

MARCH 2024

**PUBLIC LIBRARY
SERVICES**

MONTHLY UPDATE

WISCONSIN VALLEY LIBRARY SERVICE

MAKERSPACE

WIND POWER ELECTRICITY GENERATING TURBINES 2.0

Build wind turbines to power electric vehicles and recharge batteries.
Kit includes two blade styles and gearbox with three gear ratios.

[Book makerspace kits and equipment](#)

ADULT SERVICES

WISCONSIN

➤ WATER LIBRARY

The library offers outreach programs about “Plastics in the Great Lakes” and “Our Great Lakes in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities.” [Email staff](#) to schedule a visit to your library.

AUTO REPAIR

➤ SOURCE

This provides detailed information on servicing and repairing domestic and imported automobiles, service and repair procedures, wiring diagrams, maintenance schedules, diagnostic trouble codes, and more. Available in BadgerLink.

HOW I LIBRARY

➤ PODCAST

ALA's monthly series will feature authors, filmmakers, musicians, scholars, thought leaders, and librarians discussing the importance of libraries, sharing their favorite library memories, and thoughts about their work.

YOUTH SERVICES

➤ **STARRED REVIEWS**

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

➤ **SCAVENGER HUNTS**

[The Childish Librarians](#) recently led a webinar on Library Scavenger Hunts. The aim of the webinar was to provide practical ways to enhance information literacy, reader's advisory, and knowledge of facts among patrons. Pre-made scavenger hunt materials, available in PDF or Canva templates, are [here](#).

➤ **BADGERLINK RESOURCES**

Sometimes it's hard to know which Badgerlink Resource fits your search best! Here's a handy [Youth Services Resource Guide](#) and [Homework Help Resource Guide](#).

➤ **PLIX: PUBLIC LIBRARY** **INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

PLIX develops creative STEAM learning experiences based on MIT Media Lab research and designed for the public library setting. It includes STEAM activities, virtual workshops, and an online community forum.

YOUTH SERVICES

➤ **COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

YALSA's 2024 [Great Graphic Novels for Teens](#)

CCBC's [Weekly Book Reviews](#)

NPR's Books We Love: [Kids](#) and [Teens](#)

[Notable Books for a Global Society](#)

[2024 Rainbow Book List](#)

➤ **YSS BLOG WRITERS**

The Youth Services Section blog needs guest writers for upcoming posts. Anyone involved with youth services can contribute. Posts on programs or short thematic booklists have done well in the past. For questions or to contribute, contact [Marge Loch-Wouters](#).

➤ **DAYBYDAY OHIO LITERACY** **CALENDAR**

Select the month and date at the top of the page for new activities daily. Find more activities in the [monthly calendars](#).

BADGERLAND REMAKE

➤ **LEARNING DAYS APRIL 20-28**

Remake Learning Days (RLD) is a festival that celebrates innovative experiences and opportunities for youth to develop their sense of creativity, perseverance, and curiosity. RLD is hosted by a variety of organizations, such as schools, museums, libraries, after-school organizations, early childcare centers, media centers, tech startups, and more.

ALL-AGES

NO EAR LEFT ➤ BEHIND

Hearing loss and hearing loops in-person workshop.

Date: March 25, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: Watertown Public Library

Full details and registration are located [here](#).

GREAT LAKES, ➤ GREAT READ

This “one book, one community” is a project to promote connection to the Great Lakes Watershed through reading. Adult and youth book selection will be announced on Earth Day, April 22.

NATIONAL ➤ POETRY MONTH

April 1996 saw the first-ever National Poetry Month launched by the Academy of American Poets. This special occasion celebrates the vital role played by poets in our culture and the value of poetry in our lives. You can order an official poster for free [here](#).

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.

- Does library administration support self care behaviors of library staff?
- Does the budget include funds for programming geared to a range of groups in the community?
- Does the library work with other organizations to provide free food at library events or summer food programs?

➤ AUTISM-READY LIBRARIES TOOLKIT

The toolkit was created to improve public libraries' ability to support families with autistic children. The aim of this toolkit is to equip youth librarians with the necessary training and programming materials to offer early literacy services that are inclusive of children with autism. Some resources include:

[Autism-Inclusive Early Literacy Program Plans](#)

[Autism-Inclusive Early Literacy Storytime Templates](#)

[Visual Supports: A How-To Guide](#)

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

➤ SAVE THE DATE!

A Workforce Collaboration Workshop is planned for spring.

Date: May 24, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Brown County Library in Green Bay

Additional details will be shared as they become available.

➤ DPI SEEKING FEEDBACK

The DPI's Library Services Team (LST) is requesting feedback from library professionals about potential IT certification proctoring opportunities that could be offered for free through select public libraries to Wisconsin residents. With an aim to ensure that the grant money is spent on desirable credentialing opportunities that have a significant impact, LST is exploring various options and needs your input. For more information on the current program, please [click here](#). Take the [survey](#).

UPCOMING

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
[REGISTER HERE.](#)

APRIL 12 ~ 9AM-3PM

CCBC WORKSHOP
“GREAT NEW BOOKS FOR CHILDREN
AND TEENS” AND
“INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM TRAINING”
BROWN COUNTY LIBRARY
[REGISTER HERE.](#)

APRIL 17 ~ 10AM

WVLS LISTENING SESSION
COLBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

APRIL 24

CONNECTING WI LIBRARIES
VIRTUAL MEETING

MAY 1

SUMMER PERFORMER CONTRACTS
DUE FOR PERFORMER GRANT

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?**

LET'S CONNECT!



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