



# ***Welcome to WLA Wednesday***

April 11, 2018

On this day: In 1876, the steno-type was patented by John C. Zachos.

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## **Making Headlines**

**Five Days Left to Share Your Snapshots!**

# **Washington Library Snapshot Day**

There are only five days left to participate in #LibrarySnapshot! Show the world a “day in the life” of your library or repository. We want to see photos of your community engagement, of your neat-o displays, of your hard-working staff, and of anything you’d like to commit to film! If you’re not a shutterbug, then send us a “data snapshot” and brag about the number of patrons you’ve served, books circulated, microfiche reword, cubic feet of artifacts processed, and more! Learn more [here](#).

## **Look Who's Hiring**



North Central Regional Library District is seeking a [Library Director](#). The position is open until filled.

## **Conference Communiqué**

**Six Days Left to Submit Your Program to  
WLA 2018!**

Do you have an idea for a session or workshop for the 2018 Annual [Washington Library Association Conference](#), October 17-20 at the [Yakima Convention Center](#)?

Proposals are due Monday, April 16. The person who submitted the proposal will be

Goldendale Community Library, Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries is seeking a [Senior Branch Supervisor](#). Applications close April 24.

Mercer Island School District is seeking a [School Librarian - Elementary](#). The position is open until filled.

Centralia College is seeking an [Information Literacy and Instruction Librarian](#). The position is open until filled.

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a [Director of Human Services and Operations](#). Applications close April 27.

Pierce County Library is seeking a [Librarian - Youth Services](#). Applications close April 17.

Spokane Public Library is seeking a [Community Engagement Manager](#). The position is open until filled.

[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

### I AM WLA: Mary Moser



Check out our latest edition of [I AM WLA](#), featuring school librarian Mary Moser! A few of Mary's responses from her Q&A are below.

*Q: Tell us about a favorite memory where you really made a difference in a kid's life as a school librarian.*

notified of the outcome by May 8. To submit a program proposal, [please use this form](#). Do you have multiple proposals? Use a new form for each proposal.

Please direct questions to the WLA office at [info@wla.org](mailto:info@wla.org) or [\(206\) 823-1138](tel:(206)823-1138). On behalf of the [2018 Conference Committee](#), we look forward to receiving your proposals!

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## The Learning Curve

### Leap into Science Balance Workshops

Spokane County Library is hosting an educator training on Leap into Science Balance Workshops, on Friday, May 11 Friday, May 11, 9:30am-2:30pm (lunch provided) at The Lab at North Spokane Library (44 E Hawthorne Rd, Spokane WA 99208).

[Leap into Science](#) is a nationwide program developed by The Franklin Institute Science Museum that integrates open-ended science activities with children's books, designed for children ages 3-10 and their families. The program empowers educators to offer workshops in community settings like libraries, museums, and out-of-school time programs to engage underserved audiences in accessible and familiar settings.

Organizations participating in Leap into Science will: Send a group of two or more educators (whenever possible) to a 4-hour of training on the high-quality science and literacy curriculum; Receive ongoing support and become a part of a Leap into Science National Network; Have access to the national Leap into Science leadership team and online resources; Participate in ongoing evaluation activities (i.e. surveys, interviews, site visits); and Receive one set of curriculum and materials kit per organization (valued at \$300)

Leap into Science is funded by National Science Foundation, and led by [The Franklin Institute](#) and [The National Girls Collaborative Project](#).

[Visit the Leap into Science website](#) for more information about this program. See the attached training flyer. [Contact Gwendolyn Haley](#) with any questions and to register.

A: "My school library is an open space that allows for student independent use from before school to after school. Officially, we close at 3:30 on non-tutoring days. Pre-Charlotte (my now two-year-old daughter), I stayed open until students didn't need the resources and/or I needed to really get home. That is how I found myself at 5:30 PM helping a student cut and chop away at an essay, fill out a FAFSA, and apply for a full-ride scholarship as the pending 6:00 PM deadline was fast approaching. I had the resources, the knowledge, and time to help this young woman in one of her steps to earning that full-ride scholarship. Except for toddler emergencies, I am likely to, purse and coat in hand, stop to help someone who asks or just looks like they need help."

Q: *Why do school libraries matter?*

A: "School libraries have the power to be an equalizer for students and school communities if allowed to be an open space that molds itself to the needs of the communities. Offering a space for any student to feel welcomed and valued. School libraries are concrete examples of how what we do, think, and say extends beyond the classroom day and walls."

Q: *Fiction or non-fiction?*

A: "Fiction."

Q: *Smile or game face?*

A: "Smile, I've never been one to buy the 'don't smile until Winter Break' mantra."

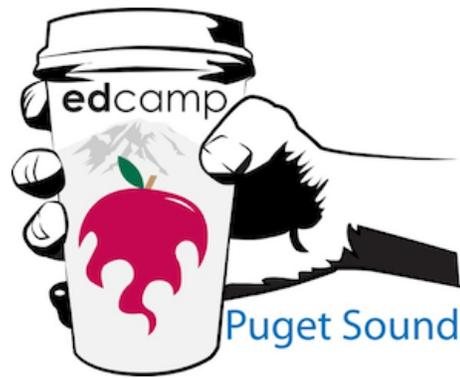
[Learn more about Mary](#), including how she got her start as a school librarian, who inspires her, and what her favorite technology tool is.

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## Washington Public Library Policies Update

The Washington State Library is pleased to announce that the semiannual comprehensive update to the [Washington State Public Library Policies](#) webpage has been completed.

Need an example of a Collection Development or Social Media policy? [This](#) is the place to go for a list and links to over 1,800 online Public Library Policy and Procedure documents, everything from ADA compliance to Volunteers, compiled from Washington libraries.



The next [EdCamp Puget Sound](#) will be held Saturday, May 5, at Annie Wright Schools in Tacoma from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. EdCamp Puget Sound is a biannual unconference for educators.

A NCCE Conference Full Registration will be given away as a door prize. This is a great way for school library staff to partner with regional colleagues and come together for professional development. Please invite your colleagues to learn with other librarians at EdCamps across the state.

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## From Idea to ISBN: How to Turn Your Every-Day Librarianship into a Book

Joyce Garczynski, the author of "Fundraising: How to Raise Money for Your Library Using Social Media" will discuss how your great ideas can be published. This workshop will be relevant to not only you but also your patrons who are interested in publishing their ideas. Please, share this with your library users.

This is a fully online class with one 3-hour webinar and two weeks of discussion/Q&A.

Online registration is available [here!](#)

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## Apply Now! Powell Fellowship - Teaching for Humanity: Holocaust Summer Institute

The Holocaust Center for Humanity offers an intensive 5-day summer institute (August 6-10) designed for teachers of grades 6-12. In a collaborative environment, teachers will explore in-depth topics of the Holocaust, genocide, and human rights; gain practical tools to bring these lessons effectively to their students; identify and use materials that align with Common Core State Standards; integrate local stories into their lessons; hear from national scholars, local experts, and

If you have any questions, please contact [Evelyn Lindberg](#).

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### NEH Awards \$74,400 to Three Washington Projects

The National Endowment for the Humanities has announced \$18.6 million in grants for [199 humanities projects](#) across the US. \$74,400 will go to three Washington projects:

- Washington State University will develop a mission-driven model for doctoral education.
  - An independent scholar in Seattle will conduct fieldwork and documentation of Contemporary Cahto, a modern adaptation of a dormant Native American language of north-central California, with lexical data to be incorporated into the applicant's Cahto dictionary and reference grammar.
  - Gonzaga University will research and write a chapter in a history of Jesuit missions to Native Americans in the American Northwest and Alaska from 1840 to 1940.
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### Virtual National Library Legislative Day

ALA's National Library Legislative Day is held each spring in Washington, D.C. This year, National Library Legislative Day will be May 7-8, 2018. Can't make it to D.C.? Participate from home with Virtual Library Legislative Day.

As in past years virtual participants will have access to the policy briefing in Washington. A link to the livestream will be made available before May 7, along with other briefing materials. This year you will also receive an Advocacy Toolkit that includes example projects, sample social media posts and graphics, letter templates, tips for maximizing your advocacy efforts on all platforms, and more. [Sign up here!](#)

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### The State of America's Libraries in 2018

experienced educators; take part in field trips to areas of interest, and become part of a dynamic and motivated group of Powell Fellows.

Accommodations will be provided for those teachers from outside the Seattle area. Limited to 20 participants. Application deadline: April 20, 2018. Learn more and apply [here!](#)

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### Leadership Basecamp: Upskilling for the Next Generation



On May 5, The Seattle Public Library is hosting the *School Library Journal's* Leadership Basecamp – Upskilling for the Next Generation, is a full-day, intensive professional development program designed to foster the next generation of school and youth librarians who are ready to accelerate their path to leadership, and want to upskill to meet their goals. More information and registration is available [here](#).

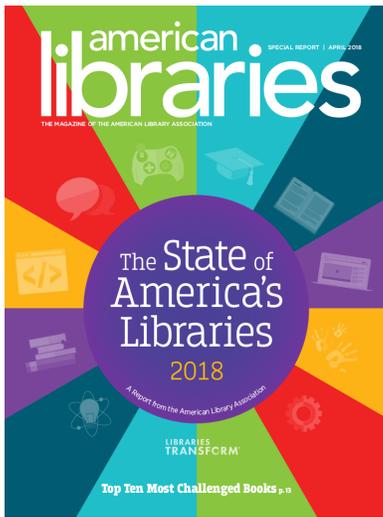
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### Library Journal Design Institute



[Design Institute](#) is a one-day, hands-on, small group event on library design in Salt Lake City, UT, on April 27. It will be held at Salt Lake County Library and hosted by LJ and Salt Lake County Director Jim Cooper in partnership with the Salt Lake City Library and Director Peter Bromberg.

LJ is offering WLA members a special rate of \$130 per person for the duration of the registration period. (The full rate is \$175 per person.) Please use promo code SLC20 to



ALA released [The State of America's Libraries](#) report for 2018, an annual summary of library trends that outlines statistics and issues affecting all types of libraries. The report found that libraries continue to face challenges that carry with them the potential for censorship to a variety of books, programs, and materials. Overall in 2017, 416 books were targeted. The ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom has produced a list of "[Top Ten Most Challenged Books](#)" in 2017.

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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.

unlock this rate when registering.

Whether or not their library is selected for a workshop/breakout, participants will be able to sign up for breakouts that spur their own imagination and ideas. Beyond the breakout sessions, the day also features a mix of panels—on designing for changing collections, staff roles, and new services—and speed sessions in which attendees can get answers to their own questions from architects and vendors. There's plenty of time to network with colleagues, as well.

And for those who'd like to join, there's a half-day tour of both city and county libraries on April 26, capped by a reception at Salt Lake City Main library.

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### Seattle Education Happy Hour with 4.0 Schools

Join the national nonprofit [4.0 Schools](#) on April 12 to learn about opportunities to support people with ideas for how to improve education in Seattle. The first drink is on us and there'll be an opportunity to meet with the 4.0 Team and hear more about their Essentials and Tiny Fellowships, which offer up to \$10,000 for people to test and validate their ideas. RSVP [here](#).

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