



Welcome to WLA Wednesday

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On this day: in 1970, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) was founded

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Making Headlines

It's Your Turn to Make the Headlines!

It's time once again to share your news with the Washington library community. Has your library received an award? A grant? Held a successful event? Have you been promoted or received a degree or been recognized for an achievement? Send a brief notice of news (no more than 100 or so words) about you or your library to be included in the WLA Communiqué for the November issue of *Alki*. Digital photos (at least 300 dpi) welcome. Deadline: October 14. Please contact the [Alki Editor](#) for more information.

Look Who's Hiring



Everett Public Schools is looking for a [Teacher-Librarian](#). The position is open until filled.

Bates Technical College is seeking a [Library Technician](#). The deadline to apply is October 11.

The Walla Walla County Library District is seeking an [Executive Director](#). The deadline to apply is October 14.

[The Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) (PNLA) lists job openings every Monday and

Conference Communiqué

Information Resource Management at the 2016 HackWLMA Conference



Information Management is one of the three pillars of a strong School LIT program. Join in the fun as we explore the power of OER, OPAC, and LMS to promote your library holdings, support your teachers, and provide deeper, more visible access for students.

you can 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.

News & Notes

Host an "Hour of Code" Event @Your Library

Have you previously or do you plan/hope to host an Hour of Code event at your school, public, or tribal library this year? Computer Science Education Week is December 5-11, 2016; you can host an Hour of Code (or multiple Hours of Code) anytime during that week - or any other time that strikes your fancy. Join us on Tuesday, October 11, 3:00-4:15 pm, to hear from staff at Washington libraries who've hosted coding events to learn from them as they share their best practices and answer questions for us coding newbies.

- Microsoft Imagine Academy's Angela Carlson will provide an overview of Microsoft's two free, easy-to-use-and-learn coding platforms, with awesome 1-2-3, Download-Review-Teach resources for both.
- "Best practices" from staff at fellow WA libraries, including curriculum resources/program outlines and activities, information about different coding platforms available for different ages, technology considerations, promotional materials and timelines.
- Funding! That's right, WSL has a small grant opportunity (\$4500) open to Microsoft Imagine Academy members (all public, tribal and college libraries are members), to fund libraries' coding programming.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

Gale Public Library Renewal

In partnership with Washington Public Libraries Cooperate! (WPLC), the Washington State Library Statewide Database Licensing Project and Gale Cengage Learning are pleased to offer the 2017 Gale online database group purchase options. This offer is available for all public libraries and provides unlimited number of users and remote access

There is still room in the sessions and still time to make your plans!

Session 1: Open Educational Resources, led by Barbara Soots

An explosion of open educational resources (OER) continues to change the instructional materials landscape. Teacher-Librarians are at the heart of how we locate, evaluate, access, create, and curate educational content. Discuss tips for successful OER selection, vetting, and implementation, hear from K-12 districts at different stages of OER usage, and explore platforms for discovering and sharing open content.

Session 2: The Power of the OPAC, led by Kristine McLane

Our library catalogs contain vast and often under-utilized resources that can transform how library content is curated, accessed and leveraged in our schools. Explore and expand how this essential resource is central to students and improving the management and advocacy for library and information technology programs.

Session 3: Learning Management Systems, led by Karen Meyer and Gavin Lees

Explore and strengthen the role of teacher-librarians as schools implement and sustain Learning Management Systems for student and staff work. Flip classrooms and move education online.

[Learn more about all six conference Tracks and register here.](#)

There's Still Time to Register for the 2016 WALE Conference in Chelan!



Celebrate 25 years with WALE! All special events and meals are included in registration, including A Night of Romance with Cherry Adair, Susan Mallery and Lauren Dane, and a breakfast reception with Nancy Pearl and the WALE Business Breakfast with WLA President Brianna Hoffman. Don't delay; [register today!](#)

for the subscription term of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

What's new in 2017?

- New & improved Small Business Resource Center
- New: Archives of Human Sexuality and Identity
- New: Indigenous Peoples: North America

More details are available at sos.wa.gov/q/Gale. The renewal/signup website is at galesites.com/trial/wplc. The renewal deadline is December 9, 2016.

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.

The Learning Curve

The National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing

The [National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing](#) will take place in Tacoma, November 4-6, 2016. The conference will feature presentations by peer writing tutors and by college and high school writing center directors from around the country, as well as an opening reception at the Museum of Glass and other social events.

Educators can receive clock hours for attending (up to 19 hours for people who attend the entire conference). The goal of this clock hour opportunity is to familiarize high school educators with peer-to-peer learning strategies, specifically within the context of writing instruction. We be holding opening and closing sessions specifically for high school educators, hosted by Rachael Shelden and by Andrew Jeter (both certified teachers with writing center administration experience). In these sessions, Rachael and Andrew will help teachers translate peer-to-peer learning from a writing center context into a library or classroom context in which their students can help each other with their assignments. Educators who are interested in starting peer-led writing centers at their own institutions will also have opportunities to brainstorm and plan next steps.

For questions, please contact University of Puget Sound professor [Julie Christoph](#) or visit the [conference webpage](#).

DPLA Metadata Application Profile Webinar

Join librarians and archivists throughout the Northwest for an overview of the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA)'s Metadata Application Profile (MAP), presented by Gretchen Gueguen, Data Services Coordinator, Digital Public Library of America.

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 from 10:00 – 11:00 am

Gretchen will provide:

- An introduction to the DPLA MAP and its core classes;
- A deeper look at MAP properties and how these typically correspond to local digital collection elements;

- Information on how institutions can improve their data and local data-creation practices;
- An explanation of DPLA's enrichment of data supplied by its network of service hubs.

Her presentation will be followed by a Q&A session.

Please register [here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

This free webinar is presented in coordination with the Washington State Library's Metadata Enhancement and Remediation grants program.

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