



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

May 15, 2019

On this day: In 1672, the first the copyright in the North American British colonies was granted by the Massachusetts General Court to publisher John Usher.

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MAKING HEADLINES

Call for WLA Committee Members

Several WLA committees are currently seeking new committee members:

- Advocacy Committee
- Alki Editorial Committee
- Conference Committee (2020 WLA Conference, Spokane)
- Marketing Committee
- Member Services Committee

Whether you're new to WLA or a longtime volunteer, we would love for you to get involved! If you're interested in any of the above committees, or in getting more involved in WLA in general, please [fill out this short form](#) by Friday, May 24. If you would like to get involved but are uncertain which committee would be best, tell us a little bit about your experience and interests in the survey and we will recommend a good match.

Participation on a major WLA committee involves at least a one year commitment to attend online meetings and participate in email discussions. Meeting frequency is typically once every one or two months, and meetings generally last up to one hour.

2019 Sasquatch Book Award Winner Announced

WLA's Sasquatch Book Award Committee is thrilled to announce that the young people of Washington State have elected *A Night Divided* by Jennifer Nielsen as the 2019 Sasquatch Award Winner.



"New York Times Bestselling author, Jennifer Nielsen, was born and raised in northern Utah, where she still lives today with her family, a dog that won't play fetch, and a cat that hallucinates. She is the author of The Ascendance trilogy, beginning with THE FALSE PRINCE; the TRAITOR'S GAME series, RESISTANCE, A NIGHT DIVIDED and the forthcoming historical WORDS ON FIRE. She loves chocolate, old books, and lazy days in the mountains.."

For more information about Jennifer please see her [website](#). Thank you to everyone who read and voted!

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Tacoma Community College is seeking an **Archivist**. The position is open until filled.

King County Library System is seeking a **Deputy Library Director**. The position is open until filled.

PeaceHealth is seeking a **Medical Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

Big Bend Community College is seeking a **Program Assistant - Library**. Applications due May 28.

City of Walla Walla is seeking a **Library Director**. The position is open until filled.

Foster Pepper is seeking a **Temporary Law Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

ProQuest is seeking a **Metadata Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

If you have a current posting for libraries in the

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Library 2.019: Open Data Mini-Conference



Library 2.0 is excited to announce their second Library 2.019 mini-conference: "**Open Data**," which will be held online (and for free) on Wednesday, June 5, from 12:00–3:00 pm PT.

Local, state and federal governments are releasing data—the public's data—in new ways. Property maps, 311 data, school quality information and census statistics—all of these are examples of open data that give people the tools they need to learn and advocate for their causes. This web conference will explore how librarians are using open data, teaching

WLA community you would like to submit, please [email](#) us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

NEWS & NOTES

Call for Submissions: Summer 2019 Alki



It's time to submit article ideas for the next issue of *Alki*! The theme for Summer 2019 is "literacy." Libraries have been in the business of building literacy for years... What projects, practices and programs have you worked on or want to work on to improve literacy in your libraries and communities? Do you have an innovative summer reading program to showcase? Are you working to reduce the digital divide? Perhaps countering misinformation with news and media literacy? What about game literacy or financial literacy? There's so many types of literacy and we want to hear about which ones you're passionate about! Please send your article idea(s) to alkieditor@wla.org 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 Summer issue is June 28, 2019. Please see the Instructions for Contributors for more details. Di Zhang, 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.

WLA Election Nominations Open June 5

Are you looking for leadership experience? Need a reason to meet new library people and expand your network? Want to give back to Washington's library communities? WLA

others about it, and even creating it. You'll learn about tools you can implement in your own library and hear stories from libraries that have partnered with their local and state governments. Armed with practical tools and experiences, you'll be ready to start diving into open data to help your library and community!

Register by June 10 for the Washington Medical Librarians Association Conference

"Taking Health to New Heights" is the theme for this year's Washington Medical Librarians Association's conference which will be held at the Bavarian Lodge in Leavenworth, WA on Friday, July 12. Don't delay as the deadline to register is June 10!

The conference will feature 3 guest presentations:

- Partners in Crime: A Crime of Passion for Quality Clinical Research
- Migrant Health Inequalities (in Central Washington)
- Integrating a "Digital Formulary" into the EHR

Also, join us for dinner the evening before on July 11 at the Kingfisher Restaurant at Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort and morning yoga the next day.

You don't have to be a health sciences librarian to attend. Register and learn more about the conference on the [WMLA website](#).

All Stories Are Told Here: Washington Museum Association Conference



wants you!

Nominations open June 5 for all vacant 2020 WLA leadership positions, from the WLA Board of Directors to our Division and Section steering committees. Nominate yourself or another WLA member by August 15.

Applications for WLA Scholarships Open May 27

Applications open May 27 for **WLA scholarships**, awarded by the **Professional Development Committee** to support the professional development of WLA members. Applications are due August 1, and winners will be announced September 4 in the WLA Wednesday newsletter.

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Library Awarded 2019 National Medal for Museum and Library Service

Last week the **Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Library** (Sequim, WA) was named one of ten recipients of the **2019 National Medal for Museum and Library Service**, the nation's highest honor given to libraries and museums that make significant and exceptional contributions to their communities.

WSL Digitization Grant Opportunities

Grant funding from the Washington State Library (WSL) is available to support Washington libraries in carrying out digital initiatives related to archival and special collections. Public, academic (two- and four-year colleges and universities), and tribal libraries are eligible to submit applications. Institutions may undertake digital projects independently, or use this grant opportunity to develop **Washington Rural Heritage** collections.

Proposals may include or involve:

- Digitization/reformatting of archival and special collections;
- Metadata creation, remediation/cleanup, and/or re-cataloging;
- Development of local standards, practices, and/or policies related to digitization, metadata creation, digital preservation, etc.;
- Creation of born-digital multimedia content (e.g., oral histories, digital exhibits);

The Washington Museum Association invites you to learn from one another by sharing your common and uncommon practices for telling ALL STORIES at the **Annual Conference**, June 19-21, 2019 at the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture in Spokane.

THE LEARNING CURVE

Undocumented Summit: Dreaming Without Borders

There are approximately 34,000-42,500 undocumented individuals under the age of 18 living in Washington state. In the past few months, there has been an increase in the number of legislative and executive orders that threaten the well-being of underrepresented and historically disenfranchised immigrant student populations.

As educators and professionals, the need for advanced understanding of educational and higher education law and its impact on school policy is more important than ever.

Join this **summit** in Seattle, Friday, June 12, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm to learn more about how educators can support undocumented students in our communities.

The Importance of Being Inclusive: Diversity in 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?

Tune in Friday, May 17 at 9:00 am PT for a **free webinar** to learn about diversity, inclusion, and social justice in collection development, and hear how libraries can work to ensure that their collections reflect not only the students and researchers within the library but also the world outside the library's doors.

- Integration of primary sources or archival collections into educational settings by way of lesson plans/curricula, and/or Open Educational Resources (OERs).

Overall funding to support this grant cycle is \$80,000 with a limit of \$8,000 per award. We anticipate that ten (10) or more applicants may receive awards. Details:

- [Grant guidelines and application materials](#);
- Application deadline: Friday, May 31, 2019.

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact Evan Robb, Digital Repository Librarian, at 360-704-5228 or evan.robbs@sos.wa.gov for questions and to discuss potential projects.

WLA Merit Award Nominations Open June 5



Do you know any rockstar library professionals, advocates, students, or groups that deserve to be recognized for their support of or contributions to libraries in Washington? Nominate them for a [WLA Merit Award](#)! We will begin accepting nominations June 5.

KCLS' Boulevard Park Library to celebrate Grand Reopening May 18

Join the King County Library System (KCLS), community leaders, Friends of the Library and area residents to [celebrate the completion of the newly renovated Boulevard Park Library](#) on Saturday, May 18, at 9:30 am. The day's festivities will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony; live music by Mariachi Fiesta Mexicana; an appearance from Sammy the Sounder, the Seattle Sounders' new mascot; sidewalk chalk and crafting activities; and a self-guided tour.

The Boulevard Park Library was the first to be incorporated into the System in 1943, and the

Tools for Data-Powered Discovery: NLM's Data Discovery and Pillbox

As the National Library of Medicine transitions to become a platform for biomedical discovery and data-powered health, one area of focus is building a workforce for data-driven research and health. In support of this strategic goal, NLM launched Data Discovery, an online platform for making data findable, interoperable, accessible, and reusable (the FAIR principles). In addition to browser-based exploration, filtering, and visualization of data, Data Discovery includes Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) to help researchers and developers build applications that leverage its datasets. Pillbox, NLM's pill identification and reference resource, long overdue for redesign, was rebuilt using Data Discovery as its foundation to showcase the power of this platform. May 29 at noon PT (1 MLA CE). [Register here](#).

Ed Mignon Distinguished Lecture: Siva Vaidhyanathan

On Thursday, May 16, at 4:30 pm, the University of Washington iSchool will host the lecture "[Antisocial Media: How Facebook Disconnects People and Undermines Democracy](#)" from Siva Vaidhyanathan, Robertson Professor of Media Studies and director of the Center for Media and Citizenship at the University of Virginia.

If you wanted to build a machine that would distribute propaganda to millions of people, distract them from important issues, energize hatred and bigotry, erode social trust, undermine respectable journalism, foster doubts about science, and engage in massive surveillance all at once, you would make something a lot like Facebook.

Facebook's leaders believed that good intentions were enough, and that blind faith in technology could generate a better world. How did the mission go so wrong?

Teacher Librarian Trainers Wanted

Washington State Library and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction are seeking applicants to develop training curriculum and/or present trainings to other teacher librarians and school library staff. They are currently looking for teacher librarians to develop and present two training curricula, one to cover the new Social Studies

\$2.2 million interior renovation is the final project to be completed under the 2004 Capital Bond measure, making the Boulevard Park Library Grand Reopening a full-circle celebration.

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.

Standards (curriculum development August 7-8) and another to support the development of maker space programs in school libraries (curriculum development August 5-6).

Training is a yearlong commitment. Training sessions must take place outside of paid time. Compensation for trainers will be funded in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act. Apply for the Social Studies Standards Training [here](#), and the MakerSpace Curriculum Development [here](#).

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