



# Welcome to WLA Wednesday

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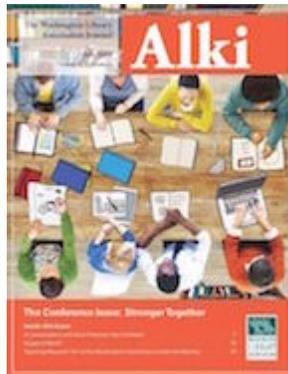
On this day: in 1933, author Cormac McCarthy was born

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## Making Headlines

### The Alki Editorial Committee Needs YOU



If you're any of the following, you might be just the person we're looking for:

- a thought leader
- a self-starter
- a fine writer with clips to prove it
- full of opinions
- looking for your next professional challenge

Alki, the journal of the Washington Library Association, is looking to fill two slots on the Editorial Committee (effective September 2016). It's a great chance to brainstorm future issues, determine the direction of Alki, and get involved in WLA. Committee members contribute both online and at annual conferences, and are especially instrumental in generating content for Alki. To see our current roster and the official duties of the committee, please visit <http://www.wla.org/alki-editorial-committee>. Interested? Contact Sheri Boggs, Alki Editorial Committee Chair, at [sboggs@sclcd.org](mailto:sboggs@sclcd.org).

## Look Who's Hiring



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

## Conference Communiqué

### Registration for the 2016 HackWLMA Conference is LIVE!

Take advantage of Early Bird rates now through September 12th for the 2016 WLMA Conference at Highline College in Des Moines, WA, October 14-15. Don't delay,

apply is October 14.

[The Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle](#) is currently looking for a PJ Library Educator. The position is open until filled.

[Western Washington University](#) is looking for a Library & Archives Paraprofessional. The deadline to apply is August 4.

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

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## News & Notes

### Dr. Carla Hayden Approved as Librarian of Congress



On July 13, the Senate approved the nomination of Dr. Carla Hayden to serve as the nation's 14th Librarian of Congress. Hayden, American Library Association (ALA) past president and director of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, Maryland, is the first female and the first African American to lead the Library of Congress. She also is the first professional librarian to be confirmed in more than 60 years. Read the full article in [American Libraries](#) and be sure to [thank our Senators for their support](#), as well as our ALA Councilor Christine Peck and Past President Darcy Brixey, who wrote a letter to President Obama in support of hiring a librarian for the position.

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### PLA Accepting Applications for the 2017 Leadership Academy in Portland, OR

The Public Library Association (PLA) is now accepting applications for the [PLA Leadership Academy: Navigating Change · Building Community](#), March 20-24, 2017, in Portland, Ore. This special event will offer intensive, empowering leadership education for public librarians who want to increase their capacity

[REGISTER HERE](#) today! **Space is limited to 350 for the Conference.**



The morning keynote speaker is [Steve Hargadon](#), founder and director of the Learning Revolution Project. He is also the cochair of the Global Education Conference and creator of Global Education Day. You won't want to miss his talk this October!

There is also a full day of Preconference sessions, including a Washington State Book Awards Super Session. Learn more [here](#).

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## The Learning Curve

### Supercharged Storytimes Free Resources

An archive of the very successful OCLC WebJunction's Supercharged Storytimes pilot program is now available at no cost to any library staff member interested in strengthening their storytime practice with research-based early literacy concepts. The archive consists of five modules, each comprising a 1-hour webinar archive recording with links to online supporting materials, including:

- An overview of the Supercharged Storytimes online pilot program, originally offered to more than 500 library staff members in six states in 2015;
- Discussion forums where those enrolled can connect with others who have signed up;
- Help on ways to incorporate research-based early literacy concepts into storytimes; and
- Resources that can help staff speak with confidence to parents, caregivers, and other library stakeholders about the learning that takes place during storytimes.

Participants who complete all 5 webinar archives will be eligible for a Certificate of Completion for 5 hours. Although the full orientation archive is provided as a self-directed learning experience, participants are encouraged to invite and engage their peers in

to lead not only within the library, but also in the community.

Developed in collaboration with the International City and County Managers Association (ICMA), and supported by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), the PLA Leadership Academy offers a groundbreaking focus on developing the skills needed to work with municipal officials and other community stakeholders to enhance the position of the library within the community and improve the overall effectiveness of library services and programs.

The Leadership Academy offers:

- A three and a half day, in-person educational /networking event
- A professional coach program with experienced public library leaders and city managers
- Development of real-world projects to implement at attendees' libraries

PLA, with support from IMLS, has made a strong investment in leadership training for its members and, as a result, is able to waive participant registration fees for this highly selective program. Participants will be required to cover travel costs and lodging. Interested participants must apply, submit two letters of recommendation and be accepted to participate in the PLA Leadership Academy. Applicants must be PLA members and MLS/MLIS librarians with at least five years of increasingly responsible experience in a public library. **The application deadline is September 19**, and applicants will be notified of their acceptance status by November 30. Attendance is selective and will be limited to twenty-eight participants.

The curriculum is designed by the PLA Leadership Development Committee with the assistance of ICMA and Adam Goodman, director of the Center for Leadership, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and builds on PLA's previous leadership training initiatives.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact PLA at [pla@ala.org](mailto:pla@ala.org) or 800-545-2433 ext. 5PLA (5752).

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Have news to share? Please send it to the [WLA office](#) by Monday to be included in that

the discussion forums. For more information and to sign up, visit [sos.wa.gov/q/FreeSuper](https://sos.wa.gov/q/FreeSuper).

Questions? Contact Supercharged Storytimes Project Coordinator Liz Morris at [morrisl@oclc.org](mailto:morrisl@oclc.org).

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### Washington Public Library Trustee Training Workshops

All Washington public library trustees and library directors are invited to trustee training workshops sponsored by the Washington State Library. These workshops will delve into the roles of trustees and the board's relationship with the library director. Attendees will be more informed and confident about their working relationships, communicating with each other and their library director.

Ruth Metz of [Ruth Metz Associates](#) will be the workshop trainer. Ruth has extensive experience working with libraries on leadership and organizational development.

Public library advisory board members are welcome, but the program is geared for governing boards.

Dates and places:

- Tuesday, August 16 – Ramada at Spokane Airport, Spokane
- Thursday, August 18 – Hampton Inn, Richland
- Tuesday, September 20 – location to be determined, Everett
- Thursday, September 22 – location to be determined, Kelso

For the August workshops, the deadline to register is August 3.

For the September workshops, the deadline to register is September 7.

Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible. To register, visit the WSL Training Calendar at [sos.wa.gov/q/training](https://sos.wa.gov/q/training). Questions? Please email Shirley Lewis at [shirley.lewis@sos.gov.wa](mailto:shirley.lewis@sos.gov.wa).

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### Captioning Instructional Videos

Beginning Monday, August 1, the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA) will offer a four-week

week's digest. Please include "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

course on creating and synchronizing [captions for library instructional videos](#) for patrons who are deaf or suffer from hearing impairments. Participants will be able to discuss usefulness and importance of providing this type of access to instructional videos to patrons who are deaf or hearing impaired.

Librarians and library staff in public, school, academic and/or special libraries will benefit from this course, which supports ASCLA's mission for libraries serving special populations, including users with disabilities. More information on this course can be found [here](#).

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### **Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

The 2016 CMS Workshop will be held in Seattle on August 23-24. This workshop provides an opportunity for our partners and stakeholders to learn about CMS' programs. As always, the training is free. Learn more [here](#).

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