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NFB-Newsline

NFB-NEWSLINE is a free service available to anyone who is blind, visually impaired or print-disabled. Funded by state sponsors, NFB-NEWSLINE offers over 500 publications to choose from, including thirteen national newspapers like the Wall Street Journal and USA Today, thirty-two breaking news sources such as CNN, BBC and ESPN Online, seventeen international newspapers including the Financial Times and Vancouver Sun, and many state newspapers, as well as nearly seventy magazines such as Family Circle, Time, Consumer Reports, Guideposts, Smithsonian and more. Here in South Carolina the Anderson Independence/Mail, Associated Press SC, The State newspaper, the Greenville News, the Myrtle Beach Sun News and Charleston's Post & Courier are offered. You can also receive local information to South Carolina under the local section Option 2 from the main menu.

NFB-NEWSLINE also offers emergency weather alerts and seven day forecasts, job listings, TV listings, retail ads and more. There are a number of access methods including touch-tone telephone, a free mobile app for iPhone, iPad and iPod, on-demand emails, and a secure website.

NFB-Newsline is funded by the South Carolina Commission for the Blind and we hope you enjoy the service! If you would like more information on NFB-Newsline or to subscribe to the service, contact Steve Cook at the South Carolina Commission for the Blind at (803) 898-8788 or steve.cook@sccb.sc.gov.

SPOTLIGHT: ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER CLAY JEFFCOAT

Talking Book Services has a **Consumer Advisory Council** that meets quarterly to discuss the program and outreach. Clay Jeffcoat is a member of the council as an agency representative. He serves as the Access Technology Coordinator and Business Manager at the South Carolina School for the Deaf (SCSDB) and the Blind Outreach Program. He manages contractual agreements between School Districts and



Clay Jeffcoat

other entities who receive services from SCSDB

Outreach. He provides consultation to teachers and professionals in the use of Access Technology statewide. Clay currently consults with the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind Braille **Production Center located at Leath Correctional Facility in** Greenwood where he provides training and technical assistance with the sophisticated equipment used to produce Braille. He has taught Access Technology for Teachers of the Visually Impaired for the University of South Carolina Upstate. Clay also has participated in the Web Tester Pilot program through SCATP. Clay is a graduate of USC with a BS in Computer Science and an MBA. In his younger days, he was a volunteer for Talking Book Services. In his spare time, Clay enjoys antique radio restoration, amateur radio and spending time with his family.

DIGITAL BOOKS AND FRIENDS BOOK CLUB

We've started a book club for TBS audio readers. The club meets via phone on the last Friday of each month. There will not be a meeting in December.

October 26, 2018

<u>Today Will Be Different</u> by Maria Semple.

DB085759 6 hours, 31 minutes

November 30, 2018

<u>Before the Fall</u> by Noah Hawley.

DB084691 12 hours, 57 minutes

January 25, 2019
The Woman in the Window by A.J. Finn.

DB090036 12 hours, 47 minutes

Time: 3:00pm-4:00pm

If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Brenda Boyd at 1-800-922-7818 or bboyd@statelibrary.sc.gov

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS:

We will be closed on the following days:

- Monday, November 12: Veterans Day (observance)
- Thursday, November 22: Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, November 23: Day after Thanksgiving Day
- Monday, December 24: Christmas Eve
- Tuesday, December 25: Christmas Day
- Wednesday, December 26: Day after Christmas
- Tuesday, January 1, 2019: New Year's Day

DESCRIPTIVE MOVIES

Talking Book Services has a large collection of Audio Descriptive DVDs available for checkout. Audio Descriptive DVDs have a narrator who describes action, characters, locations, costumes and sets without interfering with the dialogue or sound effects. The narrator track is usually under the Setup or Language menus on the DVD. Below are some of the newest videos we have. To order any of these or to get complete video lists call us at 1-800-922-7818.

DW00607	The Death of Stalin (comedy) (R)
DW00608	Star Wars: The Last Jedi (science fiction) (PG-13)
DW00609	Thoroughbreds (comedy/drama) (R)
DW00610	The Greatest Showman (musical) (PG)
DW00611	All the Money in the World (biography(R)
DW00612	Pacific Rim: Uprising (science fiction) (PG-13)
DW00613	Sherlock Gnomes (animated children's) (PG)
DW00614	Insidious: The Last Key (horror) (PG-13)
DW00615	A Quiet Place (horror/ science fiction) (PG-13)
DW00616	I Feel Pretty (comedy) (PG-13)
DW00617	Winchester (horror/fantasy) (PG-13)
DW00618	Gringo (comedy) (R)
DW00619	12 Strong (action/ drama) (R)
DW00620	Game Night (comedy) (R)
DW00621	Hostiles (western) (R)
DW00622	Phantom Thread (drama) (R)
DW00623	Father Figures (comedy) (R)
DW00624	Avengers: Infinity War (science fiction) (PG-13)
DW00625	Overboard (2018 version) (romantic comedy) (PG-13)
DW00626	The Rider (western/drama) (R)

DW00627	Final Portrait (biography/ drama) (R)
DW00628	Film Stars Don't Die in Liverpool (biography/romance) (R)
DW00629	Ready Player One (science fiction) (PG-13)
DW00630	Life of the Party (comedy) (PG-13)
DW00631	Acrimony (drama) (R)

NOTE: Descriptive videos are available only for our registered blind and visually impaired TBS patrons. Institutions, agencies, organizations, persons incarcerated in correctional facilities, or persons who are not blind or visually impaired may not borrow described movies.

STOP! DON'T THROW THAT BOX AWAY!

When we mail you a new machine or replacement machine it is important for you to keep the box and styrofoam inserts. The box and styrofoam are made specifically for mailing digital talking book machines and even have a card that can be flipped over to mail a machine back to us. Unfortunately, many people do throw them away and then if a machine needs to be replaced there is no box for mailing it back. We cannot send empty boxes through the mail as the post office does not allow that.

We could run out of boxes and styrofoam if we do not get them back to reuse. So please keep that box!

NEW LARGE PRINT BOOKS AVAILABLE

LP 23442	Maximum Ride Forever by James Patterson (young
	adult)
LP 23445	The Other Lady Vanishes by Amanda Quick (historical
	romance)
LP 23473	Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes (historical fiction)
LP 23487	Hold Back the Dark by Kay Hooper (mystery)
LP 23491	A Nantucket Wedding by Nancy Thayer (romance)
LP 23505	Tom Clancy Line of Sight: A Jack Ryan Jr. Novel by
	Mike Maden (suspense)
LP 23518	The Crooked Staircase: A Jane Hawk Novel by Dean
	Koontz (suspense)
LP 23523	Spring Forward: A Mystic Creek Novel by Catherine
	Anderson (romance)
LP 23529	Preacher's Kill: The First Mountain Man by William
	Johnstone (western)
LP 23532	The Family Business 4; A Family Business Novel by Carl
	Weber with La Jill Hunt (mystery)
LP 23537	The Legend of Perley Gates by William Johnstone
	(western)
LP 23545	To the Moon and Back: The Baxter Family by Karen
	Kingsbury (romance)
LP 23547	The Family Gathering by Robyn Carr (romance)
LP 23552	One Last Breath by Lisa Jackson (mystery)
LP 23554	Spymaster by Brad Thor (thriller)
LP 23561	Retirement Reinvention: Make Your Next Act Your Best
	Act by Robin Ryan (aging and retirement)

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