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New Reader Advisor

Bernie Steffan has joined the North Dakota State Library Services for Disabled staff as a reader advisor for the talking book service. Bernie started this past December after retiring from MDU Resources Group after thirty-one years. He says he was interested in this job because he was looking for something less stressful and different.

He attended Dickinson State University and earned a B.S. in education with an emphasis in accounting and a minor in Spanish. Steffan says he really enjoys talking to the patrons, and has found his new job both rewarding and challenging. He says the best part of his new job is how appreciative patrons of the program are of the talking book service.



Bernie Steffan adds talking book requests to a patrons record

Summer Reading

Get ready to discover places unknown this summer during the Governor's Summer Reading Program. This years theme is *Reading Road Trip U.S.A.* Try to imagine the different places you can travel without ever leaving the comfort of your own home, during this summer's program.

The North Dakota State Library will be sending out information before the end of the school year to all schools, and eligible students who are presently active with the talking book program.

Anyone between the ages of 6 and 18 may take part in the summer reading program and will be eligible for some great prizes. You **must** be a member of the North Dakota State Library talking book program to sign up. If you are interested in receiving information about the 2001 summer reading program, or would like more information about the talking book program, please call Terri Wilhelm at the State Library at 1-800-843-9948.

Talking Books Service 1-800-843-9948
Dakota Radio Reading Service 1-701-328-4189
Machine Lending Agency 1-800-421-1181

Health Information Available

The Health Care Financial Administration has provided the North Dakota State Library Services For The Disabled with the following publications concerning Medicare in a variety of alternative formats. The publications are free and do not need to be returned to the library. If you would like to receive any of these publications, please contact the North Dakota State Library Services for the Disabled at 1-800-843-9948.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Format</u>
Medicare and You 2001	Cassette, Braille, Large Print
2000 Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare	Cassette, Braille, Large Print
Medicare and Home Healthcare	Cassette, Braille
Medicare Coverage of Kidney Dialysis and Kidney Transplant Service	Cassette, Braille
Does Your Doctor or Supplier Accept Assignment?	Cassette, Braille
Medicare Hospice Benefit	Cassette, Braille
Choosing a Doctor	Braille
Your Guide to Choosing a Nursing Home	Braille
Medicare Coverage of Skilled Nursing Facility Care	Braille
Choosing a Hospital	Braille

On the Shelf
Biographies About Musicians



RC 14278

The Official Dolly Parton Scrapbook

Author: Connie Berman

Drawing heavily on Dolly Parton's own words, this scrapbook traces her life from childhood in the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee to her success as a country music singer.

RC 48656

Boys II Men

Author: James Earl Hardy

Describes the development of the singers who in a four-year period became a bestselling vocal group. The boys credit their success to hard work and a belief in God. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

RC 45537

The Beatles

Author: Hunter Davies

Originally published in 1968 at the Beatles' peak in popularity, this authorized biography of the internationally acclaimed musical group includes a 1996 update.

RC 47746

Careless Love

Author: Peter Guralnick

This sequel to *Last Train to Memphis* (RC 40087) depicts Elvis Presley's life from 1958 until his death in 1977. Suggests that his manager, Colonel Tom Parker, treated him like a product to be marketed.

RC 44364

Rhinestone Cowboy

Author: Glen Campbell

Campbell recalls his rise from an impoverished Arkansas childhood through working as an on-demand studio musician, to becoming a recording star in the 1960s. He discusses the negative impact of drugs, alcohol, and womanizing on his life.

RC 25953

His Way: The Unauthorized Biography of Frank Sinatra

Author: Kitty Kelley

A penetrating portrait of the star based on three years of research and interviews with hundreds of people associated with Frank Sinatra, including family members, colleagues, and law-enforcement officers.

RC 32693

Blown Away: The Rolling Stones and the Death of the Sixties

Author: A.E. Hotchner

Beginning with the boyhoods of Brian Jones, Keith Richards, Bill Wyman, Charlie Watts, and Mick Jagger, the author covers the years that became a lifetime for these rock musicians. Hotchner draws upon countless interviews, none directly with the Stones, to depict the era of excesses that these five men typify.

RC 32483

Get to the Heart

Author: Barbara Mandrell

As a country music superstar, Barbara Mandrell was at the peak of her career when she was injured in an automobile accident that put her life on hold. Her story describes how she got her start, became a top-of-the-charts singer with her own TV show, and was named entertainer of the year two years in a row.

RC 25695

Tina Turner

Author: D.L. Mabery

Describes the life, hard work, and determination of the rock star whose enduring career has spanned more than two decades. For grades 4-7.

RC 49901

Pop Goes Latin

Author: Nancy Krulik

Traces the life of eleven Latino singers including Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez, Enrique Inglesias, and Christina Aguilera. Analyzes the changes in society and the music industry that led to acceptance of Spanish-language entertainers. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

RC 43173

Living With the Dead

Author: Rock Sculley

An original manager of the group reminisces about the group's folk evolution from folk revivalists to concert rockers.

RC 37856

Voices of the Jazz Age

Author: Chip Deffaa

Sam Wooding, Benny Waters, Joe Tarto, Bud Freeman, Jimmy McPartland, and Freddie Moore reminisce with a jazz critic about their lives, focusing on their respective roles in creating the heyday of jazz in the 1920s.

RC 30541

Behind Closed Doors

Author: Alanna Nash

A collection of twenty-seven interviews with some of the legends of country music, as well as some of the newcomers. Interviewees include Tom T. Hall, Alabama, The Judds, Willie Nelson, Rosanne Cash, Minnie Pearl, Mel Tillis, and Charley Pride.

RC 45389

Ray Charles: Soul Man

Author: Ruth Turk

Biography of the black musician who was blinded by glaucoma as a child. Charles left school at an early age to pursue his musical career. For grades 4-7.

RC 33067

Fleetwood: My Life and Adventures in Fleetwood Mac

Author: Mick Fleetwood

The drummer and sole survivor of the original group, Mick Fleetwood, details their successes and their equally turbulent failures.

How to Access The National Library of Congress For The Blind Union Catalog On the Web

If you are able to access the Internet, you can search the National Library of Congress's (NLS) online catalog. This will allow you to find out what is available in cassette and braille through the State Library. This site also provides information about titles other libraries have recorded, Recording for the Blind's holdings, and general information about the National Library of Congress. Below are the instructions on how to access and use this site for searching.

Step 1: Type in the website: <http://lcweb.loc.gov/nls>, this should bring up the National Library for the Blind web page.

Step 2: Scroll down to the Books, Catalogs and Listings. Click on the line that reads "Web-BLND".

Step 3: This should bring up a page that reads "International Union Catalog for Braille and Audio Materials". Here you can scroll down the page and enter any of the information you have regarding the item you are looking for.

Step 4: Once you enter all the information you have in the boxes, hit enter.

Step 5: This should bring up search results. On the results list you are looking for anything that has an RC number. This stands for Recorded Cassette. You should obtain anything that has an RC number from the North Dakota State Library.

Step 6: You can read more about the item simply by clicking on the underlined title on this page.

Step 7: If you see that the RC item is held by an out-of-state library, we may be able to interlibrary loan the item from that library. You can find this out by contacting the ND State Library. *(Note) You are not able to order anything from NNRB Recordings for the Blind and Dyslexic, unless you are a member of their program.

If you have any problems or questions navigating through this site, please call 1-800-843-9948 for assistance.

Staying Active

In order to stay active with the talking book service at the North Dakota State Library and have access to the cassette player provided, you are required to check out at least one talking book or magazine per year. This does not include cassette books ordered from Recordings for the Blind and Dyslexic in Princeton, New Jersey.

If you are in need of new catalogs to order from, or would like the assistance of a reader advisor to help you choose talking books, please call **1-800-843-9948** Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. If you do not wish to continue this service, please let us know so we can instruct you on the procedures for canceling your talking book services.

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