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Collegian Staff



Rocky Mountain Collegian Student Newspaper



"After much delay, resulting from a number of causes, the COLLEGIAN has at last made its appearance. The managers will do their utmost to produce a creditable paper, and one that will meet with the approval of all friends of the College. ..."

Collegian staff, v.1, no.1 December 1891

One of the oldest college newspapers in the West, the Rocky Mountain Collegian was launched as a monthly in December of

1891. The Colorado State University Librarie Department has begun a project to digitize t from December 1891-May 1913, Early issue searchable PDF format. In addition, current is 2005 will be added as received from the Coll issues will be added as funding becomes ava

Access to the newspaper is through a key browse by date search.

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Rocky Mountain Collegian Archive, Fall author programs,

and more ...



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On the cover: The *Rocky Mountain Collegian* Archive website. See Pages 2–4 for the full article.



For this issue, I was asked to address the variety of initiatives under way at University Libraries. Initially, as I reflected upon this topic, the remodel of Morgan Library came to the forefront of my mind. The monumental project to modernize and optimize our space into a Learning/Information Commons is progressing well due to our dedicated and diligent staff.

Then, the variety of digital initiatives we have under way intruded upon my consciousness. Here, among other things, we have positioned ourselves to support our faculty in their efforts to prepare and implement data management plans, with infrastructure to store, make discoverable and accessible, and preserve data sets and associated metadata.

Next, ever looming are our fiscal circumstances – we are experiencing significant and ongoing budget/staffing reductions, while the demand for access to information we provide and our services is increasing, and the publishers are raising prices far in excess of the Consumer Price Index – referred to by some as the perfect storm fiscally for academic libraries.

However, upon additional contemplation, in the face of these important and, in some cases, almost overwhelming initiatives, the most important initiative we are undertaking is also the most difficult – that of facilitating access by faculty and students to higher-quality, more relevant information, including how to find, access, distill, analyze, and synthesize information into forms that promote understanding and learning. We must get back on track, in the face of being overwhelmed by vast quantities of low-quality data, spin-doctoring, and inability to engage in extended, civil dialogue, to reestablish and reinforce our beliefs based upon relevant and informative facts, data, and discourse.

Librarians, as experts in the science and practice of information access, have much to contribute in this regard. Two of our distinguished faculty, Professors Jeff Bullington and Cathy Cranston, are engaged in the human aspects of this activity under the auspices of ISTeC, our Information Science and Technology Center. Some of our staff are exploring better search engines to provide "one-stop shopping," known as Web-scale Discovery, for access to our scholarly information. Progress on these two initiatives will define our future as research libraries, and we look forward to reporting more on these initiatives in future issues.

Burns Patrik J. Burns

Vice President for Information Technology and Dean of Libraries Colorado State University

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Save the Date: Author Laura Lippman to Speak Sept. 8

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Best-selling detective fiction writer Laura Lippman will be speaking in Fort Collins at 7 p.m. Sept. 8, at the Hilton Fort Collins, 425 W. Prospect Road. The event is free and open to

the public – no tickets are required. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis (maximum capacity of 500 people). A book signing and sales will follow the program.

Lippman, best known for her Tess Monaghan series, will be speaking about her latest book, *The Most Dangerous Thing* (to be released Aug. 23, 2011).

Lippman was a reporter for 20 years, including 12 years at the *Baltimore Sun*. Her Tess Monaghan books – *By a Spider's Thread, The Last Place, The Sugar House, Baltimore Blues, Charm*

City, Butchers Hill, No Good Deeds, and In Big Trouble – have won every major mystery prize including the Edgar, Shamus, Agatha, Anthony, and Nero Wolfe awards, and her

novel *In a Strange City* was named a New York Times Notable Book of the Year. Lippman's other books include *I'd Know You Anywhere* and *The Girl in the Green Raincoat*.

The Sept. 8 event is part of a series

of free author evenings presented by the Friends of CSU Libraries and the Poudre River Friends of the Library.

Read more online at http://lib.colostate.edu/lippman.

New Café Opens Doors for Next Phase of Construction

The Morgan Library expansion and redesign project is now in full swing with the opening of the Library's new café, Morgan's Grind. Morgan's Grind has quickly become a popular place for students and faculty to interact.

A wide range of drinks, snacks, and locally made baked goods are available for students studying in the library. Much larger than the previous coffee cart area, the new café also alleviates noise and crowding at the entrance.

As the redesign project enters the next phase, the Library entrance

has been relocated to the northeast corner of the building. Work has begun on the addition on the front of the building, which will provide a 24-hour work space for students.

The redesign project will also increase the number of group presentation rooms and add video production studios. Regularly updated construction information is posted on the Library website at lib.colostate. edu/blogs/building.

Morgan 2012: The Place. The People. The Promise.

Below are renderings of the expansion and redesign project:



Group Presentation Room



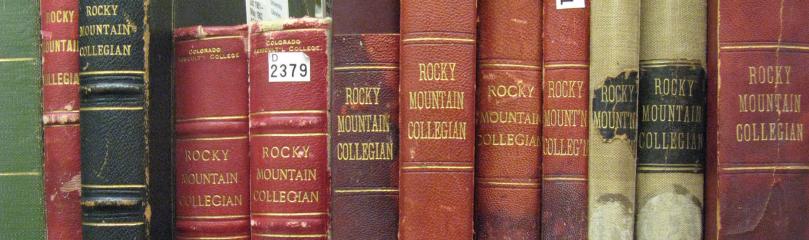
Lounge



Assistive Technology Room



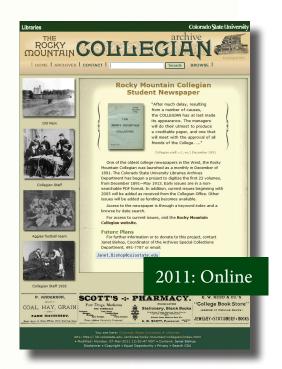
Morgan's Grind Café





OCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGIAN ARCHIVE

A PROMISING NEW DIGITAL COLLECTION



The earliest days of Colorado State University student news can now be accessed through a new website. The new digital archive of the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* newspaper was created by Archives and Special Collections and University Libraries staff. You can view the first issues of the ongoing digitization project at http://lib.colostate.edu/rmcollegian.

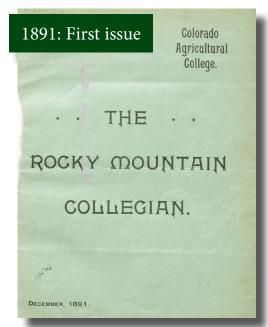
At 120 years old, the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* is one of the oldest college newspapers in the West. It started as a monthly publication of the University that was at that time called the State Agricultural College, with the first issue published in December 1891 (see cover below). On the site, you can browse the first editions, with news items, photos, editorials, college gossip, athletics, and advertisements from local businesses dating from the 1800s. The founding staff and first department and courses offered can also be found.

Currently, the first five years of the newspaper are digitized, but there are plans to scan another 17 volumes of the newspaper (about 7,000 pages), from September 1896–May 1913. Help us move this project forward by making a donation. (See information on Page 4.)

that demonstrate the depth and tone of student coverage and experiences.

The Rocky Mountain Collegian office has also provided PDF files for issues 2006 and continuing, and these should be loaded into the digital repository soon. Content will continue to be added, so check back with the site to see what's new.

Here is a glimpse into the treasure trove of Colorado State University news and history that is found in the print Archive. On the opposite page are highlights from the past 100 years of the newspaper, most of which have not yet been digitized. On the following page are a smattering of interesting news items



100 years ago ...

The front page of this issue (Feb. 22, 1911) is dedicated two-thirds to athletics, and one-third to alumni news. Articles on academics, literary, and society, as well as the University description are found inside the 16-page booklet. Charles A. Lory (the namesake of the Lory Student Center) is University president, and veterinary science is offered in addition to agriculture and mechanic arts.

75 years ago ...

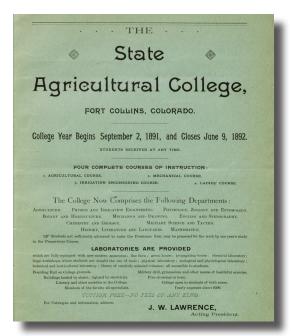
In 1936, Charles A. Lory is still serving as University president, and photos have appeared on the front page. The new tabloid format accommodates 24 news items, including an outbreak of scarlet fever, the Rocky Mountain Forensics Conference, and the Drama Club production of *Men Must Fight* – a play that prophetically raises the prospects of the next world war between the United States and Japan.

50 years ago ...

University President William E. Morgan (the namesake of Morgan Library) is regularly featured in the student newspaper. In this article, he responds to accusations that he has an anti-football attitude by saying: "I like football. I think that football has a definite and necessary place in a college community."

25 years ago ...

In 1986, the plight of Colorado State University Professor Tom Sutherland, who was kidnapped by terrorists in 1985 and held captive in Beirut, is featured. Coverage of Thomas Sutherland Remembrance Week features a photo of his 25-year-old daughter, Kit Sutherland.





The Rocky Mountain Collegia

Above: Feb. 28, 1986 – 25 years ago



Above: Fashion reigns supreme. This ad from a 1911 issue targets Mr. College Man, but later issues feature everything from flappers to flairs.



Above: Historical moments.

Apollo 11, the first mission to take humans to the moon on July 20, 1969, is recognized with this cartoon by R. Cobb. It reads: "Watch for falling rocks."



Above: All things Greek.
In January 1961, Alpha Gamma
Rho's newly remodeled fraternity
house joined "sorority row" on
south Shields Street.

Colorado State University: 1970s In the Eyes of Students

July 20, 1975

The news story of the century may very well be the Rolling Stones concert at Hughes Stadium in Fort Collins. Staff writer Gary Smith covered the event, which has since become local legend. The Stones and their entourage arrived by private helicopter, and property owners around the stadium complained about the all-night parking-lot parties.

Feb. 2, 1970

Environmental causes rise to the headlines in the 1970s, with "Funeral Services Planned for Combustion Engine," by the Environmental Corps which hoped to raise awareness of air pollution issues. Also on the front page, is the report of the formation of a new school of Environmental Management by Westinghouse Electric Corp.

July 20, 1975

In this issue, a photo of the Vietnam faces one highlighting "Playboy Club festivities" at Ingersoll dormitory. The contrasting images illustrate the spectrum of issues facing students in the 1970s.



July 20, 1975



Feb. 2, 1970



Find more online at: lib.colostate.edu/rmcollegian

July 20, 1975

Rocky Mountain Collegian Digitization Project

There are still hundreds of issues of the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* to be digitized. It costs approximately:

- \$100 to digitize two issues
- \$250 to digitize five issues
- \$500 to digitize 10 issues
- \$750 to digitize a year's worth of issues.

Use the form on Page 7 to make a donation to the University Archive, or go online at http://lib.colostate.edu/develop.



Why Have a Will?

Regardless of your life circumstances or estate size, your will is perhaps the most important document you will create. It expresses your values and also effectively provides for the people and charitable causes important to you. If you've been putting it off, here are eight important reminders why you need a will.

- Without a will, your state's laws not you determine how, when, and to whom your property is distributed.
- You can reduce (or maybe even eliminate) estate taxes and save taxes in a survivor's estate if you make use of the estate tax exemptions.
- You can name your executor to manage and settle your estate.
- You can designate beneficiaries for items such as heirlooms, art, jewelry, or real estate.
- You may create trusts to provide for your spouse, children, and others.
- Through a pour-over will, you can transfer leftover assets to your living trust.
- A gift through your will is a simple, flexible and estate tax–deductible way to support Colorado State University Libraries.
- You can designate the guardian for any minor children or adult dependents under your care.

Leave your legacy at the Colorado State University Libraries. Consider putting the Library in your will.

Ask Us for More Details

For more information about charitable giving or estate planning options, see the Colorado State University Office of Gift Planning website at **www.plannedgiving.colostate.edu** or contact us:

Marianne Blackwell at (970) 491-7862, or e-mail: mblackwell@ua.colostate.edu, or Bill Sheets at (970) 491-4679, or e-mail: bsheets@ua.colostate.edu

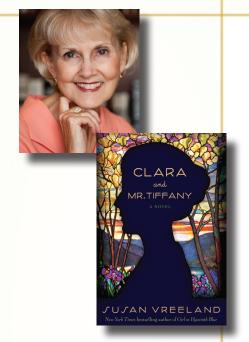
Bill and Marianne represent the Office of Gift Planning at Colorado State University.



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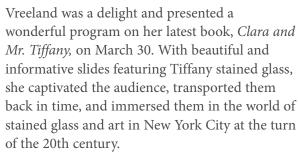
New Library Partnership Brings Author Programs to Fort Collins



More than 500 Library supporters and community members turned out for two free author programs this spring – Susan Vreeland, author of *Clara and Mr. Tiffany*, and Nick Trout, author of *Ever By My Side*.

These events are part of a series of free author evenings presented by the Friends of Colorado State University Libraries and the Poudre River Friends of the Library, and are sponsored by KUNC Radio and Hilton Fort Collins hotel.

"We are thrilled about working together to bring great author programs to our community," said Holly Carroll, executive director of the Poudre River Public Library District. "This is just the beginning of great things to come." Save the date for the next author in the series, detective fiction writer Laura Lippman, on Sept. 8. (See news on Page 1.)



On April 6, Trout wowed his audience with a program that elicited a full range of emotions; one minute they were laughing and the next seriously pondering the eventual loss of beloved pets. His slide presentation clearly illustrated the rewards and challenges of the human-animal bond.

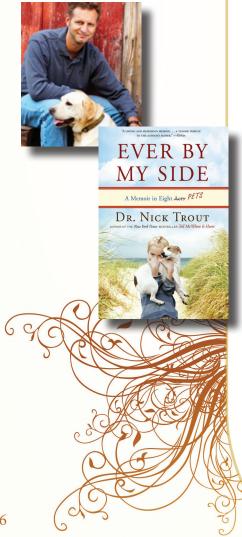
"Our mission is to provide funding for cultural programming in our community," said Howard Coopersmith, president of the Friends of Colorado State University Libraries. "With our new programming partnership with the Poudre River Friends of the Library, this is the start of many wonderful author programs to come. I encourage you to join the Friends organizations to help support future programs." To join the Friends of Colorado State University Libraries, simply fill out the form to the right, with a gift to the Friends and Cultural Programming fund.











More developments ...

- Mr. Charles Mabarak's gift of securities valued at \$2,000 will make a difference for the Morgan Support Fund and the University Archives.
- KUNC Radio donated \$1,000 worth of airtime for the promotion of library cultural programs.
- Woodward Inc. donated \$10,000 to the Morgan Support Fund.
- The Morgan Support Fund also received gifts of \$750 or more from Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Applebee and Robyn K. Wheeler.
- The Morgan Library Endowment received gifts of \$1,000 or more from Helen O. Burns, Sharon Phelps, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Florentin.
- The Friends and Cultural Programming Fund is increasing thanks to donations of \$250 or more from Gerda Wilcox, Howard Turtzky and Mr. and Mrs. Tim McCune.



Open After Midnight: Extended Hours Support Students During Finals Week

Operating hours were extended at Morgan Library during April 24-May 12. Despite the building being under construction, the Library continues to be one of the most

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The Campaign for Colorado State University





I'm making plans to organize and care for a collection of family mementos that are in my parents' attic. I want to research basic preservation recommendations and be prepared when I move back there after I retire next year. My siblings want to help; I will need to share the information with them through e-mail. The amount of information on the Internet is overwhelming. Help!?

— Family Archivist in Training

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Dear Family Archivist in Training,

The good news is that you can find the answers to your quest right at your fingertips with our online collection of Dear Dr. Book articles published in the Libraries newsletter at http://lib.colostate.edu/drbook. You will find an extensive collection of preservation topics to help plan your family project, including utilizing electronic resources.



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In addition, you will find our pamphlet, *Preservation of Family Paper Documents*, on our website at http://lib.colostate.edu/preservation. This publication focuses on the proper care of paper documents, including causes and types of damages, proactive maintenance and storage, preparedness for and recovery from minor disasters, and an introduction to conservation treatments. You can share this information easily with your siblings and avoid hours of endless searching on the Internet. Proceed with confidence, and enjoy your invaluable family treasures for years to come!

For additional information on preservation, please contact "Dear Dr. Book" in care of *Stay Connected*, Colorado State University Libraries, 1019 Campus Delivery, Fort Collins, CO 80523-1019, or visit the Libraries Preservation Services website at http://lib.colostate.edu/preservation.





Like other favored companions, great books are forever part of those who encounter them. In this column, we ask participants to name the books that have impacted their lives.

By Jennifer Kutzik, Friends of CSU Libraries Board Member

Reading a book is easy for many people. To really know a book, you have to try to teach it to someone. To really appreciate a book, you have to take your own impressions and discuss them with others.

A book that had an influence on me was *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. Right out of college, I taught high school English, and it was one of the first novels I had to teach sophomores. The novel is famous for its warmth and humor, despite dealing with the serious issues of rape and racial inequality.

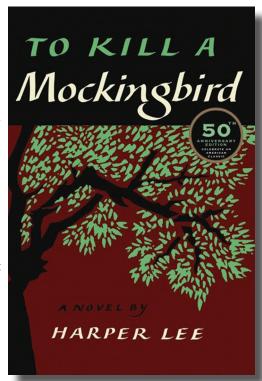
You think you know a book. With a degree in English and secondary education, I was trained in lesson plans and analyzing literature. But it wasn't until I taught *To Kill a Mockingbird* that I learned every book is personal to every reader.

For example, some of my students could not understand the racial overtones because we were living in a predominantly white area of the Midwest. The issue didn't resonate with them. Many could not believe that the girl was being abused by her father, having never been exposed to that.

This experience taught me that there can be a big difference between theory and reality. In college, I thought that teaching a book was about analyzing

the story, identifying the themes, and telling students what they should get out of the book. What I learned from teaching was that in order for the students to fully appreciate a book, they had to have some points of reference. Maybe *To Kill a Mockingbird* was too inaccessible.

They always say that the best way to learn something is to teach it. Right out of college, it was the students who taught me. Now, when I read a book, I'm not only thinking about my own perspectives but also what other people's reactions might be. That makes for a much richer, personal experience ... so much more universal.





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She began her Colorado
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Students Test-Drive New Morgan Library Furniture

As part of the Library renovation, \$800,000 will be invested in contemporary furniture to enhance new and existing study spaces within Morgan Library. The new furniture, provided by Herman Miller and Colorado Corrections Industries, will allow for flexibility to suit diverse student learning styles.

Table dividers and ergonomic seating will provide privacy for students working on their own. Large work surfaces and wheeled furniture will allow for flexible study environments and collaborative group work. Students offered input on the furniture selection through a survey which provided a greater understanding of current student needs. For more information on the Morgan Library expansion and redesign project, see the article on Page 1, or visit us online at http://lib.colostate.edu/blogs/building.

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