

September 2015

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Governor Inslee Proclaims September *Food Literacy Month*!

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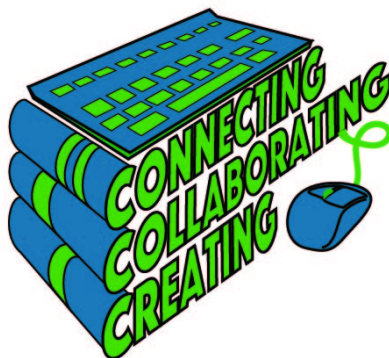


Thanks in part to a proclamation from the Governor, September in Washington is a time to promote a better understanding of the impact of food on health, community, and environment. WLA and WLMA are joining other exciting sponsors for the event [Cultivating Readers: Celebrating Food Literacy Month](#) at the Seattle Public Library on September 17th.

The WLA Social Media Team plans to tweet about #FoodLiteracyMonth from @WALIBASSN. Feel free to join the conversation, even if you cannot attend the event on September 17th.

WLMA Conference Registration is Open!!

 **wlma CONFERENCE 2015**



Join other information professionals, teacher librarians, and more for Connecting, Collaborating, Creating at the WLMA Annual Conference in Yakima on Thursday, October 15th – Saturday, October 17th. [REGISTER HERE](#) for what is already shaping

up to be an exciting couple of days, including the [Fantastic Saturday Super Sessions!](#)

WLA Member Profile: Lisa Vos



Lisa Vos writes from Stevens County about being “surrounded by fires” and being on evacuation alert. She says: “Even with the unpredictability of fire, anyone can see how our communities strengthen and support each other during times of crisis. We keep our heads high and stay positive. I am proud to be a part of the heart of the community!” Meet Lisa:

Q. How do you like your job?

A. I love, love, love my job as Library Assistant 1 at the Libraries of Stevens County. The best thing about it is that I get to learn something new every day through helping patrons and apply that knowledge in the future. I have a variety of tasks every day, I even get to do story-time! I look forward to new challenges and learning through different perspectives. Nothing beats a patron leaving happy/satisfied, even if it is just attention they are needing. The people I work with support each other and stay positive. Priceless. They have seen me through a lot of trials and always manage to make me smile. Thank you!

Q. How long have you been a member of WLA?

A. 2 years.

Q. How have you been personally involved in WLA?

A. I was the WALE Conference Co-Chair in 2014, currently serving as WALE Interest Group Vice-Chair.

Q. How have you benefited from being a member of WLA? [read more...](#)

WLA Member Profile: Frank Brasile



Frank Brasile, who apparently displays a “tolerance for ambiguity,” is the brand new editor of *Alki: The Washington Library Association Journal*. Meet Frank:

Q. How do you like your job as Selection Services Librarian at The Seattle Public



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Library?

A. It's great! I get to review hundreds – if not thousands – of nonfiction titles each month in all formats. It can be overwhelming sometimes, but it's also a privilege to be able to curate the nonfiction collection for one of the best urban library systems in the country.

Q. Where did you go to library school?

A. The iSchool at the University of Washington.

Q. How have you been personally involved in WLA?

A. I've just taken over the reins as Editor of *Alki: The Washington Library Association Journal*. I've just begun to work with library staff around the state from public, academic, school and special libraries, and so far it's been great!

Q. What is your favorite thing about libraries? [read more...](#)