

WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

February 12, 2020

On this day: In 1909, The NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is founded.

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MAKING HEADLINES

Alki Now Accepting Proposals for March Issue 2020: Keeping Count



The Washington Library Association's *Alki* journal is seeking proposals for its March 2020 edition, with the broad theme of "Keeping Count." We are looking for proposals from all library types and from all library workers!

How is your library considering the 2020 U.S. Census? Have you created courses to educate students to think critically about privacy? How are you dealing with budget shortfalls? What big (open?) data initiatives are you proud of? What are the benefits and/or pitfalls of our culture of assessment? How is your library dealing with its vendor relationships? This is an amazing opportunity to share stories and strategies with your colleagues.

Proposals due by Sunday, February 16. Find instructions on how to submit **here**.

2020 WLA Conference Program RFP Closes in One Week



The **2020 WLA Conference Committee** invites you to submit a program proposal to the **2020 WLA Conference** in Spokane, Washington, October 7–10! If you or someone you know would like to present at the 2020 WLA Conference, **submit here** by Wednesday, February 19!

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

The Seattle Public Library is seeking a **Senior Training & Development Specialist**. The position is open until February 21.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a Full Time and a Part-Time Library Associate. The positions are open until February 19.

King County Library System Foundation is seeking an **Executive Director**. The position is open until filled.

Primary Source is seeking a **Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant**. The position is open until filled.

The University of Washington is seeking an **E-Resources Metadata Librarian**. The position is open until March 16.

Bethel School District is seeking a **Teacher-**Librarian. The position is open until February 28.

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

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

WLA Academic Library Conference: Early Bird Closes February 20

wla academic library conference March 20, 2020 | Ellensburg, WA

deep roots, new growth

Registration for our WLA Academic Library Conference is now open! WLA's CLAWS (College Libraries Across Washington State) Section and ALD (Academic Library Division) will come together for the **2020 WLA Academic Library Conference**. This all-day event will be held at on March 20, 2020, at Central Washington University in Ellensburg.

The conference theme of "Deep Roots, New Growth" seeks to cultivate the fruit of academic library work while staying grounded in an ever-changing library environment. We find ourselves at a crossroads of new and emerging ways of accessing information in academic libraries and continuously challenging the library image on campus, while also staying connected to the bedrock principles of libraries. How do we remain

Submit to Alki Milestones

Milestones focuses on significant moments for libraries statewide - recognizing notable new hires, transitions, retirements, as well as remembrances of those who have passed. We're looking for submissions, of approximately 250 words, that highlight notable accomplishments in the careers of those profiled. Photographs are encouraged. Please send information to Johanna Jacobsen Kiciman, *Alki* editor, at **alkieditor@wla.org**.

2020 Census: Questionnaire Assistance Center Webinar

Washington Nonprofits and the Census Bureau are co-hosting a webinar to provide operational information for any organization that will allow the public to use its facilities to answer the census (for example, libraries, senior centers, community centers, church halls, schools, city halls, fire departments, etc.). These locations are called questionnaire assistance centers or QACs.

This free webinar will take place Tuesday, February 11 from 12:00–1:00 pm Pacific Time. You can learn more or register for this event **here**. Space for the webinar is limited but a recording will be available online.

Bushwick Book Club Show

Bushwick Book Club is presenting Original Music inspired by Shakespeare, Saturday, February 15th 7:30 pm at Hugo House in Seattle. Bushwick Book Club also provides free memberships to librarians and library staff.

Article: Outreach Programming: Serving Hidden Patrons

Perry Memorial Library in rural Henderson, NC, developed an outreach initiative aimed at serving "hidden patrons," those residents impacted by mobility issues or lack of transportation. Based on county demographics, the library divided their outreach goals into two focus areas: youth services and senior adult services. Read more **here**. responsive to a changing student population, as well as increasing focus on diversity and inclusion? How can we grow with the culture of our campus patrons and rise to meet the future needs of teaching and learning?

THE LEARNING CURVE

Webinar: Engaging with the Community: Learning and Applying the Essentials of Cultural Humility to Improve Health Information Outreach

Travelling to PLA 2020 in Nashville, TN? Collaborate with colleagues to learn more about serving underserved communities in a culturally humble and inclusive manner. Learn about trusted health information resources from the National Library of Medicine and how you can partner with NNLM to support the *All of Us* Research Program.

This free workshop will take place Tuesday, February 25 from 1:30–5:00pm Eastern Time. You can learn more or register for this event **here**.

Webinar: Cultivating Protective Factors for Safe Libraries and Resilient Communities

Join this webinar to explore the ways the library functions as a **"protective factor"** and to understand how the library, staff, and patrons exist within a community-wide context of safety. With consideration for how poverty, race, or other often stigmatized challenges impact the patron experience, learn practical and applicable ways to assess your library's relationship with patrons, local law enforcement, social workers, and other organizations. Hear how the Sacramento Public Library learned through crisis to address staff and community trauma and to build resilience through more compassionate and inclusive policies and practices.

This free workshop will take place Thursday, March 5 from 12:00–1:00 pm Pacific Time. You can learn more or register for this event **here**.

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. Washington Library Association | PO Box 33808 Seattle, WA 98133 | 206-823-1138 | www.wla.org Questions? Email us at info@wla.org