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Library Resources & Events

Spring Semester Building Hours

During the Spring Semester, access is limited to USA Students, faculty, and staff. Not all areas of the library are open.

Mon. - Thurs. 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

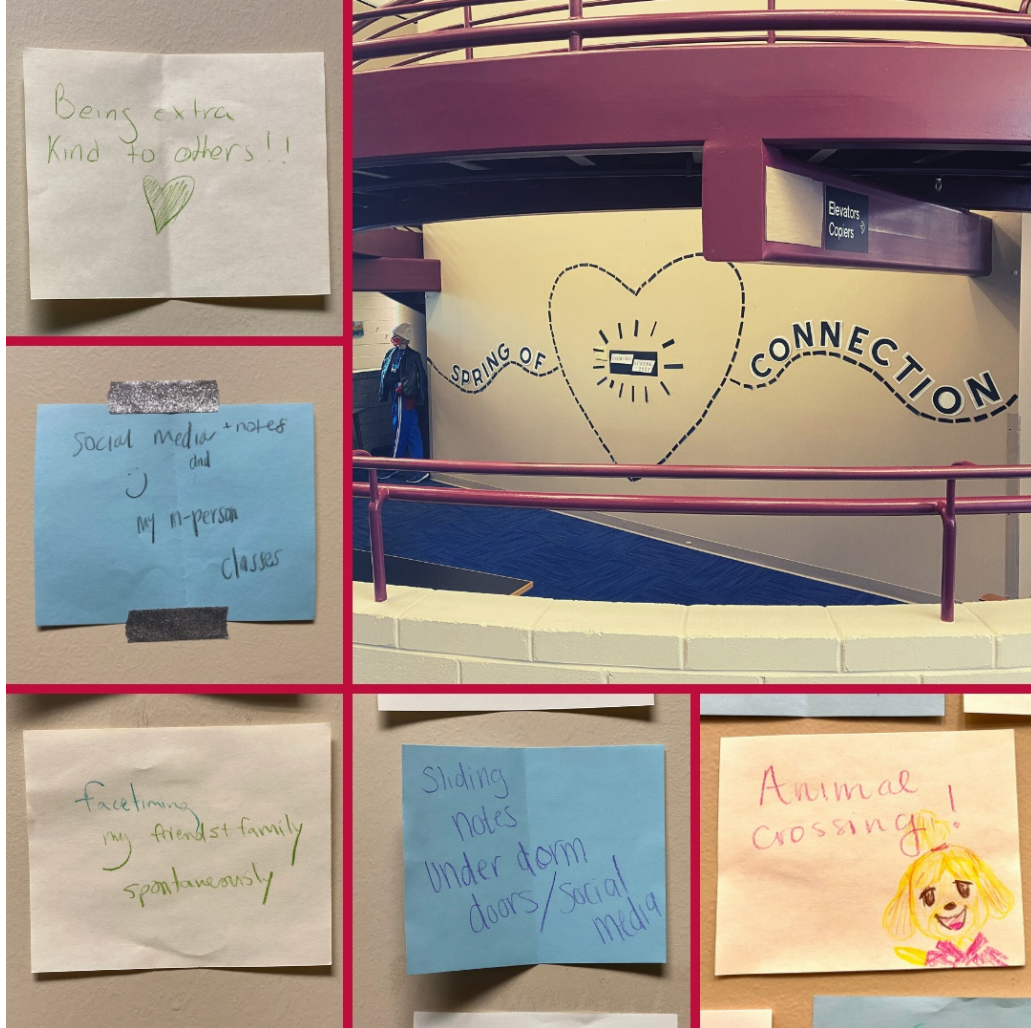
Fri. 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sat. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sun. 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

[Click here to get a complete schedule](#)

Spring of Connection at the Marx Library



In Spring 2021, the Marx Library Public Relations Committee is celebrating a "Spring of Connection." If the pandemic taught us anything, it is how crucial connection is to our overall well-being and quality of life. The USA Libraries wish to continue supporting our USA community moving into 2021 through educational and uplifting activities. As a result, we hope students, faculty, staff, and the rest of the university community will reflect on the role of connection in your day-to-day life at the University of South Alabama. Responses will be collected in the Marx Library and online.

New Resource: Social Explorer

The University Libraries have added the data visualization tool, *Social Explorer*, to the resources it makes available for faculty, staff, and students. *Social Explorer* allows users to create maps, charts, and reports to represent the data they are interested in. A variety of indicators, demography, politics, crime, and economy among them, are available. Users can also add their own data to see how that data impacts their results.



Access [Social Explorer](#)

New Resources: Alabama Select Newspapers

The University Libraries have had online access to the *Mobile Press Register*, back to 1992, for years. Our access to the paper in microfilm goes back to 1821. In 2019, we began receiving older issues that we'd previously received on microfilm in a version called "digital microfilm;" everything we'd previously obtained on microfilm began being available in this format in 2019, with a 90-day embargo. The most recent change to our access to the *Mobile Press Register* comes with the Libraries' acquisition of the *Alabama Select* newspaper archive from Readex. This product provides access to the *Mobile Register* from 1833-1870 and to 27 other historical Alabama papers with varying coverage dates.



Access the [Mobile Register](#) archive

The John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship

Please join Shaw High School's Class of 1991
in supporting a newly established scholarship
at the University of South Alabama

THE JOHN F. GRAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Remember Mr. Gray's legacy today ~ Impact a student's future forever

Please make a contribution today at
giving.southalabama.edu/graymemorial



The John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship

If you graduated from Shaw High School, chances are you have a memory or story about Mr. John Gray, our beloved Assistant Principal. Mr. Gray enjoyed a 50-year career as an educator and administrator, retired from Shaw in 1998, and passed away in 2010.

Whether it was the candy treats he shared while walking the halls, or his well-known greeting, "Bless your heart," Mr. Gray made an incredible impact on the lives of Shaw students and graduates.

That's why we're honoring Mr. Gray's memory by creating the JOHN F. GRAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP at the University of South Alabama. Please join us in supporting this new scholarship by making your contribution today!

For more information:

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Class of 1991
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Why was the scholarship created?

The John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship was created in November 2020 by the Shaw High School Class of 1991. Classmates from Shaw choose to honor the memory of their beloved assistant principal, Mr. John F. Gray, on the occasion of their 30th high school class reunion, by establishing a freshman scholarship at the University of South Alabama to benefit graduates from the Mobile County Public School System who demonstrate and exemplify Mr. Gray's qualities of leadership and service to others.

Who does it benefit?

The John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship will assist incoming freshmen students who have a 3.0 or better GPA and a 24 or better ACT score. Preference will be given to students who graduate from a high school within the Mobile County Public School System and who have demonstrated leadership qualities through high school, community or service organizations.

Are matching funds available?

Yes - As part of the Mitchell-Moulton Scholarship Initiative (MMSI) at USA, gifts made towards the John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship will be matched dollar for dollar, allowing supporters to double their impact on deserving students.

What is the fundraising goal for the scholarship?

Gifts of any amount to the John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship are tax-deductible and are greatly appreciated. The \$10,000 fundraising goal was established in hopes of creating an endowment fund which would leave a legacy of scholarship support for USA students and honor Mr. Gray's memory in perpetuity. Once endowed, the principle would permanently remain in the fund and only the earned interest on the fund would be distributed as a scholarship award each year. This would allow the scholarship to be enduring.

How can I contribute?

We are thankful to donors who choose to support the John F. Gray Memorial Scholarship through tax-deductible contributions. We encourage donors to give securely online at:
giving.southalabama.edu/graymemorial

Gifts may also be mailed to the Office of Development & Alumni Relations, 650 Clinic Drive, Suite 1500, Mobile, Alabama 36688, Attn: Gray Memorial Scholarship.

Donors may choose to give a one-time gift or a recurring monthly or yearly gift, and gifts may be pledged over a period of time. Additional giving options are available by calling 251-414-8064.

Remember Mr. Gray's legacy today ~ Impact a student's future forever

Got Vaccinated Yet? If not, sign up at USA Health!



Use this link to sign up!
<https://c19vaccine.southalabama.edu>

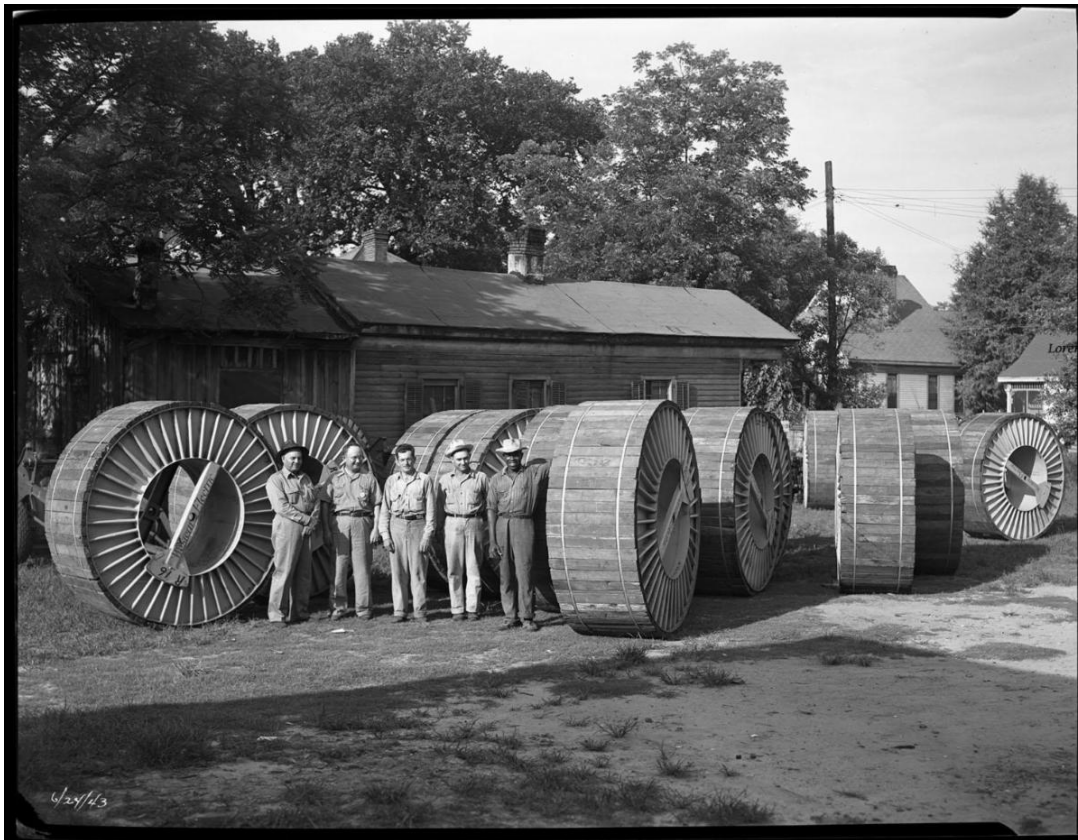


This semester, the McCall Library is playing an integral role in the virtual and outdoor classroom of HON 390. This interdisciplinary class explores themes related to local history and civic engagement. How do students learn local history? What tools does knowledge of history give students to get involved in their community and solve problems? These questions and others guide the team-taught course which will use original items from the

McCall Library as source material. Interim Director Deborah Gurt is one of four Faculty members teaching the course and leading one of the hands-on community-engaged learning projects that occupies the second half of the semester.

Digitization Efforts Moving Ahead

The McCall Library continues the planning work for the digitization of a large batch of deteriorating negatives. These have become too acidified for staff to handle and will be digitized by a specialized archival vendor to preserve the historic images of Mobile. This exciting work is made possible by a generous donation of proceeds from the sale of property from Julien E. Marx to benefit the McCall Library and its mission to preserve important photographic collections through digitization. Look for updates in the coming months as the project moves forward.



Erik Overbey Collection Safety Negative of the film type that is beginning to deteriorate. These images tell the unique story of Mobile, Alabama.

University Libraries Recent Professional Development

Angela Doucet Rand, MLIS, Ph.D. - On February 4, 2021, Angela Rand was the keynote speaker and gave a presentation on Systems Thinking and Change and how libraries can think about STC to manage materials, processes, and people. After her presentation, there was a panel discussion with some STC expert users. The participants generated a lot of good conversation. 52 people attended.

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION FOR INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

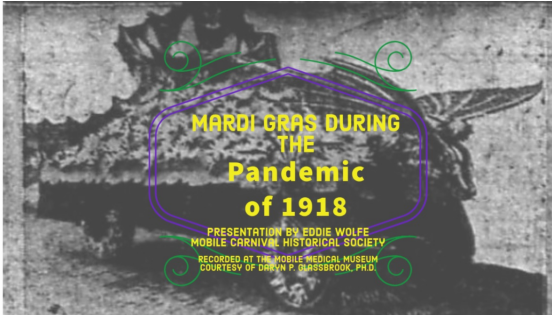
SYSTEMS THINKING AND INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES

Keynote speaker:
Angela Doucet Rand,
MLIS, Ph.D.

Panelists:
Jennifer Hall, Ph.D.
Kaila Steele, Ed.S.
Eamonn Powers
Samantha Blevins, Ph.D.

February 4, 2021
5:00PM-6:30PM
Register below

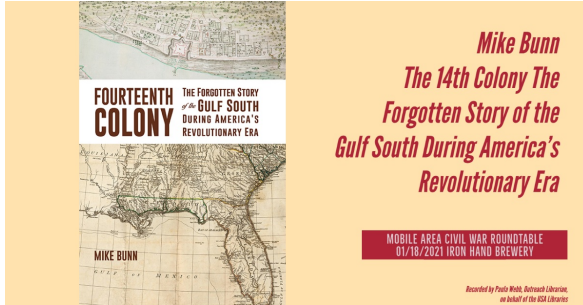
USA Libraries Community Recordings for January/February 2021



MARDI GRAS DURING THE Pandemic of 1918

PRESENTATION BY EDDIE WOLFE
MOBILE CARNIVAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

RECORDED AT THE MOBILE MEDICAL MUSEUM
COURTESY OF DR. M. P. GLASSBROOK, PH.D.



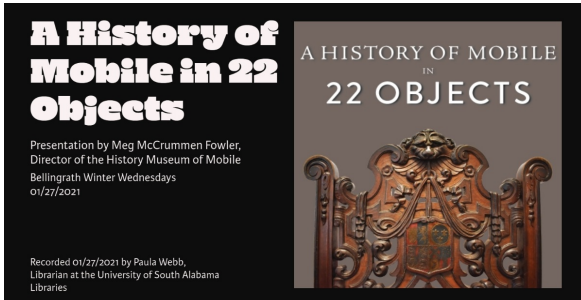
FOURTEENTH COLONY
THE FORGOTTEN STORY OF THE GULF SOUTH DURING AMERICA'S REVOLUTIONARY ERA

MIKE BUNN

Mike Bunn
The 14th Colony The Forgotten Story of the Gulf South During America's Revolutionary Era

MOBILE AREA CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE
01/18/2021 IRON HAND BREWERY

Recorded by Paula Webb, Bellingrath Libraries, an affiliate of the USA Libraries



A History of Mobile in 22 Objects

A HISTORY OF MOBILE IN 22 OBJECTS

Presentation by Meg McCrummen Fowler,
Director of the History Museum of Mobile
Bellingrath Winter Wednesdays
01/27/2021

Recorded 01/27/2021 by Paula Webb,
Librarian at the University of South Alabama
Libraries



JACOB M. DEW
Artist of the Week
Feb. 1st-5th 2021

Join the Livestream
Feb 2nd at 1 pm.

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www.southalabama.edu/departments/library/librarygalleries



WINTER GARDEN WALK
WINTER WEDNESDAYS

BELLINGRATH GARDENS AND HOME
FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Recorded by Paula Webb, Librarian,
University of South Alabama Libraries



BASICS OF VEGETABLE GARDENING

Jack LeCroy, Alabama Cooperative Extension System

RECORDED BY PAULA WEBB, LIBRARIAN,
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA LIBRARIES



Origins of Azaleas

By Maarten van der Giessen
Bellingrath Gardens & Home

Recorded by Paula Webb, USA Libraries, February 17, 2021

Thank you!



Dear Circ. desk and ILL staff,

Thank you so much for your assistance over the past few years. I couldn't have gotten through my classes and my research thesis without your help! Even as you simply did your jobs, your smiles and conversation were some of my favorite moments at U.S.A.

I'm very grateful for all of you. Take care, and I'll see you around

Best,

Zydia Turner



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[Doy Leale McCall Rare Book and Manuscript Library](#)

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