

FEBRUARY 2024

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

MONTHLY UPDATE

WISCONSIN VALLEY LIBRARY SERVICE

MAKERSPACE

MATTER & FORM 3D SCANNER

This high-resolution scanner is compact, portable, fully assembled, and easy to use. It allows users to scan solid items to create a colored digital 3D model.

[Book makerspace kits and equipment](#)

ADULT SERVICES

➤ MELINDA MYERS

Nationally recognized gardening expert and author, [Melinda Myers](#), is offering a series of gardening [webinars and activities](#) for public libraries to use from April-June.

WVLS WEBPAGE

➤ UPDATES

[Adult Services](#) page has been updated with:

- *new entries in the Programming spreadsheet
- *summer program schedule templates

LET'S MOVE IN

➤ LIBRARIES

This initiative emphasizes the significance of community collaboration in promoting community health. It provides [ideas](#) and [resources](#) for developing movement-focused programs.

YOUTH SERVICES

➤ **STARRED REVIEWS**

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

➤ **SUMMER MATH ADVENTURE GRANT OPPORTUNITY**

See the WVLS February newsletter for details. [Apply here](#).

➤ **CCBC WORKSHOPS**

April 11 & 12: Brown County Library in Green Bay

May 13 & 14: Superior Public Library

May 15 & 16: LE Phillips Memorial Library in Eau Claire

Registration details will be shared once available.

➤ **EL DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS/EL DÍA DE LOS LIBROS** **(CHILDREN'S DAY/BOOK DAY)**

Commonly known as Día, this is a celebration every day of children and reading that culminates yearly on April 30.

YOUTH SERVICES

➤ **COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

[CCBC 2024 Youth Media Award Winners](#)

[ALA 2024 Award Winners](#)

[We Need Diverse Books 2024 Walter Awards](#)

[Wisconsin First Nations book lists](#)

[ALSC 2024 Notable Books](#)

➤ **EARLY CHILDHOOD TRAUMA TOOLKIT**

Created and offered by ALSC (Association for Library Service to Children).

➤ **WVLS WEBPAGE UPDATES**

[Children's Services](#) and [Teen Services](#) pages have been updated with:

*recap of the January 18 YSIE Get-Together

*new entries in the Performer Booking spreadsheet

*summer program schedule templates

➤ **TEACHINGBOOKS**

TeachingBooks is a resource available in Badgerlink that enhances connections to authors and illustrators of youth books. It provides book discussion guides, author and illustrator interviews, short movies, related activities and lessons, and Reader's Theater scripts.

[Upcoming webinars](#)

[Short tutorials](#)

ALL-AGES

INTELLECTUAL **➤ FREEDOM** **TOOLKIT**

Created and offered by Wisconsin Library Association's Intellectual Freedom committee.

2024 PROGRAM & **➤ ACTIVITY TRACKER**

Collect your program and activity statistics now in the DPI provided spreadsheet (located about 2/3 down the page) to simplify and improve accuracy of your 2024 state annual report.

SOLAR ECLIPSE: **➤ APRIL 8**

- [PBS KIDS solar eclipse digital toolkit](#)
- [SEAL: Solar Eclipse Activities for Libraries](#)
- [NASA Citizen Science projects](#)
- [DPI's SEAL Kit reservation form](#)
- [Paul Kinzer's Seeing Stars Portable Planetarium](#)

INCLUSIVE SERVICES

➤ INCLUSIVE SERVICES ASSESSMENT & GUIDE

If your library has not completed DPI's Inclusive Services Assessment and Guide, here are a few activities to work to incorporate at your library.

- The library director's position description is gender neutral.
- All library staff are trained in emergency protocols and procedures.
- The collection includes resources for furthering education (e.g. GED, ACT/SAT test prep).
- The library offers programs that celebrate a wide variety of heritages and cultural events.

➤ NFB-NEWSLINE

NFB-NEWSLINE® is a free audio news service for anyone who is blind, low-vision, deafblind, or otherwise print-disabled that offers access to more than 500 publications, emergency weather alerts, job listings, and more.

Materials for youth and adults are available.

Materials are available through phone, app, Amazon Alexa, website, email, or portable players.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

➤ JOB CENTER WORKFORCE EVENTS

The Job Center of Wisconsin provides a variety of job-seeking and hiring events in-person, virtually, and in hybrid formats. For the most current event listings, visit their website.

➤ UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Department of Workforce Development provides extensive information on applying for benefits, filing weekly claims, and offers an informative [Claimant Handbook](#) available in English, Spanish, and Hmoob.

UPCOMING

MARCH 8

WVLS SUMMER MATH ADVENTURE
GRANT DEADLINE

MARCH 21 ~ 1-3PM

YSIE GET-TOGETHER
MINOCQUA LIBRARY

APRIL 11 ~ 4-7PM

CCBC WORKSHOP
“GREAT NEW BOOKS FOR CHILDREN
AND TEENS”
BROWN COUNTY LIBRARY

APRIL 12 ~ 9AM-3PM

CCBC WORKSHOP
“GREAT NEW BOOKS FOR CHILDREN
AND TEENS”
“INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM TRAINING”
BROWN COUNTY LIBRARY

APRIL 17 ~ 10AM

WVLS LISTENING SESSION
COLBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

MAY 1

SUMMER PERFORMER CONTRACTS
DUE FOR PERFORMER GRANT

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?**

LET'S CONNECT!



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