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Kevin's Corner

This term we say goodbye to Instruction Librarian, Dane Secor. Dane began his time here in the Fall 2021 academic term.

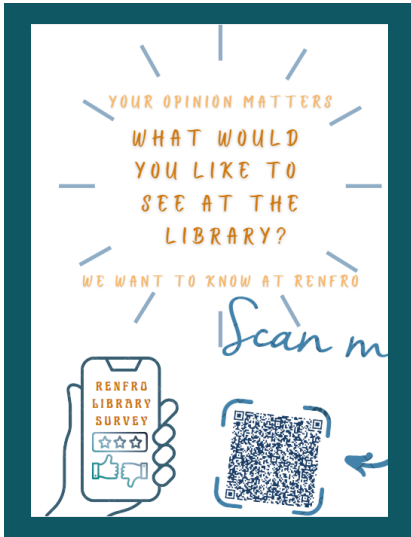


It seems short (as the time-crow flies), but in that year and a half, Dane was a critical part of re-establishing the role of the library after the many changes brought about during the first year of the pandemic. He built connections to many faculty and students and was also a

primary catalyst in the revival of the student newspaper, The Roar. Dane is not only one of the best librarians I have ever worked with, but he is also one of the finest people I've ever known. We will miss his quick mind and easy presence.

Welcome to Spring 2023!!

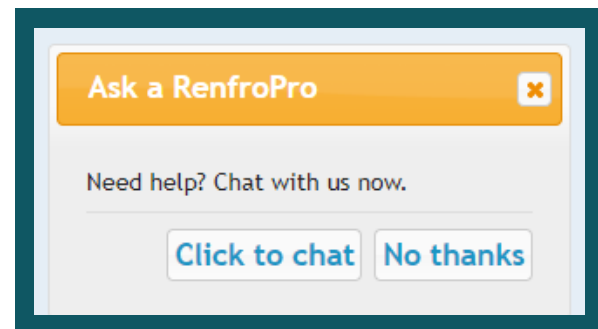
Survey Says?



What do you come to the library for? What could get you to come to the library? What would help you stay in the library? We want to know. To that end, please take this quick survey about things that are important to you in the library. What things do we have that you value? What things can we (realistically) change that would be of use to you? It's quick and easy; just rate each item from 1 to 5 stars. Look for the [link](#) on the library homepage or scan the QR code.

Wanna Chat?

We have a new chat feature! This semester, we are pilot testing a chat service through *Library H3lp* and would love for you to give it a shot. Chat will be staffed by Renfro



Librarians and available during regular library hours. Look for the chat box on the [library homepage](#)!


Welcome Tessa



Tessa Brothers is our new Evening Public Services Coordinator and joins MHU from the South Carolina coast where she managed the luxury resort on Edisto Beach and has spent much of her career working in Hospitality and Management. When not working, Tessa dedicated her time as a Master Naturalist and Wildlife Rehabilitator where she worked closely with DNR to provide education, assist in community outreach, and assiduously aided Sea Turtle conservation efforts in the area. She and her significant other purchased a historic fixer-upper in Green Mountain in 2022 and are excited to restore its 102-year-old charm. When they aren't working on the on-going restoration Tessa enjoys hiking, antiquing, and spending time with their four-legged crew of four dogs and a cat. She is very excited to be a part of MHU and is looking forward to furthering her education at MHU as well.

New and News

Database Spotlight



FILMS ON DEMAND

Films on Demand is a streaming video database that contains more than 280,000 full length movies, episodes, documentaries, and clips covering hundreds of topics. Videos can easily be added to Moodle and instructors can create specialized playlists to enhance course content, encourage open discussion on key issues and topics, or inspire student topics for papers and presentations. All content is close-captioned and have detailed, interactive transcripts.

Instructors can also create their own video introductions to playlists to provide an overview or give context to the clips. Quizzes can even be embedded in the clips for on the spot assessment.

Videos added regularly—free of charge—from outstanding producers and programs including:



TO DO:

1. Go to Films on Demand
2. Create a free account.
3. Create a playlist and add videos (and quizzes!).
4. Share the list with students.
5. Enjoy the discussions.
6. Let us know what you think.

New and News



Grant Update

Last year, the Renfro won \$10,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and The American Library Association to fund our diversity, equity, and inclusion collection development efforts. We partnered with BSA, ISA, LSA, NOW,

and PRISM to purchase books and other media for our collections. Each group was given \$1,400 to spend and provided with instructions on evaluating materials for purchase. This included accessing and reading reviews, searching for prices, and evaluating the material for quality, currency, and relevance to the MHU curriculum. Over the course of four months, students purchased 261 books and other media! Here's the breakdown:

[55 books/media for BSA](#)

[47 books/media for ISA](#)

[51 books/media for LSA](#)

[78 books/media for NOW](#)

[30 books/media for PRISM](#)

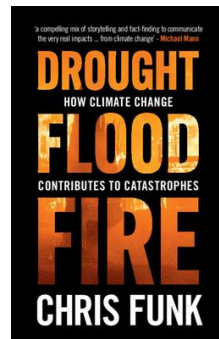
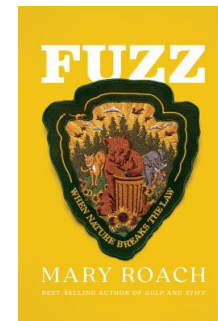
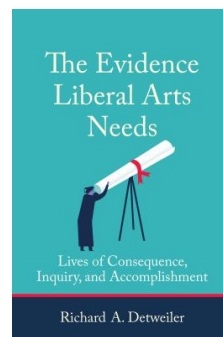
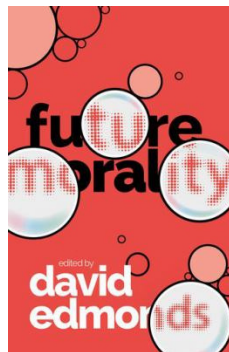
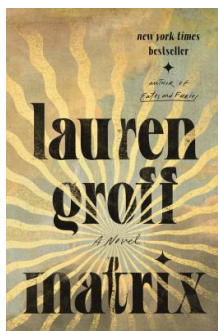
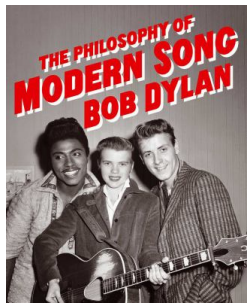
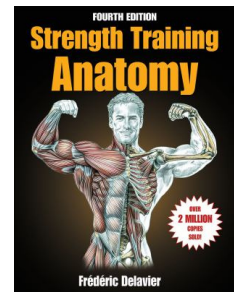
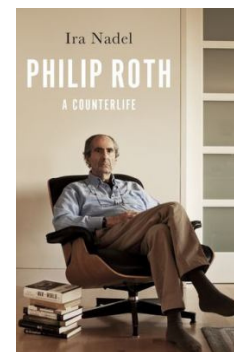
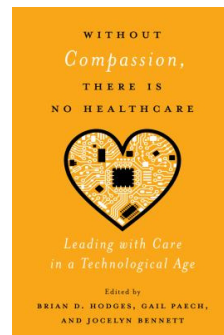
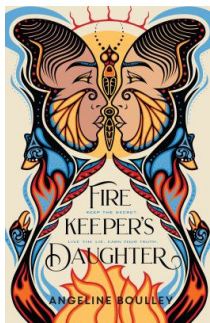
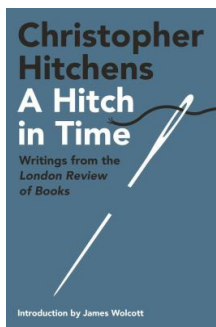
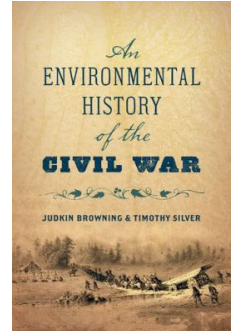
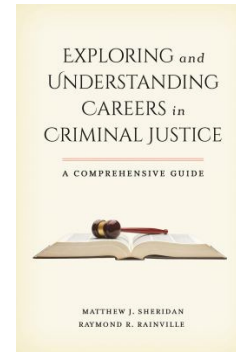
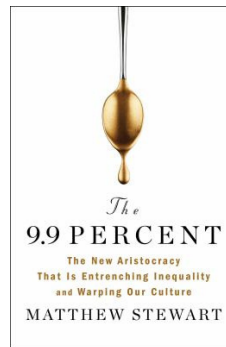
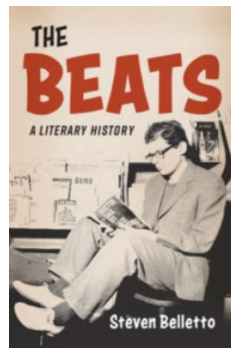
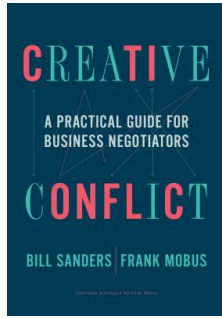
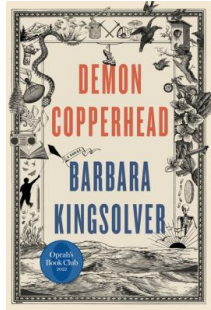


Starting Feb 1, 2023, we will be showcasing the BSA selections with the NOW purchases in March during Women's History Month.



New and News

New Print Books



Looking for more new books?

New!

We have an entire [LibGuide](#) devoted to new books in the library. You may find the [New Books by Department](#) particularly useful!

Quick Reference

Renfro Library Hours

Mon - Thurs 8:30am-10pm

Friday 8:30am-5pm

Saturday Closed

Sunday 3pm-9pm



Liaison Librarians

! All librarians
help with FYS
classes!

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