



Winter 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

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8:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.

Closed State  
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## BARD Made Easy

BARD Express, a Windows-based application for those who download from BARD through a computer, is now available from the National Library Service (NLS). BARD Express simplifies the process of downloading and transferring audio materials to a cartridge or USB flash drive. The major advantage is that BARD Express unzips and transfers the files to a cartridge for you with the click of a button.

If you are not a current BARD user, you will first need to apply for BARD at <https://nlsbard.loc.gov/login/NV1A>. If you are already a BARD user, to start using BARD Express, you must first download the software to your computer. It is available on the BARD main page under “Additional Links, BARD Express.” Some FAQs, a User’s Guide and some helpful screenshots are also available within this BARD Express link.

After logging in with your existing password, you will not need to login again in the future.

Several short NLS produced YouTube videos are available for further help with BARD Express. Go to <https://youtube.com/> and search for BARD Express.

BARD Express will manage BARD materials downloaded to a computer and categorize them by books, magazines, read items, and unread items for easy sorting. It also provides device management options from the main menu for customizing the process.

BARD Express is designed for use on personal computers running Windows XP, Vista, 7, 8, 8.1, and 10. BARD Express is not for use on mobile devices, nor will it run on Macintosh computers.

## NFB Newsline Offers Talking Book Topics and Braille Book Review

The National Federation for the Blind (NFB) has added Talking Book Topics and Braille Book Review to their audio Newsline service. For those who find large print hard to read or have sent back the audio copy of these catalogues, this service provides another mode of access using a touch-tone phone.

Anyone who cannot read print material due to vision loss, dyslexia or a physical disability is eligible for NFB-Newsline. Talking Books patrons can register by calling us. Or contact NFB directly at <http://www.nfbnewsline.org> or at 1-866-504-7300 to request their application.

To read these lists of new titles added to the NLS collection, press 7 on your phone from the Main Menu; then choose (2) "Magazines," and select the "Blindness Specific" category. Choose either (6) "Talking Book Topics" or (2) "Braille Book Review" options.

Titles and annotations are available as individual articles allowing for easy navigation from title to title. To email a title list to yourself, press #9. This list can then be forwarded to [nvtalkingbooks@admin.nv.gov](mailto:nvtalkingbooks@admin.nv.gov) which we will add to your request list.

## Book Club Members Needed

We would like to have a couple more patrons interested in joining a book club to make it a more meaningful experience for everyone. We would conduct our meetings over the phone. The day and time will be determined by the participants and the group leader. If interested, please call Hope at 775-684-3381 or send an email to [hwilliams@admin.nv.gov](mailto:hwilliams@admin.nv.gov).

## Magazine News

**Reminder:** we have three new audio magazines to offer locally: *Guideposts*, *Nevada Women's History News* and *Mother Earth News*. Please call us for your free subscription.

**Notice:** The *Nevada in the West* magazine has ceased publication. We sent out the last issue to subscribers on December 7.

Three new braille magazine are available to patrons via BARD or by subscription through Nevada Talking Book Services. The new magazines are:

*Cooks Illustrated*, a bimonthly magazine

*O, The Oprah Magazine*, a monthly magazine

*Popular Science*, a bimonthly magazine

No longer available in Braille: *Ladies Home Journal* .

## New Nevada Titles

***Being Oscar: From  
Mob Lawyer to Mayor of Las  
Vegas – Only in America***

DBC04767

By Goodman, Oscar  
Narrated by Lila Halpern

Entertaining version of Goodman's extravagant life. The criminal defense attorney shares the stories and cases of his epic life. He was a lawyer for 35 years until he ran for mayor of Las Vegas in 1999 and was elected and served as mayor of Las Vegas for the next 12 years. Being Oscar straightforwardly tells the never-before-disclosed details of his service to a Who's Who of mob bosses such as Meyer Lansky, Anthony 'Tony the Ant' Spilotro, Nick Civella, Vinny 'The Animal' Ferrara and 'Crazy' Phil Leonetti. 2013

***In Nevada: The Land, the People,  
God and Chance***

DBC04768

By Thomson, David  
Narrated by Frieda Ford

Thomson travels through Nevada by car sharing his observations of the wildness, its desolate landscape, gambling, prostitution, easy divorces, (no) taxes, nuclear storage and testing, the self-proclaimed "Biggest Little City in the World" and the infamous city of Las Vegas. All add up to make a diverse Nevada. 1999

***Memories of Alkali Springs,  
Goldfield and Tonopah, Nevada  
1941-1959***

DBC04789

By Metscher, William J.  
Narrated by Michele Burke

Born in 1941 in Tonopah, Metscher tells of growing up in central Nevada, from his early years through his graduation from Tonopah High School. Among the stories are tales of the merchants, businesses, and town folk that were common to the area during that time. Contains some descriptions of sex. 2012

***Blowing: Circa 1868***

DBC04797

By Manning, Teresa  
narrated by Millie Solley

This is a story of three sisters in the 1868's fictional setting of Blowing, Nevada. The story conveys the thrills, dangers and wonders of the real Wild West through the lives of the sisters. 2015

***You Came Back***

DBC04774

By Coake, Christopher  
Narrated by Frieda Ford

A compelling story of a father dealing with his son's death and ghost, while involved in complicated romantic relationships: his obsessive love for his ex-wife and the new love he has for his fiancée. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2012

## Adventures in Outreach

By Brett Silver

When doing outreach events, people ask some interesting questions. One that's very common is people want to be readers or narrators for the audio books.

They might say, "I would love to come read for the blind," or "I used to be in radio, and I think I'd be a great asset to your organization. Are you guys hiring"?

The other common misconception is that all books are recorded in-house. Here's how it actually works:

The majority of our books are narrated by professional voice actors in the National Library Service's studio in Washington D.C. There are two recording booths in the Carson City Talking Book Library for recording the Nevada related books. This is done strictly by volunteers, and volunteers are needed for this program. If you know of anyone who lives in the Carson City area and would like to volunteer to help, ask them to call 775-684-3380.

Join us in the next newsletter when we'll share some of the other questions we get in our outreach travels.

**This newsletter is available in alternative formats upon request.**



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