

# Louisiana Hotlines



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## Holiday closings

March 25                      Good Friday

## Welcome to Materials and Machines

Pamela Blakes is our new library specialist in the materials and machines department, helping to maintain the flow of books for you. Pamela is an avid reader of both fiction and nonfiction. She enjoys several different genres such as mysteries, thrillers, and suspense novels.

## New audio magazines from NLS

Eleven network-produced magazines previously available only for download from BARD have been added to the Magazine on Cartridge (MOC) program for patrons who wish to subscribe. These magazines meet NLS quality standards and will enrich the MOC program by giving patrons more local and national interest options. If interested in subscribing, please contact your reader adviser.

The magazine titles are:

*AARP Bulletin and AARP The Magazine*  
*Audubon*  
*Cowboys and Indians*

*Humpty Dumpty*  
*Missouri Conservationist*  
*National Geographic Traveler*  
*O, The Oprah Magazine*  
*Oklahoma Today*  
*Playboy*  
*Rolling Stone*  
*Seventeen*  
*Smithsonian*  
*Southern Living*  
*Vital Speeches of the Day*

## 2015 Patron TBBL survey

TBBL performed a 2015 patron satisfaction survey. We encouraged all patrons to complete this survey so we could better fulfill their needs. Ninety-eight percent of respondents rated the library as either excellent or good when it came to both staff courtesy and overall service. Also, ninety-six percent of TBBL patrons rated the speed of delivery of their books as excellent or good. If you would like to complete the survey online, visit: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/TBBL2015](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TBBL2015).

## Save the date

The annual Louisiana Book Festival will be on October 29, 2016.

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**EXERCISE**  
*your mind.*  
**READ!**

**Adult Summer Reading Program**

It's time for the TBBL 2016 Adult Summer Reading Program. The Theme this year is "Exercise Your Mind – Read".

If you complete the program by reading 20 books you will be entered into a drawing to win a set of headphones.

To sign up, contact your reader advisor and we will mail you a reading log. Once

you have read 20 books, return the completed reading log to us by mail or call to give us the list over the phone.

Audio books, Braille, large print books and audio magazines all count. If you need any reading suggestions please ask us; we are happy to help! One entry per person; 50 lucky winners will be selected to receive headphones.



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**New network produced digital books**

**DBC 06050** *Clubbed to Death: A Dead-End Job Mystery* by Elaine Viets

After taking a job in the complaint department at the Superior Club, Helen Hawthorne encounters her deadbeat ex-husband, who arrives on the private yacht owned by his new girlfriend, and when he goes missing Helen becomes the prime suspect. Strong language. Some descriptions of sex.

**DBC 06051** *Dying to Call You: A Dead-End Job Mystery* by Elaine Viets

While making the best of her new telemarketing job, Helen Hawthorne thinks she hears a murder on the other end of the line—and must avoid a close call with a killer. Strong language. Some descriptions of sex.

**DBC 06052** *Half-Price Homicide: A Dead-End Job Mystery* by Elaine Viets

Chrissy Martlet, a wealthy developer's trophy wife, is found dead in the dressing room of a high-end designer consignment shop, and Helen, part owner of the shop, ends up being high on the police suspect list. Strong language.

**DBC 05880** *The Chocolate Bear Burglary* by JoAnna Carl

After leaving her bad-news husband back in Texas, Lee McKinney moved up north to a quaint resort town. Now she keeps the books for her aunt's luxury-chocolate shop. Lee attempts to discover who stole the valuable, antique chocolate molds. Sequel to *Chocolate Cat Caper*.

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## BESTSELLERS

### FICTION

**DB81243** *Moriarty* by Anthony Horowitz.

Days after the Swiss waterfall encounter believed to have killed both Sherlock Holmes and criminal mastermind Professor Moriarty, Pinkerton detective Frederick Chase and Scotland Yard inspector Athelney Jones must track down a sinister figure claiming to be Moriarty's successor. Some violence.

**DB81218** *Mightier Than the Sword* by Jeffrey Archer.

1964. As chairman of Barrington Shipping, Emma must deal with the fallout of the IRA bomb threat, from the end of *Be Careful What You Wish For* (DB78524). Harry takes up the cause of a Soviet writer who has run afoul of the Communist Party. Book 5 of *The Clifton Chronicles*.

**DB80546** *Family Furnishings: Selected Stories, 1995-2014* by Alice Munro.

Twenty-four short stories from Nobel Prize winner. *The Bear Came Over the Mountain* features a man who had cheated on his wife through their marriage and is now doing his best to care for her as her memory fails. Some violence and some descriptions of sex.

**DB77900** *The Mayan Secrets: A Fargo Adventure* by Clive Cussler.

Mexico. Married treasure hunters Sam and Remi Fargo discover a skeleton with a sealed pot that holds an ancient Mayan book. The couple must fight off

others who covet the powerful secrets that the text contains.

**DB77822** *King and Maxwell* by David Baldacci.

A teenager hires ex-Secret Service agents Sean King and Michelle Maxwell to find out the truth after he receives a communication from his father—who was reported killed in action in Afghanistan. Their investigation leads to the highest levels of power.

**DB78955** *Delicious!* by Ruth Reichl.

While working for a food magazine, Billie Breslin is on assignment to a family-run Italian cheese shop when she discovers a cache of letters written to celebrated cookbook author James Beard. As Billie uncovers the history behind the correspondence, she confronts her own personal issues. Unrated.

**DB77821** *The Gods of Guilt* by Michael Connelly.

Defense attorney Mickey Haller learns that a former client—a prostitute he thought he had put on the straight and narrow path—had returned to her old life in L.A. when she was murdered. Haller blames himself for her death. Unrated.

### NONFICTION

**DB81051** *You Can, You Will: Eight Undeniable Qualities of a Winner* by Joel Osteen.

Television pastor and author of *Break Out!* (DB77664) enumerates eight principles he believes are the hallmarks

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of winners. Discusses having the creative vision to dream big, being able to focus on your goals, maintaining a positive mindset, expecting the best of yourself, and more.

**DB80541** *You Can't Make This Up: Miracles, Memories, and the Perfect Marriage of Sports and Television* by Al Michaels.

Memoirs of legendary sports broadcaster Michaels (born 1944). Discusses growing up in Brooklyn and moving to Los Angeles as a teen, working to become a sports broadcaster in the 1960s and calling historic games such as the 1980 *Miracle on Ice*.

**DB80514** *The Roosevelts: An Intimate History* by Geoffrey C. Ward.

Historian and author of *Closest Companion* (DB42168), Ward details the lives of presidents Theodore

(1858-1919) and Franklin Delano Roosevelt (1882-1945) and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt (1884-1962).

**DB80480** *Act Like a Success, Think Like a Success: Discovering Your Gift and the Way to Life's Riches* by Steve Harvey.

Comedian, talk show host, and author of *Straight Talk, No Chaser* (DB72505) offers suggestions and exercises to identify unique personal gifts and parlay them into greater success and fulfillment.

**DB80380** *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande.

Surgeon and author of *Complications* (DB56061) and *The Checklist Manifesto* (DB70422) examines the state of end-of-life care in the twenty-first century.

### State Library Announces Poetry Month Program Lineup

In celebration of National Poetry Month, the Louisiana Center for the Book is announcing the sixth annual *Just Listen to Yourself: The Louisiana Poet Laureate Presents Louisiana Poets* program. Peter Cooley, Louisiana Poet Laureate, will host the event Thursday, April 14, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Seminar Center at the State Library of Louisiana, 701 N. Fourth St., Baton Rouge.

Cooley has invited poets from throughout the state to participate in readings of their works. Included are Jack Bedell, Darrell Bourque, Mary Katherine Brake, Gina Ferrara, Lara Glenum, Kelly Harris, Julie Kane, Donney Rose, and John Warner Smith.

Registration is not required for this free event, and attendees are invited to bring brown bag lunches.

The Louisiana Center for the Book was established in the State Library of Louisiana in 1994 for the purpose of stimulating public interest in reading, books and libraries. For more information, visit [www.state.lib.la.us](http://www.state.lib.la.us).

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## TECH TIPS

### How to reset the digital player

1. Turn off the player.
2. Hold down the Tone Up, Speed UP, and Volume Up buttons and press the Power button.
3. The player will say "Creating New Profile." (Release all buttons.)
4. Turn player off/on again.

### "End of book" message

Press the Play/Stop button twice. The player should return to the beginning of the book. If you cannot reach the beginning of the book or you hear the "End of Book" message midway through the book, please contact TBBL for assistance. The book may have an error and we may need to send a replacement.

### Battery life

The digital machine will lose its charge by just sitting unplugged and not in use. TBBL recommends that you leave your digital machine plugged in when not in use to extend the life of the battery. If the battery starts to hold fewer and fewer hours of charge (less than 10 hours), please contact TBBL for a replacement machine.

### State Library database offers history in audio format

EBSCO's History Reference Center is a database that offers full text content from reference books, encyclopedias and non-fiction books, history periodicals, historical documents, biographies of historical figures. Articles can be heard over your computer or

downloaded and played on you digital talking book player. This database is useful for researching historical topics or just for enhancing your knowledge of history. For access to this database, visit: [lalibcon.state.lib.la.us/](http://lalibcon.state.lib.la.us/). If prompted for a login, enter your public library card number.

1. Scroll to and select the link History Reference Center.
2. Choose the U.S. History or World History or one of the links in the Browse Popular sources section.
3. Select **HTML Full Text** in the Search Results list.
4. Select the **Listen** link to listen to the file on your computer.
5. Select the download arrow if you prefer to listen to the file on your digital player.
6. Choose the **Agree and download** button.
7. When Windows asks if you want to open or save the file, select **Save as** from the save drop down menu. Navigate to your flash drive in the **Save as** window.
8. Select the **New folder** link. Name the folder "**audio+podcasts**". Select the **Save** button. The audio file is now on your flash drive and ready play on your digital player. Use the bookshelf feature by pressing and holding the play button on the player. After the player announces "bookshelf" use the fast forward or rewind buttons to navigate to the **Audio Files** folder. Press the play button to listen to the downloaded audio file.

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## Books and Beyond

### A Section for Children and Teens

#### 2016 Summer Reading Program for teens and kids

The 2016 Summer Reading Program is on its way! The program will start in May, so look for your invitation in the mail. Just fill out the registration form and mail it back to TBBL. Or call the children's librarian to register by phone at 225.342.9563.

This year the program has a sports theme: On Your Mark, Get Set... Read!

#### TumbleBookCloud Junior

TumbleBookCloud Junior is a FREE online collection of ebooks and read-along chapter books, non-fiction books, graphic novels, educational videos and audio books provided by the State Library of Louisiana. This database is designed specifically for kids in grades three to six. For those who can read large print, the text can easily be enlarged. You can also change the background color if needed.

To access these resources, go to the Louisiana Library Connection service at [lplibcon.state.lib.la.us/](http://lplibcon.state.lib.la.us/) and find the TumbleBookCloud Jr. link.

#### Spring reading for children and teens

Preschool-Grade 2

DB82203 *The Little Shop of Monsters* by R.L. Stine. At an unusual pet shop, siblings meet a vast array of monsters and choose one to take home.

LP21798 *The Talent Show from the Black Lagoon* by Mike Thaler

It is time for the school talent show. Too bad your best talent is squirting milk from your nose.

Grades 3-6

DB82229 *Sir Cumference and the Dragon of Pi* by Cindy Neuschwander. After Sir Cumference drinks a potion that transforms him into a dragon, his son, Radius, searches for the magic number known as pi, which will restore him to his former shape.

DB81571 *Super Simple Hanging Gardens* by Alex Kuskowski. Provides techniques for growing plants in hanging containers.

Grades 5-8

DB82259 *The Curious World of Calpurnia Tate* by Jacqueline Kelly. While learning science from her naturalist Granddaddy, things get interesting when Callie Vee's little brother brings wild animals home.

DB82610 *First Flight Around the World* by Tim Grove. An account of the 1924 race among six nations to be the first to circumnavigate the globe by airplane.

Grades 6-9 and Young Adult

DB82002 and BR20804 *Jessica Darling's It List 2* by Megan McCafferty. While hosting a slumber party and planning a Halloween costume, twelve year old Jessica tries to navigate the seventh grade social scene with mixed results.

DB82749 and BR21237 *The Sword of Summer* by Rick Riordan. Troubled Boston teen, Magnus Chase, is reunited with mysterious Uncle Randolph. As dangerous creatures hunt them, Magnus learns that he is the son of a Norse god.

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## **Support our TBBL friends organization**

Professor George W. Pugh has officially retired from the Jones Foundation Board. Professor Pugh has served as a member of the Board since it was founded in 1981. He will be honored at the next Board meeting which will be held at the Louisiana State Archives on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

The Jones Foundation acknowledges the following donors for their generous contributions:

Shirley Cospser	Joyce Pugh
Marguerite Smith	Joyce Weber

Since 1981, the Mrs. W. Carruth Jones Foundation has acted as a friends group for the Talking Books and Braille Library in the State Library of Louisiana.

It provides a mechanism for accepting donations to enhance and support library services to the blind and physically handicapped community statewide.

It directly supplements the programs and initiatives of TBBL within the State Library. It is a primary sponsor of the State Library's large print collection, TBBL's summer reading program, and descriptive video collection and it supports volunteer efforts in the area.

To contribute, make checks payable to the Foundation and mail to the following address:

Mrs. W. Carruth Jones Foundation  
1131 N. River Road  
Port Allen, LA 70767

All donations are tax deductible. Anyone who makes a donation receives a one-year membership to the Foundation. For meeting information call Shelia Coleman at 225.342.4942.

## **Library address**

Talking Books and Braille Library  
701 N. Fourth St.  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

## **Telephone numbers**

Toll free: 800.543.4702  
Phone: 225.342.0035  
Fax: 225.342.6817  
Braille service: 800.453.4293

## **Email**

tbbl@state.lib.la.us  
tbblkids@state.lib.la.us

## **Walk-in Hours**

Monday – Thursday  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

## **Email and phone hours**

Monday – Friday  
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

## **Library services**

Audio books and magazines  
Braille books and magazines  
Large print books and big books  
Descriptive videos  
Online catalog  
BARD download service  
BARD mobile apps  
Newspaper reading service

## **Eligibility**

Any Louisiana resident who is unable to read or use standard print materials as a result of a temporary or permanent visual or physical limitation is eligible to receive free library services.

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