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## PATRONS

This is the first newsletter from the North Dakota State Library Talking Books program.

The library began operation in September and what a shock this was for all of us! We don't think anyone ever realized what an undertaking a project like this would turn out to be. The books started pouring in a year ago last January and they're still coming. It was overwhelming seeing all those green boxes piling up toward the ceiling and wonder how we were ever going to get them processed and on the shelves. Well, we did it with the help of staff and hundreds of volunteer hours. The first books were sent out one year ago, and September 1 was our one year-anniversary.

We would like to thank everyone who was involved and give a special thanks to our patrons for their patience. We're not done yet, there are still many things to do to make the program run more smoothly, but we're well on our way and look forward to serving you in the future.

Sincerely,

The Services for the Disabled Staff

## NEWSLETTER

Please contact us if you would like to receive this newsletter in large print, or let us know if you are not interested in getting this quarterly publication. We welcome any suggestions of information you would like to see in this newsletter. Please contact Terri Wilhelm with your suggestions or comments at 1-800-843-9948 or 328-1469.

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Talking Books Service 1-800-843-9948  
Dakota Radio Information Service 1-701-328-4189  
Machine Lending Agency 1-800-421-1181

## **FEE CHANGE**

The Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic program in Princeton New Jersey has adopted a new fee schedule for their patrons. The old fee was \$50 for a lifetime membership. This has now been changed to a one time \$50 start-up fee plus \$25 the first year and \$25 per year thereafter. They have the largest audio collection of educational material in the world, including textbooks, fiction, drama, and poetry in many languages.

You can contact RFB&D by calling their toll-free number at 1-800-221-4792 or you can contact the State Library for more information at 1-800-843-9948. When placing an order for textbooks, you need to contact RFB&D directly.

## **NORTH DAKOTANS HONORED**

Two North Dakotans were recently honored by the National Disabled American Veterans, for their daily contributions. Mary Lou Weber of Valley City received the 1996 "Outstanding Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Member of the Year award." Weber is a life member of Auxiliary Unit 24 in Valley City. Edwin Griffin Clapp III of Fargo received the "Outstanding Disabled Veteran of the Year award," for 1996. Clapp is employed by the VA Medical Center in Fargo. Both were honored at the DAV's national convention in New Orleans last month.

## **ON THE SHELF**

### **ADULT READING**

Here are a some of the newest titles we've added to our collection.

RC 41246

**FIVE DAYS IN PARIS**

Danielle Steel

**ROMANCE-BESTSELLER-FICTION**

When Peter & Olivia meet in Paris, their lives change forever.

RC 41698

**HEAVEN'S PRICE**

Sandra Brown

**ROMANCE-BESTSELLER-FICTION**

Blair's life has always centered around dancing, until she meets Sean.

RC 41128

**THE SAVAGE RACE**

Bob Askey

**WESTERN-FICTION**

A historical western about the efforts of a pioneer family in the Arkansas wilderness.

RC 41221

**THE DULL KNIFES OF PINE RIDGE:  
A LAKOTA ODYSSEY**

Joe Starita

**HISTORY-NATIVE AMERICAN-NON  
FICTION**

Details the Sioux family's struggles from 1877 to the late twentieth century.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL**

Just a reminder to the students who changed their addresses for the summer months. If you would like to receive your books at your schools, please give us a call to change the address back.

## **BOOK ORDERS**

Make sure to give us as much notice as possible when placing your book orders to ensure better service and availability of needed titles.

## **USING SERVICE**

In order to stay active with the talking books service you must order at least one book or magazine per year. If you do not actively use the service, you may be asked to return your equipment so it can be used by active patrons.

## **SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

Two kids were honored last month for their efforts in the Governor's Summer Reading Program. Jamie Goodburn of Lisbon and Bryce Olson of Underwood took top honors in this year's competition. A special ceremony was held August 20, at the North Dakota State Library in their honor. Dr. Wayne Sandstead, ND Superintendent of Public Instruction awarded Goodburn and Olson certificates for their accomplishments. They also received T-shirts and 1-day family passes to the Dakota Zoo.

## **ON THE SHELF**

Here are a few of the newest titles available to our younger readers.

### **DOUBLE DATE**

R.L. Stine

### **MYSTERY-YOUNG ADULT-FICTION**

Bobby dates twins and soon wonders who he is.

RC 41414

### **THREE STORIES YOU CAN READ TO YOUR DOG**

Sara Swan Miller

### **JUVENILE-FICTION**

Keep your bored dog awake with these three lively stories.

## **DEPARTMENTS COMBINED**

There have been quite a few changes at the State Library recently.

Sally Oremland, director of Services to the Disabled and Dakota Radio Information Service retired after 15 years at the State Library. Since then, Talking Books and DRIS have been combined into a single department.

Stella Cone has been named head of the State Library Services for the Disabled. The other staff members include Shirley Zeigler Leno, volunteer coordinator; Terri Wilhelm, reader advisor; Sandy Williams, Talking Books circulation librarian and Shirley Flood, cataloging clerk. The changes will make our services more efficient. If you have any suggestions or concerns please contact us at 1-800-843-9948, 328-1469 or 328-4189.

## **Contacting the State Library**

We want to make sure that you are able to contact us easily and as quickly as possible. There are a few ways for you to get in touch with our staff here at the library. We have a toll free number that you can call to make requests, comments, or concerns by dialing, 1-800-843-9948. This number will ring directly to a reader advisor and if no one is available to take your call, it will ring into a voice mail system so you can leave a message. We will get back to you as quickly as possible, so please leave your name and number. You may also contact us by mail by sending your request forms or a letter with your order to the address below.

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