
In *Focus*

Summer 2020



***News from the BSBP Braille and
Talking Book Library (BTBL)***

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The End of an Era

On Friday, June 12th our long-time manager, Sue Chinault, retired after 17 years of service with BTBL.

Sue's leadership through the years helped navigate important milestones in the history of our Talking Book service. From the switch from cassette format to digital books and players, to random shelving, to Download on Demand, Sue saw us through them all. She guided the library through name and department changes, staffing changes, and remodels. The list goes on and on. What did not change was the unwavering support to staff and patrons that Sue exhibited through each and every one of these transitions.

A fitting acknowledgement of Sue's great leadership and adaptability came in 2015, when the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled, Library of Congress awarded BTBL with the coveted Library of the Year Award.

Unfortunately, Sue's retirement here at BTBL was somewhat overshadowed by the pandemic, and she was not able to have a proper send-off. So, we wanted to use this space to acknowledge the role she played here, congratulate her on her retirement, and wish her luck on the next part of her journey.

Sue,

May you spend endless time gardening, enjoying your old Yooper stomping ground, doing crosswords, and spending time with your family, especially those grandkids you miss so much. We miss you!

BTBL Staff

BTBL Calendar and News ---

BTBL Club Info

Clubs are currently virtual only. Computer and Book Club meet the second Saturday of the month at 10:30 and 1:30, respectively. Club dates are always subject to change, especially around the holidays.

You may join our clubs by dialing 1-888-278-0296 and entering the access code 5836578.

BTBL Calendar of Events:

September 12: **Technology Club** – Michigan eLibrary presented by Sonya Norris

September 12: **Book Club** – *Broke: Hardship and resilience in a city of broken promises* by Jodie Kirshner (DB98543)

October 10: **Technology Club** – iOS updates presented by Al Puzzuoli and A Look at Accessible Voting presented by Scott Norris

October 10: **Book Club** – To Be Announced

October 22: **Consumer Involvement Committee (CIC) Meeting** – This call is open to all patrons. We encourage your participation! Use the dial-in information listed above, and join us from 1-2:30 p.m.

November 14: **Technology Club** – Holiday Shopping presented by J.J. Meddaugh of AT Guys

November 14: **Book Club** – To Be Announced

Note: All programs are subject to change. Please call ahead to confirm.

Digital Talking Book Players: Frequently Asked Questions

When I first got my machine, it charged up to “greater than 29 hours” of battery time. Now a full charge is only 12 hours, or even less! Do I need a new machine?

The batteries on these machines naturally lose a little time as they get older. As long as the machine holds enough charge to get you through what you want to read in a sitting, you should be absolutely fine. You can even keep the machine plugged in while you listen. However, if the machine is only playing for a couple hours and you have no conveniently located outlets, or if the machine says it has hours of battery life left but then dies unexpectedly, please let us know, and we will get you a replacement as soon as possible.

How long do I need to leave the player plugged in to fully charge the battery?

The battery will fully charge from a completely discharged state in less than 3 hours. To extend the service life of the battery, it will only charge after you have used it for several hours or after being unused for several weeks.

The player has become unresponsive. Every time I press a button it beeps, but nothing happens.

In the unlikely event that the player has entered this condition, hold down the Power button firmly for at least 7 seconds (a reset beep will be heard). If you have any bookmarks, this resetting process will not delete them.

Donations: Library of Michigan Foundation

We are always so thankful for the kind donations sent to help support BTBL! As a reminder, **please make any donation checks out to “Library of Michigan Foundation” with a note on the memo line “BTBL”**. This will ensure your generous donation supports BTBL directly. For more information on how to donate, please see page 15.

Patron Notes

Please be sure to include the full first and last name and phone number on any notes you put in the cartridge cases. Our new check-in process makes it more difficult to determine who notes come from. We always do our best to enter book requests and subject preferences for patrons that take the time to write us notes. If you've sent a note, but have not seen your request come through, please call us with that request instead. We enjoy hearing from you!

Technology Corner

Scott Norris and Bridgid Turner, Adaptive Technology Librarians
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From workplace interactions, to church services, to exercise classes, a lot of our daily interactions that used to be in-person are now being done through online meeting platforms. If you want to try this out but haven't felt comfortable doing so yet, we have you covered! In this article, we will discuss some of the more common virtual meeting platforms. Still feel uneasy? Just give us a call. We are happy to schedule an appointment to work with patrons over the phone.

Though there are a variety of platforms out there for virtual meetings, not all are accessible. Some of the most commonly used platforms are Zoom, Microsoft Teams, and Webex. These are available as apps for mobile devices as well as options that can be used on a desktop.

According to several screen reader users, the most accessible of these platforms is Zoom. As a comparison, Zoom has one page of key commands for JAWS (a common screen reader) whereas Microsoft Teams has fourteen pages of key commands. Further, Zoom works better for people with hearing issues who use an interpreter. The Zoom mobile app is also very convenient. If you are sent a link for a meeting in a text message, you can just select it and you will go directly to the app and the meeting will open right up.

Webex does not work well with screen readers, but for patrons using screen enlargement, this platform is still a good option. Microsoft Teams has similar issues with parts being unlabeled, so they do not read with screen readers.

So how can you learn to use this great technology? There is a free audiobook "Meet Me Accessibly – A Guide to Zoom Cloud Meetings from a Blindness Perspective" available at mosen.org/zoom/. Freedom Scientific also offers a webinar on using Zoom with JAWS available at www.freedomscientific.com/webinars/jaws-and-zoom-a-lesson-on-learning/

Local Recordings

Betsie Branch, Studio Coordinator Librarian
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These books were recorded by volunteers at the Michigan Braille and Talking Book Library and are available on digital cartridge or for download from the National Library Service's (NLS) online Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) database: <https://nlsbard.loc.gov/>

NON-FICTION

DBC16188 - *Wild Women of Michigan: a History of Spunk and Tenacity* by Norma Lewis, read by Lili Krezel. Collection of short biographies of women who have made an impact on Michigan throughout history. For high school and adult. 2017. (4h 10m)

DBC16175 - *Upper Peninsula of Michigan: a History* by Russell M. Magnaghi, read by Michael P. Donovan. A complete history of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, from prehistoric origins to the early 21st century. 2018. (21h 21m)

DBC16194 - *Michigan POW Camps in World War II* by Gregory D. Sumner, read by Lili Krezel. German and Italian prisoners of war were detained in camps throughout Michigan during World War II and performed unskilled labor that contributed to the wartime economy. 2018. (4h 3m)

DBC11219 - *Prohibition in the Upper Peninsula: Booze & Bootleggers on the Border* by Russell M. Magnaghi, read by Michael P. Donovan. History of the Prohibition era in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan including moonshiners, Bootleggers, and rumrunners. 2017. (5h 42m)

DBC16187 - *A Love Affair with the U.P.* by Cully Gage, read by Dan Junttila. Essays from Cully Gage about his life growing up in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. 1988. (4h 31m)

BTBL Staff Picks

Caitlin Wolfe, Librarian
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DB 89420 - *Bluebird, Bluebird: a novel* by Attica Locke. Black Texas Ranger Darren Mathews travels up Highway 59 to the small town of Lark, where two murders--a black lawyer from Chicago and a local white woman--have stirred up a hornet's nest of resentment. Darren must solve the crimes before Lark's long-simmering racial tensions erupt. Violence and strong language. Commercial audiobook. 2017.

"This is the first in the Highway 59 series. A real page turner, *Bluebird, Bluebird* reels you in and keeps you guessing. Though the main character is flawed, you come to respect him and the way he does his job. I also love how it examines all of the racial undertones that come with being a black Texas Ranger without tiptoeing around them. I am excited to read the next one, *Heaven, My Home*, DB96855." – Bridgid, BTBL Librarian

DB 55748 - *The Devil in the White City: Murder, magic, and madness at the fair that changed America* by Erik Larson, read by Bruce Huntley. The author of *Isaac's Storm* (DB 48811) traces the crimes of Dr. H.H. Holmes, a serial killer who preyed on young women during the 1893 Chicago World's Fair in the amazing landscape that architect Daniel H. Burnham created in a mere two years. Bestseller. 2003.

"So many things that debuted at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair are still popular today—Ferris wheels, Pabst Blue Ribbon, and Shredded Wheat, to name a few. It was interesting to read about the difficulties that plagued the Fair behind the scenes and how many logistical problems almost kept it from happening at all. If that weren't enough to keep your interest, the author switches between describing the Fair and its setup and the deeds of notorious serial killer H. H. Holmes, who preyed on those who were drawn to the popular event." – Caitlin, BTBL Librarian

DB 93881 - *Good Riddance* by Elinor Lipman. In a fit of decluttering, Daphne Maritch throws away the heavily annotated yearbook she inherited from her mother, June. It is rescued from the recycling bin by her nosy neighbor, a documentary filmmaker, which leads to uncomfortable revelations about Daphne's family. Some strong language. Commercial audiobook. 2019.

“This story is so unique with quirky situations and complex relationships. Though the story is really about a family coping with the loss of the mother, it is not especially sad because there is a little bit of a romance and lots of subtle humor to keep the story light. – Betsie, BTBL Librarian

DB 77099 – *Crazy Rich Asians* by Kevin Kwan. Nicholas Young brings his girlfriend Rachel Chu home to Singapore to meet his wealthy family. But Rachel finds herself unable to cope with his rich and spiteful relatives- especially his mother. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2013.

“If you want to see how the other half lives, this is the book for you. It details the behavior and spending of the super ultra-rich of Singapore. It doesn't stop here though, it shows how even with more money than any of us can imagine, there are the same relationship problems that we all face. This is usually not my type of thing, but I would recommend giving this one a try.”– Bridgid, BTBL Librarian

DB 78150 – *The Rosie Project: a novel* by Graeme C. Simsion, read by Guy Williams. Socially stunted geneticist Don Tillman embarks on an endeavor he calls the Wife Project. As he quantifies the qualities of a perfect wife, he encounters Rosie, who seeks Don's help in identifying her real father. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2013.

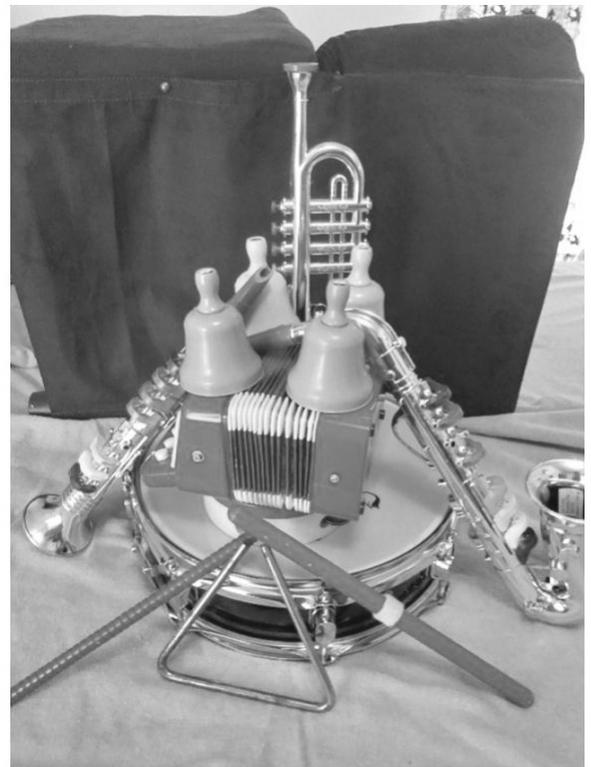
“This light romance shows that love has a way of not being practical, and that sometimes getting out of our comfort zones can be better for us.” - Caitlin, BTBL Librarian

Youth Services

Stephanie Wambaugh, Youth and Outreach Librarian
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Summer Reading Comes to an End

The *Imagine Your Story* summer reading program came to an end August 9th, and the creative entries from the participants once again blew us away! We wish we had space to feature all the amazing entries for the Castle in the Sky construction contest, as well as the Fracture a Fairytale writing contest.



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and the Beanstalk inspired castle in the sky.

Poster board sized, this castle is detailed, from the table in the clouds, to the clothesline on the ground, to the very real bean plants growing in cups at the base. Great job!

(Right) Dakota R. submitted a “music castle” due to his love of all things music related. Instruments make up the entire castle, including a drum, triangle, clarinet, bells, and more! Colorful, creative, and completely unique.

Around the State

The following programs may be offered only to patrons within the counties served for each library location. To find out if a program is available to you, refer to the library listings on page 14 or call the location in question to verify.

Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled

343 South Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 • 1-866-732-1120

- **SAVE THE DATE!** VISIONS 2020: Technology & Services for the Blind, Visually Impaired & Physically Disabled. Wednesday, May 13, 11am-4pm. At Ann Arbor District Library: 343 South Fifth Ave, Ann Arbor, MI. Free admission, convenient parking, product demonstrations, and sighted assistants.
 - **Harnessing Adversity with Ingrid Ricks.** Ingrid Ricks, New York Times bestselling author, writing coach, inclusion activist and inspirational speaker asks: Are you harnessing your adversity, or is it harnessing you?
 - **Independent Living for Blind Seniors.** The Independent Living (IL) Program of Michigan's Bureau of Services for Blind Person is a federal-state partnership providing services to Michigan residents age 55 and older who are visually impaired. Join BSBP's staff as they give an overview of this program, including eligibility requirements, what to expect once you're involved and hear about the success others have experienced by participating.

Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped @ CMPL

40900 Romeo Plank, Clinton Township, MI 48038 • 1-855-203-5274

- **Now Open!** Please give us a call for your reading needs or questions. Although we always love to see our patrons in person, please note that it is strongly recommended that you call us first before coming to the library.
- **Vision Network Group by Phone.** Join us the third Monday of every month at 10 a.m. to connect with other people who have vision issues. Call 1-712-770-4700 and, when prompted, enter the code 465124. You will be placed into a conference call with patrons of our library. The phone meeting is moderated by our facilitator, Marie. The group discusses issues that people with vision challenges face on a daily basis.

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- **Book Discussion Group by Phone.** Join us by phone for a fun and informal book discussion with our host and moderator, Marie. Each month the library chooses a book for our members to read. We will send you the audiobook in advance to give you plenty of time to finish your book. We meet on the first Monday of every month, except for holiday Mondays.

Oakland Talking Book Service @ Rochester Hills Public Library

500 Olde Towne Rd, Rochester, MI 48307 • **1-800-774-4542**

- **Phoney Friends Book Group.** If you are looking for an opportunity to discuss great books and chat with other OTBS patrons, please consider joining the next Phoney Friends Book Group. Every month, the group will discuss books via conference call so you can participate from the comfort of your own home. The discussion takes place on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.
- **Book Friends.** Our monthly book discussion group that meets at the Good Samaritan Lutheran Church in Pontiac on the 1st Monday of each month at 1 p.m. has gone virtual. Until further notice, this group will meet via conference call. Please call for current book title and details.

Talking Book Library @ Traverse Area District Library

610 Woodmere Ave, Traverse City, MI 49686 • **1-877-931-8558**

- **Office Hours.** Currently our office is staffed and open for walk-ins on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and by appointment. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, we continue to conduct all regular business remotely, so feel free to call and leave a detailed message with your book orders and questions.
- **Magnifier Exchange.** Do you have a clean, working magnifying device you no longer use? We are happy to accept donations of handheld magnifiers (at least 4x), digital CCTV readers, free-standing magnifiers etc. to pass along to other patrons who can use them, free of charge.
- **Support Groups.**
 - The Traverse City Visually Impaired Persons group meets monthly, currently through conference call or outdoor gathering. Contact Melinda Hollands at 231-590-0986 or mhollandstc@gmail.com for more information.
 - The Cadillac Area Low Vision group is on temporary hiatus, but usually meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Wexford County Council on Aging, 10-11 a.m. Contact Connie Payne at 231-779-0149 for updates.

Great Lakes Talking Books

1615 Presque Isle, Marquette, MI 49855 • 1-800-562-8985

- **Staff Changes.** We want to wish Lynn Buckland-Brown a happy retirement as of April 20th! Tonia Bickford has taken over her position and is happy to help you with your book needs.
- **Building Reopening.** We opened to visitors in early August!
- **GLTB Recording booth activity.**
 - In 2019, NLS added our recording of “A Love Affair with the UP” by Cully Gage and narrated by Dan Junntila. DBC 16187
 - We are in final edits on “The Last Northwoods Reader: Book 4” by Cully Gage, narrated by Mark Hamari.
 - Recording the first annual publication of the “UP Reader” by the Upper Peninsula Publishers and Authors Association (UPPAA.org). Narration by Brandy Thomas.
 - Recording “Laughing Whitefish” by Robert Traver. Narration by Mark Hamari.

Library for Assistive Media and Talking Books (St. Clair County)

210 McMorran Blvd, Port Huron, MI 48060 • 1-800-272-8570

- **Perkins SMART Braille.** Thanks to the Public Library Services Grant Program, the Perkins SMART Braille will be available for delivery to any person, school or institution who has a connection to Talking Books starting this fall! The device allows users to connect and communicate with others by using a digital screen and audio output to share their braille writing. Now teachers in traditional classrooms can see what their students are brailleing. Sighted parents can help their visually impaired children with homework. And students can take the lead in their own braille education.

Braille and Talking Books @ Taylor Community Library

12303 Pardee Rd, Taylor, Michigan 48180 • 1- 844-307-1621

- **Remote Programs Currently Offered.** Currently, programs are only being offered remotely due to COVID-19. Call in to our conference line at: 712-775-7031, access code: 965803. Or online at bit.ly/TCLbtbcall
 - **Brown Bag Book Discussion.** Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 p.m. Please call for titles.
 - **Visually Impaired People's (VIP) Support Group.** Meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at 12 p.m.

- **Curbside Pickup is also available!** Call ahead to request digital books during our curbside hours and we'll bring them right out to you when you arrive! Current curbside hours are:
 - Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 - *Please note, we are closed from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. daily for cleaning.

Detroit Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

3666 Grand River Ave, Detroit, MI 48208 • **1-313-481-1702**

- **Phone Hours Open.** Detroit LBPH staff is in the building, ready to answer phone calls and take orders for talking books. However, the building is still closed to the public.
- **Summer Reading.** TJoin the #313 Summer Reading Challenge presented by the Detroit Public Library partnered with City of Detroit Arts, Culture and Entrepreneurship.

Between now and September 7th, record your reading minutes for a weekly chance to win \$25 gift cards! Keep reading and writing down your minutes to share with your community and help reach our goal of reading 3.13 million minutes this summer.

To register, call 313 481-1702 or email us at lbph@detroitpubliclibrary.org. Weekly winners will be notified via email or phone.

Muskegon Area District Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled

4845 Airline Road, Unit 5, Muskegon, MI 49444 • **1- 877-569-4801**

- **We're Open.** If you would like to come into the LVPD to use our adaptive technology or talk to the librarian, we are open for you.
- **Support Groups.** Check out our local low vision support groups which all meet monthly.
 - Muskegon County: 3rd Wednesday at 1:45 p.m. located at United Way of the Lakeshore, 31 E. Clay.
 - Ottawa County:
 - Grand Haven – 2nd Tuesday at 2:45 p.m. located at Village at the Pines, 1450 S. Ferry St.
 - Holland – 4th Monday at 2:15 p.m. located at Village at Appledorn, 630 Hastings Ave.
 - Zeeland – 4th Monday at 2:15 p.m. located at Royal Park Place, 500 Parkside Dr.

BSBP Updates

Digital Recording Options: Finding the right one for you -Suggestions from BSBP Rehabilitation Teachers

Low vision or blindness creates unique challenges when it comes to communication needs. Taking notes and accessing information are two tasks that lead to greater independence and dignity. One of the most common problems we hear as Vision Rehabilitation Therapists is “how can I keep track of my appointments or phone numbers if I can’t see”. Digital recorders are an excellent tool to consider, but it can be hard to find what will work best for you with so many options on the market. Here are three commonly used recorder options for you to consider, based on your individual needs:

1. **Wilson Digital Voice Recorder Version 8.** This is a very simple, entry-level tool that can meet the needs of most people. The device has five buttons that are used for recording messages, playing messages, deleting messages, adjusting the volume and quickly skipping through messages. The device allows for up to 12 hours of recording time and measures only 3” x 2”. It uses two AAA batteries and costs, on average \$42.00 depending on the vendor. The device typically can be purchased through LS&S, Maxi-Aids, or other online merchants including Amazon. Currently, this device is on back-order from all merchants, but hopefully will be available again soon. (Recommended by Karyn S.)
2. **The Olympus VN-7200.** This is a basic digital voice recorder that offers a little more than the Wilson Digital Recorder mentioned above. The main difference/benefit is that this recorder offers a way to organize your voice recordings. It is about half the size of a deck of cards. The buttons on the device are small, but still distinguishable. You can effectively mark them with bump dots or velcro to improve usability and orientation. The audio feedback (beeping sounds) allows most persons with a visual impairment to still use the device independently. You can record up to 1,151 hours of uninterrupted audio in LP mode. The device has four folders that you can save your voice recordings in. The device is powered by two AAA batteries. It can be purchased online, including at Amazon currently for \$59.00. (Recommended by Jenny D. and Caitlin S.)
3. **iRecord.** This is a simple and easy-to-use audio recorder which can record voices and sounds on an iPhone. Downloading this app to an apple iPhone eliminates the need to have an additional device for recording while on the go. Once you purchase this app you will get updates FREE forever! With unlimited recording time, the ability to adjust audio volume by using slider, pause or continue during recording and playback, as well as many other features, this is an ideal solution for those people that already have and are comfortable using an iPhone. The cost of this app is \$0.99. (Recommended by Shawnese L.)

Michigan Talking Book Libraries

Bureau of Services for Blind Persons, Braille and Talking Book Library

1-800-992-9012 Counties served: Alcona, Allegan, Arenac, Barry, Bay, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Clinton, Eaton, Emmet, Gladwin, Gratiot, Hillsdale, Ingham, Iosco, Isabella, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lake, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Monroe, Montmorency, Newaygo, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Saginaw, Shiawassee, Saint Joseph, Van Buren

Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled @ AADL

1-734-327-4224 Counties served: Washtenaw

Great Lakes Talking Books

1-800-562-8985 Counties served: Alger, Alpena, Baraga, Chippewa, Crawford, Delta, Dickinson, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Luce, Mackinac, Marquette, Menominee, Ontonagon, Schoolcraft

Oakland Talking Book Service @ RHPL

1-800-774-4542 Counties served: Oakland

Genesee District Talking Book Center

1-866-732-1120 Counties served: Genesee

Kent District Library Talking Book and Braille Center

1-616-784-2007 Counties served: Ionia, Kent, Montcalm

Traverse Area District Library & Talking Book Library

1-877-931-8558 Counties served: Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Wexford

Library for Assistive Media and Talking Books (St. Clair County)

1-800-272-8570 Counties served: Huron, Saint Clair, Sanilac, Tuscola

Muskegon Area District Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled

1-231-737-6310, 1-877-569-4801 (Ottawa) Counties served: Muskegon, Ottawa

Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped @ CMPL

1-586-286-1580 Counties served: Macomb

Braille and Talking Books @ Taylor Community Library

1-734-287-4840 Serving Wayne County

Detroit Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1-313-481-1702 Serving cities of Detroit and Highland Park

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Lansing, MI 48901



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By Fax: 1-800-726-7323 (toll-free)

By E-Mail: btbl@michigan.gov

On the Web: www.michigan.gov/btbl

BARD:
<https://nlsbard.loc.gov>
(to download digital books)

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