

Magazines from Idaho TBS

There is a slight change for patrons of the Idaho Talking Book Service (TBS) who receive magazines on cartridges. Previously, the cartridge cases for magazines were red, but now magazines come in blue cases -- the same color as the cases for books.

Although the cases are the same color, magazines will always be on a separate cartridge from books.

Currently, the audio cartridge introduction states that it contains books, even if the contents of the cartridge are magazines. Hopefully, the National Library Service will update this message soon to minimize confusion.

If you were unaware that nearly 70 magazines are available from the Idaho TBS, contact your customer service representative to find out more. Call 208-334-2150 or email talkingbooks@libraries.idaho.gov.



Photo: TBS cartridge in blue box at mail box.

Read Alikes for Summer

If you are getting a little bored with the same authors, here are some choices that might be new to you. These options are grouped by authors with a similar style or genre. Or call a TBS customer service representative -- they love talking about books and authors and are always happy to provide reading recommendations.

If you like Jonathan Kellerman, try:

Lee Child
Michael Connelly
James Patterson
John Sandford
Minette Walters
Stephen White

If you like Jojo Moyes, try:

Sarah Addison Allen
Lisa Jewell
Liane Moriarty
Kate Morton

If you like Lisa Scottoline, try:

Sandra Brown
Linda Fairstein
Steve Martini
Barbara Parker
Sheldon Siegel
Scott Turow

If you like Karin Slaughter, try:

Megan Abbott
Chelsea Cain
Mo Hayder
Wendy Walker
Sophie Hannah

If you like Danielle Steel, try:

Barbara Taylor Bradford
Barbara Delinsky
Patricia Gaffney
Eileen Goudge
Anne Rivers Siddons



Photo: Smiling woman outdoors with headphones on.

TBS Order Form

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

To order any of the titles from this newsletter, write your name and address in the space indicated above and mark on the line(s) next to the identification number(s) of the title(s) you want. Then, mail the form (pages 3 through 6). Postage is not required. These titles are also available for download from BARD. To register for BARD, call the Talking Book Service at 208-334-2150 / 800-458-3271 or visit: <http://NLSbard.loc.gov>.

Locally Produced Books:

“The Cornerstones of Idaho Sports”

Adult Nonfiction

Author: Myron Finkbeiner

Read By: Lana Thurston and Margo Vaughn-Nelson

In the ancient world, the cornerstone was the most important stone in the building. It set the level, angle, and outer dimensions of the structure. Now, for the first time, read the amazing stories of early-day Idaho athletes who have set the standard for current and future aspirants. Finkbeiner and other prominent writers have examined sports greats from Walter Johnson to Harmon Killebrew and the role they played in providing the foundation. They are the cornerstones for Idaho sports.

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"Better an Honest Scoundrel: Chronicles of a Western Lawman"

Adult Nonfiction

Author: Stephen T. Watts

Read By: Maryan Stephens

From California to Texas, Europe to Alaska, Steve Watts grew up living a life of excitement and adventure. Coming from a broken home, he was in and out of trouble early in life. Always learning from his experiences, he reached a point when settling down became attractive, and with his new wife, Marilyn, chose Idaho as the place. For his life's profession, he chose law enforcement, which was prompted by experience and exposure to lawmen who had made a difference in his own life. Watts had a desire to make his own difference in other people's lives. He finished his schooling and was on his way. The first year he worked as a uniformed street cop and then became a city detective for 15 years. Watts progressed to being a criminal investigator with the Idaho State Bureau of Investigation and, late in his career, a federal investigator for the U.S government. In his book, Watts chooses a few investigations he was involved in to tell fascinating true stories and give the reader insight into the real police world and those who inhabit it.

_____ DBC00877 2003 15 hours, 20 minutes

"Sails of Fortune"

Adult Fiction

Author: Christine Echeverria Bender

Read By: Don Evans

Meticulously researched, this historical fiction details Ferdinand Magellan's heroic attempt to circumnavigate the globe with his crew of Basque fishermen led by the stalwart Juan Sebastian de Elcano. Magellan is credited with circumnavigating the globe, but he didn't actually succeed.

_____ DBC00833 2005 14 hours, 30 minutes

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"John Mullan: The Tumultuous Life of a Western Road Builder"

Adult Nonfiction

Author: Keith C. Peterson

Read By: Sue Vap

John Mullan's celebrated road -- a 625-mile link that connected the Missouri and Columbia Rivers -- established the West Point graduate as an accomplished engineer. The arterial eventually became a critical link in America's longest interstate freeway, I-90. Yet despite frequent mentions in books about the 19th century Northwest, the soldier-explorer has remained little more than a caricature: a dashing young Army officer who comes West, builds one of its most important thoroughfares, and then disappears from regional literature. Now in lively prose, Idaho State Historian Keith Peterson takes a fresh look at Mullan, whose road significantly impacted the development of the Northwest. The first comprehensive portrayal of John Mullan's life, this deeply researched biography probes the explorer's complex personality, his rise to fame, and his fall from grace.

_____ DBC00904 2014 14 hours, 42 minutes

"The Seventh Unicorn"

Adult Fiction

Author: Kelly Jones

Read By: Kris Query

Alex Pellier is passionate about only two things in life -- her precocious 6-year-old daughter and her work as a curator for the Cluny Museum in Paris. Among a storehouse of items dating back to the 13th century, Alex discovers a centuries-old poem. A mystery unfolds and an exciting new journey begins. It could lead Alex to the greatest find of her career -- and to an encounter with the man she thought she had lost forever. Some descriptions of sex.

_____ DBC00939 2005 12 hours, 8 minutes

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Machine Maintenance

If your TBS player needs a little love -- such as a new battery or replacement feet -- just send it back to us, and we will fix it up and mail it right back. No postage necessary. Use the address above. It is great if you send the player back in its original box, but if that box is long gone, just use one you have (or call us for a box).

Recent Donations to the Idaho TBS (April through June 2024)

General Donations:

Leta Carlson	Margaret Mortensen
Sherlene Clove	Joan Perdue
Theresa Gross	Nadamayi Shanti
Ralph Lehman	Alene Smith
Carina Martin	Janett Wagner
Richard Moore	

Debra Kimbro in honor of Dorothy McKelley

Memorial Donation:

Nancy Hegg in memory of Doris Ann Tuttle

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<https://idahotalkingbooks.org>.

Our sincere thanks to all who give so generously.

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10² Club



Our centenarian joining the Ten-Squared Club is:

Fred Yates

who has read 573 books since joining the TBS in 2015.



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