



NEW SERVICE AVAILABLE FOR PATRONS - DUPLICATION ON DEMAND

In our last newsletter, we announced a new service for our patrons called Duplication on Demand. As of October 1st, the library began mailing books to patrons using this new system. Instead of a single book loaded onto a permanent cartridge, multiple books are downloaded onto one cartridge at the time of checkout. Each cartridge is created just for you, then is erased and reused upon return.

Why the change?

- You have access to more books with no waiting lists. Currently, patrons who rely on mail delivery are limited to the physical books on our shelves. There are many older titles we do not have and many popular titles have waiting lists. With DOD, every book is available all the time.
- You have the option to request that all the books in a particular series be put in order on a single cartridge (space permitting). You could also ask for all books by a particular author or books on a particular topic be put on one cartridge. Otherwise, books will continue to be randomly selected by the computer.
- You have fewer items to keep track of. The same amount of books will take up less space, and there is less of a problem with mixing up cartridges and containers. Your postman may also appreciate toting fewer items.
- It is less labor-intensive for library staff. Currently circulation staff spend most of the day sorting and shelving incoming books and pulling outgoing books. DOD will greatly reduce the amount of time spent performing these duties, freeing them for other tasks.

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Each Wednesday from 1:30 – 2:30, the Talking Books Department has training. If you attempt to call us during that time, your call will go to voicemail. We will return your call as soon as possible.

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How does it work?

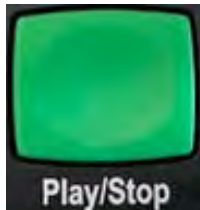
- Your books will continue to be selected just as they are now, whether you pick your own from the catalog or your librarian uses the computer to select for you.
- DOD mailing containers are translucent white, with no book number or title stickers. The mailing card is folded in half with your name and address on one side and up to 8 titles listed on the other side. Under the mail card is a sticker with the library's return address. To return the cartridge, put it in its mailing container, remove the mail card, and put it in the mail.
- Use your player's Bookshelf feature to select which book you wish to read. Instructions are included on each cartridge and they will automatically begin playing when you insert it into your player.

How to use Bookshelf to access multiple books on a cartridge

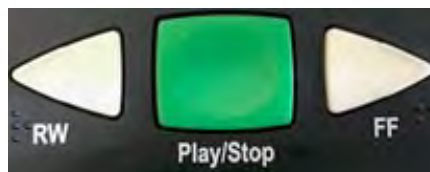
Follow these instructions to access your multiple books.

To read cartridges with multiple books, you need to access the "Bookshelf Mode".

1. Insert the cartridge in the player.
2. Press and hold the green square button, the player will say "Bookshelf".



3. Press the Rewind or Forward button, located on each side of the green square button, to select a book. Each book title will be announced. To advance to the next title just press the forward button. You will need to press the rewind button to access the previous books.



NEW ACCESSORY INTRODUCED FOR PATRONS

National Library Services is introducing a new accessory, the Digital Talking-Book Machine (DTBM) Remote Control Unit. This remote will operate with both machines. However, patrons with the Standard Machine will now be able to operate that machine like an Advanced Machine. This will allow the patron to more easily navigate through a book.

The handheld remote control is approximately 5 inches long and 2½ inches wide with rounded ends. The top has a lens with a smooth texture that is different from the rest of the remote control, and the bottom has a pin for attachment to a lanyard (not included). The top should be aimed at the DTBM when attempting to control it. The surface of the remote control has 15 buttons that are identical in shape and function to the buttons of the DTBM advanced model. The only DTBM button not available on the remote control is Power On/Off.

The infrared receiver is a small USB device, approximately 2 inches square and 1 inch thick. The USB00 connector is near the bottom of the device.

To use the remote control, plug the receiver into the USB port on the right side of the DTBM. Press the Power On/Off button on the DTBM. Aim the remote control toward the IR receiver and press the buttons to control the DTBM. The receiver requires additional power from the player to operate, so it is best to connect the player to AC power when using the remote control.



BARD SUPPORT

Sometimes there are some issues with BARD that your local library is unable to help you with. In that case, you may contact NLSDownload@loc.gov.

ON THE SHELF: WINTER 2017

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LD 00758**Off Track**

Author: Hadley Hoover

Milford loves Sage Eden. She's one of their own, coming home as CEO of the long-awaited hospital. But the small Utah town isn't sure about Sage's husband, Zeke. He brought trouble with him when he did the unthinkable and involved four of Milford's best kids. 2008.

LD 00760**Natives of a Dry Place**

Author: Richard Edwards

Before the oil industry transformed western North Dakota, the natives of Stanley went about their normal, everyday lives. Contrasting these values with the trials of the modern oil-boom community, author Richard Edwards examines the old town's virtues through the stories of those who built and sustained a community on the dry, open plains in the twentieth century. A deeply personal look at a small North Dakota town, *Natives of a Dry Place* focuses on a not-so-distant past and takes readers on a journey of reflection to a time before big oil. Edwards delves into the overarching questions of what makes a community and how it survives during times of upheaval. 2015.

LD 00762**On Hummingbird Wings**

Author: Lauraine Snelling

On a mission to restore her hypochondriac mother to health, Gillian Ormsby also sets about reviving her mother's wilted garden to its former glory, enlisting the help of Adam, a handsome man who owns a family gardening business with his father. 2011.

LISTENING TO BOOKS VIA BLUETOOTH

Do you download books on your phone or tablet and have Bluetooth hearing aids? If so, you are able to listen to your books using certain brands of hearing aids. To enable this feature on your phone or tablet, go to settings, find Bluetooth and turn it to on. Now you can listen to your book without using headphones.

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LD 00763**American Boy**

Author: Larry Watson

On Thanksgiving Day 1962, the shooting of a young woman sets off a chain of unsettling events in Willow Falls, Minnesota. Matthew finds himself drawn into a series of confrontations he never expected, the results of which will change his life irrevocably and give lie to his version of the American dream. This book contains some strong language, some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2011.

LD 00765**Words of Wisdom from the Wise Old Owls of North Dakota**

Author: Sara Widdel Beaudrie

Memories, advice, sayings, poems, short stories and life lessons from North Dakota's senior citizens. 2015.

LD 00766**War With The Sioux: Norwegians Against Indians, 1862-1863**

Author: Karl Jakob Skarstein

Contemporary with the American Civil War, the Dakota War (1862-1864) featured significant fighting, tactical brilliance, and strategic savvy set in the open plains of Minnesota and North Dakota. Karl Jakob Skarstein tells the story of the Norwegian immigrants, American soldiers, and Lakota and Dakota Indians as they fought to protect their families, communities, and way of life. 2015.

VERY SHORT INTRODUCTIONS

The Talking Book Library now has the Oxford's Very Short Introductions Collection. It offers concise and original introductions to a wide range of subjects - everything from Autism to Bestsellers, Politics to Cancer, and Planets to the American West. Every Very Short Introduction gives a readable evolution of the subject in question, demonstrating how it has developed and influenced society. There are 448 titles on different subjects in this series. If you are interested in reading any of these books, please call 1-800-843-9948.

LD 00768**Second Chance Brides**

Author: Vickie McDonough.

After a mail-order bride debacle, Shannon O'Neil and Leah Bennett are stranded in Texas with two options: get a job or find another man to marry. Garrett and Mark Corbett try to atone for the mess they created when they ordered their cousin three brides by hosting Saturday socials for the town's singles. Will Shannon be wooed out of her timidity by a gallant rancher? When the livery owner comes to Leah's rescue will she find a diamond in the rough? 2010.

LD 00769**Medicine Walk**

Author: Richard Wagamese

Franklin starlight's comfort in solitude and experience in the wilderness make him appear wise beyond his sixteen years. When his ailing father, Eldon, summons him back to town, Franklin's sense of duty clashes with the deep resentment he feels for his father's many years of absence and neglect. His father's final wish is to be buried in the warrior way, deep in the rugged and starkly beautiful outback of British Columbia. The ride into the wilderness transforms both men as Eldon shares his life story. In telling his story, he offers his son an inheritance he never could have imagined. This book contains explicit descriptions of sex, violence and strong language. 2015.

LD 00771**Roosevelt's Ranches: The Maltese Cross and The Elkhorn**

Author: Rolf Sletten

In the 1880s, Theodore Roosevelt established two large cattle ranches in the beautiful North Dakota badlands. The Maltese Cross was the real center of his ranching operations, while the famous Elkhorn was his refuge, a place where he could grieve the loss of his wife and his mother, heal his soul, and write his books. The western adventure that began as a plan to shoot a buffalo lasted fourteen years and left Theodore Roosevelt a changed man. No wonder he said, years later, that if it had not been for his years in North Dakota, he never would have become president of the United States. 2015.

*The Talking Book office hours are
Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.*

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LD 00774**So Many Africas: Six Years In A Zambian Village**

Author: Jill Kandel

In 1981, Jill Kandel traveled to the remote Zambian Village of Kalabo. She was a bride of six weeks, married to a blue-eyed boy from the Netherlands. Amidst international crises and famine, she gave birth to two children, bridged a cultural divide with her Dutch husband, and was devastated by a car accident that took the life of a twelve-year-old Zambian child. She stayed six years. After returning home, Kandel struggled to find her voice and herself. This is the story of how she found her way home. 2015.

LD 00776**Love Finds You In Frost, Minnesota**

Author: Judy Baer

When Jack Frost returns home to Frost, Minnesota, he meets the town's newcomer. Considering that her name is Merry Noel Blake and she was born on Christmas Eve, it's not surprising that the town of Frost's newest resident is crazy about the holiday. Jack Frost does his best to deter Merry from making what he considers a kitschy mockery of the town and the season. But she believes that below Jack's Frosty exterior is a warm heart -- and that she is the one to thaw it. 2013.

ATTENTION LARGE PRINT PATRONS:

When calling the State Library to order large print books, the toll free number is 1-800-472-2104. This number connects you directly with the reference desk where you can then order your large print books or inquire about large print books.

SHARING BOOKS

The Talking Book library discourages the sharing of books with others. There are two reasons for this: First: if you borrow a book from someone, your account doesn't receive the credit and it is not listed in your history, so there's a chance you could at some point receive that book again. Second: if you order a book and the person who borrows it from you misplaces it, you are responsible for it. If a book is recommended to you, please call and we will put it on your request list.

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December 25, 2017

January 1, 2018

January 15, 2018

February 19, 2018

March 30, 2018

May 28, 2018