

ABOUT TALKING BOOK SERVICES



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- Recorded & Braille magazines
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- Talking Books: Cassettes & Digital
- Books in Braille
- Descriptive Videos
- WEB-Braille

READING SELECTIONS

- Fiction and Nonfiction
- Adult & Children's Books
- General Interest Magazines
- Online Catalog

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Summer Reading 2009

Be Creative and Express Yourself @ Your Library

In partnership with the SC School for the Deaf and the Blind (SCSDB) the Summer Reading Program 2009 was once again a huge success. Ninety-four students read 318 books. We believe that reading during the summer helps to enhance the learning process. All of our students are back in school and are geared up for another amazing school year.

Thank you for lending us your talents Storyteller Suzette Hawkins from Lexington County Public Library.

Also, a big thank you to our sponsors: Chick-fil-A, Hardees and Sonic gave incentives for every participant. The students also received a reading certificate and a reading medal.

Join us for the summer library program for 2010: **Make a Splash READ!** (ages pre-K to 12) **Make Waves @ Your Library** (for teens). **Water Your Mind Read** (adult program). Happy Reading!



Brandon Cassell



Stacey Ethridge

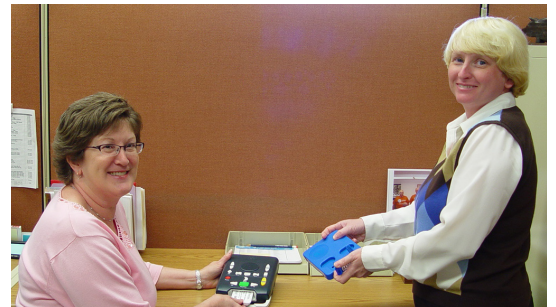


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HAVING MY SAY

Pamela N. Davenport
Director, TBS

Our sea of green cassettes has a tint of blue. After many years with the C1 machines and the four track cassettes, we knew life would be different for the patrons of South Carolina with the arrival of the new digital book machines. On August 25, 2009, life for Talking Book Services made an incredible change. In the words of Etta James, *"At last my love has come along, my lonely days are over and life is like a song...for you are mine at last."*



It was with a great sense of pride that we shipped the first batch of digital players to our veterans. The feedback we got from everyone who received a machine was sheer delight. We have heard numerous times how much patrons are enjoying the new machines. The overwhelming accolades of a successful transition could not have occurred without the TBS staff. They are incredible and did a fantastic job helping with the transition. Hats off to the TBS Staff!

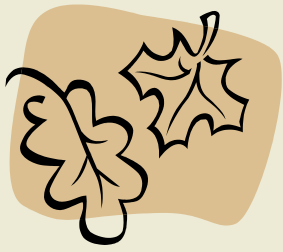
The second batch of digital players arrived and was sent out seamlessly. We are scheduled to receive a quota of machines monthly. If you are on the waiting list for your machine, it will arrive to you very soon!



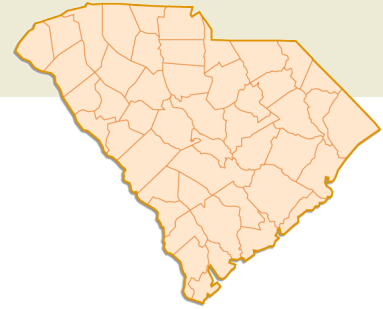
As always, it is my pleasure to serve you, our wonderful patrons. Your comments are valued. Have a safe and happy holiday season!

FOR LARGE PRINT READERS

- LP 20510** Anderson, Christopher. **Barack and Michelle: Portrait of an American Marriage.** Chronicles the courtship and marriage of American President Barack Obama and his wife Michelle.
- LP 20449** Bradley, Alan. **The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie.** Eleven-year-old Flavia de Luce is propelled into a mystery when a man is found murdered on the grounds of her family's decaying English mansion.
- LP 20425** Edwards, Elizabeth. **Resilience: Reflections on the Burdens and Gifts of Facing Life's Adversities.** Elizabeth Edwards, wife of former Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards and the author of *Saving Graces* (LP 19686), continues her inspirational message of hope.
- LP 20452** Garlock, Dorothy. **The Moon Looked Down.** Illinois, 1942. Sophie Heller and her immigrant family are the targets of vicious anti-German attacks. Newly returned Cole Ambrose, whose physical disability kept him from enlisting, helps Sophie combat vandals. In return, Sophie gives Cole hope for love.
- LP 20499** Kennedy, Edward M. **True Compass: A Memoir.** Autobiography of the Democratic senator from Massachusetts, Ted Kennedy (1932-2009).
- LP 20451** Kidd, Sue Monk. **Traveling with Pomegranates: A Mother-Daughter Story.** Author details how she and her daughter, Ann, in their two year travels through Europe gained a new understanding and appreciation of each other.
- LP 20500** Levy, Shawn. **Paul Newman: A Life.** Chronicles the sixty-year career of leading man Newman, whose work included fifty-eight movies, five Broadway plays, and ten Oscar nominations.
- LP 20464** Thor, Brad. **The Apostle: A Thriller.** The President sends former Navy SEAL and intelligence operative Scott Horvath to free a terror mastermind Khan from prison in exchange for a hostage.
- LP 20460** Wells, Rebecca. **The Crowning Glory of Calla Lily Ponder.** Louisiana, 1950s. After high school Calla Lily attends beauty school in New Orleans while her boyfriend Tuck heads to college in California. Years later, the two are reunited.



Young Adult & Kids Corner



South Carolina authors worth FALLing for...

Young Adult

- CBC 171 - Ghost In The Capitol**
by Idella Bodie
- CBC 174 - Madame Margot, A Legend of Old Charleston**
by John Bennett
- CBC 204 - Ghosts from the Coast**
by Juliann Stevenson Bolick
- CBC 385 - Aunt Matilda's Ghost**
by Mignon Franklin Ballard

Kids

- CBC 491 - How to Steal a Dog**
by Barbara O'Connor
- CBC 405 - Little Muddy Waters**
by Ronald Daise
- CBC 389 - Joseph's Charleston Adventure**
by Laura Jenkins Thompson
- RC 58213 - Amelia Bedelia, Bookworm**
by Herman Parish

Recordings for Recovery

"Music from Recordings for Recovery Makes the Holidays"

What would the Christmas Holidays be without the tunes of the season? Music is an essential part of Christmas, capturing the spirit and bringing back favorite memories. Recordings for Recovery (R4R) is a music library with holiday and other music for everyone. Your holiday music can come through the mail. For additional information call 1-800-798-1192 or visit the website at www.r4r.org

Have a great musical holiday!

Holiday Closings

- Christmas Holidays - December 24-28**
New Year's Day - January 1
MLK Day - January 18
President's Day - February 15

New Digital Titles



If you have the new digital player, here are some of the newest titles available.

- DB 68065** Baldacci, David. **Divine Justice: A Camel Club Novel.** On the run after killing two powerful men, Oliver Stone lands in the coal-mining town of Divine, Virginia, and uncovers some deadly local secrets.
- DB 69381** Conroy, Pat. **South of Broad.** Charleston, SC; 1960s. Lonely, troubled Leo and several other high school students form an unlikely but close-knit friendship as they endure crises and successes.
- DB 67754** Jakes, T.D. **Before You Do: Making Great Decisions that You Won't Regret.** Bishop Jakes offers spiritual and psychological tools to those who need relationship advice.
- DB 67881** Parker, Robert B. **Rough Weather: A Spenser Novel.** Boston PI Spenser accompanies wealthy Heidi Bradshaw to her daughter's wedding. When kidnappers kill the groom and abduct the bride, Spenser searches for the culprit.
- DB 68014** Patterson, James. **Cross Country: An Alex Cross Novel.** Washington, D.C. police detective Alex Cross investigates the murder of his former girlfriend by an African gang.
- DB 67861** Samuel, Michael A. **Macular Degeneration: A Complete Guide for Patients and Their Families.** Retinal surgeon discusses the causes and diagnoses associated with the wet and dry forms of age-related macular degeneration.
- DB 67105** Collins, Jackie. **Married Lovers.** Fitness trainer Cameron Paradise, having fled her abusive husband, works at an exclusive L.A. studio where she falls in love with producer Ryan Richards, who is married to a Hollywood princess.
- DB 67225** Weir, Allison. **The Lady Elizabeth.** Fictional account of the childhood of Elizabeth I, daughter of Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn. After her mother's beheading, two-year-old Elizabeth is exiled from court. She becomes a pawn in a power struggle and later battles her Catholic half sister, Mary I.

Best Wishes to Laura Leventis



For eight years, hundreds or maybe thousands of you have had the pleasure of talking to Laura Leventis when you called Talking Book Services. On July 30, we celebrated Laura and her retirement from the library.

After receiving her Masters in Library and Information Science in 2000, Laura came to work at the S.C. State Library as a Reader Advisor for TBS. When she started working here, none of her 4 children were married. Now, she has eight grandchildren. "I can't believe how time has flown by since retiring!" When asked

what has kept her busy, she said "helping take care of my grandchildren and spending time at home with my husband." She also has plans to visit with old friends that she hasn't seen in a while.

Patrons continue to say how much they miss talking to Laura. Their comments reflect her kindness, friendliness and caring attitude. Laura took pride in doing her job well and taking care of the patron's needs. Congratulations to Laura! The staff and patrons will miss you.

Meet Our New Reader Advisor

"I am thrilled to join the South Carolina State Library, Talking Book Services Team. It is a wonderful privilege to help patrons gain access to needed reading material!"



On August 24th we welcomed Tamara McIntyre to the Talking Book Services Team. She is originally from western New York State. Tamara was previously employed with the Pennsylvania State University Libraries. She has completed a Masters degree in Teaching from Johns Hopkins University and a Masters in Library Science Degree from Clarion University of Pennsylvania. In her spare time she enjoys hiking and watching college football with her husband and new dog, Bud.

2010 Braille Calendars have arrived. Please call to order yours today.



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Save the date!

The Second Annual SC Braille Challenge Preliminary Contest for 1st -12th grade students

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