

# THE Remnant Trust

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Few people have ever had the opportunity to see, let alone handle manuscripts, first editions and early works containing the words that shaped the very ideas of liberty, dignity and responsibility that we have inherited from the finest minds since the beginning of recorded history. Columbians, beginning in August running through the middle of November will have perhaps a once in a lifetime exposure to original sources, through the traveling Remnant Trust.

The Remnant Trust is bringing a world class collection of more than 45 manuscripts, 1st and early edition works, for use in original form. Collections of this magnitude and quality are normally found deep in the archives of prestigious institutions, under lock and key and accessible only to a privileged few. By contrast The Remnant Trust's vision has always been to provide the opportunity for people to hold, examine, read and discuss the pieces of the collection.

The Trust has hundreds of ancient and scarce books, including original versions of works by Issac Newton, John Locke and Adam Smith.

All Columbians are encouraged to visit the Club and experience The Remnant Trust, as it seeks to awaken in new generations of learners, both an interest and competency in issues of individual liberty and human dignity by collaborating with institutions and other educational venues.

The Remnant Trust was established in 1997 by former Columbian Brian Bex, an entrepreneur and television host noted for his politically conservative viewpoints. Bex accumulated a large collection of rare books and materials relating to American history and the theme of political liberty. Initially operating from a base in Hagerstown, Indiana, Bex began making these materials available on loan to colleges. By 2006, the collection had moved to a new home in a renovated Carnegie Library at Warder Park in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In 2009, The Trust announced that it would

move again, due to disagreements with the library foundation over the condition of the building. The Trust relocated to the former Billy Sunday museum at Grace College in Winona Lake, Indiana. In April 2014, a new permanent home for the collection was announced, at the Southwest Collection/ Special Collections Library at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.

Remnant's founder, Brian Bex, is a tall man with a deep voice and a commanding presence. He says The Trust wants to share the great ideas "from the history of man" in an accessible way.

"We have been trained inaccurately, I might add. If you have a 600-year-old manuscript on vellum, continuous exposure to natural sunlight can hurt it. But there's nothing but scholarly argument as to what the definition of 'continuous' means. Is this two months? Ten months? Eight hours a day? etc." said Bex.

"We just think that you should be able to do with yours what you want to do," he says. "Now, we'd like some professionalism. Don't be eating Cheetos or milk and Oreos before you pick up the works. But we need to discuss these ideas. We don't discuss them anymore."





Dante Alighieri	The Vision; or, Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise of Dante Alighieri	1814
Susan B. Anthony	An Account of the Proceedings on the Trial of Susan B. Anthony	1874
Thomas Aquinas	Summa Theologiae Pars Secunda Secunda Pars	1472-1475
Augustine of Hippo	St. Augustine, Of the Citie of God: With the Learned Comments of Io. Lod Viues (Citie of God)	1610
Bible	The Holy Bible, Conteyning the Old Testament and the New (King James Bible, "He" Version)	1611 1st Edition
Bible	Vulgate Bible	1240-1260 Manuscript
John Calvin	TheCommentaries of M. Iohn Calvin upon the Actes of the Apostles	1585 1st Edition
Marcus Tullius	Cicero Orationes in Verrem (The Verrine Orations)	1476 Manuscript
Marcus Tullius Cicero	M. Tulli Ciceronis De Re Publica Quae Supersunt	1822 1st Edition
Cuneiform	Akkadian Tablet Akkadian Clay Tablet	ca. 2500 BCE
John Dickinson	Letters from a Farmer, in Pennsylvania, to the Inhabitants of the British Colonies	1774
Frederick Douglass	My Bondage and My Freedom	1855 1st Edition
Ralph Waldo	Emerson Essays	1841 1st Edition
Euclid	The Englished Euclide, Being the First Six Elements of Geometry	1705 1st Edition
Federalist	(Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay)The Federalist	1788 1st Edition
Peter Force	American Archives	1837-1853 1st Edition
Benjamin Franklin & Benjamin Rush	The Constitution of the Pennsylvania Society, for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery	1787 1st Edition
Galileo Galilei	Della Scienza Mecanica e delle vtilita che si traggono da gl' instrumenti di quella	1655 1st Edition Italian
James Harrington	The Oceana of James Harrington, Esq; And his Other Works	1737 Toland Edition
Hildegard of Bingen	Scivias libri tres	1513 1st Edition,
Indiana General Assembly	A Collection of Three Works in One Volume of Laws of the State of Indiana	1819-1821
Abraham Lincoln	An Oration Delivered on The Battlefield of Gettysburg (Gettysburg Address)	1863 1st Edition
John Locke	An Essay Concerning Human Understanding. In Four Books.	1690 1st Edition, 2nd Issue
John Locke	Some Thoughts Concerning Education	1693 1st Edition
John Locke	Two Treatises of Government	1694 2nd Edition
Niccolò Machiavelli	The Works of the Famous Nicholas Machiavel, Citizen and Secretary of Florence	1680 2nd Edition
Magna Carta	The Great Charter Called in Latyn Magna Carta	1542
Marsilius of Padua	Opus insigne cui titulum fecit autor defensorem pacis (Defensor Pacis)	1512
Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels	Manifesto of the Communist Party (Communist Manifesto)	1888 1st Edition
John Stuart Mill	On Liberty	1859 1st Edition



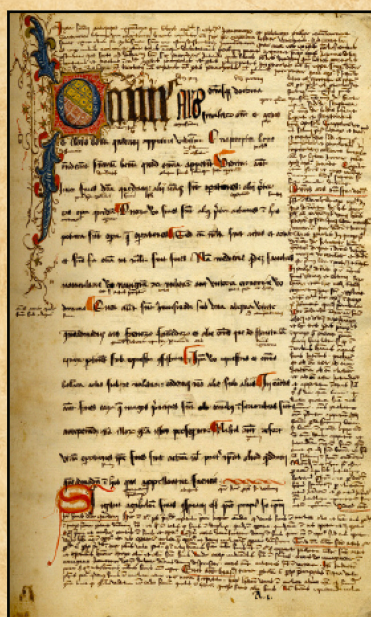
John Milton	Areopagitica; A Speech of Mr. John Milton For the Liberty of Unlicenc'd Printing, To the Parlament of England	1644 1st Edition
Plato	The Republic of Plato	1763 1st Glasgow Edition
Plutarch	Plutarchus de Claris Mulieribus. Plutarchi Paralelia (On the Virtues of Women [with] Parallel Lives)	1485
Quran	The Koran, Commonly Called the Alcoran of Mohammed	1734 1st Edition
Walter Raleigh	The History of the World	1614 3rd Edition
William Shakespeare	Hamlet [bound with] Romeo and Juliet	1785 Bell Edition
Mary Shelley	Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus	1869 3rd American Edition
Algernon Sidney	Discourses Concerning Government	1763 1st Hollis Edition
Adam Smith	The Theory of Moral Sentiments	1759 1st Edition
Adam Smith	An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations	1776 1st Edition
Jonathan Swift	A Tale of a Tub. Written for the Universal Im-provement of Mankind.	1710 5th Edition
Jonathan Swift	The Works of Jonathan Swift	1754-1755
Henry David	Thoreau A Yankee in Canada, with Anti-Slavery and Reform Papers	1866 1st Edition
John Toland	Tetradymus	1720 1st Edition
Torah	Hebrew Torah	ca.16th-17th Century Scroll
John Trenchard and Thomas Gordon	A Collection of Cato's Political Letters	1720-1721
William Tyndale	The Obedience of a Christen Man	1548
United States Congress	The Constitution or Frame of Government, for the United States of America (Constitution of the United States of America)	1787 1st Pamphlet Edit



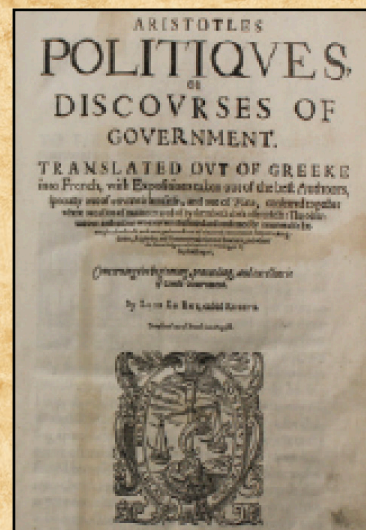
ARISTOTLE, NICHOMACHEAN ETHICS, MANUSCRIPT, 1488



JOHN LOCKE, AN ESSAY CONCERNING HUMAN UNDERSTANDING, 1694



I ENOCH, MANUSCRIPT, ca. 1450



ARISTOTLE, POLITIQUES, 1598