

Welcome to

WLA Wednesday

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On this day: in 1916, American author Beverly Cleary is born.

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Making Headlines

Alki Accepting Submissions for The Social Justice Issue

It's time to submit articles to the next issue of *Alki*. The Summer 2017 issue is *The Social Justice Issue*.

We live in a time of great uncertainty, and many of our patrons (especially the most vulnerable) are concerned about efforts to chip away at civil rights, the proliferation of "fake news," attacks on privacy, maintaining free access to information, and much more. What is your library doing to inform and empower patrons? Have you designed programs or marketed services to underserved populations? Have you created courses to educate students to think critically about how to consume news and information? Have you developed collections or promoted resources with an eye towards equity? Has an interaction with a patron or student challenged a preconceived notion? If so, this is an excellent opportunity to share stories and strategies with your colleagues.

Please send your article idea(s) to <u>alkieditor@wla.org</u> and include:

- Your name and position/library
- Description of the article
- Suggested title
- Estimated length (in pages); each page = 750 words (or fewer with graphics)
- Intent to include graphics (photo, logo, other)
- Contact information

The deadline to submit articles for the Spring issue is June 16, 2017. Please see the <u>Instructions for Contributors</u> for more details. Frank Brasile, the editor of *Alki*, is happy to discuss ideas and expectations with you as well. We are also accepting articles that are not related to the theme but are of interest to the WLA community.

Look Who's Hiring



The University of Washington Bothell & Cascadia College Campus Library is looking for a <u>Morning Circulation Lead</u>. The deadline to apply is April 24.

Parkrose High School has an opening for a <u>Library Media Specialist</u>. The position is open until filled.

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) lists job openings frequently. You can also browse WLA institutional members' postings <u>here</u>.

If you have a current posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please <u>email</u> us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

News & Notes

Two WA Teacher Librarians Selected as 2017-2018 Lilead Fellows

Trish Henry, Mead 354 Public Schools, and Debi Shultz, Centralia School District, are two of 22 school district library leaders chosen to participate in the 2017-2018 Lilead Fellows Program.

The Lilead Fellows Program, with funding from IMLS, will provide an intensive 18-month long professional development program for 25 school district library supervisors. The program will focus on developing leadership skills in integrating information literacy instruction, technology use, and advocacy for library programs. <u>Click here for more information about the Lilead Project</u>.

Join WLA for 2017 Library Snapshot Day

April is the month when libraries of all types strut their stuff with special programs and events to shine a light on the library. <u>This year</u> <u>the Washington Library Association is</u> <u>partnering with the Washington State Library</u>

Conference Communiqué

The Latest from Learn Local!



The verdict is in; <u>Learn Local! Seattle</u> was a hit! Here's just a sample from attendee evaluations:

- "Reasonably priced, convenient, good timing."
- "The one day format allowed us to send more staff."
- "The quality of the programs I attended was phenomenal. Everyone I spoke to said this was the best group of programs they had ever had at a conference,"

There is still time to register for <u>Learn Local!</u> <u>Yakima</u> on Friday, April 28, and you can read about all the great <u>programs here</u>.

It is with regret we announce that the Learn Local! Spokane conference has been canceled due to low registration numbers. We invited any presenters offering programs in Spokane only to join us in Yakima instead, which will make for an "enhanced" conference experience in Yakima. We look forward to learning local with you there!

The Learning Curve

Data Education Resources for Anyone, Anywhere

"Data Education Resources for Anyone, Anywhere" is the next PNR Rendezvous webinar on April 19 from 1:00 – 2:00pm, from the Pacific Northwest Region office of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (<u>NNLM PNR</u>). Nicole Vasilevsky PhD, Research Assistant Professor at Oregon Health & Science University Library will present regarding the development of freely available, online Open Educational Resources (OERs) that cover various topics in data science by a research team at Oregon Health to promote Library Snapshot Day from April 9

<u>– 22</u>. During this time window, libraries and library supporters pick one day and take pictures to show "a day in the life of the library." Photos can be shared on social media sites and hashtagged for findability and retrieval.

This year, Snapshot Day happens between the dates of **April 9-22**, **2017**. We are calling on ALL types of libraries to participate, large and small, rural and urban, academic, public, school, and special - EVERYONE is urged to participate!

Using the hashtag **#WALibrarySnapshot**, photos, anecdotes, and data "snapshots" can be shared via::

- <u>Twitter</u>, @WALIBASSN;
- <u>Facebook;</u>
- Flickr;
- As well as through your own linked social media channels.

Another option, should you care to use it, is to collect stories of your staff and patrons telling us why they love their library. A PowerPoint template (download the file) is available to make that easy to do. During the Library Snapshot window <u>Nono Burling</u> at the Washington State Library will be collecting these pictures into a TumbIr specifically set up for the purpose. Let's create an endlessly scrolling page of all the library awesomeness that is happening around our state!

WLA Awards Update

Curious about WLA awards? We are currently migrating <u>merit</u> and <u>book</u> award descriptions to the new awards sites on the WLA page. Due to a later conference this year, the awards timeline has moved slightly and merit nomination forms will go out in May. Many book awards are already under way. More information to come!

Have news to share? Please send it to the <u>WLA office</u> by Monday to be included in that week's digest. Please include "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line. & Science University. The OERs can be used as 'out of the box' courses for students, or materials for educators to use in courses, training programs, or seminars.

No registration required. <u>Learn how to connect</u> <u>here</u>.

Appropriations Webinar from ALA for National Library Week

Confused about the \$1 trillion Federal Appropriations process? Does talk of the FY 17 budget, FY 18 budget, the President's "Skinny" budget, Continuing Resolutions and Omnibus budgeting leave you a tad confused? You are not alone!

To help answer some of these questions, ALA is <u>hosting a webinar</u> on April 13, 2017, 2:30pm eastern to provide an overview of the Federal budget and appropriations process, its impact on libraries throughout the country and the importance of front line advocacy efforts on behalf of libraries.

Join the ALA Washington Office Appropriations expert Kevin Maher and the Penn Hill lobbying group's Aissa Canchola for an hour-long discussion of the ABCs of the budget process in Washington. These budget experts will help explain how Congress can be working on last year's budget AND this year's budget at the same time, what the President's proposal to eliminate the Institute of Museum and Library Services could mean for more than \$213 million in federal library funding and how Congress is expected to proceed in the coming weeks and months.

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