



Welcome to **WLA Wednesday**

February 28, 2018

On this day: In 1939, the erroneous word "Dord" is discovered in *Webster's New International Dictionary*.

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Making Headlines

WA Library Legislative Day + ALA Advocacy Bootcamp



It's almost time for the [2018 WA Library Legislative Day](#)! Online registration is closed, but registration will still be available onsite for both the Advocacy Bootcamp (February 28) and Legislative Day (March 1). We hope to see you in Olympia!

Look Who's Hiring



Pacific Lutheran University is seeking an [Assistant Professor/Archives and Special Collections Librarian](#). The position is open until

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filled.

The Seattle Public Library is seeking a [Systems Librarian](#). The position is open until filled.

Lower Columbia College is seeking an [Adjunct Librarian](#). The position is open until filled.

Green River College is seeking a [Full Time Tenure Track Librarian](#). The position closes March 6.

[The Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) (PNLA) lists job openings frequently. You can also browse WLA institutional members' postings [here](#).

If you have a current posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please [email](#) us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

News & Notes

Free Exhibits - Will Travel

Exhibits available to travel! [Legacy Washington](#) is happy to share their exhibits with historical institutions, schools, and libraries throughout the State of Washington. Available free (except transportation). Please contact Amber Raney for more information: 360-902-4126. The two exhibits currently available are:

- [Washington 1889](#) – A year of big dreams, big burns, and big politics, 1889 captured a place in our history as a time of great prosperity and adversity. The face of Washington changed. Pioneers arrived and townsfolk rebuilt from the rubble. Finally, on November 11, 1889, Washington rose as the 42nd state in the union.
- [Who Are We? Washington's Kaleidoscope](#) – Is there a quintessential Washingtonian? Hardly. History has made clear that we're more than our identity—more than techies or coffee lovers or outdoor enthusiasts. We're a kaleidoscope, a cultural melting pot. We live in a place constantly reinventing itself.

UW iSchool Expo



Can't make it to Philadelphia for the PLA Conference? The Public Library Association (PLA) is offering a great way to participate. The [PLA 2018 Virtual Conference](#) will consist of live programming on Thursday, March 22, and Friday, March 23, including five hour-long programs each day, plus author interviews and opportunities for networking. Programs are chosen from among the highest rated in PLA's session preference survey.

Check out the schedule and register [here!](#)

The Learning Curve

All Aboard for Storytime: Kindergarten Readiness Training Open

Join the Washington State Library for a workshop on what children need to know before they start kindergarten and how libraries can support families so their children are ready.

Share what your library is doing and find out what libraries around Washington State are doing. Dive into the importance of intentional planning, including how Every Child Ready to Read and Supercharged storytimes can help you support kindergarten readiness in all your programs.

In this workshop you will explore how the following six domains of the Washington Inventory of Developing Skills (WaKIDS) kindergarten assessment can be integrated into storytime: (1) Literacy, (2) Language, (3) Social-emotional, (4) Math, (5) Cognitive, and (6) Physical.

You will leave with a myriad of fun ideas, activities, and booklists that you may begin using immediately. This workshop will also cover ways to share readiness information with parents, caregivers, teachers and child care providers.

Want to make connections with local public, academic, and special libraries?

Check out the iSchool's [first-ever library and information science career expo](#) on Wednesday, February 28. This event will give MLIS students the opportunity to engage with professionals and learn about library organizations, professional associations, and potential job, DFW, and volunteer opportunities. Light appetizers, coffee, and tea will be available. The Expo will run from 3:30 – 5:30 pm at UW Seattle, Odegaard Undergraduate Library, room 220.

WLA will have a booth at the Expo, so stop by to say hello!

Preventing School Shootings: Resources for School Librarians

Check out [these resources](#) for preventing gun violence in schools and school libraries from the *Library Lions Roar* blog, including interviews, videos, books, and articles.

Applications Close Next Week for 2018 ALA Leadership Institute

Applications for the 2018 "[Leading to the Future](#)" ALA Leadership Institute (August 6-9, Itasca, Illinois) will be accepted through March 9. The institute is designed to help future library leaders develop and practice their leadership skills in areas critical to the future of the libraries they lead.

The [application form](#) as well as details and guidelines are available on the Transforming Libraries website. Applicants may nominate themselves or be nominated by their employer.

Have news to share? Please send it to the [WLA office](#) by Monday to be included in that week's digest. Please include "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

The trainings are also an opportunity for youth services staff to invite their local early childhood workers to come with them and refresh skills together. Trainings are located in both Eastern and Western Washington. These trainings are funded by the Washington Library with Library Services and Technology Act funds supplied by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

All Aboard! Register [here](#).

2018 May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture: "Refreshments Will Be Served – Our Lives of Reading & Writing"

The 2018 May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture, "Refreshments Will Be Served – Our Lives of Reading & Writing" will be given by poet and author Naomi Shihab Nye at 7:00pm on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at the Western Washington University Performing Arts Center. Each year the Association for Library Service to Children, a Division of the American Library Association, selects an individual to prepare and deliver a paper considered to be a significant contribution to the field of children's literature. Libraries across the country apply to host the lecture and Western Washington University and Whatcom County Library System are thrilled to be selected as the 2018 host site.

The lecture is open to the public, and free of charge, though registration is requested. Register for the lecture [here](#) and while you're waiting, read up on Nye's work by checking out [some of her extraordinary writing for kids, teens, and adults](#).

Increase Your Emotional Intelligence

Work that focuses on public service can be both rewarding and costly. Being mindful of our own work narrative and understanding how we deal with conflict are two key areas that require our attention. The Washington State Library presents "Self-Talk and Emotional Intelligence: Improving your Work Narrative."

Participants in this 3-hour workshop will learn how to:

- Identify and adjust their self-talk;
- Understand their personal work mission;

- Develop awareness of cycles of conflict; and
- Improve clarity and effectiveness of communication.

This free workshop is still available in Richland (March 15, both am and pm). [Register here.](#)

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