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## Everett Public Library podcast marks library's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary Podcast documents Everett Woman's Book Clubs efforts to create library

EVERETT, WA— Everett Public Library has released a new podcast, which brings to life the library's early history. The podcast tells the story of the hard work of the Everett Woman's Book Club, which secured donations from around the country to build a library during hard economic times. The podcast is part of the Everett Public Library's ongoing commemoration of its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary throughout 2019.

The podcast story begins in 1894, when the leaders of the Everett Woman's Book Club decided to establish a public library to further civic and social life in the industrial community. It ends with the establishment of Everett's first permanent library building in 1905. The podcast also includes a brief recap of the 114 years since the 1905 Carnegie Building was established. The podcast tells the story through excerpts from historical newspaper articles and books. It draws directly from unpublished gems from the Everett Public Library's Northwest Room collection. Source material includes original poetry and a dramatic playlet called "The Magic City," written by Everett Woman's Book Club members. The podcast paints a vivid image of early Everett, its attitudes and preoccupations, and of the works of women's club movement at the end of the 19th century.

The 21-minute recording can be accessed at [www.epls.org/125podcast](http://www.epls.org/125podcast). This entertaining and original production was written and performed by an ensemble cast of library employees, and it is embellished with music and sound effects.

For further information, please call 425-257-8000 or visit [www.epls.org](http://www.epls.org).

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