

## Updates for 06/08/2017 WPLC Board Meeting

### Historical & Local Digital Collections Committee

Six newspapers from three communities (Belleville, Black River Falls and Evansville) were added to the Archive of Wisconsin Newspapers in BadgerLink. Four more titles are being processed and will be added soon. Paid access for out-of-state researchers outside of BadgerLink will be available through the Wisconsin Newspaper Association's NewsTracker Service. WNA is working with their database vendor, Tecnavia, to address some issues in the search interface and make improvements.

Staff from eight different library systems participated in the live discussion webinar to wrap up the Digital Projects Toolkit online course. Overall, 25 people registered for the course and 18 completed all or a portion of it. There are no plans to re-run the course in the near future, but the course remains available [online](#) for anyone in the Wisconsin library community.

### User & Non-User Survey Workgroup Recommendation

The User / Non-User Survey Workgroup has been busy with the Research Program! With partnership from Morrill Solutions Research, the program produced and conducted four webinars in April and following the final webinar, opened a call for proposal for the library community to submit proposals for local library research projects that gather and analyze data about their own user and non-user communities. The Workgroup received three proposals and is meeting to review and select proposals for funding on May 31st. The selected proposals will receive two rounds of consultation with Morrill Solutions Research and the projects will be implemented in early July. There will be a final webinar on data analysis later this summer or early fall open to the full community and all the instruments and research gathered will be freely available to the WPLC community.