



Welcome to WLA Wednesday

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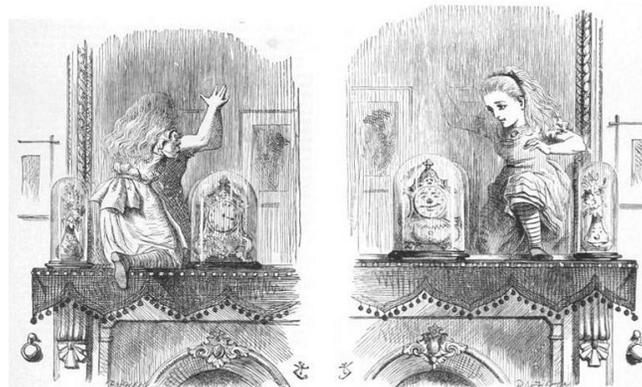
On this day: in 1887, the Monotype type-casting machine was patented by Tolbert Lanston in Washington, D.C.

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Making Headlines

Announcing the 2017 WLA Conference Theme



WLA is pleased to share the news that the Conference Planning Committee has chosen a theme for the [2017 conference](#) in Tacoma: “Libraries Through the Looking-Glass.”

Tacoma has a vibrant glass arts community, including the Museum of Glass in walking distance from the Hotel Murano, which itself has an impressive glass art collection on display throughout the hotel and conference facility. Also within walking distance is the Chihuly Bridge of Glass and an Alice in Wonderland public art mural. The committee also gravitated towards the idea of libraries reflecting back upon themselves, a core purpose of the annual conference.

Pierce County Library System has generously offered the services of their graphics staff to work with the committee on a logo to illustrate the theme.

[Look Who's Hiring](#)

[Conference Communiqué](#)



Seattle Central College is hiring for a [Library Faculty](#) position. The application closes June 30.

The Museum of Flight is seeking a [Supervisory Archivist](#). The application closes June 16.

[The Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) (PNLA) lists job openings frequently. You can also 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

PNLA Board Nominations Deadline Extended

The [Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) has three openings on the Board of Directors in 2017. Please consider nominating yourself or someone you know. The new deadline for submitting nominations has been extended to June 12. The positions are:

- Vice President / President Elect
- Treasurer
- Secretary

The new deadline for nominations is June 12. Nominees must be members in good standing of PNLA. For position descriptions or to make a nomination, contact [Gwendolyn Haley](#), Past PNLA President.

Remembering Kristen Scott, Teacher Librarian

[Kristen Scott](#), Eastmont Junior High Teacher Librarian, has passed away last week. A Celebration of Life was held on Sunday at Eastmont Junior High School, where hundreds of people celebrated her dedication to the community. In lieu of flowers, Kristen's family requested that donations be made to [Serve Wenatchee Valley](#).

WLA 2017 Conference Sponsor & Exhibitor Registration Is Live

The WLA office has just published the [Sponsor & Exhibitor Prospectus](#), and [registration](#) is live!

The conference is expected to draw between 600 and 700 attendees from public, academic, school, and special libraries. There are many ways for an organization, company, or individual to get involved in this year's conference—meeting attendees in person in our Exhibitor Hall, putting an ad in our print program, sponsoring our conference bags or lanyards, and more. To see all of our opportunities, visit the [conference website](#).

We greatly appreciate the support our sponsors and exhibitors have shown WLA and the library community at past conferences. We hope to see them in Tacoma!

The Learning Curve

Bibliophilia Storytelling Festival

This short [festival](#), presented by Word Lit Zine in co-production with Theater Schmeater, will celebrate the way words can come alive as they're put on stage. This extravaganza of words for word lovers is about the living book. Each reading at Bibliophilia is unique featuring performances that highlight the transformative power of stories from page to stage.

Look forward to readings and performances by local talents Karen Finneyfrock and Anastacia Renee Tolbert, among others. The festival will be June 22-24 at 7:30 and 9pm. Single show tickets and festival passes are available.

PNLA LEADS Institute Registration Deadline Extended

The Pacific Northwest Library Association has decided to extend the application period for this year's [LEADS Institute](#) to June 17.

This institute is one of the key activities of the Pacific Northwest Library Association, targeted toward emerging leaders serving in Pacific Northwest libraries with a desire to network with other leaders and increase their leadership skills.

This week-long leadership opportunity will be held October 22-27 in Fort Worden,

Jennifer Maydole remembers Kristen: "She lived life to its fullest. Her smile lit up the room. Her acts of kindness to students, who needed to know they were loved and accepted, were a daily occurrence. She not only promoted the love of learning and reading but love for life. Kristen will always be remembered by all who were fortunate enough to be in her life and in her library."

I Love My Librarian Award Nominations Open

Nominations for the [2017 ALA I Love My Librarian Award](#) are now open and will run through September 18.

The award recognizes the service of exceptional librarians who have transformed lives and communities. Ten winners will be selected to receive \$5,000 and a \$500 travel stipend to attend an award ceremony held in their honor at Carnegie Corporation of New York on November 30. An electronic nomination form is now [available online](#). To aid libraries in promoting the award, ALA be sharing tools that librarians can use to encourage their community members to submit nominations.

ProQuest Renewal

The Statewide Database Licensing project's annual ProQuest subscription renewal takes place at the end of June. No significant changes in cost are expected, barring a significant number of cancellations.

Public, academic, and special libraries will be renewed automatically unless a cancellation notice is received from the library. Renewal information and the cancellation form are available [here](#). Please submit cancellation forms no later than Friday, June 9. K-12 libraries renew through their respective ESDs.

As a reminder, even if a school or district is able to obtain ProQuest resources through the local public library, it is important that ALL libraries, especially K-12, continue to pay their share of the cost through direct subscriptions. Otherwise the statewide nature of this project falls apart and its continuation is endangered. For additional information visit the renewal page or contact SDL project manager, [Will Stuvenga](#).

Washington. The application materials can be accessed on the PNLA website.

Poverty Immersion

Could you deal with the day-to-day realities of living a life in poverty? Understand what life is like on a limited income through a unique workshop facilitated by WSU Extension. The [Poverty Immersion](#) is designed to help professionals, policy makers, community leaders, and volunteers better serve people in poverty.

The Poverty Immersion, also called a Poverty Simulation, is a unique interactive experience that helps people understand what life is like with a shortage of money and an abundance of stress. Although it uses play-money and fictional scenarios, a Poverty Immersion is a facilitated role-play, not a game. It is a powerful experience that takes only three hours of time, but makes a lasting impact.

- Gain greater awareness of the issues facing people in poverty
- Learn to build a foundation for change personally, professionally, organizationally, and in our communities
- Discover what life is like for people short on money and living with high stress

The workshop will be held June 23 from 7:30 am to noon at the Hilton Vancouver Washington Convention Center. The cost is \$50 per person.

Libraries & the Medical Home Neighborhood

Learn how primary health care providers and clinics are changing to become "patient-centered medical homes" and the opportunities this opens up for libraries, public health, early learning, and other community partners to become part of the bigger "medical home neighborhood."

This [free webinar](#), "Library, Family, Primary Care and Community Collaboration for Young Children," is presented by Kate Orville, Co-director of the Washington State Medical Home Partnerships Project for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (MHPP) housed at the University of Washington's Center on Human Development and Disability.

Tune in June 21 from 1–2 pm. Registration is not required.

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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