



# Monday Mentions

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June 22, 2026

Things to Know This Week

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## **WVLS Seeks ILS Administrator**

WVLS is seeking a full-time ILS Administrator to join our team in Wausau.

This key leadership role reports directly to the WVLS Director and plays a vital part in supporting library services across our 7-county region. This position operates in a hybrid remote/in-office environment.

The WVLS ILS Administrator is responsible for:

- Managing the efficient operation of the WVLS Integrated Library System (ILS), including performance monitoring, administration, maintenance, upgrades, and reporting.
- Delivering professional, courteous ILS administrative support, training, and services to 34 remote public libraries and branches.
- Communicating effectively with diverse stakeholders in both individual and group settings.
- Providing strategic and operational leadership for V-Cat consortium services.

Read a full description and find application information on the website. Applications received by Monday, July 13 will receive first consideration. The position will remain open until filled.

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## **Library Closure Survey**

WVLS requests that all member public libraries respond to a survey to collect library closure dates on and around major holidays from August - September 2026. Survey responses will alert WVLS staff to adjust due dates in Sierra and inform Purple Mountain of modification to a library's courier schedule.

Please have a staff member complete this survey on behalf of your library by Friday, June 26.

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## **Upcoming V-Cat Trainings**

### **V-Cat Sierra Cataloging Training III – Z39.50**

**Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m.**

Attendees will learn how to use Z39.50 to connect to OCLC to search, analyze, and save bibliographic records to the V-Cat Sierra database. Prior to attending, library staff must attend a MARC Alert training or receive permission from WVLS staff. This training will benefit library staff new to cataloging in V-Cat or interested in a refresher.

[Join This Training.](#)

### **V-Cat Sierra WISCAT Interlibrary Loan Training**

**Monday, June 29 at 2 p.m.**

Attendees will learn how to manage lending and borrowing in Sierra for WISCAT interlibrary loan transactions. This training will benefit library staff who perform WISCAT interlibrary loan duties.

[Join This Training.](#)

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## **Backstage Process Set for Next Monday**

WVLS will be sending out a file of its bib records for Backstage cleanup Monday, June 29.

Member libraries should not edit bib records on this day. WVLS will send a notification when the process has been completed. Feel free to share this with staff who may be cataloging on Monday.

## Continuing Education Opportunities

### Efficiency by Design: Stories of Process Management in Libraries and Archives

Wednesday, June 24; 1 p.m.

Efficiency isn't just about numbers and charts. It's also about people and their stories.

Join Joy M. Perrin, author of *Efficiency by Design: Transforming Libraries and Archives through Process Management*, for a one-hour webinar that brings process management concepts to life through real-world stories from libraries and archives. Whether you're new to process management or looking for fresh ideas to apply in your organization, this session will leave you with relatable examples, actionable strategies, and a clearer vision for designing efficiency into your work. [Register for this webinar.](#)

### Next Ryan Dowd Training

The Science of Conflict (for Libraries)

Thursday, July 9; 1 p.m.

Attendees will learn:

- How trauma changes your approach to rule enforcement
- How you should begin every conversation to minimize conflict
- Why "being professional" can make things worse

Contact WVLS Education Consultant Jamie Matczak ([jmatczak@wvls.org](mailto:jmatczak@wvls.org)) for the registration link. The recording of the live training will be available in the Homeless Training Academy in Niche Academy.

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## 'Policy of the Month' Meet Up Next Month

Have a policy question? Join "Policy of the Month LIVE!" at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14.

Here's a chance to chat with Policy of the Month (PotM) organizers. We'd love to answer questions, hear your thoughts about any of the topics we've covered through PotM so far, get suggestions on policies we should cover next, and help you make connections with your fellow public library policy wonks. This event will focus on policy information for public libraries in Wisconsin. To allow attendees to feel more comfortable asking questions, this live session will not be recorded.

[Register for Policy of the Month LIVE!](#)

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## Free Advance Screening Opportunity: Little House on the Prairie

Shared from Bootklist, libraries are invited to request a complimentary advance screening link for Netflix's new adaptation of *Little House on the Prairie*, premiering globally on Thursday, July 9.

Based on Laura Ingalls Wilder's beloved books, the series is described as part hopeful family drama, part epic survival tale, and part origin story of the American West.

Libraries may request a free advance screening link to preview the series or host a free community screening for patrons, families, educators, book clubs, homeschool groups, and other community members. To request access or learn more about hosting a library screening, contact Corby Pons at [corby@witpr.com](mailto:corby@witpr.com).

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## Survey Opportunity: Solo Library Workers

The Association for Rural & Small Library's [national research project on solo librarians](#) is nearly complete — and the final piece is hearing from you. If you work in a public library in a solo or solo-ish capacity, we invite you to take our 20-minute survey on barriers to professional development, leadership, and community connection.

Every response helps build a stronger, more supported future for solo library workers nationwide. Plus, all participants will be entered to win a \$100 gift card. [Take the survey.](#)