



1) V-Cat Council Next Week

V-Cat Council will meet Thursday, February 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. An agenda and meeting documents will be available on the [V-Cat Council meetings page](#) before the meeting.

2) Library Closure Survey for First Half of 2025

WVLS created a survey to collect library closure dates on and around major holidays from February - July 2025. Survey responses will alert WVLS staff to adjust due dates in Sierra and inform Waltco of modification to a library's delivery schedule.

[Please have a staff member complete this survey](#) on behalf of your library by Friday, January 31.

3) Delivery Reminders

- When libraries close for any reason (holidays, staff development, inclement weather, parking lot repaving, etc), a delivery is not made up on a different day that week.

The routes WVLS contracts with Waltco are not dedicated to libraries. Adding 5-20 extra stops to libraries on any given day is not feasible. If your library closes due to inclement weather, a notification to courier@wvls.org is always appreciated.

- Libraries in need of extra bins, labels, or rubber bands should send requests to courier@wvls.org. Libraries with an excess of bins or supplies can return them to WVLS.

4) Last Call for Dungeons and Dragons Kits

WVLS still has Dungeons and Dragons Essential Kits available for member libraries. Larger libraries may request more than one kit. This is a great way to offer additional programs at your library, or an opportunity for patrons to lead a program. Requests for the essential kit can be sent to Brenda Walenton at bwalenton@wvls.org.

5) New Collection Available in Libby

Wisconsin's Digital Library is pleased to announce a collection of always available romance titles in Libby. There are currently 995 titles available that can be easily accessed through [this collection link](#). Titles are subject to change with additions or substitutions without notice.

6) Next Ryan Dowd Webinar

Dementia: How to Work with People with Dementia and Alzheimer's

Thursday, February 13; 1 p.m.

Topics covered:

- Symptoms of dementia and how it impacts the brain
- Communication "Do's" and "Don'ts" when talking to someone with dementia
- Tools staff can use and how to "redirect"

Contact Jamie at WVLS (jmatczak@wvls.org) for the registration link. The recording of the live training will be available for four weeks.