

Montana Historical Society  
Public Programs and Events  
February 2023

Cosponsored by the **Lewis and Clark Library**, all presentations will be held from **6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.** in the library's large meeting room at **120 S. Last Chance Gulch, Helena**. Programs will also be recorded for later viewing on the MTHS YouTube Channel.

**Thursday, February 9, 6:30 p.m.**

***The Chop House Affair and Beyond: Race and Legislation in Montana***

**presentation by Kate Hampton**

In recognition of Black History Month, director of the Montana Historical Society's Montana's African American Heritage Resources Project Kate Hampton will discuss the history of several Montana laws that affected how Black residents were able to participate in society. Since the establishment of Montana Territory in 1864 through the present day, Montana has enforced laws and policies designed to address—sometimes to limit and sometimes to protect—the rights of minority populations. State and local authorities codified and regulated discriminatory policies regarding members of the state's Black, Native American, Chinese, and Japanese communities. Hampton's talk will provide an overview of some of those legal and regulatory acts that affected African Americans in particular.



**Thursday, February 23, 6:30 p.m.**

***Invention of the Holter Heart Monitor and Remembering Bill Glasscock***

**presentation by Liz Gunderson**

Jeff Holter established the Holter Research Laboratory in Helena in 1948 and developed the Holter Heart Monitor through the 1950s. It is now used



worldwide to detect cardiac problems. What is not widely appreciated is that the work could not have proceeded without the electronics expertise of Holter's co-inventor Bill Glasscock. Dr Liz Gunderson, retired Helena pediatrician, will share the research she conducted in the MTHS archives and photograph collections on the Holter Lab and both Holter and Glasscock while working on an ExplorationWorks Science Museum exhibit honoring both men.



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