

WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

October 10, 2018

On this day: In 1886, the first tuxedo is said to have been worn to the Autumn Ball at Tuxedo Park, New York.

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MAKING HEADLINES

Online Conference Registration Closes TODAY

Online registration closes today, October 10, at 11:59pm for the 2018 WLA Conference!

Registration will also be available onsite at the Yakima Convention Center, but we strongly encourage registering online. Advance registration helps us get an accurate count for meals, programs, and events, and it helps us coordinate a better conference experience.

We hope to see you next week in Yakima!

WLA Election Results

The polls have closed for the 2019 WLA Elections, and we have a fantastic group of incoming leaders! On behalf of Past President Brianna Hoffman and the Elections Committee, thank you to all of the candidates who ran and the WLA members who voted.

Are you interested in getting involved in a WLA Division, Section, or committee in 2019? Email info@wla.org to find out how.

Let's give a warm WLA welcome to the newly elected 2019 leaders below!

WLA Board

Vice President/President-Elect: **Emily Keller**Board Director, Academic Library Division: **Ahniwa Ferrari**Board Director, Special Library Division: **Joe Olayvar**Student Representative to the Board: **Rachel Ramey**ALA Councilor to the Board: **Steven Bailey**

WLA Divisions

Academic Library Division Chair: Caitlin Bagley

Academic Library Division Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: **Steve Overfelt** Academic Library Division Secretary/Communications: **Jessica**

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Public Library Division Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: **Sam Wallin** Public Library Division Secretary/Communications: **Marvin**

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School Library Division Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: **Marian Royal** School Library Division Secretary/Communications: Hillary Marshall Special Library Division Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: Judy Pitchford

WLA Sections

CATS Chair: Megan Dazey

CAYAS Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: **Beth Bermani** CAYAS Secretary/Communications: **Lisa Racine**

IFS Chair: Lisa Vos

IFS Vice Chair/Chair-Elect: **James Davenport** IFS Secretary/Communications: **Karen Kline**

LIFE Chair: Elizabeth Partridge

LISS Secretary/Communications: Michelle Reid

SAIL Chair: Maria Arcorace SRRT Chair: Samantha Hines

SRRT Secretary/Communications: Alexa Andrews

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a Librarian – PERS Eligible. The position closes October 20.

The Washington State Library is seeking a Library and Archival Professional 4 (LSTA Coordinator). The position is open until filled.

The Whatcom County Library System is seeking a **Branch Manager**. The position is open until filled.

Microsoft is seeking a Business Strategy Leader - Libraries and Museums. The position is open until filled.

Primary Source has two openings for an **Administrative Assistant**. The positions are open until filled.

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.

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Career Lab @ WLA 2018

Whether you are seeking a library job, looking for career advice to make the most of your current job, or just need an updated headshot, the Career Lab at the 2018 WLA Conference has something for conference attendees at every stage of their career.

Participate: Sign-ups for the Career Lab are now available! Click here to sign up for a time slot. Can't commit to a time slot? Remember that the last half hour of each day is reserved for drop-ins, though we cannot guarantee that you will be able to work with a volunteer during that time.

Volunteer: Do you provide resume review or interview practice programming at your library? Are you a hiring manager or HR professional? Are you an experienced librarian interested in mentoring newer librarians? Put your skills to use by volunteering at the Career Advancement Lab! Email

carmen.tinker@sos.wa.gov if you are interested in volunteering.

THE LEARNING CURVE

NEWS & NOTES

Deadline Approaching for 2019 OLA-WLA Conference Program Proposals



2019 OLA-WLA Conference, Vancouver, WA

We're pleased to announce that program proposals are now being accepted for the 2019 OLA-WLA Conference, April 17-20, 2019, at the Hilton Vancouver in Vancouver, Washington. The conference will bring together the Oregon Library Association (OLA) and Washington Library Association (WLA) for four days packed full of professional development opportunities and exciting networking events.

The conference theme is "Charting the Unknown Together," which reflects the current climate of change, injustice, and uncertainty that affects library professionals and patrons alike. Together, we're hopeful that our collaboration and camaraderie can help us navigate these new waters.

All proposals from academic, public, school, and special library staff and advocates will be considered, as will those from community partners. Please reach out to the dynamic presenters in your communities or share your own skills and experience by leading a session or workshop.

- Proposals are due no later than 12:00pm, Monday, October 29.
- The Program Contact will be notified of the outcome by November 19.
- Programs may take the form of half- or full-day preconferences, or 75-minute regular sessions.
- Presenters should request approval from their employers to attend the

WLA Preconference Spotlight: Makerspaces in the Future Ready Library

Are you curious about how you can support STEM without sacrificing literacy in your library? Learn how you can use makerspaces to build relationships, model successful student engagement, increase capacity, and foster both STEM and literacy. Explore how you can position your library program for recognition in Future Ready Schools, an initiative to maximize digital learning opportunities in schools. Leave with a list of all-ages makerspace activities and tools to promote critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity. Hands-on participatory activities include robotics, engineering, Makey Makey invention kits, 3D pens, and more! Each activity will include corresponding Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and American Association of School Librarians (AASL) standards, as well as a literature connection. Presented by Trish Henry, Lilead Fellow, Future Ready Microcredential Evaluator, District Library Coordinator, Mead School District.

This preconference workshop will be offered October 17 at the 2018 WLA Conference. Learn more and register here!

Homeless in Your Library Training

This interactive training is much more than simple "sensitivity training." You will learn why homeless individuals do what they do and the practical tools for resolving problems. There is a special focus on mentally ill and/or addicted patrons. After this training, you will have more confidence with homeless patrons. The presenter Ryan Dowd is Executive Director of a large homeless shelter outside of Chicago and author of the ALA book, "The Librarian's Guide to Homelessness."

- October 10, 9:00 am–2:00 pm, Timberland Regional Libraries, Centralia Library, Centralia
- October 11, 12:00–5:00 pm, Whatcom County Library System, Ferndale Library, Ferndale
- October 12, 9:00 am–2:00 pm, Pierce County Library System Admin Center & Library, Tacoma

Free Training for Washington EdTech Standards

- conference before agreeing to serve as program speaker.
- To submit a program proposal, use this form. To submit multiple proposals, use a new form for each program.

Please direct questions to the WLA office at info@wla.org or (206) 823-1138. On behalf of the 2019 Conference Committee, we look forward to receiving your proposals!

Congratulations to the 2018 WLA Merit Award Winners!

On behalf of the 2018 WLA Awards Committee, we're thrilled to award ten Merit Awards to the below recipients for their commitment to Washington libraries.

- Hayden Bass (Outstanding Performance Award)
- Issaquah Schools
 Foundation (Friends/Foundation
 Award)
- Jeff Martin (Lifetime Membership Award: Emeritus)
- Kylie Fullmer (Advances in Library Services Award)
- Ann Crewdson (Candace Morgan Intellectual Freedom Award)
- Thom Barthelmess (CAYAS Visionary Award)
- Joe Olayvar (WALE Outstanding Employee Award)
- Julie Wasserburger (Supervisor of the Year Award)
- Dave Sonnen (Outstanding Teacher Librarian of the Year Award)
- Keven Wynkoop (Principal of the Year Award)

Along with the WLA Scholarship winners, these award recipients will be recognized at the WLA Awards Lunch & Business Meeting at WLA 2018.

Seattle Public Library Offers Free Telephone Service

The Seattle Public Library is offering a new service for the phone-less, charger-less, or coin-less – free public telephones. Read more about this initiative on the Public Library Association blog.

Submit to Alki Conference Wrap-Up Issue

OSPI and WLA are partnering with the Washington State Library to develop a series of free workshops called "Transforming Student Learning with EdTech Standards" that will be offered around the state during 2018-19, with the first session on October 12 in Vancouver, and upcoming sessions already set for November 17 (Vancouver and Olympia) and January 12 (Tacoma). Register here.

This free workshop is designed to provide Teacher-Librarians and other educators with strategies to transform student learning using the state's updated Educational Technology Learning Standards. These standards are based upon the 2016 Technology Standards for Students released by the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), and can integrated into lessons in virtually all content areas. Participants will gain a general understanding of the standards, and ideas for implementing them at all levels. This training is sponsored by the WA State Library, WLA, and OSPI, and 6 free clock hours will be available to attendees.

Media Literacy Week: Ideas for Engagement



Media Literacy Week (November 5-9) is designed to bring attention and visibility to media literacy education in the United States. The sponsoring organization for this event is the National Association for Media Literacy. This site is full of resources and ideas to get you started. Watch for weekly updates and ideas for how you, your students and staff can engage.

One way to engage with Media Literacy Week could be to have a spirit week and try these ideas for middle and high schoolers. This can be adapted for elementary school students.

- Monday will be NO GAMES DAY that means no games on any device
- Tuesday will be BREAK THE STREAK SNAPCHAT and/or No Twitter Tuesday
- Wednesday will be the NO LOGO break with the brands Wednesday with

If you're headed to conference this year, consider contributing to *Alki*! Your WLA journal is looking for:

- Thoughtful reportage on WLA sessions
- High-res images of conference happenings
- Follow-up interviews with keynote speakers
- First-timer/mid-career/old guard impressions
- And of course, articles of interest to the WLA community either on the theme "Cultivating Communities, Harvesting Ideas" or completely independent of the theme

The new deadline for the Fall issue of *Alki* is Monday, November 12. For questions or to pitch an article idea, contact Sheri Boggs, *Alki* Editor, at alkieditor@wla.org.

Gently Used Free Books Available from the Washington State Library

Seattle Public Library Foundation, Kitsap Regional Library, Timberland Regional Library, Sno-Isle Libraries, Jefferson County Library, Walla Walla Public Library and Pierce County Library generously donated books which were left over for their latest community reads or from book kits to the Washington State Library for redistribution to libraries in Washington State for use as community read titles, classroom sets, or book club kits. These are gently used trade paperbacks. The Washington State Library uses LSTA funds to ship the books to the requesting library within Washington State:

Titles available:

- The Turner House by Angela Flournoy
- The Painter by Peter Heller
- Smell of Other People's Houses by Bonnie Sue Hitchcock (Audio copies available as well)
- Distance between Us by Reyna Grande
- On Chesil Beach by Ian McEwan
- Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down by Anne Fadima
- · Molly Fox's Birthday by Deidre Madden
- West with the Night by Beryl Markham
- Things Fall Apart by Chinua Chebe
- · Little Bee by Chris Cleave
- We Are All Completely Besides Ourselves by Karen Joy Fowler
- In Defense of Food: an Eater's Manifesto by Michael Pollan

- a special "The Library is only for READING a book" window period!
- Thursday will be our INSTA-CLEANSE give up Instagram for a day. PLUS (this is a big bonus) DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE appropriate MEME DAY!
- Friday will be a DO SOMETHING OUTSIDE DAY and challenge yourself to manage your digital exposure by installing and using a phone management app.

UW iSchool Lecture Series: Blending Story, Symphony and Spirit with Sharon M. Draper

Join the UW iSchool as they welcome Sharon M. Draper, a professional educator and award-winning writer. She has been honored as the National Teacher of the Year and is a five-time winner of the Coretta Scott King Literary Awards. Draper has worked all over the United States, as well as in Russia, Ghana, Togo, Kenya, Ethiopia, Bermuda and Guam, spreading the word about the power of accomplished teaching and excellence in education. She is the author of Stella by Starlight, Tears of a Tiger, Copper Sun and Out of My Mind, a New York Times bestselling novel for almost two years. Learn more about Draper at her website.

A book signing and reception will immediately follow the lecture. Cost: \$5 for current students; \$10 general admission. Register here.

The Spencer G. Shaw Endowed Lecture Series spotlights award-winning authors and illustrators. It honors beloved UW Information School Professor Emeritus Spencer Shaw, who was an internationally known librarian, storyteller, and teacher.

FREE How-To Webinars with the Dementia Action Collaborative

The Alzheimer's Cafe (or Memory Cafe) model has become a popular and effective way to promote social connection among people with memory loss and their loved ones. The first webinar this fall will provide an overview of how to start an Alzheimer's Cafe and will showcase a successful Alzheimer's Café at the Puyallup Public Library. Tune in Tuesday, October 23, 10:00-11:30 am. Register here.

Speak Up 101 Webinars

- Like a Mule Bringing Ice Cream to the Sun by Sarah Lapido Manyika
- Complete Stories by Flannery O'Conner
- Tell the Wolves I'm Home by Carol Rifka Brunt
- Flamethrowers by Rachel Kushner
- · Broken for You by Stephanie Kallos
- · Before the Wind by Jim Lynch
- · Lacuna by Barbara Kingsolver
- · Condition by Jennifer Haigh
- · Submission by Amy Waldman
- For All of us, One Today by Richard Blanco
- Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown
- · Distance Between Us by Reyna Grande

A minimum of five copies per order is required. They can be a mix and match of titles. This is a first-come, first-served process. Questions? Contact Staci Phillips at (360) 704 5149.

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.

New to the Speak Up Research Project for Digital Learning? In need of a refresher? Want to know what's new this year?

The Speak Up Research Project for Digital Learning provides an easy and efficient way for your students, parents, educators and community members to inform your local planning and decision-making about technology.

Project Tomorrow is holding two Speak Up 101 Webinars for school leaders on Monday, October 15. They will share all the basics about the research project and free tool, and how administrators can use it successfully to gather feedback from their students, parents, staff and/or communities. They will also review what's new this year (one big change: administrators have a choice of survey questions). They will walk through the web platform and take questions to help everyone get started. Both webinars on scheduled for Monday October 15, 2018 at 9:00 am and 12:00 pm PT. Register for a webinar here, and register for Speak Up here.