



## A FOND FAREWELL!

When I was in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, I spent most early mornings assisting the school librarian until my first class. Her name was Mrs. Bright and she inspired me to pursue a career in libraries. Now, after 40 years working as a librarian in public libraries, academic libraries, hospital libraries, and talking book libraries' I have decided to retire. My last day is January 11, 2019. Of all the libraries I have worked in, being part of Talking Book Services for the last 7 years has been the most rewarding. We have the honor of giving our patrons the ability to pursue the pleasures of reading and learning.

I do look forward to being able to pursue my other interests more freely. I love to create art and I plan to devote more time to my love for making pottery. With the extra time added by retirement, I also hope to return to some of my other favorite art forms that have been on the back burner for many years. It is not an ending, it is a new beginning.

So, as Bob Hope always said, "Thanks for the memories". I will never forget the people I had the opportunity to meet while working with this program.

Thank you.

Sandy Knowles, (former) Director of Talking Book Services

## 2019 DIGITAL BOOKS AND FRIENDS CLUB

**January 25, 2019**

**DB090036 The woman in the window by A.J. Finn.** 12 hrs, 47 min

Heavily medicated for PTSD-induced agoraphobia, Anna Fox has spent the past ten months trapped in her Harlem home. She spends her time spying on neighbors, drinking, and watching movies. When she witnesses a murder, no one believes such an unreliable witness. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2018.

**February 22, 2019**

**DB087555 The stranger in the woods by Michael Finkel.** 6 hrs, 21 min

1986, twenty-year-old Christopher Knight drove to Maine and disappeared into the forest. He did not speak to another human being until he was arrested for stealing food nearly thirty years later. Discusses his survival in the wilderness in the intervening decades. Contains some strong language and some violence. Commercial audiobook. Bestseller. 2017.

**March 29, 2019**

**DB083204 My grandmother asked me to tell you she's sorry by Fredrik Backman.** 10 hrs, 31 min

Seven-year-old Elsa is acknowledged as weird. The grandmother she lives with is flat-out crazy, but she shares tales of the fairyland of Miamas. When her grandmother dies, Elsa is entrusted with delivering letters of apology and learns about her place in the world. 2014

**For more information or to sign up, contact Brenda Boyd at [bboyd@statelibrary.sc.gov](mailto:bboyd@statelibrary.sc.gov) or 1-800-922-7818.**

## **WINTER READING PROGRAM: KIDS**

**Want to read books outside of those required for school but don't know what to read? Want to win prizes? Join the Talking Book Services Winter Reading Program for Kids. All you need to do is sign up and get to reading!**

**Each participant will read at least 5 books that meet one of the criteria on the bingo card on the next page. Just like bingo, you must complete everything that aligns in a row vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. The middle block is a free space. If you complete a row containing the free space you only need to read 4 books. Each book you read can only count for one square even though they may fit in the criteria for more than one block.**

**If you like, you can complete up to 2 bingos. Please use the same bingo card for both. Challenge yourself!**

**To help you choose, call a Reader Advisor for suggestions!**

**Once you have gotten a bingo, you should mail your bingo card to:**

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South Carolina State Library  
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**In the upper right corner of the envelope, please write "Free Matter for the Blind and Handicapped". No postage is necessary if you do that. Please remember to put your name on the bingo card. Once we hear from you or receive your completed bingo card we will send you a small prize.**

**You can also call Talking Books at 1-800-922-7818 to report that you got your 1st bingo and wait to send the sheet in with the 2nd.**

**The program will end March 29.**

# KID'S WINTER READING BINGO

<b>B1</b> Read an animal story	<b>I1</b> Read a fantasy book	<b>N1</b> Read a book with a female character	<b>G1</b> Read a book about space	<b>O1</b> Read a book about friendship
<b>B2</b> Read a children's classic	<b>I2</b> Read any book for one hour	<b>N2</b> Read a book set in the future	<b>G2</b> Read a biography	<b>O2</b> Read a book with a color in the title
<b>B3</b> Read a book that takes place in the winter	<b>I3</b> Read a book with a number in the title	<b>N3</b>  <b>FREE</b>	<b>G3</b> Read the first book in a series	<b>O3</b> Read your favorite book
<b>B4</b> Read a book set in school	<b>I4</b> Read a book set in the past	<b>N4</b> Read a mystery book	<b>G4</b> Read an award winning book	<b>O4</b> Read a fairy or folk tale
<b>B5</b> Read a non-fiction book	<b>I5</b> Read the last book in a series	<b>N5</b> Read a family story	<b>G5</b> Read a book that has a foreign setting	<b>O5</b> Read a book with a one word title

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## 2019 WINTER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

Want something fun to do during the months of February and March? Want to win prizes? Join the Talking Book Services Winter Reading Program for Adults. All you need to do is sign up and get to reading! Each participant will read at least 5 books that meet one of the criteria on the bingo card on the next page. Just like bingo, you must complete everything that aligns in a row vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. The middle block is a free space. If you complete a row containing the free space you only need to read 4 books. Each book you read can only count for one square even though they may fit in the criteria for more than one block.

If you like, you can complete up to 2 bingos. Please use the same bingo card for both. Challenge yourself!

To help you choose, the Reader Advisors will have a list of authors that fit each category.

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## ADULT WINTER READING BINGO

<b>B1</b> <b>MYSTERY</b>	<b>I1</b> <b>NON- FICTION</b>	<b>N1</b> <b>SCI-FI</b>	<b>G1</b> <b>WESTERN</b>	<b>O1</b> <b>ROMANCE</b>
<b>B2</b> <b>MYSTERY</b>	<b>I2</b> <b>NON- FICTION</b>	<b>N2</b> <b>SCI-FI</b>	<b>G2</b> <b>WESTERN</b>	<b>O2</b> <b>ROMANCE</b>
<b>B3</b> <b>MYSTERY</b>	<b>I3</b> <b>NON- FICTION</b>	<b>N3</b>  <b>FREE</b>	<b>G3</b> <b>WESTERN</b>	<b>O3</b> <b>ROMANCE</b>
<b>B4</b> <b>MYSTERY</b>	<b>I4</b> <b>NON- FICTION</b>	<b>N4</b> <b>SCI-FI</b>	<b>G4</b> <b>WESTERN</b>	<b>O4</b> <b>ROMANCE</b>
<b>B5</b> <b>MYSTERY</b>	<b>I5</b> <b>NON- FICTION</b>	<b>N5</b> <b>SCI-FI</b>	<b>G5</b> <b>WESTERN</b>	<b>O5</b> <b>ROMANCE</b>

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## **LOANING MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT TO OTHERS**

**The materials and equipment that patrons check out from us are assigned to an individual account. These items are the patron's responsibility to take care of and keep track of. Materials include audio Bibles, audio magazines, digital and large print books, and descriptive videos. Equipment includes digital players and headphones.**

**Equipment and materials sent to our patrons are property of the United States Federal Government (Library of Congress) and the Talking Book Services (TBS). They are on loan to patrons of Talking Book Services. Equipment and books should never be loaned to others, thrown away, sold, or donated to charities such as Goodwill.**

**Sharing items among patrons is discouraged for several reasons. First, materials are easily misplaced or lost. It is also very easy to forget who you loaned items to. Second, if you share materials with other TBS patrons, your account's ability to have any more items sent out is negatively affected. Items are still on the original account until they are checked in by us.**

**The best thing to do if you want to recommend a title to a friend who is a TBS patron is to have them call and order their own copy and not loan the copy you have. If patrons need a copy of the Bible, and do not already have a copy checked out to them, please call us and we will send them one. Also, please remember that individuals who are not registered TBS patrons cannot use any of our books or equipment.**

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DW00632	Breaking In (PG-13)
DW00633	The Miracle Season (PG)
DW00634	The Seagull (PG-13)
DW00635	The Spy Who Dumped Me (R)
DW00636	Papillon (R)
DW00637	Slender Man (PG-13)
DW00638	Superfly (R)
DW00639	Uncle Drew (PG-13)
DW00640	The Darkest Minds (PG-13)
DW00641	Leave No Trace (PG)
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DW00643	Book Club (PG-13)
DW00644	Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)
DW00645	Solo: A Star Wars Story (PG-13)
DW00647	God's Not Dead: A Light in Darkness (PG)
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DW00649	Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG)
DW00650	Incredibles 2 (PG)
DW00651	Sorry to Bother You (R)
DW00652	The First Purge (R)
DW00653	Skyscraper (PG-13)
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DW00658	BlacKKKlansman (R)
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**LED BY LOVE: MICHAEL HINGSON, THUNDER DOG, AND GETTING OUT OF THE TWIN TOWERS ALIVE**

On Thursday, October 18, 2018, Talking Book Services held a very special author talk and book signing with Michael Hingson, blind survivor of the 9/11 attack and author of *Thunder Dog*. He shared in detail his journey as a blind man working in the corporate world and his passion for advocating for himself and for the blind on a local and national level. He described his experience during the terrorist attack on the Twin Towers on 9/11 and how, with the assistance of his guide dog Roselle, he made his way down from the 79th floor. He also shared the technology he currently uses to maintain his independence. Those in attendance were extremely pleased with his presentation.

If you are interested in reading *Thunder Dog*, please request DB 73300.

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