

MSUB

LIBRARY NEWS

FALL 2025



NICOLE PREPARES GEORGIE FOR THE MOVE TO CANVAS



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday

7:30 am - 10:00 pm

Friday

7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday

Closed

Sunday

2:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Holiday Closures

Tuesday, November 11

Thursday, November 26 -

Sunday, November 30

MORE HOURS



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The summer at the library is always a time to make some changes, to get creative, and make some noise. This summer we accomplished two very important projects.

First, we are excited to be introducing a new collection at the library that has been driven by student demand, the *Graphic Novel & Manga Collection*. A new designated space with curved shelving and colorful pod chairs is waiting for the students to explore.

Our second project was focused on the maintenance of our print journal collection, which has needed some attention for many years now. We took the time to evaluate each journal title based on the following criteria from the Deselection - Physical Collections portion of the Collection Development policy.

Your MSUB Library is ever changing and creating adaptive learning environments, while maintaining healthy collections to best serve our MSUB community.

Have a wonderful semester!

STAFF UPDATES

CINDY HAGEN

We're excited to welcome Cindy Hagen to the library staff as our new Electronic Resources Librarian, joining us on July 1, 2025. A self-proclaimed nomad, Cindy has spent much of her life on the move, following a path shaped by curiosity, history, and service.



Cindy can be contacted at cindy.hagen@msubillings.edu or 406.657.1671

She earned her degree in Anthropology and History from the University of Massachusetts Boston and spent many years working as an archaeologist for the National Park Service in California, Wyoming, and Montana. After marrying a fifth-generation rancher from southeast Montana, Cindy served as a cultural resource manager at the Little Bighorn Battlefield while earning her Master's in Library and Information Science from San José State University, with a focus on digital archiving and emerging technologies. Most recently, Cindy spent four years revitalizing the library at a small middle and high school in Wyoming, where she also supported dual enrollment students.

Cindy champions the belief that libraries are for everyone. Her work has consistently centered on meeting patrons where they are and fostering the library as a welcoming, inclusive space—one that goes far beyond just books. She sees libraries as vital community hubs—places where people of all ages can explore new ideas, access resources, and build meaningful connections.

She brings her enthusiasm, experience, and deep commitment to student success to MSU Billings, and is thrilled to support faculty, staff, and students in her new role. Please welcome Cindy!

STUFF THE PANTRY

After last year's wildly successful Stuff the Pantry, where we collected over 50 pounds of food, the MSUB Library is thrilled to announce the return of this friendly, inter-department food drive competition.

Team up with your department to donate quick and microwave friendly meals or snacks, such as Noodle Cups, individual mac & cheese, fruit cups, Pop Tarts, etc. between November 10th through November 21st for the newly rebranded Buzz Express!

The department that donates the most food by weight will win a super awesome prize that will be announced closer to the start of the drive, along with specific instructions.

If you have any questions about Stuff the Pantry or the Buzz Express please reach out to Emily Reeb at emily.reeb@msubillings.edu



UPDATES AND INFO

INTERLIBRARY LOAN (ILL)

Need something we don't have? Request items (books, book chapters, articles, DVDs) that we do not own from libraries all over the world and have them shipped to you through Interlibrary Loan (ILL). Free for students, faculty, & staff!

MOVE TO CANVAS



With the switch to Canvas, we realize some students may need a little extra help this semester getting used to a new online learning platform. The library can help!

If you know a student who could use some guidance on Canvas or would like a librarian to come talk to your class about Canvas – reach out to your library liaison to schedule a time for them to come and talk!

YOUR LIBRARY LIAISON MAY HAVE CHANGED

With staff changes, your library liaison might be different this semester. See below for the most up-to-date list of library liaisons.



Nicole Bernard
College of Education

406.657.1656

College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Math, Social Sciences & Cultural Studies

Centers & Offices

La Plaza, Native American Achievement Center, Women's and Gender Studies



Cindy Hagen
City College

406.657.1691

College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Communication, History

Centers & Offices

Center for Teaching & Learning, Dual Enrollment, Graduate Studies, Military and Veterans Success Center

Emily Reeb
College of Health Professions & Science

406.657.1663

College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
English/Philosophy/Modern Languages

Centers & Offices

Academic Support Center, Admissions, ASMSUB, Athletics, Center for Engagement, Housing & Residence Life, International Studies, Student Health Services, TRIO/SSS



Nathan Sonnenschein
College of Business

406.657.1665

College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Art, Music, Psychology

Centers & Offices

Honors Program, Second Chance Pell

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION

Do your student's need library or research assistance? Book a library instruction session! These tailored workshops teach students about navigating library resources and critically evaluating information.

Library instruction sessions are offered in in-person, virtual, and hybrid formats. They can range from a broad overview of library resources to instruction targeted towards a specific assignment. A librarian will work with you to make sure your students receive the information they need to be successful. Please submit your library instruction request or contact your library liaison at least one week in advance.

Request an Instruction Session!



STAFF BOOK CLUB

Join the Library's Buzzin' Book Club. We are a group of staff, faculty, and retired folks that meet once a month over the lunch hour. We meet in the library's upstairs classroom, LI 302.

Each month we choose a book from member recommendations. While we never give a member grief over their pick, we may still say, that was a dud!

Join us on September 24th at noon to discuss the *Boxcar Librarian* by Brianna Labuskes. She is going to be here on Oct. 21st as a guest presenter during our Library Lecture Series, *Land of Locomotives*.

I have copies to share among the book club group. So, if you want to join us, please reach out to me, Eileen, ewright@msubillings.edu.



ERESOURCES UPDATE

NEW YORK TIMES



Did you know that The New York Times digital edition is available for all current MSUB students, staff and faculty via the Library's subscription? This includes News, Cooking, Games, The Athletic, and Wirecutter usable anywhere at any time. You will need to create a linked NYT account or link an existing account.

FACULTY TOOLKIT

Our Faculty Toolkit is the perfect place for faculty and staff to learn about all of the library's resources. Do you need a consultation with a librarian? Books or articles for your research? A library instruction session for your class? For all this and more, the Library is here to help! We serve faculty and staff from all colleges and departments at MSUB, including City College.



DATABASE TUTORIALS

You asked, we created! We have video tutorials to our most frequently utilized databases. Check them out in our Getting Started with Research Database Tutorials research guide!

SPACE UPDATES

GRAPHIC NOVEL & MANGA COLLECTION

You may have noticed a brand-new collection in the library. This summer we were thrilled to finally create the new Graphic Novel and Manga Collection on the second floor of the library.

With new fun furniture and shelves, we hope that this collection will inspire everyone who walks into the library to continue reading and expanding their bookshelves. Please come and visit our new collection and find your next fun read.

Check out the Q2 article about our new collection!



We want to thank everyone who helped bring this project to life, especially ASMSUB and those who donated to the Library's Jacket Giving Day campaign.

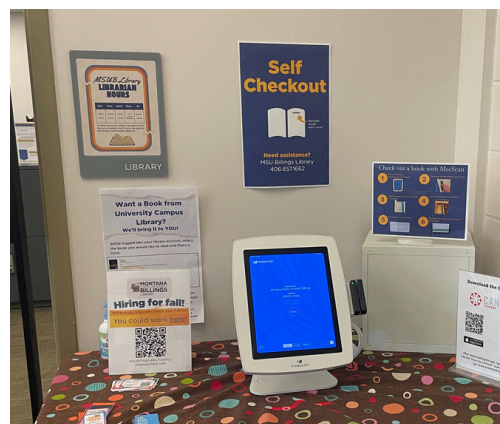
EXCITING UPDATES

Many exciting changes are occurring at the City College Library! Come check out our updated Study Carrels, New Reading Nook, and New Parent and Children's Study Nook.



BOOKS & BOOKS

And books are back! We have added a selection of academic and fun books for you to check out and take home. Use the new Meescan Self Checkout. Selections will change regularly based on interest and requests.



DID YOU KNOW?

Students, faculty, and staff have 24-7 access to research databases, thousands of electronic books, streaming video, and library research guides. Scan the QR code to go to the [Library Homepage](#)!



BOOKS DELIVERED TO YOU



Want a book that isn't at the City College library? Ask a librarian or request it through our catalog and we will bring it to you at City College! Pick them up in the lockers!

FACULTY & STAFF

We'll come to you! Librarians are happy to provide research and library instruction to you and your classes, in-person or online.

Specialty library research guides can be created for your course like the [City College Nursing Programs](#) or the [Business: Human Resources](#).

Contact City College Library liaison Cindy Hagen (cindy.hagen@msubillings.edu) to learn more!



BOOK DROP HAS MOVED

The book drop has moved in front of Administrative Services to make it easy to return any of your checked out library materials!

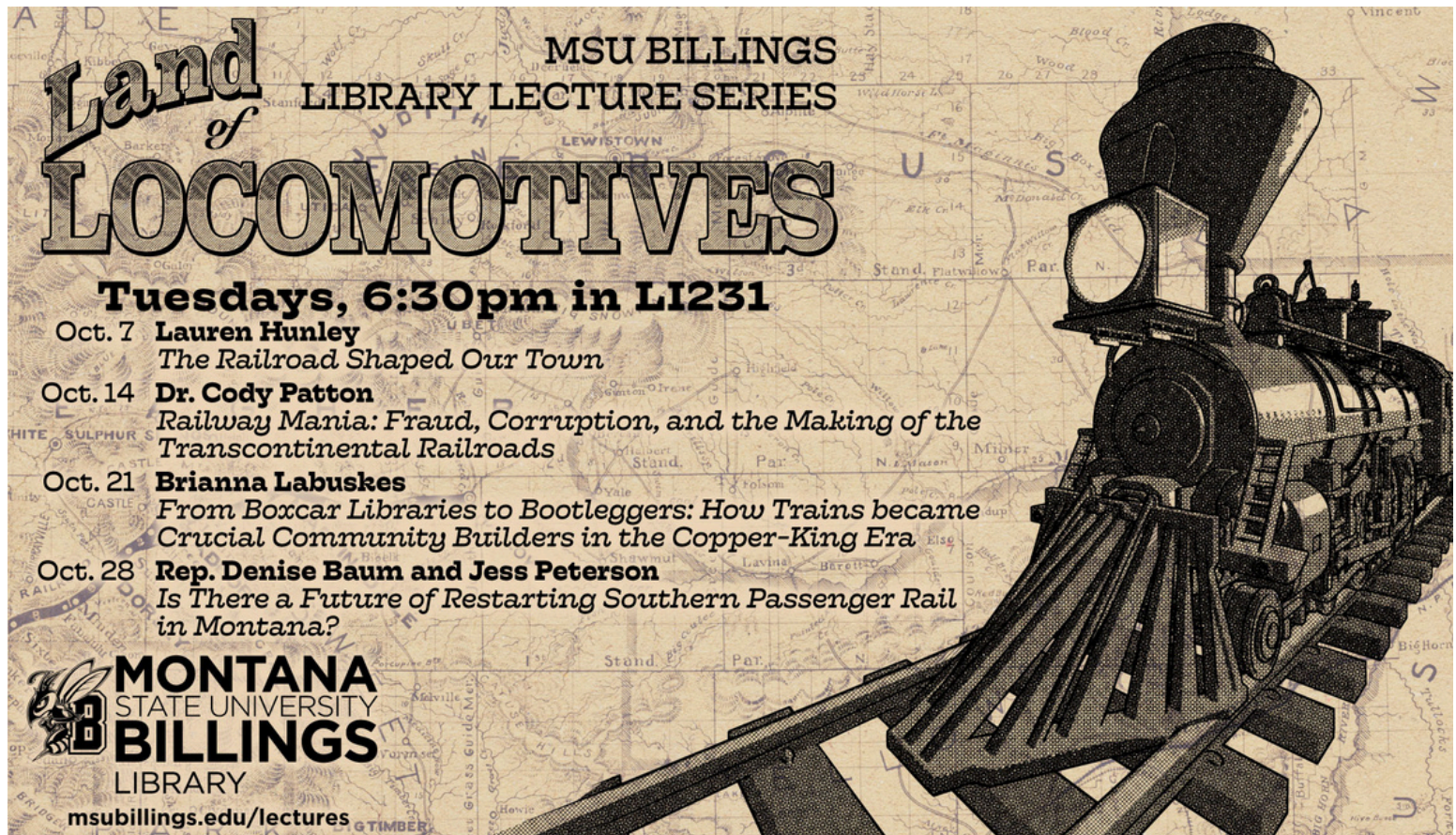
CITY COLLEGE LIBRARIAN ON SITE

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	No on-site librarians	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

The City College Library is open Monday–Friday, 8 AM–5 PM for self-service checkout, study spaces, and access to resources. Librarians are on-site four days a week for in-person help, and you can also reach us anytime by email at library@msubillings.edu or by phone (voice only) at 406-657-1662.



FALL EVENTS




Land of Locomotives

MSU BILLINGS
LIBRARY LECTURE SERIES

Tuesdays, 6:30pm in LI231

- Oct. 7 **Lauren Hunley**
The Railroad Shaped Our Town
- Oct. 14 **Dr. Cody Patton**
Railway Mania: Fraud, Corruption, and the Making of the Transcontinental Railroads
- Oct. 21 **Brianna Labuskes**
From Boxcar Libraries to Bootleggers: How Trains became Crucial Community Builders in the Copper-King Era
- Oct. 28 **Rep. Denise Baum and Jess Peterson**
Is There a Future of Restarting Southern Passenger Rail in Montana?

 **MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BILLINGS**
LIBRARY
msubillings.edu/lectures

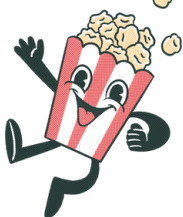
We are happy to announce the Fall 2025 Library Lecture Series. This year's Lecture Series theme is *Land of Locomotives*. The four presentations take place every Tuesday in October at 6:30pm. We will be using the newly renovated lecture hall LI 231. Our presenters include our own history professor, Dr. Cody Patton; local historian from the Western Heritage Center, Lauren Hunley; Boxcar Librarian author, Brianna Labuskes; and local representative Denise Baum and prominent local community member Jess Peterson. For further information check out the [Lecture Series website](https://msubillings.edu/lectures).

FALL EVENTS

Popcorn Days!

Come get some free popcorn in the Library.

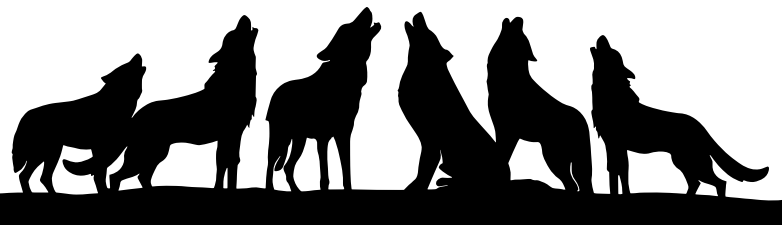
- Wednesday, September 17th
- Monday, October 13th
- Thursday, November 6th
- Monday, November 17th



Twilight Trivia Night

Food, trivia, prizes, glitter!
Find us on the second floor of the Library.

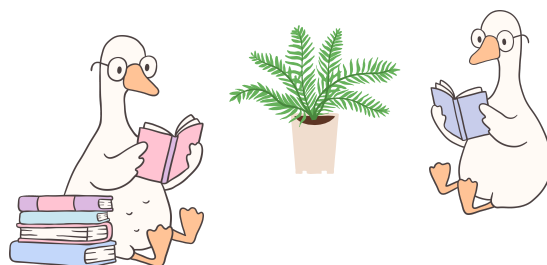
- Wednesday, October 8th,
5pm - 7pm



Silent Book Club

Read together in quiet camaraderie. Bring your own book and enjoy snacks while we read.

- Starting Wednesday,
September 24th at 12pm



Ghost Painting

Transform art pieces into something new & spooky.



- Wednesday, October 22nd



Stress Less Week

De-stress from the semester with fun events every day this week!

- December 1st - 4th

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INTERLIBRARY LOAN

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