

#### Spring 2017

# SilverLining

**Nevada Talking Book Services** 

#### **Eligibility**

Persons unable to read or use print materials as a result of a temporary or permanent visual or physical limitation.

#### **Talking Books**

#### **Hours**

Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.
Closed State
holidays

#### **Hadley Offers Free Adult Courses**

Hadley Institute's Adult Continuing Education (ACE) Program offers a variety of courses for the blind or visually impaired. Anyone age 14 or older, who is blind or meets vision eligibility requirements and can understand written English at the high school level is eligible to enroll.

Materials and instruction in the ACE Program are free. Learn at your own pace at home. Courses are offered in audio, braille, large print and on the Internet. Hadley offers year-round enrollment.

- ·Learn to read and write braille
- Adjust to life after vision loss
- Enhance independent living skills
- Explore enriching activities
- •Improve employability and business skills
- Discover the joys of lifelong learning

Parents of children who are visually impaired or blind are eligible for courses in their Family Education Program. Topics in this program are designed to educate and empower parents.

Visit their website at http://www.hadley.edu/default.asp or contact Student Services weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Central time, to determine eligibility:

- 800-526-9909 (Toll-free in the U.S., Puerto Rico & Canada
- 847-446-8111 (Others)
- 847-446-9820 (Fax)
- 847-441-8111 (TTY hearing impaired callers)
- Student\_services@hadley.edu

Adapted from the Hadley Institute for the Blind and Visually Impaired web site

#### **Belarus Librarians Visit Talking Books**

The Talking Books Program was one stop on the tour of six librarians and two interpreters from the Republic of Belarus. They visited the State Library, Archives and Public Records on January 27, 2017 on their three week tour of libraries in the United States as part of an international exchange program funded by the State Department.

Two interpreters conveyed questions and answers. They were keenly interested in the digital player, digital cartridges and our in-house recording program. Hope Williams, librarian, explained the parameters of the program and how we serve all citizens of the State.

The group included the Dean of Faculty Information and Document Communications from the Belarusian State University of Culture and Arts; the National Library of Belarus; the Tavlay Central City Library; the Republican Scientific and Technical Library; and the Head of the Foreign Literature Department from the Regional Scientific Library.

Belarus is a landlocked country in Eastern Europe bordered by Russia on the east.

#### **KNFB Reader Available for Windows 10**

KNFB Reader is now available for Windows 10 devices and computers. For a limited time, the app can be downloaded for \$19.99 from Microsoft.

KNFB Reader for Windows 10 allows the blind and others with print disabilities to access the content of printed documents, including bills, brochures, books, magazines, handouts, and more. Users simply photograph the document and the KNFB Reader will convert the image to text that will be read aloud in synthesized speech. An external camera or scanner is required.

The KNFB Reader for Microsoft is ideal for reading student materials, personal mail (even complicated documents like bills, medical reports, and financial documents), plus books and multi-page documents such as owner's manuals and print magazines. It can also read package labels (including nutritional labels on food packaging or cooking instructions), inaccessible PDFs received via email or downloaded from the web, error messages on your computer or tablet screen, and many more previously inaccessible print items.

For support or to purchase KNFB Reader for Windows 10, go to https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/store/p/knfb-reader/9nblggh6hqkk

Courtesy announcement adapted from the National Federation of the Blind announcement

### **SilverLining Spring2017**

#### **New Nevada Titles**

#### Tahoe Blue Fire

DBC04792 By Todd Borg Narrated by Frieda Ford

Tahoe Detective Owen McKenna gets a call from a woman afraid for her life after two other people are killed. He soon discovers that the murderer is after a precious artifact dating back to Renaissance Italy. McKenna makes a connection between the dead people and a famous retired pro football

player, Adam Simms, but Simms cannot remember details of their relationships. Is Simms suffering dementia or is he a diabolical fake? Some violence. 2015



## Perfect Circles; Redefining Perfection

DBC04776
By John Michael Stuart
Narrated by Susan Cothren

This is a personal account of John Michael Stuart's challenges living with cerebral palsy. The author shares his personal experiences overcoming and embracing disabilities using humor and humbleness. 2009

#### **Idols of Dust**

DBC04763
By Ian Mckeachie
Narrated by Millie Solley

Following his sister's death, Paul begins a journey of self-discovery descending into madness. His

journey takes him to the deserts of Afghanistan, the halls of a VA hospital, and finally to Las Vegas, where he faces the demons hiding within himself. Strong language, some violence. 2011



## It happened in Nevada: remarkable events that shaped history

DBC08371
By Elizabeth Gibson
Narrated by Millie Solley

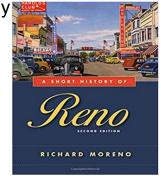
This book of short stories describes events that designed and shaped the Silver State. The stories are arranged chronologically in chapters and cover events from the time of the Anasazi's through the 1860's Comstock Lode to the Las Vegas Flood in 1999. 2010

#### A short history of Reno

DBC04800 By Richard Moreno Narrated by Frieda Ford

A concise, easy to read history of

Reno from the early beginnings of the 1850's to current day, this second edition brings one up to date with coverage of public leaders and the business



individuals who helped make Reno a fascinating and enticing city. 2015

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#### Join the Friends to Support NTBS

Nevada Talking Book Services (NTBS) has partnered with the Friends of the Carson City Library (FOCCL) as a resource for

Additional volunteers

The annual Volunteer Recognition event

A venue for sharing details of this program

This partnership is an opportunity for our patrons to support these opportunities through membership with the FOCCL.

The recording program depends on volunteer narrators and reviewers to record Nevada related titles. Volunteers also help with machine repair and inspection of books.

If you would like more information on this joint venture, please call us at 1-800-922-9334. If you would like to support this program through your membership with the Friends, please ask for a Friend's membership brochure. We would appreciate your support of our efforts to recognize our volunteers and share the program.

This newsletter is available in alternative formats upon request.



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