From the University of Wyoming Libraries:

• From noon to midnight, seven days a week (excluding federal holidays), you can now get research help online from a librarian.

For help with your research questions, click on the chat icon <u>on the Libraries</u> <u>website</u> and ask away!

- UW Libraries recently awarded \$6,000 in grant funding for the adoption of free and open textbooks, and the creation of open course materials to Danny Dale and Barbara Logan. The awards to Dale and Logan are made possible by the Libraries' new Open Educational Resources (OER) Initiative.
- Now through December 2018, UW Libraries has full access to every film available for streaming via Kanopy. To access Kanopy, visit UW Libraries' main page, and from there click on the Databases icon to go to the Databases & Articles page. Under "Databases by title" on the Databases & Articles page, click on "K" and then: click on Kanopy! Browse films from the Criterion Collection, Media Education Foundation, Kino Lorber, California Newsreel, New Day Films, and many more.

From Wyoming Public Libraries:

- Save the dates! The 2018 Wyoming Library Association Conference will be held August 1-3 in Casper, Wyoming, at the Casper Events Center. Information Power for school librarians will be held on Wednesday, August 1, and the main conference will be on August 2-3. The host hotel will be the Ramkota Hotel, a quick drive from [...]
- The December 2017 issue of Family Tree Magazine named Wyoming Newspapers to its list of the 75 best state websites for genealogy for 2017. They wrote: "Search and view more than 800,000 newspaper pages (and growing), including all papers published in Wyoming between 1849 and 1922." With your Wyoming library card and PIN, you can read [...]
- The Wyoming State Library has received the 2017 Francis Keppel Award. This award is "given to State Library administrative agencies that have excelled in the completeness, promptness and high quality of the local public library data that

they collect, edit and submit annually to IMLS by the designated award due date." The WSL collects and [...]

- The first week of December saw big developments in the Wyoming State Library's WYLD office, as it moved the statewide Integrated Library System (ILS) from locally-managed servers to a SaaS (Software as a Service) arrangement where the system is hosted by SirsiDynix. "In a nutshell, we've managed the servers for the ILS here in Cheyenne [...]
- Aaron Volner, Young Adult Librarian at White Mountain Library, has published his first book, *Chronicles of the Roc Rider*. You can read a great article about both book and author on Sweetwater NOW.
- Monica Owens recently joined the team at Albany County Library as the Youth Services Librarian. She received her MLIS from the University of Denver. She has worked in libraries in California and Colorado since 2002 and has a passion for youth, outreach and technology. She is looking forward to getting involved with the Wyoming Library community.