**Summer 2013 Bulletin Board Newsletter**

**What’s been happening at the WTBBL!**

We have had a few celebrations within the Library lately. Roxanne Staveness took a new position (a promotion!) with the Milwaukee Public Library, and said goodbye to our staff. WTBBL’s new Outreach Librarian is Becky Manz. Becky has been busy with outreach events, but can schedule more if your group would like a presentation or would like the Library to exhibit at an event. You can contact her at 1-800-242-8822 or wtbbl@milwaukee.gov. Emme (Reader’s Advisor) gave birth to a daughter, Isis Khaleesi, on March 11th. Emme is back at work; Mom, Dad and baby Isis are all doing well. Ani (Reader’s Advisor) left the Library to return to her studies, so we have welcomed Sarah (Reader’s Advisor) to our Reference Group. You might already have spoken to Sarah on the phone.

The biggest customer change of the past few months is that audio magazines (including Talking Book Topics) are being sent out on digital cartridge and they have to be returned. For anyone with the interest and Internet access, magazines can be downloaded. Read on in the newsletter to find out more. This newsletter cartridge needs to be returned.

Also, WTBBL replaced our online catalog server in 2013. If you had our OPAC bookmarked, you’ll need to change the address to: http://webopac.klas.com/wmbph.

Here at WTBBL, we appreciate hearing from you. We hear from many that you enjoy our services and we are pleased to be here for you. Our best to you, Linda

**NLS Audio Magazines Now on Digital Cartridge**

In the spring of 2013, NLS launched its transition of the magazine program from analog (cassettes) to digital (cartridges). This means that all NLS-produced audio magazines (INCLUDING Talking Book Topics) will be circulated on digital cartridge and, as with books on digital cartridge, the magazines need to be returned to help keep costs down.

• The cartridge loan period for weekly publications is one week after you receive them.

• The cartridge loan period for monthly, bimonthly, and quarterly publications is one month after you receive them.

• Treat magazine cartridges the same as book cartridges; read your publications, return the cartridge to the red container, flip the mailing card on the container, and place it with your outgoing mail.

• Timely reading and returning of magazine cartridges will help NLS continue to provide the high-quality audio-magazine program you have enjoyed.

In some cases you may receive a magazine cartridge that has more than one magazine on it. The NLS digital talking-book player is equipped with a **bookshelf** feature to assist you in navigating your digital cartridge.

• To activate the **bookshelf** feature, press and hold the green, rectangular Play/Stop button on your player until you hear a beep. Complete audio instructions for using the **bookshelf** feature are included on all cartridges that contain more than one magazine issue.

• Keep in mind that any magazine cartridge that has a monthly, bimonthly, or quarterly publication on it ― even if it also has a weekly publication on it ― will have a loan period of one month after you receive it.

Did you know we can get subscriptions to *The Economist* and *Piano Technicians Journal* for you? If you are interested in receiving either one of these magazines, call or send us a note at WTBBL.

**Exciting News!**

• In late June, 2013, the World Intellectual Property Organization’s (WIPO) Diplomatic Conference for Visually Impaired Persons negotiated the Marrakesh Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons Who are Blind, Visually Impaired, or Otherwise Print Disabled. The historic multilateral Marrakesh Treaty will oblige all nations to establish copyright exceptions for people with print disabilities. Equally importantly, it will increase the international exchange of accessible-format copies of published works. This will be of particular interest to Americans seeking access to published works in a variety of languages.

• For our Braille readers, The Braille Authority of North America (BANA) has agreed to replace English Braille American Edition code with Unified English Braille (UEB). UEB will be phased in over the next several years to give everyone a chance to learn the new code. For more information, you can go to www.brailleauthority.org. Check under the Frequently Asked Questions link.

• Like movies? Want to see a new one when it is at the theater? If the theater listing does not say if the movie has Descriptive Narration (DN) or Descriptive Video Service (DVS), check out MoPix (http://ncam.wgbh.org/mopix) or CaptionFish.com to check for audio-described movies in your area.

**International Newspapers Available**

Added to NFB-NEWSLINE®’s audio newspaper service are 10 international, English language newspapers available through NEWSLINE. These publications can be found in the international newspapers section:

*China Daily, Financial Times (UK),*

*India Times, Jerusalem Post,*

*Kathimerini (Greece), London Telegram,*

*Moscow Times, New Zealand Herald,*

*Toronto Globe and Mail*

What is NFB-NEWSLINE®? It is a service that provides daily access to that day’s, the previous day’s, or the previous Sunday’s issue of over 300 publications. On NFB-NEWSLINE®, the user can easily choose which newspaper, section, and article to read using a standard touch-tone telephone or an iPhone app.

If you want to sign up for NEWSLINE, please contact WTBBL (1-800-242-8822 or wtbbl@milwaukee.gov).

**Here are Some Good Reasons to Contact Us at WTBBL!**

• Heard about a new book from a friend or on the radio and want to see if we have it.

• You have run out of books and need

more.

• You are tired of the books you have been getting lately and would like your reading profile and preferences tuned up. Ask us what books we suggest the most or what we may be reading.

• You have moved, your phone number has changed, or you want to give us your email address to better communicate with you.

• Your group would like a presentation or would like the Library to exhibit at an event.

**2013-2014 WTBBL Holiday & Library Closings**

Make sure to call us at least a week ahead of a closing so you will have books to read. Even if WTBBL is open, some days the Postal Service is on holiday and there is no service.

**Friday, August 30, 2013**

Library Closed (Furlough day)

**Monday, September 2, 2013**

Post Office & Library Closed (Labor Day)

**Monday, October 14, 2013**

Post Office Closed (Columbus Day)

**Monday, November 11, 2013**

Post Office & Library Closed (Veterans

Day)

**Thurs.-Fri., November 28-29, 2013**

Library Closed (Thanksgiving holiday)

**Tues.-Wed., December 24-25, 2013**

Library Closed (Christmas holiday)

**Tuesday, December 31, 2013**

Library Closed (New Year’s Eve holiday)

**Wednesday, January 1, 2014**

Library Closed (New Year’s Day holiday)

**From The Circulation Department**

Remember: if you have a damaged tape or cartridge put a rubber band around it to alert circulation staff that something is wrong with that item. Notes that are put in the case often don’t make it to us but rubber bands stay put. If you have any questions about this, contact WTBBL (1-800-242-8822 or wtbbl@milwaukee.gov).

**Summer Reading Program**

The WTBBL Summer Reading Program is open to all children and teenagers registered with WTBBL. The 2013 program runs June 24th-September 23rd. There will be incen-

tives to earn at the end of the program. Contact Becky at ramanz@milwaukee.gov or Kim at kstomli@milwaukee.gov or call us at 1-800-242-8822 to sign up!

**Send Us Your Email Address**

• If we have your email address, it is easier to send messages to you about your account and there is less paper for you to recycle.

• You can receive the WTBBL newsletter via email too.

• Send us an email at: wtbbl@milwaukee.gov.

**Read All of the Alex Cross Books?**

**You May Also Like These!**

• Stone Barrington series by Stuart Woods

• Nina Reilly series by Perri O’Shaughnessy

• Agatha Raisin series by M.C. Beaton

• Spenser series by Robert B. Parker

• Eve Duncan series by Iris Johansen

• Hercule Poirot series by Agatha Christie

• Alex Delaware series by Jonathan Kellerman

• Jack Reacher series by Lee Child

• Nero Wolfe series by Rex Stout

• Walt Longmire series by Craig Johnson

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