



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

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On this day: In 1965, the Campbell Soup Company introduces SpaghettiOs.

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MAKING HEADLINES

PSESD Teacher Librarian Institute

Don't miss the **2018 PSESD Teacher-Librarian Institute**, August 7 and 8 at South Seattle College! Workshops will be led by several active WLA leaders and members: Marianne Costello, Aricka Dickens, Brian Hanser, Ann Hayes-Bell, and and Lauren Wishkoski.



On August 7, the day before the Teacher-Librarian Institute, there will be Pre-Institute focused on "Cultivating a Strong School Library Program." This Pre-Institute has been developed in response to the need for a space for new Teacher Librarians and Paraprofessionals to receive guidance and strategies for successfully managing a school library. Many different workshop sessions will be offered for small groups to learn with and from experienced, successful teacher librarians.

The day will focus on:

- Weeding and Planting a collection of materials that reflects the needs of the community it serves.
- Fertilizing your school library program so that it grows information literate, lifelong learners.
- Hydrating informational technology skills to support student learning.
- Harvesting the skills and confidence to lead a dynamic library program in the new school year.

The PSESD Teacher-Librarian Institute (August 8) is sure to be a place where you will gain readiness and inspiration for the 2018-19 school year! This year's Institute will provide support in creating culturally responsive libraries with an emphasis on providing accurate and honoring literature about and for Native American children and families' history and culture. The theme is "Heart, Head, and Hands: Culturally Responsive Libraries."

The day will focus on:

- Heart: Create a space where participants are able to engage, reflect, and challenge their racial beliefs and attitudes.
- Head: Provide rich authentic culturally responsive content that builds librarians capacity to assess accurate asset-based information and tools for all children and families. Examine culturally responsive practices recommended in the new library standards.
- Hands: Provide librarians resources and strategies to strengthen and sustain their growth and practice.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Mount Vernon City Library is seeking a **Library Assistant - Technical Services**. Applications are due May 23.

Sumner School District is seeking a **Librarian Itinerant**. Applications are due May 23.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking an **Executive Director**. Applications are due July 1.

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

LMCC18 Conference: Submit Your Proposals

Showcase your best work at **2018 Library Marketing and Communications Conference**. The Call for Proposals is now open!

The 2018 Library Marketing and Communications Conference (LMCC) Planning Committee invites you to submit

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Washington Medical Librarians Association Annual Meeting & Conference

The Washington Medical Librarians Association (WMLA) is having its annual meeting and conference on July 20 at the Odegaard Library on the University of Washington Campus. This one-day conference is open to all and includes breakfast and lunch in addition to some great presentations. Registration opens May 30 (WMLA Member \$45; Student/retired \$25; Non-member \$65). Additional details available on the [WMLA website](#) where you can also join or renew your membership).

THE LEARNING CURVE

Developing Digital Citizens - Resources and Strategies

Librarians play a vital role in equipping people to participate in an increasingly complicated information ecosystem that at times seems overrun with things like fake news and misinformation. It can be challenging for young people, in particular, to develop skills they need to deal with misinformation and engage as digital citizens who can consume, create, and share information online.

This webinar will introduce librarians to strategies, techniques, and resources they can

presentation proposals for consideration to our 4th Annual LMCC Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. The conference will be held November 14-15, 2018, at the Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch.

Successful proposals will showcase the tried and true, the latest trends, and the best practices in marketing and communications. Provide practical tips and takeaways that can be immediately applied to any library's communication and marketing efforts. We're looking for speakers who have done this work long enough to have experiences and lessons to share. You should be able to discuss the theory behind your decisions, as well as your actions themselves, and your results. Ideally, your presentation will be applicable and transferable to other types and sizes of libraries.

Have an idea? Please apply! The deadline is May 25, 2018.

ABOS Awards Nominations Sought

The Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS) offers annual awards that recognize outstanding service, support for conference attendance, and the education of a student currently enrolled in a Library Science degree program. Please consider applying for one of the awards and feel free to share the following information with your staff, colleagues and students. Please encourage them to apply.

- John Philip Excellence in Outreach Award - \$300
- Carol Hole Conference Attendance Award - Five (5) \$500 travel grants
- Bernard Vavrek Scholarship - \$1,000

Check out the Awards on the [ABOS website](#). Application deadline for all awards is August 1.

Summer *Alki*: What No One Ever Tells You About Working in Libraries

It's time to submit article ideas for the next issue of *Alki*! The theme for Summer 2018 is "What Nobody Ever Tells You About Working in Libraries." Did you learn more on your first day of work than in two years of your MLIS program? Do you still have to educate friends and family on what modern libraries are all about? As a page (or specialist or associate) do you have a bird's-eye view of what we're

use to help people develop increasingly vital information and news literacy skills. These skills can ensure that people can not only recognize and combat misinformation but can also develop as informed and empowered digital citizens.

Tune in to this free webinar from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission on Tuesday, May 22 at 1:30 pm PT. [Register here](#).

Open Repositories Conference



Repositories play a pivotal role in the information landscape. The annual [Open Repositories Conference](#) brings together users and developers of open digital repository platforms from higher education, government, galleries, libraries, archives, and museums. The 2018 conference will take place June 4-7 in Bozeman, Montana.

Your Neighbor Is a Writer: Curating a Local E-book Collection

Since 2015, Multnomah County (OR) Library has been providing a way for patrons to contribute to its e-book collection, bringing authors visibility while offering compelling local content to its patrons. The Library Writers Project engages with the writing community while promoting library staff as curators of books worth your time. We'll walk through the project inception and execution, and discuss the place of self-published works in collection development and the role of librarians as tastemakers.

This is the second of two free webinars with content from programs originally scheduled for the PLA 2018 Conference. The two programs were cancelled due to weather-related travel difficulties that prevented the presenters' arrival in Philadelphia for the conference. The first free webinar, "Conflict as Opportunity: Library Restorative Practices for Youth," is scheduled for May 22. Separate registration is required for each webinar.

doing well -- or not? And to take a deeper dive, what do the things you've learned behind the scenes say about libraries moving forward? Please send your article idea(s) to alkieditor@wla.org and include:

- Your name and position/library
- Description of the article
- Suggested title
- Estimated length (in pages); each page = 750 words (or fewer with graphics)
- Intent to include graphics (photo, logo, other)
- Contact information

Deadline for articles is Monday, June 4. Article ideas that fall outside of the theme are also encouraged!

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.

Tune in to this free webinar from the Public Library Association on Tuesday, May 29 at 11:00 am PT. [Register here.](#)

Best Practices for Data Privacy: An American Libraries Live Webcast

The news feels overwhelmingly loaded with stories of security breaches and compromised data. In an environment where data breaches have become norm, how can we keep our data and our library users' data secure? Join American Libraries Live on May 21 for a discussion on data privacy that focuses on best practices and what we can do to make sure our data is secure and protected.

Tune in to this free 60-minute webcast at 10:00 am PT on Monday, May 21 to learn more. You can [register here.](#)

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