



# ***Welcome to WLA Wednesday***

January 10, 2018

On this day: In 1917, the Silent Sentinels began their seventeen-month protest in front of the White House to demand women's suffrage.

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## **Making Headlines**

### **Help Support IMLS Reauthorization**

At the end of 2017, the Museum and Library Services Act of 2017 (MLSA) was introduced. The 2017 MLSA (S. 2271) reauthorizes the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), showing congressional support for the federal agency. IMLS administers funding through the Library Services Technology Act (LSTA), the only federal program that exclusively covers services and funding for libraries.

LSTA provides more than \$183 million for libraries through the Grants to States program, the National Leadership Grants for Libraries, the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program, and Native American Library Services. Information on LSTA grants administered by the Washington State Library is available [here](#).

A federally funded agency or program typically requires an "authorization," which is legislation passed by Congress providing its justification. The authorization must be periodically reauthorized. IMLS and LSTA were last authorized in 2010, and the authorization expired in 2016. Although an authorization is not a requirement for a program to receive federal funding, passage of a reauthorization sends a strong signal of support to the Appropriations Committees. An agency lacking an authorization risks becoming a target for elimination by "budget hawks" in Congress. With the FY 2019 budget looming, it is important for IMLS to be reauthorized.

[Contact your Senators](#) and urge them to show support for libraries by becoming a cosponsor of S. 2271. Tell them how your library supports the constituents of their state, and tell them how LSTA funds enable your library to offer valuable services to your community.

Learn more from the [ALA District Dispatch](#).

## Look Who's Hiring



City of Anacortes Public Library is seeking a [Library Director](#). The position is open until filled.

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District is seeking a [Senior Collection Development Librarian](#). The position is open until filled.

Timberland Regional Library is seeking a [Public Services Manager](#). Applications are due February 5.

University of Washington Libraries is seeking a [Head, Information Technology Services & Digital Strategies Operations](#). Applications are due February 9.

Grays Harbor College is seeking an [Associate Dean for Library and E-Learning](#). The deadline has been extended to January 21.

[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.

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## News & Notes

**WLA Legislative Committee Member Selected for National ALA Policy Corps**

**ALA POLICY CORPS** ALA Association

Congratulations to WLA Legislative Committee Member Samantha Hines, who has been selected to participate in the inaugural [ALA Policy Corps](#)!

Last Thursday, ALA President Jim Neal announced the [twelve library and information professionals](#) selected to participate in the

## Conference Communiqué

**ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section Conference Scholarships**

**RBMS** 2018  
**CONVERGENCE**  
JUNE 19-22  NEW ORLEANS, LA

The Rare Books and Manuscripts Section (RBMS) of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) offers scholarships to subsidize first-time conference attendance by professional librarians, qualified paraprofessionals, and students. RBMS is currently accepting scholarship applications for the [2018 RBMS Conference](#), to be held in New Orleans from June 19-22, 2018.

The deadline to apply is January 12 and applicants will be notified on or before February 28.

RBMS is committed to increasing diversity in its membership and the special collections and archives professions. Accordingly, several conference scholarships have been designated for applicants from underrepresented ethnic and racial groups or for those employed by institutions that primarily serve one or more of these groups. For more information about the RBMS commitment to diversity, please visit the [RBMS website](#).

Full and partial scholarships are awarded. Full scholarships include a waiver of the conference registration fee (up to \$290 for professional and paraprofessional ACRL members, or \$135 for full-time student members) plus a travel and accommodation stipend. Partial scholarships provide complimentary registration and may or may not include a stipend.

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## The Learning Curve

**International Holocaust Remembrance Day**

Join the Holocaust Center for Humanity on International Holocaust Remembrance Day, January 27, at the Museum of Flight in Seattle. [The event](#) is free and open to the public.

ALA Policy Corps, which aims to develop a cadre of experts with deep and sustained knowledge of national public policies in areas key to ALA's strategic goals.

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### Note from New WLA IFS Chairs

Below is a note from Rosalie Olds and Karen Kline, the new Co-Chairs of the WLA Intellectual Freedom Section. Interested in joining? [All WLA Sections](#) are now free to join! [You can use this form to add a Section to your membership.](#)

"Welcome back from the holidays! With the start of a new year, it's often common to make new goals and resolutions. Karen Kline, Teacher-Librarian at Sunset Elementary, and myself, Rosalie Olds, Supervising Librarian with King County Library System, have taken over as co-chairs of the Intellectual Freedom Section (IFS) for WLA. We'd like to share our goals/resolutions about the Intellectual Freedom Section with you. Both of us have dealt with challenges that impacted our children's curriculum and feel strongly about the importance of keeping a wide variety of materials in the library for our patrons to read. We also value policies on materials selection that are transparent and encourage input from multiple people before library materials or school curriculum is banned.

"This coming year we hope to have one professional development event that focuses on Intellectual Freedom and/or Privacy and also offer at least one session at the WLA annual conference. We've already had commitment from Rob Mead, State Law Librarian at the Washington State Law Library, to do continuing education for us. In addition, we're in contact with the ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom to get up-to-date resources that we can use to support our members who might be facing challenges.

"We hope with membership in sections being included in your dues that a lot of you will join us. Ann Crewdson, previous chair, shared alerts and articles about Intellectual Freedom with you and we plan to do the same. Please let us know if there are specific activities and/or information you're interested in. 2018 should be an exciting year."

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### Washington State Book Awards Deadline

Author Bruce Henderson will share highlights from his latest book, *Sons and Soldiers*. Run out of Germany by the Nazis, a small contingent of German Jewish intellectuals exacted the perfect revenge - returning to Europe as U.S. soldiers to defeat the enemy.

Director Lucy Ostrander will present an excerpt from her film *Proof of Loyalty: Kazuo Yamane and the Nisei Soldiers of Hawaii*. Both groups were trained at Camp Ritchie in the Military Intelligence Service. Using their language skills, they were crucial in the Allied Victory.

Plus, meet three veterans, Ritchie Boys Stephen Lewy and Henry Butler, and Nisei veteran Frank Muramatsu.

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### National Library Week

National Library Week is April 8 – 14, 2018. Bestselling author and American Ballet Theatre Principal Dancer Misty Copeland will support our nation's libraries as honorary chair of National Library Week, and her inspiring leadership in diversity and inclusion go hand in hand with this year's National Library Week theme, "Libraries Transform: Libraries Lead."

Library advocates can start preparing their National Library Week celebrations now with free downloadable tools, including PSA scripts, sample press releases and print and digital graphics. To learn more and access these tools [here](#).

Remember that AASL designates April as [School Library Month](#). School Library Month is the American Association of School Librarians' celebration of school librarians and their programs. Every April school librarians are encouraged to host activities to help their school and local community celebrate the essential role that strong school library programs play in transforming learning.

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### Historical U.S. Code Available Online

More than 60 years of U.S. laws are now [published online](#) and accessible for free for the first time after being acquired by the Library of Congress. The Library has made available the main editions and supplements of the United States Code from 1925 through the 1988 edition.

Do you know a Washington author who had a book published in 2017? The [Washington Center for the Book](#) is actively seeking 2017 titles by Washington authors for the 2018 Washington State Book Awards. The deadline for entry is February 1. The Washington State Book Awards are given for outstanding books for books published by Washington authors the previous year. Info, criteria, and the online submission form are [here](#).

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### **Social Media Project from WLA President**

WLA President Craig Seasholes has put out the call on social media to send him a photo of yourself doing "1001 more things than book stacking" by February 1. He has promised to post a video version of the [famous "LIT-TL rap."](#) Follow Craig on Twitter at [@craigseasholes](#).

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### **OSPI Releases ESSA Funds Handbook**

OSPI has released the final version of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) guidelines for [Title 1, Part A: Fiscal Handbook](#) as pertains to federal funds available to support low-income schools to improve academic achievement of students.

Now is the time to advocate with district planners to see that some of these funds find their way to students and families through school libraries.

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### **ALA Statement on Global Climate Change and Call for Support for Libraries and Librarians**

At the 2017 ALA Conference, the following resolution was passed.

Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. recognizes that human interactions and activities affect the dynamics of Earth's climate system, and that there is a large and growing base of factual scientific data, information, and literature providing robust and accurate STE3M3 (scientific, technical, environmental/economic/ethical, medical/mathematical/management) evidence of global climate change;

The U.S. Code is a compilation of federal laws arranged by subject by the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House of Representatives. The Library's U.S. Code Collection is fully searchable. Filters allow users to narrow their searches by date, title and/or subject. PDF versions of each chapter can be viewed and downloaded.

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### **Mixing Green Time with Screen Time**

In this brave new digital world, children are no longer passive observers of technology. Digitally literate youth are fully integrated with it, and they aren't relating to traditional learning methods anymore. As a result, students are more disengaged during lessons. In addition, due in part to stationary gaming and information technologies that keep children indoors and fixed to their screens, childhood inactivity is on the rise.

Rather than learning, exploring, and playing in nature, inactivity is making students restless, creating more work for teachers. Due to this technological paradigm shift, teachers and students alike are up against new ways of learning, teaching, and deciphering knowledge.

This presentation will stress the benefits of tech education, such as increasing technological skills that are necessary in a modern world; increasing time spent moving outdoors; increasing engagement in academic material due to the connection it has with fun; and honing skills gained from games, such as puzzle-solving and facing challenges head on. There will be time for questions after the presentation. Teachers, superintendents, librarians and other educators working at the primary education level are invited to attend this edWebinar.

[Tune in](#) January 11 from 1:00 - 2:00 pm PT.

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### **Screen Scene: Best Practices for Using Screen Media with Young Children**

Screens are everywhere! Young children are spending more and more time engaged with screen media. Learn what and when children might be learning from screens as well as how we can support children's media activities. We will explore important cognitive advances children make during the first years of life that impact their ability to learn from screens. Finally, we will discuss the many practical

2. affirms a commitment to the preservation and availability of this factual scientific data, information, and literature, both from government and citizen sources; and

3. supports librarians, library workers, and educators, as they are guided by the ALA Policy Manual[1], in their roles for providing rigorous, robust, and accurate reference and referral services; access to data (both historical and current) and information resources, literature, and collections; and instruction in their use in assisting climate stakeholders' and library users' greater understanding of global climate change.

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### **ALA Committee on Diversity Seeks Feedback on Libraries as Responsible Spaces**

At the 2017 Annual Conference of the American Library Association, ALA Council adopted a [Resolution on Libraries as Responsible Spaces](#) and charged the Committee on Diversity to “develop, provide, and disseminate materials and programming for libraries that deter hate, foster community, and oppose bigotry toward or oppression against any group.”

The committee has developed [a survey](#) to help determine what materials, programming, and other resources related to responsible spaces would be most useful to libraries. We appreciate your feedback and guidance as we begin to develop these resources. The survey takes 5-10 minutes to complete and closes January 12.

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### **Madison and Cooke Awards: Nominations Deadline January 19**

The [James Madison Award](#) and [Eileen Cooke State & Local Madison Award](#) recognize an individual or group who has championed, protected, or promoted public access to government information and the public's right to know, at the national and state or local levels, respectively. Nominations for both awards are being sought by January 19.

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### **Promoting Healthy Communities**

Promoting Healthy Communities is a consumer health initiative of the Public Library

applications and resources for parents and educators, and ways to make the most of ever-present media technology.

Upon completion of the training, participants will be able to (1) Summarize research-based understandings of the impact of digital engagement on early learning, (2) Apply an understanding of joint media engagement to their regular interactions with children in a library setting, and (3) Develop appropriate models of digital engagement for very young children.

[Registration](#) opened January 5 for the following workshops:

- February 6, Fort Vancouver Regional Library Service Center, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm PT
- February 12, Burlington Public Library, 1:00 - 4:00 pm PT
- February 15, Kitsap Regional Library, Bainbridge branch, 1:00 - 4:00 pm PT
- February 27, Spokane County Library, North Spokane branch, 1:00 - 4:00 pm PT
- February 28, Yakima Valley Library, Sunnyvale branch, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

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### **PNR Rendezvous: Bibliometrics, Altmetrics, & the Question of Research Impact**

On January 17 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm PT, Robin Chin Roemer will address the history and evolution of meaningful metrics in higher education. She is the co-author of the book *Meaningful Metrics: A 21st Century Librarian's Guide to Bibliometrics, Altmetrics, and Research Impact*. Starting in 2018, attendees for the PNR Rendezvous are strongly encouraged to register for these free webinar sessions. [Learn more about this session and register here!](#)

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### **The Alzheimer's Café Model: A Guide to Getting Started in Your Community**

Want to build a dementia-friendly community? An Alzheimer's Café (or Memory Café) is one way to start! In the simple model, people with memory loss and their loved ones enjoy a monthly social gathering. Join us to learn how to bring this exciting program to your area!

Presenter Cecily Kaplan, Director of Greenwood Senior Center, helped launch the

Association (PLA) and National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM).

This initiative is encouraging libraries to submit a brief write-up about a health program your library held in the last couple of years to [ALA's Programming Librarian website](#). This free website contains a wide variety of program ideas for libraries. Library professionals are encouraged to submit their own programs for publication in a section of the website called Program Models. [View the Programming Librarian Program Model database here](#).

To submit your program for consideration, please fill out the ["Share Your Program" webform](#) available on the website. If you prefer, you can [email](#) your submission (using this Word document provided at the previous link). Programs from all library types are welcome. Please limit your submissions to programs that have taken place within the past two years.

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### Free Books from the Washington State Library

Thanks to the generosity of the Seattle Public Library Foundation, the Everett Public Library, the Tacoma Public Library, and the Kitsap Regional library, the Washington State Library will use LSTA funds to redistribute the following titles to libraries in Washington State.

- *Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah
- *Sudden Light* by Garth Stein
- *Nickel and Dimed* by Garth Stein
- *Clean* by David Sheff
- *The Turner House* by Angela Flournoy
- *Early Literacy Storytimes* by Saroj Ghoting and Pamela Martin-Diaz
- *House of Hope and Fear* by Audrey Young
- *Genesis Girl* by Jennifer Bardsley

There are some audiobooks and large print titles in this offering. A minimum of five copies per order is required. They can be a mix and match of titles. This is a first come, first serve process. [Place your order here](#).

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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.

first Alzheimer's Café in Washington State in 2010.

Tune in to this free webinar on Wednesday, January 24 from 10:00 – 11:00 am PT. [Register](#) here, and learn more about the Dementia Action Collaborative [here](#).

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### Advocacy, Ethics, and the Law for Librarians

As professionals, how can we make sure our voices are heard on issues of freedom, equity, truth, and justice? What is ethically required of us? Where are the legal (and political) danger zones? This class is an introduction to public advocacy and lobbying for librarians within the context of Washington law.

Tune in January 16 at 9:00 am PT to learn about the ins and outs from Rob Mead, the State Law Librarian. Even if you can't attend live, go ahead and register and you will be sent a link to the recording. [Register here!](#)

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### Community Engagement and Fundraising

Libraries serve their communities above all else, and it's crucial that librarians work not only with people in the community but also with institutions and businesses. Building positive and productive relationships with these organizations can be a challenge, but they can be tremendously beneficial to the library. They can lead to everything from content to marketing to funding as they further cement the library's status as an indispensable member of the community.

A panel discussion at 10:00 am PT on January 12 will feature a variety of perspectives from communities of different types and different sizes and answer your questions about how you can form partnerships that help you achieve your goals. Register for this free webcast from ALA [here!](#)

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