## Winter 2017



# CTBL News

Colorado Talking Book Library • Denver

## Highlighting — The CTBL Collection

We want to highlight the scope of the collections available to patrons. This includes CTBL's holdings and the NLS holdings on BARD. These numbers are always increasing and for the audio books we have multiple copies. So here is a snapshot of unique titles...

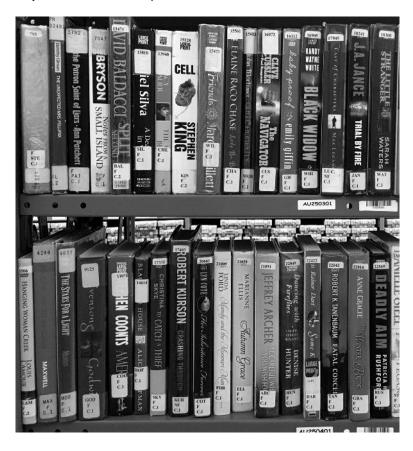
#### @ CTBL

Digital Books — 24,000
Braille Books — 8,400
Large Print Books — 22,000
Colorado Collection — 590
Descriptive Video — 140

#### NLS on BARD

Audio Books — 65,000 Colorado Collection — 181 Braille Books — 12,500 Magazines — 121

Magazine list is available on request.



CTBL will be closed on the following days in 2017: January 16th, February 20th and May 29th

#### From the Director

As most readers of this newsletter are aware, CTBL is blessed in having a strong Friends of CTBL whose mission is to assist the library and its ability to serve its patrons. The Board is currently seeking interested candidates who are patrons. Meetings are held the third Tuesday night of January, April, July and October from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Attendance in person is required and transportation is not reimbursed. For more information or an application, please email info@friendsofctbl.org or visit http://www.friendsofctbl.org

Check out the Friends of CTBL Facebook page or follow me on Twitter.

@DebbiMacLeod

## Will you be our Valentine?

The Colorado Talking Book Library is happy to bring you a day filled with love, snacks, crafts, special guests and of course books, books and more books! Special readings by Martha Harmon Pardee and Erik Sandvold, NLS narrators!

This is a family friendly event and kids are more than encouraged to help us celebrate St. Valentine at the library!

What: Valentine's Day Party

When: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

Where: Colorado Talking Book Library

180 Sheridan Blvd, Denver, CO 80226

**RSVP**: 1-800-685-2136

#### www.myctbl.org

### CTBL Reads — Reading Around the World

We are reading books that have been translated from another language. There is a great Ted Talk about this topic. http://www.ted.com/talks/ann\_morgan\_my\_year\_reading\_a\_book\_from\_every\_country\_in\_the\_world

The next CTBL Reads begins January 12th and we will be reading: French Connection by Xiao Bai DB083390, translated from Chinese.

A boat from Hong Kong arrives in 1930s Shanghai, carrying an important official. When he is assassinated, his wife escapes in the chaos. Hseuh, a photographer who witnessed the event, is coerced into spying for the authorities and enters an underworld of mobsters, smugglers, anarchists, and assassins. Some violence. 2011.

The book talk is scheduled for February 22nd at 3 p.m.

Call the library to sign up, have a copy of the book sent to you and get on the list for the book talk phone number and passcode.

## Postal Delivery Slow Down — Here to Stay

In 2016 the United States Post Office continued it consolidation of processing facilities across the country. This has resulted in longer transit times. For example, material going to and from Southwest Colorado now passes through the facility in Albuquerque, NM. For many of you we have raised your total book numbers to account for this increase in transit time. We don't want you to be without books. If you want an increase in your book numbers, please call the library.

### Resource of Interest — Assistive Technology News

For product reviews, news, book reviews and opinions http://atechnews.com/

## Get Information Resources Online @ www.myCTBL.org

CTBL provides databases that patrons can access from their computer. All you need is your patron number to access them. A highlight of the individual databases available is: Consumer Health Complete — provides convenient access to easily understandable health and medical information. Consumers can search and browse within medical encyclopedias, popular reference books, and magazine articles.

For more information and to explore these databases and how to access them in detail; click Databases in the left menu of the website or http://www2.cde.state.co.us/ctbl/collection/tbdatabases.html

### Ski for Light International Week 2017

Ski for Light, an all volunteer nonprofit organization, matches blind, visually impaired, and physically impaired cross country skiers with sighted, experienced guides. They ski together on parallel tracks groomed in the snow. The 2017 event is February 5-12, Granby, Colorado, Snow Mountain Ranch. Costs range from \$690 to \$775 for double occupancy, prices vary depending on occupants per room. For more information: www.sfl.org or call Tim McCorcle at 206-522-5850.

So come Ski, share and learn! You may join others in saying this event may be the experience of a lifetime!

## Wanted — Finished reading your books?

Please send them back when you have finished reading. Other patrons may be waiting to read those titles. And for the newsletters and magazines the cartridges need to be reused.

### Tech Talk — Computer Help

These companies are committed to helping people of all abilities use technology efficiently and effectively.

Apple — Apple offers a special phone number to contact for support with the accessibility features on their computers, iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch or Apple TV. The Accessibility Support line is available at 1-877-204-3930. They also have information on their website: https://support.apple.com/accessibility

Microsoft — Their Disability Answer Desk (DAD) staff specializes in assisting customers with disabilities as well as providing support using accessibility settings in Microsoft products. Help is available using Microsoft products such as screen magnifiers, speech recognition software, Microsoft-compatible devices and accessibility features. The Answer Desk is available:

**Monday - Friday:** 5:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. (PDT)

Saturday and Sunday: 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (PDT)

For more information: 1-800-936-5900. https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/answerdesk/accessibility

## Volunteers — Celebrating Our Volunteers



Each December the Friends of Colorado Talking Book Library hosts a holiday brunch to celebrate the milestones and accomplishments of our volunteers.

This year's celebration was made more special by honoring Louise Lederhos for 40 years of narrating talking books.

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Karen Keninger, Director of NLS was the keynote speaker and presented Louise with a special award to mark the occasion.

Volunteers who were also honored for reaching a milestone year include:

#### 5-Year Award

Eli Cohen Joe Coronado Connie Gallo Robert and Carol Serkowski Andrea Waner

Karen Keninger



#### 10-Year Award

Sue Gibbons
Visvadis Jaunarajs
Donna McCombs
Carol McGarr
Tom Moran
Frank Oldham

## 15-Year Award Don and Dorothy Wiens

25-Year Award
Joanne Rudoff
Robert Orton
Dr. Don Bennallack



New Volunteers @ CTBL

Congratulations to each of these volunteers who make it possible for us to provide the best service to our patrons every day!

Thank you!

## Collection News — Suggestions from New Additions

#### Descriptive Video Featured Titles

These DVDs have descriptive video embedded in each disc. You can turn-on this feature by following directions starting at the disc's main menu. For additional titles contact the library or visit the CTBL website for a list of DVDs and Blu-Rays.

#### New Feature Films

- MD00093 Concussion: Based On A True Story (PG-13)
- MD00094 Zootopia (PG)
- MD00095 Ghostbusters: Answer The Call (PG-13)
- MD00096 X-Men: Apocalypse (PG-13)
- MD00097 Barber Shop: The Next Cut (PG-13)
- MD00098 The Jungle Book (PG)
- MD00099 Kung Fu Panda 3 (PG)
- MD00100 Captain America: Civil War (PG-13)
- MD00101 The Shallows (PG-13)
- MD00102 Me Before You (PG-13)
- MD00103 The Nice Guys (R)
- MD00104 Money Monster (R)
- MD00105 Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping (R)
- MD00106 Maggie's Plan (R)
- MD00107 The Meddler (PG-13)

#### Documentaries

- MD00053 He Named Me Malala (PG-13)
- MD00065 This Emotional Life: In Search of Ourselves...
   and Happiness (TV-PG)
- MD00066 Where Did We Come From? (Unrated)
- MD00067 How Does the Brain Work? (Unrated)
- MD00068 The Spy Factory: The National Security Agency and 9/11 (Unrated)
- MD00069 Lord of the Ants (Unrated)
- MD00070 What Are Dreams? (Unrated)
- MD00071 Sinking the Supership: The True Story Of the WWII Battleship Yamato (Unrated)
- MD00072 The Suicide Tourist (Unrated)
- MD00073 Faces of America (Unrated)
- MD00074 Abraham and Mary Lincoln: A House Divided (Unrated)
- MD00081 Becoming Bulletproof (Unrated)

### New Large Print Titles

CTBL has over 21,000 large print titles. Be sure to check the online catalogue or call a reader advisor for more titles and genres.

#### Non-Fiction

- PR024961 Becoming Wise: An Inquiry Into the Mystery and the Art of Living by Krista Tippett
- PR024948 Best. State. Ever.: A Florida Man Defends His Homeland by Dave Barry

- PR024915 God and the Afterlife: The Groundbreaking New Evidence for God and Near-Death Experience by Jeffrey Long
- PR024814 Grief is a Journey: Finding Your Path Through Loss by Kenneth J. Doka
- PR024768 Grunt: The Curious Science of Humans at War by Mary Roach
- PR024795 I've Got Sand In All the Wrong Places by Lisa Scottoline
- · PR024770 Lab Girl by Hope Jahren
- PR024827 Life by Keith Richards
- PR024945 Love Warrior: A Memoir by Glennon Doyle Melton
- PR024775 More Than Rivals: A Championship Game and a Friendship That Moved a Town Beyond Black and White by Ken Abraham
- PR024801 Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us,
   From Missiles to the Moon to Mars by Nathalia Holt
- PR024802 Seinfeldia: How a Show about Nothing Changed Everything by Jennifer Keishin Armstrong
- PR024812 The Path: What Chinese Philosophers Can Teach Us About the Good Life by Michael Puett
- PR024944 The Pigeon Tunnel: Stories From My Life by John Le Carré
- PR024815 The Sleep Revolution: Transforming Your Life,
   One Night at a Time by Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington
- PR024912 The True Tails of Baker and Taylor: The Library Cats
  Who Left Their Pawprints on a Small Town and the World
  by Jan Louch
- PR024769 United: Thoughts on Finding Common Ground and Advancing the Common Good by Cory Booker

#### General Fiction

- PR024779 All Summer Long by Dorothea Benton Frank
- PR026036 Jonathan Unleashed by Meg Rosoff
- PR024794 Magruder's Curiosity Cabinet by H. P. Wood

#### The Neapolitan Novels Series by Elena Ferrante

- My Brilliant Friend PR024763
- The Story of a New Name PR024764
- Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay PR024765
- The Story of the Lost Child PR024766
- PR024958 Sweetbitter by Stephanie Danler
- PR024780 The Mandibles: A Family, 2029-2047 by Lionel Shriver
- PR024885 Truly Madly Guilty by Liane Moriarty
- PR024849 Zero K by Don DeLillo

#### Young Adult and Children

- PR025008 101 Reasons Why I'm Not Taking a Bath by Stacy McAnulty. Grades Preschool-2.
- PR024953 The Hammer of Thor: Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard #2 by Rick Riordan. Grades 5-8.
- PR025022 The Perfect Dog by Kevin O'Malley. Grades Preschool-2.
- PRO24952 The Tournament at Gorlan: Ranger's Apprentice: The Early Years #1 by John Flanagan. Grades 5-8.
- PR024870 Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys. Grades 9-12.

#### Legal Fiction

- PR026049 Damaged: Rosato & Associates #15 by Lisa Scottoline
- PR026017 Infamy: Butch Karp and Marlene Ciampi #28 by Robert K. Tanenbaum

- PR024823 Killer Look: Alex Cooper #18 by Linda A. Fairstein
- PR024786 Lawyer for the Cat: A Sally Baynard Novel by Lee Robinson
- PR024975 Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

#### Mystery

- PR024859 Charcoal Joe: Easy Rawlins #14 by Walter Mosley
- PR024733 Faux Paw: Magical Cats #7 by Sofie Kelly
- PR026051 Home by Harlan Coben
- PR024949 Razor Girl by Carl Hiaasen
- PR024955 Triple Crown: Jefferson Hinkley #3 by Felix Francis

#### Romance and Love Stories

- PR024751 Bay of Sighs: Guardians Trilogy #2 by Nora Roberts
- PR024762 Magic: A Novel by Danielle Steel
- PR024737 Summer at Little Beach Street Bakery by Jenny Colgan
- PR024887 The A to Z of You and Me by James Hannah
- PR024825 Viscount Breckenridge to the Rescue: Cynster Sisters #1 by Stephanie Laurens

#### Suspense and Spy Fiction

- PR026032 An Honorable Man by Paul Vidich
- PR024892 Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Enigma by Eric Lustbader
- PR024805 The Unfortunate Englishman: Joe Wilderness #2 by John Lawton
- PR024895 The Black Widow: Gabriel Allon #16 by Daniel Silva
- PR024869 The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware

#### Maisie Dobbs Series by Jacqueline Winspear

- A Dangerous Place #11 PR026053
- Journey to Munich #12 PRO2605

#### Western Fiction

- PR026038 Charlie Red: American Legends Collection by Michael Zimmer
- · PR024784 Her Outlaw Heart by Samantha Harte
- PRO24994 Six-Gun Crossroads by Lauran Paine
- PR026025 Stolen Horses by Bill Brooks
- PRO24745 The Revenant by Michael Punke
- PR024747 This Violent Land: Smoke Jensen #2 by William W. Johnstone

#### From the Colorado Collection — Audio Books:

#### As Real As It Gets: A Rehab Chaplain Remembers

Author: Rich Stewart \*\* Narrator: Bob Serkowski
Drawn from Rich Stewart's 24 years as chaplain at Craig Hospital,
this collection of over sixty encounters is his tribute to a
subculture he salutes as "one gritty bunch who, beyond surviving,
are driving on toward thriving." Adult Non-Fiction. 2007. DBC03074

#### As We Forgive Our Debtors: Cooper Family #2

Author: Rachel L. Peterson \*\* Narrator: Dee Miller Join Margie and the Cooper family as they face the joy, the laughter, and the hardships that come their way. Adult Fiction. 2013. DBC03055

#### Cherry Creek Gothic

Author: Sandra Dallas \*\* Narrator: Jim Wheelock Illustrated and annotated volume of Denver's famous Victorian buildings. Appeals not only to architecture students, but also to

persons interested in the flamboyant personality of the time. Adult Non-Fiction. 1971. **DBC03143** 

## Children of the Storm: The True Story of the Pleasant Hill School Bus Tragedy

Author: Ariana Harner \*\* Narrator: Laverne Rios
On March 26, 1931, confused by the extreme blizzard conditions,
the Pleasant Hill School bus driver lost his sense of direction and
lodged the bus full of children in a ditch. When rescuers found the
vehicle, a day and a half later, the blizzard had taken its deadly toll.
Adult Non-Fiction. 2001. **DBC03140** 

#### Colorado Heritage 1983 #1 and #2

Author: Colorado Historical Society \*\* Narrator: Louise Hausburg A Colorado scrapbook of the years 1880 to 1949, detailing the life and times in Colorado by decades. Adult Non-Fiction. 2016. **DBC03135** 

#### Explorers of the Frontier

Author: Charles W. Sundling \*\* Narrator: Nelson Embleton Describes the efforts of such men as Coronado, de Soto, Drake, and in particular, Lewis and Clark to search for what came to be known as the Northwest Passage. Non-fiction Grades K-3. 2000.

DBC03145

Fatal Descent: Rocky Mountain Outdoor Adventures Mystery #3
Author: Beth Groundwater \*\* Narrator: Peggy Simmons
Experienced outdoor guides, Mandy and Rob know they have to keep
their cool after one of their group appears to have become bear
bait. With eleven shell-shocked clients and miles of Colorado River

whitewater ahead, Mandy's nerves threaten to unravel when she learns that Alex's death was not an accident. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Adult Fiction. 2013. **DBC03082** 

#### Grand Pursuit: The Story of Economic Genius

Author: Sylvia Nasar \*\* Narrator: Hille Dais
The epic story of the making of modern economics, and of how
economics rescued mankind from squalor and deprivation by placing
its material fate in its own hands. Adult Non-Fiction. 2011.

DBC02975

## T.D.: Dreams in Motion: The Memoirs of the Denver Broncos' Terrell Davis

Author: Terrell Davis \*\* Narrator: Nelson Grabenstetter Autobiography by Denver Broncos running back Terrell Davis, which is inspirational, as well as light-hearted, funny, and real. Adult Non-Fiction. 1998. DBC03142

#### Ticket To Hollywood: Asphalt Warrior #2

Author: Gary Reilly \*\* Narrator: Mark Hintz
In this second novel about Denver cab driver Brendan Murphy,
"Murph" becomes entangled with filmmakers and makes his way to
Los Angeles in search of a lost woman whose last known location was
his cab. Adult Fiction. 2013. **DBC03075** 

## The Map of Heaven: How Science, Religion, and Ordinary People Are Proving the Afterlife

Author: Eben Alexander \*\* Narrator: Bob Serkowski Based on personal experience, stories shared by others, and the latest scientific insights, Dr. Alexander makes the case for heaven as a genuine place, showing how we have forgotten, but are now at last remembering, who we really are and what our destiny truly is. 2014. Adult Non-Fiction. 2014. **DBC03090** 

#### Sky Bridge

Author: Laura Pritchett \*\* Narrator: Laverne Rios
A sister's promise to raise a child fathered out of wedlock turns her
life upside down as she struggles to protect herself and the baby in
the small town where they live. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong
language, and violence. Adult Fiction. 2002. **DBC03089** 

#### Red Lightning

Author: Laura Pritchett \*\* Narrator: Sharon Huckins
Ten years ago, Tess left her newborn daughter with her sister and
hightailed it out of what she called NoWhere, Colorado. Now she's
returned, Tess must face her past, her dying mother, her sister
(Libby, the central character of Pritchett's novel Sky Bridge), and
her daughter. A story about the modern American West. Some
descriptions of sex, strong language, and violence. Adult Fiction.
2015. DBC03080

#### Never So Green

Author: Tim Johnston \*\* Narrator: Norine Domenico In Iowa in the 1970s, twelve-year-old Tex overcomes his self-consciousness about his deformed right hand to take baseball lessons from his stepfather and his tomboy stepsister, who harbors a dark secret. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Fiction Young Adult. 2002. **DBC03084** 

## In the Land of Standing Rocks: Arches and Canyonlands National Parks

Author: Mike Graf \*\* Narrator: Stacey Donaldson Adventures with the Parkers #6 takes the family to southeast Utah to see the "Land of Standing Rocks." They encounter mountain lions, a dive-bombing blue jay, and wicked desert weather along the way, but it's not until James makes a surprising discovery that they really connect with the region's colorful history. Fiction Grades 4-7. 2013. DBC03152

#### The Merchant of Death: Pendragon #1

Author: D. J. MacHale \*\* Narrator: Joanne Rudoff Bobby Pendragon must save the world when he is swept off to an alternate dimension known as Denduron, a territory inhabited by strange beings, ruled by a magical tyrant, and plagued by dangerous revolution. Fiction Grades 5-8. 2002. **DBC03078** 

#### Vanishing Colorado: Rediscovering a Western Landscape

Author: Joe Verrengia \*\* Narrator: Joanne Rudoff
Traces the paths of John C. Fremont's western expeditions, and
looks at the destruction of flora and fauna in those same areas.
Talks to ranchers, developers, policy makers, and scientists about
their differing points of view on conservation. Adult Non-Fiction.
2000. DBC03141

#### From the Colorado Collection — Braille books:

#### **Braille Titles of Interest**

#### Learning Braille

- BRE00095 The ABCs of UEB: A Guide for the Transition from English Braille American Edition (EBAE) to the rules of Unified English Braille (UEB) by Constance Risjord. Download only.
- BRZ00065 A Braille spelling dictionary for beginning writers:
   New edition in Unified English Braille by Gregory Hurray
- BRZ00066 Braille demonstration kit by National Braille Press
- BRZ00067 UEB Reader by Braille Authority of North America
- BRZ00075 Building on Patterns: Primary Braille Literacy Program: First Grade: Unit 7 Student Textbook - UEB by American Printing House for the Blind

#### New Print/Braille Children's Titles

- BRZ00069 The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship:
   A Russian Tale by Arthur Ransome
- BRZ00070 Arthur Writes a Story by Marc Tolon Brown
- BRZ00073 Arthur and the Scare-Your-Pants-Off Club by Marc Tolon Brown
- BRZ00074 Arthur's Mystery Envelope by Marc Tolon Brown
- BRZ00077 The Jungle Book: Based on Walt Disney's Full-Length Animated Classic by Jan Carr

## Legacy Gifts

Legacy gifts to the Friends of CTBL are a vital way to ensure ongoing support for all the services the library provides to patrons. The Friends have established **Eyes to the Future** that honors and recognizes the generosity and vision of patrons, families and friends who have chosen to leave a legacy through their estates or other deferred gifts.

We invite you to become a member of Eyes to the Future. Enrollment in this honorary group is simply a matter of advising us about your plans to make a legacy gift, such as a bequest in a will or living trust, or designating The Friends of CTBL as beneficiary of an individual retirement plan, 401k or life insurance policy. The Friends of CTBL is a public 501 c 3 charity and the tax ID is 23-7243950.

## Contributions to The Friends of the Colorado Talking Book Library and The Colorado Talking Book Library

An additional way to contribute to either the Friends or to CTBL is through a charitable bequest as part of a will or through life insurance. You do not have to rewrite your current document but can add a written amendment called a codicil. Such a bequest only becomes irrevocable at your death. Giving to the library helps support the programs and service we provide to our patrons and helps to secure the future.

#### AmazonSmile

The AmazonSmile Foundation donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to charitable organizations. If you make purchases through Amazon, try AmazonSmile and designate The Friends of CTBL as a recipient of charitable donations. Several patrons have already done this. Thanks!



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