

WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

August 28, 2019

On this day: In 1917, ten suffragists were arrested for picketing at the White House.

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MAKING HEADLINES

WLA Elections Are Open through September 23!



Members of WLA are invited to vote in the 2020 Elections! Voting is open August 27–September 23, 2019. All current WLA members may vote for WLA Board positions, and ballots for WLA Divisions and Sections are restricted to current members of those groups.

Take a look at our candidates here!

Winners will be announced September 25 in the WLA Wednesday newsletter, and incoming and outgoing leadership will be recognized at the **Awards Gala** on October 5 in Wenatchee. The new elected terms will begin January 1.

CAYAS Fall Workshop: Diversify Your Services, Refocus Your STEM Lens



Registration is now open for the CAYAS Fall Workshop! Join public and school library professionals for a day of learning! Discover strategies for using Children's & Young Adult Literature to engage readers of all ages with discussions about diversity, equity, and inclusion. Be introduced to new story time practices and new books for youth. Learn about providing STEM programming in a library setting. This workshop is appropriate for anyone serving ages 0 through 18 in libraries. Breakfast and snacks provided. Lunch on your own. Learn more and register here.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Everett Public Library System is seeking a Digital Services & Information Technology Specialist. The position is open until filled. They are also seeking a Senior Library Associate. The position is open until September 13.

The Clark County Law Library is seeking an **Assistant Law Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

Walla Walla Rural Library District is seeking a Library Branch Manager. The position is open until October 1. They are also seeking a Bilingual Programming and Outreach Associate. The position is open until September 13.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a **Library Manager II**. The position is open until September 19.

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

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Save the Date: WLA Virtual Conference

Mark your calendars for the first ever WLA Virtual Conference on Tuesday, January 14, 2020! This all-day event will bring together library professionals from around Washington and the world to build connections and envision the future of libraries.

By holding this conference online, we're able to lower the barriers of attending and presenting that many face due to limited staffing, funding, or location. Stay tuned for more information about the schedule, keynotes, registration, and opportunities for group viewings. Programs will be focused on three topic tracks: *Emergent Technologies, Career & Professional Development,* and *Marketing & Communications.* Special consideration will be given to programs relevant to small and rural libraries.

Save the Date: WLA Academic Library Conference

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

How to Include Intellectual Freedom in Youth Book Clubs

How do you sneak complicated and seemingly unrelated intellectual freedom concepts into your youth book clubs? The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) Intellectual Freedom Committee continues its series of blog posts on incorporating intellectual freedom and information literacy into cornerstone, everyday library programs. Just like sneaking healthy food into a kid's meal, these techniques will enrich the work you already do as a librarian without disrupting your programming routine. Read this post by Justin Azevedo for the ALSC blog to learn more.

ACRL-WA Conference Scholarships & Awards

ACRL is offering scholarships to attend the Joint ACRL Conference between Washington and Oregon October 24-25 in Pack Forest, Eatonville, WA. Two scholarships will be awarded, one to new librarians and one to graduate students, to cover the cost of attendance, meals, and lodging, plus a travel stipend. Learn more about this opportunity here. The deadline for applications is September 6.

Using Social Media as a Tool to Advocate Diversity & Inclusion

Wondering how to engage larger audiences on social media? Would you like to learn how social media can help reach audiences that you haven't tapped into yet? Are diversity and inclusion high on your list of marketing priorities? Social media is a great way to start dialogue and conversations about a variety of topics and to meet customers where they are. This one-hour recorded webinar will demonstrate how to use humor, pop culture, children's materials, and more, to advocate for diverse communities, and to speak up when necessary.



WLA's CLAWS (College Libraries Across Washington State) Section and ALD (Academic Library Division) will come together for the **2020 WLA Academic Library Conference**. This all-day event will be held at on March 20, 2020, at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. Stay tuned for more details!

Save the Date: 2020 WLA Conference



Save the date for the 2020 WLA Conference!

When: October 7-10, 2020

Where: Spokane Convention Center

A request for conference proposals will be sent out in early 2020. Stay tuned for more details.

THE LEARNING CURVE

Webinar: Scams, Fraud, and Identity Theft: How Libraries Can Help

New Oregon Program Director at Emporia University

Emporia's Oregon Program Director, Perri Parise, will be retiring on August 31st. She would be happy to stay in touch with Washington library staff, so feel free to email her at her new email address **pparise@g.emporia.edu**. The new Program Director is Jeana Menger, and she can be reached at **jmenger@emporia.edu**.

Request Free WWI: Lessons and Legacies Poster Exhibition from the Smithsonian Institution

The Smithsonian Institution is offering a free poster exhibition to libraries. *World War I:* Lessons and Legacies is available while supplies last. The opportunity is available to all types of libraries. Participating libraries will receive a collection of eight posters, digital educators guide with discussion questions, and detailed poster handbook. The deadline for requests is Sept. 13, 2019. **Request your posters now!**

National Network of Libraries of Medicine Awards Open for Application

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine Pacific Northwest Region (NNLM PNR) is announcing an opportunity for libraries to apply for one of the NNLM PNR All of Us Community Engagement Awards, each up to \$100,000. This is an opportunity to implement great ideas for advancing health literacy and health equity in your communities. Letter of intent is due September 11 and applications are due October 16 at 3:00 p.m. PT. For complete information please visit NNLM's Dragonfly blog post and if you have questions please email nnlm@uw.edu.

Consumers are faced with increasingly complex scams and schemes used to defraud millions of people each year. As libraries strive to increase the digital and information literacy skills of their patrons, and provide timely and effective strategies for fraud protection, keeping up with options for consumer protection can be overwhelming. This webinar will explore the free resources available in multiple languages and formats provided by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) that can be used by your patrons to protect their identity and to recognize and avoid scams. You'll also hear how Johnson County Library is partnering with local agencies to provide programs and resources to empower consumers in their community.

This free webinar will take place Thursday, October 17, at 12:00 pm PT. You can learn more or register for this program **here**.

Workshop: Implementing Native American Materials into Libraries & Collections

This workshop is designed for librarians and staff to deepen their understandings of Native American history, language and culture in contexts of material selection, program and curriculum design. Through Native American background readings, discussions, collection/material evaluation, participants will acquire concepts, tools and strategies to effectively and respectfully implement Native content into the libraries.

This free workshop will take place Friday, September 13, from 9:00 am–2:00 pm PT at the Moran Prairie location of Spokane County Library District. You can learn more or register for this program **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.

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