED REVIEWS**

For September starred reviews, click [here](#).

➤ **INSPIRING FUTURE VOTERS**

Released at the ALSC National Institute, the Inspiring Future Voters booklist is now available. Developed for ALA's Reader. Voter. Ready. campaign, it is a collection of titles to help young people understand the importance of voting, civic engagement, and making their voices heard. The list includes fiction and nonfiction titles from birth to young adult.

➤ **INNOVATION DESTINATION**

This comprehensive resource hub is designed to support and inspire young inventors and the adults who mentor them. The project is spearheaded by a team of educators, librarians, and STEM professionals.

➤ **2024 AWARDS ANNOUNCED**

The Children's Book Award Committee of the WLA's Youth Services Section annually selects outstanding books for youth by Wisconsin-connected authors and awards the Elizabeth Burr/Worzalla Award, Outstanding Books of the Year, and Notable Wisconsin Authors/Illustrators.

ALL-AGES

➤ LIBRARIES TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES~ ROUND 3

The American Library Association (ALA) is offering grants of \$10,000 to \$20,000 to small and rural libraries to improve accessibility for people with disabilities. Eligible libraries must serve populations of 25,000 or less and be at least five miles from an urban area. [Register](#) for the pre-application webinar on October 10 and submit [applications](#) by December 11, 2024.

➤ DATA DASHBOARD

The Wisconsin Public Library Consortium (WPLC), in partnership with the Wisconsin DPI and WiLS, has launched a statewide data dashboard pilot that is running from September 3 - December 31. Watch for “Data Dashboard Dissections” each month in Monday Mentions. The culmination of these dissections will be a questionnaire in December where, upon completion, libraries can receive a \$25 Amazon gift card.

The [first dissection](#) is due today! Complete the Google form!

INCLUSIVE SERVICES

➤ **BALANCED DISPLAYS**

Creating displays can be a fun and creative activity. It's important to ensure that displays are balanced, especially when the topic is sensitive or potentially divisive. Setting up a display is just the beginning; we must also maintain it to keep it balanced. If maintaining balance becomes difficult or impossible, it's time to remove the display.

For instance, as the winter holidays approach, a display could be set up on holidays celebrated worldwide in December. This would be a balanced display. As patrons interact with the display and borrow items, the overall appearance of the display may change. If items representing all the holidays except one are borrowed, the next patron to see the display might perceive it differently from the original intent.

As items are removed from a display, adding new items to maintain balance is critical.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

➤ INTERFACE PROJECT

This site features free and short digital literacy courses from Wisconsin Technical College System on topics such as using a mouse and keyboard, email basics, Microsoft Word, social media, and managing personal data.

➤ VETERAN EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) supports veterans with employment and training services. Veterans get priority access to job search help, training, and education at American Job Centers. The Disabled Veteran Outreach Program (DVOP) offers personalized career services for veterans facing employment barriers, while the Local Veterans Employment Representative (LVER) promotes veteran hiring to employers and organizes job fairs and training. The DWD also assists with education benefits and healthcare career transitions.

UPCOMING

OCT 22~ 2 PM

JUMPSTART PLANNING FOR CITIZEN
SCIENCE MONTH 2025
VIRTUAL
REGISTER [HERE](#).

NOV 5-8

WLA CONFERENCE
GREEN BAY
REGISTER [HERE](#).

NOV 14~ 3 PM

YOUTH SERVICES SECTION (YSS) WEBINAR
VIRTUAL
REGISTER [HERE](#).

DEC 3~ 9 AM-3:30 PM

WLA PERFORMERS SHOWCASE
VIRTUAL
REGISTRATION AVAILABLE SOON

DEC 5~ 10 AM-3:30 PM

FREE CSLP SUMMER SYMPOSIUM
VIRTUAL
REGISTRATION OPENS NOV 5
KEYNOTE: MYCHAL THREETS

DEC 12~ 9 AM-4 PM

ANNUAL REPORT WORKSHOP
AT WVLS & VIRTUAL

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?**

LET'S CONNECT!



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