



Welcome to *WLA Wednesday*

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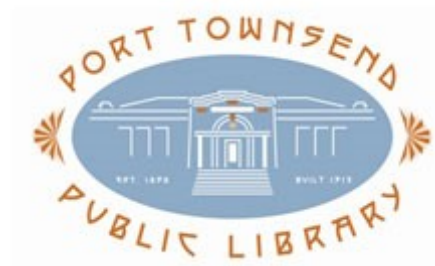
On this day: In 1889, a convention met in Ellensburg to urge Congress to grant Washington statehood.

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Making Headlines

**Welcome to Our Newest Organizational Member:
Port Townsend Public Library**



We're excited to have the [Port Townsend Public Library](#) join WLA as our newest Organizational member!

The Port Townsend Public Library was established in 1898 by a group of "leading community ladies." Today, more than 500 people use the Library each day, the highest usage for a library of its size in Washington.

Look Who's Hiring



Seattle University is seeking a [Research Services Librarian and Liaison for Science and](#)

Conference Communiqué

NEXT Library Emerging Leader Travel Fellowship for Berlin Conference



[Engineering](#). The position is open until filled.

Yakima Valley Libraries is seeking a [Community Library Supervisor II](#). The position is open until filled.

The Museum of Flight is seeking a [Museum Archivist](#). Applications are due January 12.

The Neill Public Library is seeking a [Library Technician - Youth Services](#). Applications are due January 22.

The University of Washington, Bothell is seeking a [Business Research and Instruction Librarian](#). Applications are due January 26.

[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

Washington State Book Awards Deadline

Do you know a Washington author who had a book published in 2017? The [Washington Center for the Book](#) is actively seeking 2017 titles by Washington authors for the 2018 Washington State Book Awards. The deadline for entry is February 1. The Washington State Book Awards are given for outstanding books for books published by Washington authors the previous year. Info, criteria, and the online submission form are [here](#).

Apply Now: Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation Great Stories Club Pilot Program

ALA invites libraries to apply for a pilot of the [Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation \(TRHT\) Great Stories Club](#), a thematic reading and discussion program series that will engage underserved teens through literature-based library outreach programs and racial healing work.

Up to 25 selected libraries will work with small groups of teens to read and discuss three titles on the theme "Growing Up Brave on the Margins." The TRHT Great Stories Club will

Six emerging leaders in U.S. public libraries will be selected and given travel awards by the Central and Regional Library of Berlin to attend the [NEXT Library Conference](#), September 12-15. The deadline for nominations is January 19. Learn more about how to apply or nominate a leader in your library community [here](#)!

The Learning Curve

The Alzheimer's Café Model: A Guide to Getting Started in Your Community

Want to build a dementia-friendly community? An Alzheimer's Café (or Memory Café) is one way to start! In the simple model, people with memory loss and their loved ones enjoy a monthly social gathering. Join us to learn how to bring this exciting program to your area!

Presenter Cecily Kaplan, Director of Greenwood Senior Center, helped launch the first Alzheimer's Café in Washington State in 2010.

Tune in to this free webinar on Wednesday, January 24 from 10:00 – 11:00 am PT. [Register](#) here, and learn more about the Dementia Action Collaborative [here](#).

Advocacy, Ethics, and the Law for Librarians

As professionals, how can we make sure our voices are heard on issues of freedom, equity, truth, and justice? What is ethically required of us? Where are the legal (and political) danger zones? This class is an introduction to public advocacy and lobbying for librarians within the context of Washington law.

Tune in January 16 at 9:00 am PT to learn about the ins and outs from Rob Mead, the State Law Librarian. Even if you can't attend live, go ahead and register and you will be sent a link to the recording. [Register here!](#)

History Café: Preserving Neighborhood Stories Through Oral History

Throughout most of the twentieth century, the Central District was the only Seattle neighborhood in which African Americans were allowed to own or rent property. Residents responded to housing

feature books that explore the coming-of-age experience for young people in historically marginalized groups, including *Ms. Marvel Volume 1: No Normal* by G. Willow Wilson and Adrian Alphona, *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas, and *March: Book One* by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell.

Visit the [project guidelines](#) and apply online by February 16. Potential applicants may [register for a free January 12 webinar](#) to learn more about the pilot program and its requirements.

Beta Phi Mu Award

ALA and the jury for the [Beta Phi Mu Award](#) encourage you to submit nominations for someone who deserves to be known for their work in education for librarianship. The award consists of \$1,000 and a 24k gold framed citation of achievement. This annual award is for a library school faculty member or an individual. Self-nominations are welcome. To submit your nomination you'll need a statement indicating this nominee's distinguished contributions to education, indicating why the candidate is worthy of the Beta Phi Mu Award. Supporting evidence or testimonials are also welcome. The deadline to apply is February 1.

Pat Carterette Professional Development Grant

The ALA Learning Round Table (LRT) is accepting applications for the Pat Carterette Professional Development Grant. LRT will award up to \$1,000 to an individual to attend a professional development event between September 1, 2018 and August 31, 2019. The award recipient will be required to share their new learning with other LRT members in some way (newsletter, blog, list serve, etc.). Applicants do not have to be ALA members to apply. In addition to the financial award, the recipient will be provided with access to a member of LRT, who will serve as a "Professional Development Mentor" throughout the award year. If the recipient is already an ALA member, they will also receive a free one-year membership in LRT.

Applicants must [apply online](#) by February 15. The award recipient will be notified in May 2018.

discrimination, inadequate infrastructure, job discrimination, and underfunded schools, with innovation, creativity, community leadership, and solidarity. Today, the Central District is undergoing rapid transformation. Hear the stories of those who call the Central District home and how two oral history projects are not only helping to preserve this legacy but how these stories may influence the way in which we imagine our city's future.

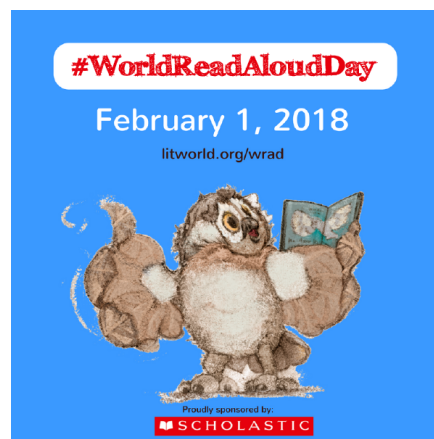
[This free event](#) is January 16 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm PT at the Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) in Seattle. Learn more about the MOHAI History Café and listen to their audio archives [here](#).

Strengthening Inclusive Early Childhood Programs with Music Therapy Strategies

All children make music, and music therapy practices can make early childhood programs inclusive. By using therapeutic techniques, educators can support children of all abilities and their families to participate in a broad range of activities and contexts. Focusing on developmental goals, intentional music interventions help children with disabilities become successful in inclusive early childhood programs. Join Dr. Petra Kern to learn how you can turn on the music and make your inclusive program sing!

Tune in January 3 at 11:00 am PT. [Register here](#).

World Read Aloud Day



Every year, on [World Read Aloud Day](#), people all around the globe read aloud together and share stories to advocate for literacy as a human right that belongs to all people.

Senators Introduce Bipartisan Museum and Library Services Act of 2017

ALA's Washington, D.C. Office encourages you to [use the action center to contact your senators](#) and ask them to cosponsor S. 2271, the Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA) of 2017.

The 2017 MLSA reauthorizes the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), showing congressional support for the federal agency. IMLS administers funding through the Library Services Technology Act (LSTA), the only federal program that exclusively covers services and funding for libraries.

In your emails and calls to senators, tell them how LSTA funds enable your library to offer valuable services to your community. Invite them to visit your library to see for themselves the difference libraries make in people's lives. Your story and your voice will persuade your elected leaders to show their support for libraries and cosponsor the MLSA of 2017. Information on LSTA grants administered by the Washington State Library is available [here](#).

The State of State Libraries

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has [released the latest report](#) on the State Library Administrative Agencies (SLAA) Survey. The [biennial survey](#), conducted in FY 2016, assesses the condition of SLAAs in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

A Call for 2019 Resource Guide Submissions: It's Showtime at Your Library!

Are you a star at planning or presenting library programs? Love to recommend books and movies? Does your job require you to create, decorate, prepare, or promote? If so, please submit your ideas and help set the stage for libraries worldwide to have a spectacular summer reading program.

The theme for the 2019 iREAD Resource Guide, *It's Showtime at Your Library*, can be interpreted broadly and applies to all ages, from babies to adults. Movies, television, musicals, readers theater, plays, dance, puppetry, poetry slams—it encompasses all performances. Maybe you've created book trailers, podcasts, or pre-Oscar parties. [Click](#)

[Click here](#) for resources, programming ideas, decorations, and graphics for local or online collaboration. Use #WorldReadAloudDay to share your ideas, plans, and pictures from the day on social media.

From Facilities to Trauma: Disaster Planning and Community Resiliency at Your Library

Recent catastrophes have highlighted the important role public libraries play in enhancing their community's resiliency and post-disaster recovery efforts. Many community leaders now view libraries as ad hoc disaster recovery centers and recognize librarians as Information First Responders. This presentation will help you and your library embrace this new role as Information First Responders, who quickly enable people to get back to work, back to their lives, and ensure recovery of the community's economic life. Learn what you need to prepare before disaster strikes, guided by New Jersey State Library's [Disaster Preparedness & Community Resiliency Toolkit](#), which has been emergency-tested by libraries. Your library can be at the forefront in providing that safe haven in times of crisis and helping your community return to normal life. [Tune in](#) January 30 at 12:00 pm PT.

Using the Standards to Further Your Instructional Leadership

Librarians are leaders. Join Jeanie Phillips and Ellen McNair, members of the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) Standards implementation task force, as they unpack critical aspects of instructional leadership. They'll talk about aligning your superpowers as a librarian with the new standards and the needs of your school community. You will collaborate to discover opportunities, strategies, and leverage points, so you can flex your instructional muscles to impact your entire school community. [Tune in](#) January 9 at 4:00 pm PT.

When a Patron Needs More Than a Book: Transformation Has No Due Date

Have you accidentally helped a library patron transform? Are you ready to be an intentional champion for your library users? Join the

[here](#) to make your submissions online. The deadline for entries is February 28.

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.

Colorado State Library to explore services that make all the difference. Hear stories of extraordinary library moments and identify common ways library staff help people grow and learn in transformative ways. Walk away with an understanding of how libraries change lives and gain ideas for what you can do to provide more meaningful library services. Discover how to shift libraries from places of transaction into spaces for interaction, and transformation. [Tune in](#) January 18 at 11:00 am PT.

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