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TBS REACHES OUT TO NATIVE AMERICANS

Talking Book Services (TBS) turned yet another page in its history, when, on November 20, 2005, we participated in South Carolina's first statewide Native American Conference "Mending the Circle" held in Columbia and hosted by the South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs. The event is slated to become a bi-annual affair.

At the conference, Talking Book Services staff introduced this important group to the many programs and services offered through the South Carolina State Library. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) has a "Focus On Native Americans" initiative and regularly adds titles of interest to its Native American collection. These include titles on folklore, history, mythology, fiction and works by Native American authors. Titles can be found in the TBS online catalog at www.statelibrary.sc.gov (click on Talking Book Services) or in the NLS online catalog at <http://nlscatalog.loc.gov/>.

The Indian population from the foothills to the low country was in attendance at the conference. Talking Book Services, along with other state government and community based organizations, was also present at the formal occasion that marked the first time in the history of South Carolina state recognition was bestowed on the following tribes and groups, by the board of the South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs:

- The Waccamaw Indian People
- The Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina
- The Eastern Cherokee
- Southern Iroquois and United Tribes of South Carolina, Inc.
- The Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians
- The Chaloklowa Chickasaw Indian People of South Carolina

"Talking Book Services was proud to be a part of this history-making event and we will continue to raise the bar as we reach out to the community," said Pamela N. Davenport, director, TBS.



Pamela N. Davenport, director of TBS, talks with James Caulder, chief of Pee Dee Indian Tribe of South Carolina, the oldest chartered tribe in South Carolina.

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HAVING MY SAY

Pamela N. Davenport
Director, TBS



This has been a banner year for Talking Book Services (TBS). Many changes have taken place and we realize that change is hard, but necessary for progress. But, one thing remains the same, our dedication to continuing the TBS tradition of high quality of service.

With a new year of service we have several ideas, and special events that we look forward to bringing your way. One such event is a book discussion being planned with a new Online Programming for All Libraries (OPAL). OPAL allows you to participate in the discussion without leaving your hometown. These live events are held in online rooms where participants can interact via Voice over Internet Protocol, text chatting and synchronized browsing. We also have plans to expand the recording program to bring you more locally recorded South Carolina titles by South Carolina authors. Volunteer opportunities are available - call for more information.

Please stay tuned for more details about these and other exciting events. Happy New Year to you and yours and remember that the best is yet to come!

SCBOOK FESTIVAL FEBRUARY 25-26

The 2006 South Carolina Book Festival will be held at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, February 25-26. A full weekend will feature a diversified group of authors, poets and scholars free of charge. The South Carolina Book Festival offers panel discussions and presentations on a variety of popular genres and literary topics, from the latest trends in new fiction to regional favorites to outstanding poetry performances. You will even have a chance to ask the authors questions and have books autographed after the presentations! Plan to attend! For more information, check scbookfestival.org.

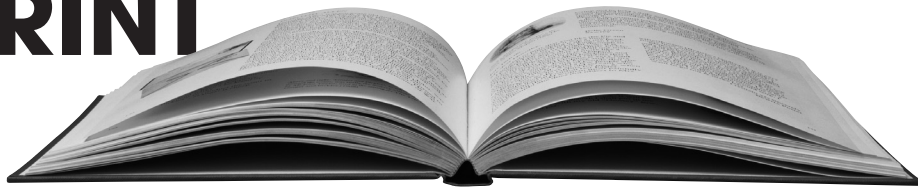
We have several of the authors attending this year's festival in our collection:

Baldwin, William	Huston, James
Basbanes, Nicholas	Johnson, Harriet McBryde
Bissell, Sallie	King, Cassandra
Brown, Sandra	McCrum, Sharyn
Crusie, Jennifer	Monroe, Mary Alice
Fox, William Price	Pickens, Cathy *
Griffith, Michael	Sanders, Dori
Hinton, Lynne *	Siddons, Anne Rivers

* Denotes large print titles only

All other authors have titles on cassette

FOR LARGE PRINT READERS



Listed below is a sampling of large print titles in the collection. Copies are limited. Additional listings are available upon request. Call 800-922-7818 or 803-734-4611.

- LP 19201** Cannon, Julie. **Those Pearly Gates.** Imogene Lavender leaves her farm in rural Georgia to follow her new husband and learns what it really means to be a reverend's wife.
- LP 19143** Doctorow, E.L. **The March.** Civil War saga portrays the complex nature of General William Tecumseh Sherman as he leads Union troops through Georgia and the Carolinas.
- LP 19125** Horn, Stacy. **The Restless Sleep: Inside the New York City's Cold Case Squad.** NPR contributor chronicles the inner workings of the elite unit of homicide detectives charged with solving cold cases going back as far as 1951.
- LP 19066** Kelly, Rebecca. **Going to the Chapel: Tales from the Grace Chapel Inn.** A charming man is appointed to take over the pulpit at the Grace Chapel Church. Can the Howard sisters of the Grace Chapel Inn help him win over the townsfolk?
- LP 19187** O'Connor, Karen. **Gettin' Old Ain't for Wimps.** Bursting with wit and wisdom, popular speaker and author invites you to celebrate the joys and misadventures of getting older.
- LP 19213** Powell, Julie. **Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 524 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen.** Living in a tiny apartment in Queens, the author decides to take her mother's copy of Julia Child's "*Mastering the Art of French Cooking*" and cook all 524 recipes—in one year.
- LP 19184** Wallace, Mike. **Between You and Me: A Memoir.** Respected newsman shares interviews with the famous and the infamous, including personal observations on the friends and enemies he's made along the way.
- LP 19159** Weinberger, Casper. **Chain of Command.** When Secret Service Agent Michael Delaney's gun is found next to the corpse of the President, he becomes the prime suspect in an assassination that stuns the nation.

VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

We are seeking volunteers – spread the word. We have diverse opportunities for volunteers in book narration, cassette book inspection, receptionist duties, cassette duplication and outreach.

Volunteers are an integral part of the provision of library services to our readers. You can make a difference by volunteering for just a few hours a week or a month. Not only can you help with the day-to-day work of delivering quality service, but you can also help the library reach out to those who may be unaware of this invaluable service.

Volunteerism, on any level, can open up a world of activities to anyone looking for a way to be involved. **If you are interested in helping the State Library's Talking Book Services, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at: 734-4616 (outside Columbia, call 1-800-922-7818).**

Within the operating hours of the library, (8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday), you will be able to make your own work schedule. If you are not available, you may know of a friend or neighbor who would be interested. Please pass this information along to them. Thanks for your help!

LOAN POLICIES

Please remember that items are on loan for a specific time period. Please return items so that others may enjoy them. Renewals may be requested.

Recorded books

The loan period is 4 weeks.

Registered readers in good standing may determine the number of books that are to be charged to them at any one time.

Large print books

The loan period is 4 weeks.

Because copies are limited and the library's loss/non-return rate is high, the number of large print books that may be charged to an individual at any one time is at the discretion of the Director of Talking Book Services.

Borrowers are urged to observe the loan period to ensure that large print titles are available for other readers.

Described movies

Videos are loaned for five days from the day it arrives at the home of the borrower. Because copies are limited, only two movies may be charged to an individual at any one time.

READERS' ADVISORS PICKS

- RC 48869** Allende, Isabel. **Daughter of Fortune.** In 1849 Eliza Sommers follows her fiancé to California, where he has gone in search of gold. Her experiences transform her into an exceptional woman. (Laura Leventis)
- RC 49117** Collins, Warwick. **Computer One.** Because Computer One controls all the automated systems in the world, California professor Yakuda fears it could eventually destroy civilization. (Dianne Keadle)
- RC 54181** Graham, Winston. **Ross Poldark.** Captain Ross Poldark returns to Cornwall from the war in the American colonies to find his father dead, his small estate in ruins, and his cousin Francis betrothed to the girl he had intended to marry. (Barbara Windham)
- RC 38888** Hegi, Ursula. **Stones from the River.** Trudi, born in Germany in 1915, is a dwarf. As an adult, working against Hitler's regime, Trudi learns to belong: to initiate, build, and be. (Laura Leventis)
- RC 57102** Niffenegger, Audrey. **The Time Traveler's Wife.** Librarian Henry DeTamble suffers from Chrono-Impairment, a disorder that catapults him sporadically through time, complicating his enduring love with Claire, his future wife. (Diane Keadle)
- RC 54190** Patchett, Ann. **Bel Canto.** The private performance of soprano Roxane Coss entices Japanese industrialist Katsumi Hosokawa to attend a party in South America. During the party, guerrillas occupy the mansion taking everyone hostage. (Kecia Greer)
- RC 33907** Tyler, Anne. **Saint Maybe.** When the Bedloe family's eldest son Danny suddenly marries Lucy, his family is accepting. But then suspicious events concerning Lucy cause Danny's brother Ian to confront Danny about his wife. (Kecia Greer)
- RC 46906** Winchester, Simon. **The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary.** An account of the unusual circumstances leading to the friendship between the Oxford English Dictionary's editor, Dr. James Murray, and one of its most prolific contributors, Dr. W.C. Minor, an American criminal. (Barbara Windham)

HEALTHY EATING

- RC 56409** Agatston, Arthur. **The South Beach Diet: The Delicious, Doctor-Designed, Foolproof Plan for Fast and Healthy Weight Loss.** Description of a three-phase program developed by a Florida cardiologist to help his overweight patients.
- RC 55758** Atkins, Robert C. **Atkins for Life: The Complete Controlled Carb Program for Permanent Weight Loss and Good Health.** The late physician's last book explains how to permanently maintain an ideal weight by eliminating excess carbohydrates from one's diet.
- RC 59698** Guilliano, Mireille. **French Women Don't Get Fat.** Guide to staying trim while eating for pleasure. The program includes inventorying your current diet, adjusting to balanced portions and nutritional diversity, reintegrating favorite foods in proper measure, and maintenance.
- RC 56019** Greene, Bob W. **The Get with the Program! Guide to Good Eating.** Emphasizes healthy eating habits, specific foods' nutritional values, and tips for grocery shopping. Offers about 80 easy-to-prepare recipes.
- RC 57568** Hughes, Nancy S. **Quick & Easy Low-Carb Cooking for People with Diabetes.** Recipes for diabetics to prepare without having to count carbs. Includes dozens of snacks, breakfasts, lunches, dinners and desserts.
- RC 56714** LaBelle, Patti. **Patti LaBelle's Lite Cuisine: Over 100 Dishes with To-Die-For Taste Made with To-Live-For Recipes.** Patti LaBelle, a diabetic and award-winning singer, offers sensible versions of popular dishes that can help fight heart disease, hypertension, obesity and other health problems.
- RC 57111** McGraw, Phillip C. **The Ultimate Weight Solution: The 7 Keys to Weight Loss Freedom.** Host of television's "Dr. Phil" presents his seven keys to obtaining an appropriate weight and gaining more energy and vitality.

MAKE NOTE

The library will be closed **Monday, February 20**, in observance of President's Day.

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We need your help! Please send back the blue canvas bags used to deliver large print books to our readers. Help us to serve you better.

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Are you interesting in attending college?

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