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Making Headlines

North Central Regional Libraries Name Change

As part of its newly launched three-year strategic plan, North Central Regional Libraries has adopted a new mission, vision statement, and name. North Central Regional Library will become North Central Washington Libraries. This library system includes 30 library branches across five different counties in North Central Washington. The name change will be rolled out over several months and is expected to be implemented in early 2020. In addition to the new name, North Central Regional Library has identified five strategic directions, ten objectives, and twenty-five goals that will guide the work of the library system over the next three years. Congratulations to North Central Regional Libraries on this exciting change!

Look Who’s Hiring

The Washington State Library is seeking a Library and Archival Professional 4.

The Little School is seeking a School Librarian. The position is open until filled.

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking an IT Manager. The position is open until May 9.

Washington State University is seeking a Manuscripts Librarian. This position is open until May 27.

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 Communiqué

2019 OLA-WLA Conference by the Numbers!

Charting the Unknown Together

2019 OLA-WLA Conference, Vancouver, WA

Last week, over 900 library staff came to Vancouver to chart the unknown at the 2019
The Washington State Bar Association seeks members of the public to serve on seven boards for terms beginning October 1, 2019. Board service provides an excellent opportunity to get an insider’s view on how the practice of law is regulated in Washington State. Applicants from outside the legal community are especially welcome; former or non-practicing attorneys are asked not to apply. Most appointments are for three-year terms. Click on the links below for detailed position descriptions:

- Character & Fitness Board
- Client Protection Board
- Council on Public Defense
- Disciplinary Board
- Limited License Legal Technician Board
- Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Board
- Practice of Law Board

Library Wine Month at Elsom Cellars

To celebrate National Library Week, Elsom Cellars is offering their library wines to the public for the entire month of April. Usually a benefit only available to their Wine Club members, for this month everyone has the opportunity to take home a bottle from their library wine collection.

Choose Privacy Week, May 1—7

This year’s theme for Choose Privacy Week (May 1–7), “Inclusive Privacy: Closing the Gap,” draws attention to the privacy inequities imposed on vulnerable and historically underrepresented populations and highlights how libraries can close the privacy gap for those who need it most. During Choose Privacy Week, library workers, trustees, and library users are all invited to join a week-long online conversation featuring commentaries by librarians, educators, and privacy experts addressing these issues.

"Resilience" Film Screening and Panel Presentation with University of Washington iSchool

Sound Discipline is delighted to present the film "Resilience" on May 7 in conjunction with Michelle Martin, the Beverly Cleary Professor for Children and Youth Services at the Information School, University of Washington.

This one hour film by Jamie Redford illustrates the impacts of chronic stress on children’s brains. Following the movie there will be a panel sharing the work being done to build resilience.

OLA-WLA Conference!

Thank you to all of the attendees, volunteers, presenters, and exhibitors for making this conference so successful. In particular, thank you to the 2019 Conference Committee, who worked tirelessly for the better part of a year to plan a fun and rewarding experience.

Here’s a snapshot of OLA-WLA 2019 by the numbers:

- Registrants: 925
- Most registrants from one library: 56 (Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries)
- Volunteers: 58
- Programs: 85
- Presenters: 298
- Largest program: 170 (The 4 Leadership Skills They Didn’t Teach You In Library School)
- Exhibitors: 70
- Days until the 2020 WLA Conference in Spokane: 534

Call for Conference Photos

Did you capture some great shots at OLA-WLA 2019? Upload them here and we will share some of the highlights! Please include the photo credit in the name of the file.

Unconference Opportunity—Libraries and the High School to Higher Ed Transition

The University of Washington Bothell and Cascadia College Campus Library, the University of Washington Bothell and Cascadia College, invite you to an unconference focused on the student transition from high school into higher education. This is an opportunity to exchange ideas and develop best practices for supporting students on both sides of this important transition. A panel of students from UW Bothell and Cascadia College will kick off the event followed by a participant-driven unconference. You will have a chance to suggest topics in the registration form and to vote on topics prior to the event. Register here by Wednesday, May 1.

The Important of Being Inclusive: Diversity Collection Development for Academic Libraries

As academic libraries look to provide comprehensive and inclusive collections for their users, there is an increasing need to provide content on a wide range of ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic topics to represent a truly global perspective. What do diversity, inclusion, and social justice really mean, and how do our own perspectives influence how we understand these topics? Why is diversity important for libraries? How has the importance of diversity changed the way librarians view their collections and the collection development process?

This webinar will take place Friday, May 17 and 9:00 am PT. You can learn more or register for this webinar here.

2019 Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference Registration
resilience and counteract the impact of stress. Learn more about the film and get tickets to this event here.

Washington NACO Funnel Project Newly Established

Several Washington libraries will soon form the Washington State NACO Funnel Project (WA NACO). This project will create a collaborative cataloging effort contributing name authority records to the Library of Congress Name Authority File.

NACO – Name Authority Cooperative Program – is one of the LC’s cooperative cataloging programs and participating in the program through funnel projects is often suitable for libraries that create authority records only in modest numbers.

Any Washington library willing to commit to the NACO Program would be a good candidate to become a WA NACO member. It is highly recommended that participating libraries have a steady contribution of authority records and their catalogers are required to complete a NACO training before beginning to contribute records.

An onsite workshop for WA NACO participants will be held July 29 through August 2 on the University of Washington campus in Seattle, inviting Adam L. Schiff of UW as the trainer. We have several spots available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please contact the funnel coordinator Asako Shiba to show your library’s interest in joining WA NACO, to save a spot for the workshop, or for any other inquiries regarding the project.

Inland Northwest Council of Libraries Workshop

In this presentation, Rolf Hapel, from the University of Washington iSchool, will look at the library as a part of the social infrastructure, touch upon the importance of the physical spaces and programs in the light of the transforming "business model" of libraries, discuss the consequences of the digital development, and sketch some possible paths for the future of libraries. Participants will work in groups on issues related to the physical library, using the Danish-developed thinking model of the library called the 4 Spaces Model as a starting point.

This workshop will be held Thursday, May 2 at the Spokane Public Library. Learn more about this workshop and register here.

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.

Registration is now open for the 18th Annual Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference! The conference will take place in Portland, Oregon on September 12-13, 2019 at Portland Community College - Sylvania.

This year's Keynote speaker is Nancy Pearl, the well-known Seattle-based librarian, literary critic, author, and action figure!

This year's program topics include international borrowing and lending, incorporating accessibility into ILL, budget and data analysis, free borrowing, new and emerging ILL resources, and more.

Visit the conference website to register and learn about scholarship opportunities.

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