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CTBL News

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Highlighting — 2017 Library of the Year

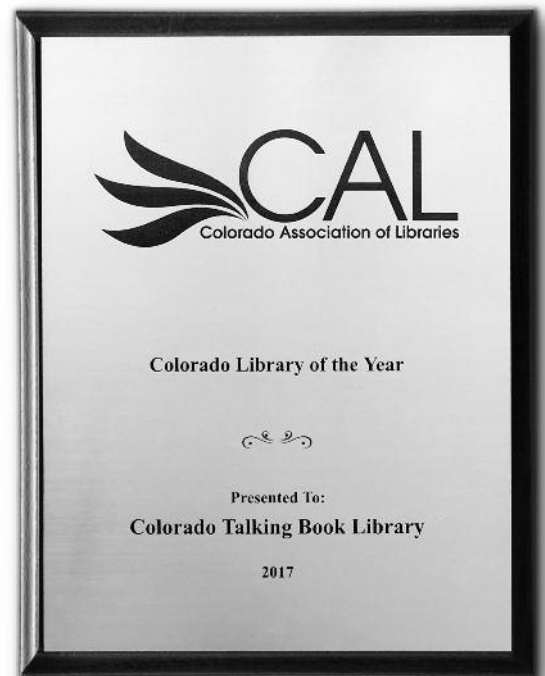
On Friday October 13th CTBL accepted the Library of the Year award presented by the Colorado Association of Libraries.

We are deeply honored for the recognition of the work we do at CTBL. Our patrons tell us that we change the quality of their lives.

They are less isolated and less depressed. The work we do makes a difference in people's lives every day.

Hillary Clinton says "It takes a village" and our village consists of a small but mighty staff, a dedicated volunteer posse and a committed Friends of CTBL.

We could not deliver the high level of customer service to our patrons without their support. Together we keep people connected to reading and adventure.



**CTBL will be closed on the following days in 2018:
January 1st, January 15th, February 19th, and May 28th**

From the Director

Time moves on and technology changes. As such CTBL said goodbye to cassettes and is no longer circulating them. NLS made the cassette machine obsolete and there are very few parts available to keep them running. It was a robust technology that lasted well over 40 years. If you have a cassette machine and/or books that you no longer need, please return them to the library.

The digital age has brought us a new player and cartridges as well as BARD — a download service of books, magazines in audio and braille — and BARD Mobile for your smart devices. There will be more changes to come in the next 5 years.

Check out the Friends of CTBL Facebook page or follow on Twitter.

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@friendsofctbl 

Brackets for Good Fundraising Tournament 2018

The Friends of CTBL is participating in the tournament again this year. This fundraising event is modeled on the March Madness collegiate basketball tournament. It is played out on social media. There are 6 rounds starting March 2nd. Look for more information in February and March.



Help the Friends by retweeting our tweets and sharing our Facebook posts to your community. Of course you can make a donation so watch the website for the link.

CTBL Reads — Driving Miss Norma DB088643 & PR026639

When the author's father died unexpectedly and his ninety-year-old mother, Norma, was diagnosed with cancer, he and his coauthor wife invited Norma to join them in traveling around the country in an RV. Describes their year-long adventure that covered thirty-two states and fifteen national parks and attracted many fans. Some strong language. 2017.

Author: Tim Bauerschmidt & Raime Liddle

Narrator: Jon Pinnow ** Time: 7 hrs. 21 mins.

We will not be having a phone call in with the book this time.

Book Club Input Requested

In the past two patron surveys, 10% of patrons indicated they would participate in a phone based book club. This translates to about 600 people. Over the past several years we have provided such an opportunity with CTBL Reads. While we had about 15 people calling in, the numbers have dwindled to 4. I am wondering why the numbers were not bigger and if a book club is something patrons want to participate in. Please let a reader advisor know your opinion in this matter.

Wanted — Finished reading your books & magazines?

Please send them back when you have finished reading. Other patrons may be waiting to read those titles. And for the newsletters and magazines the cartridges need to be reused.

Friends of CTBL Seeking Patron Board Members

As most readers of this newsletter are aware, CTBL is blessed in having a strong Friends of CTBL whose mission is to assist the library and its ability to serve its patrons. The Board is currently seeking interested candidates who are patrons. Meetings are held the third Tuesday night of January, April, July and October from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Attendance in person is required and transportation is not reimbursed. For more information or an application, please email info@friendsofctbl.org or visit <http://www.friendsofctbl.org>

Tech Talk — Updated CTBL Website

CTBL During the Spring and Summer of 2017, CTBL's website was modernized and redesigned. The website was user tested in September and went live on October 30th.

These changes required us to change to a new URL. The website can now be found at <https://myctbl.cde.state.co.us> You can also still reach the site using www.myctbl.org However, if you had any pages on the old site bookmarked, you will need to update those bookmarks in your browser.

The new site gets rid of all the tables the old site used for formatting making it more accessible to screen readers. We also had the new site designed to be responsive so that it automatically resizes for use on mobile devices. If you haven't seen the new site yet, check it out and let us know what you think.

www.myctbl.org

NLS Music Section — Music Scores and Books

The music collection includes braille and large-print musical scores, recorded instructional materials, and recorded materials about music and musicians. Materials are physical or downloadable.

Any patron is eligible for NLS music services. While patrons receive most NLS services through CTBL, music materials are circulated directly to patrons from the NLS in Washington, D.C. Call the CTBL library to complete an application.

Also check out their blog NLS Music Notes at:
<https://blogs.loc.gov/nls-music-notes/>

BARD Express

BARD Express, a Windows-based application, simplifies the process of downloading and transferring audio materials. The major advantage is that BARD Express unzips and transfers the files to a cartridge for you with the click of a button. You can download it from the BARD website.

Online Databases @ www.myCTBL.org

You can access them from your computer and your patron number. For more information, to explore these databases and how learn to access them in detail, please go to:
<https://myctbl.cde.state.co.us/databases>

Magazine list is available on request.

Resource of Interest — Eyes to Success Podcasts

Eyes On Success is a half-hour weekly podcast discusses products, services and daily living tips for people with vision loss. It is hosted and produced by Peter Torpey and Nancy Goodman Torpey.

Topics range from detailed descriptions of adaptive equipment and programs such as screen readers and portable Braille displays to discussions of various accessible reading materials to personal stories of engaging in extreme sports and other hobbies. There's something for everyone on Eyes On Success. Peter is blind and Nancy is sighted.

<https://www.eyesonsuccess.net/>

Volunteers — Celebrating Our Volunteers

On December 2nd the Friends of Colorado Talking Book Library hosted the annual holiday brunch to celebrate our volunteers.

A Proclamation from Governor Hickenlooper was read honoring Ted Schmidt for the 30 years he has volunteered with the Pioneer machine repair groups in Arizona and Colorado. A plaque to celebrate Ted's work will be installed on the CTBL Volunteer honor hall.

Volunteers who were honored for reaching a milestone year include:

5-Year Award

Sharyl Baasch	Susan Franklin	Dan Messer
Richard Bosler	Jim Gieseman	Kerrie Olsen
Anne Brown	Morris Jessop	Dick Ritchie
Jerrold Davis	Ronald Kurtz	Gerald Wild
Darrel Del Duca	Bill McGuire	Mitchell Woods
Cheryl Fish		

10-Year Award

Houston "Tex" Elam
Mary Ann McCann

Dolores Miller
Angelo Minuti

Nicola Najjar
Beverley Zier

15-Year Award

Sharon Huckins

20-Year Award

David Knutson
Moni Monismith

25-Year Award

John Taylor

30-Year Award

Ted Schmidt



CTBL's first year volunteers

Congratulations to each of these volunteers; your dedication to CTBL allows us to continue providing quality service to our patrons and have made it possible for our library to be named Colorado Association of Libraries Library of the Year.

Thank you!

If you are interested in volunteering for CTBL, visit our website at www.myctbl.org and complete the Volunteer Application found on the volunteer page.

Ted Schmidt and
Debbi MacLeod



Collection News — Suggestions from New Additions

New DVDs with Descriptive Video

Audio descriptions is embedded in each disc. Additional titles available, please contact the library for more information.

PBS Children's Programs

- MD00198 — Arthur: Binky Goes Nuts: An Arthur Adventure
- MD00199 — Arthur's Music Jamboree: An Arthur Adventure

Animated Book Series

Similar to the classic "Reading Rainbow" videos these DVDs feature a narrator reading the book accompanied by an animated version of the book's original illustrations. The DVDs also have descriptive video and caption features.

- MD00192 — All the World
- MD00187 — And Then It's Spring
- MD00190 — Coretta Scott
- MD00194 — Each Kindness
- MD00177 — Fletcher and the Snowflake Christmas
- MD00180 — I Want My Hat Back
- MD00195 — Inch by Inch
- MD00179 — Ish
- MD00178 — Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla
- MD00188 — Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln
- MD00181 — Kitten's First Full Moon
- MD00196 — Knuffle Bunny Free: An Unexpected Diversion
- MD00182 — Max's Words

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- MD00183 — Miss Rumphius
 - MD00189 — My Senator and Me
 - MD00191 — Nelson Mandela
 - MD00193 — The Curious Garden
 - MD00184 — The North Star
 - MD00185 — Too Many Tamales
 - MD00186 — Too Many Toys

Feature Films — DVD

- MD00169 — A Dog's Purpose (PG)
- MD00206 — Alien: Covenant (R)
- MD00197 — La La Land (PG-13)
- MD00209 — Maudie (PG-13)
- MD00205 — Norman: The Moderate Rise and Tragic Fall of a New York Fixer (R)
- MD00210 — Paris Can Wait (PG)
- MD00208 — The Gifted (PG-13)
- MD00207 — The House (R)
- MD00203 — The LEGO Batman Movie (PG)
- MD00175 — The Resurrection of Gavin Stone (PG)
- MD00201 — The Zookeeper's Wife (PG-13)
- MD00170 — Toni Erdmann (R)
- MD00204 — Transformers: The Last Knight (PG-13)
- MD00202 — Wonder Woman (PG-13)

Feature Films — Blu-ray

- MD00169 — A Dog's Purpose (PG)

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Documentaries

- MD00171 — *Can We Live Forever?* NOVA Documentary Series
- MD00172 — *Ghosts of Machu Picchu*: NOVA Documentary Series
- MD00200 — *Killer Subs in Pearl Harbor*: NOVA Documentary Series
- MD00173 — *Prohibition*
- MD00174 — *Secrets Beneath the Ice*: NOVA Documentary Series
- MD00176 — *The Roosevelts: An Intimate History*

New Large Print Titles

Non-Fiction

- PR026979 — *Miss D and Me: Life with the Invincible Bette Davis*
by Kathryn Sermak
- PR026647 — *Agent 110: An American Spymaster and the
German Resistance in WWII* by Scott Miller
- PR028049 — *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry*
by Neil deGrasse Tyson
- PR026980 — *Churchill and Orwell: The Fight for Freedom*
by Thomas E. Ricks
- PR028048 — *Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women
Code Breakers of World War II* by Liza Mundy
- PR028081 — *Dodge City: Wyatt Earp, Bat Masterson, and the
Wickedest Town in the American West* by Thomas Clavin
- PR028053 — *Endurance: A Year in Space, a Lifetime of Discovery*
by Scott Kelly

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- PR026845 — *Enduring Vietnam: An American Generation and Its War* by James Edward Wright
 - PR026984 — *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond
 - PR026783 — *I Need a Lifeguard Everywhere But the Pool* by Lisa Scottoline
 - PR026795 — *My Own Words* by Ruth Bader Ginsburg
 - PR026800 — *No Barriers: A Blind Man's Journey to Kayak the Grand Canyon* by Erik Weihenmayer
 - PR026797 — *Option B: Facing Adversity, Building Resilience, and Finding Joy* by Sheryl Sandberg
 - PR026977 — *Sons and Soldiers: The Untold Story of the Jews Who Escaped the Nazis and Returned with the U.S Army to Fight Hitler* by Bruce B. Henderson
 - PR026974 — *The American Spirit: Who We Are and What We Stand For* by David G. McCullough
 - PR026643 — *The Jersey Brothers: A Missing Naval Officer in the Pacific and His Family's Quest to Bring Him Home* by Sally Mott Freeman
 - PR026862 — *The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore
 - PR026648 — *A Dog Called Hope: A Wounded Warrior and the Service Dog Who Saved Him* by Jason Morgan

General Fiction

- PR028042 — *Hanna Who Fell from the Sky* by Christopher Meades
- PR026999 — *Sourdough: A Novel* by Robin Sloan

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- PR026763 — The Bertie Project: 44 Scotland Street #11 by Alexander McCall Smith
- PR026825 — The Forbidden Garden: Sparrow Sisters #2 by Ellen Herrick

Mystery

- PR028003 — Collared: An Andy Carpenter Mystery #16 by David Rosenfelt
- PR026841 — The Painted Queen: Amelia Peabody #20 by Elizabeth Peters
- PR026899 — The Tell-Tale Tarte: Five-Ingredient Mystery #4 by Maya Corrigan
- PR028099 — The Witches' Tree: Agatha Raisin #28 by M. C. Beaton
- PR026876 — Y is for Yesterday by Sue Grafton

Romance and Love Stories

- PR028071 — Boomer's Bucket List by Sue Pethick
- PR026768 — Falling for Gracie by Susan Mallery
- PR026932 — George and Lizzie by Nancy Pearl
- PR026926 — How to Find Love in a Bookshop by Veronica Henry
- PR028058 — Luck, Love & Lemon Pie by Amy E. Reichert
- PR026808 — The Cafe by the Sea by Jenny Colgan

Spy Fiction

- PR026896 — A Single Spy by William Christie
- PR028026 — Blackout by Marc Elsberg
- PR026690 — Defectors by Joseph Kanon

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- PR026846 — House of Spies: Gabriel Allon #17 by Daniel Silva
 - PR026775 — The Alice Network by Kate Quinn
 - PR026928 — Where Dead Men Meet by Mark Mills

Action and Suspense

- PR026854 — Barely Legal: Herbie Fisher #1 by Stuart Woods
- PR026989 — Origin Robert: Langdon #5 by Dan Brown
- PR026900 — The Romanov Ransom: Fargo Adventures #9 by Clive Cussler
- PR026770 — DIS MEM BER and Other Stories of Mystery and Suspense by Joyce Carol Oates
- PR026911 — The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye: Millennium Series #5 by David Lagercrantz
- PR026727 — The Silent Corner: A Novel of Suspense by Dean R Koontz

Westerns

- PR026952 — Winter Kill: The Last Gunfighter #21 by William W. Johnstone
- PR028084 — Across the Rio Bravo by R. W. Stone
- PR026916 — Death Rides the Rails: Jim Blawczyk, Texas Ranger by James J. Griffin
- PR028029 — Long Ride Home by W. Michael Gear
- PR026753 — Preacher's Hellstorm: First Mountain Man #23 by William W. Johnstone
- PR028076 — Storm's Thunder by Brandon Boyce
- PR026987 — The Business of Dying: The Complete Western Stories by Richard S. Wheeler

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Young Adult Fiction

- PR028077 — *Alex and Eliza: A Love Story* by Melissa De La Cruz
- PR028101 — *Moon Chosen: Tales of a New World #1* by P. C. Cast
- PR026713 — *Strange the Dreamer* by Laini Taylor
- PR026986 — *The Pearl Thief: Code Name Verity #0.5* by Elizabeth Wein
- PR026986 — *The Pearl Thief: Code Name Verity #0.5* by Wein, Elizabeth

Juvenile Fiction

- PR026353 to PR026363 — *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Books 1 through 11* by Jeff Kinney, Grades 3-6 and older readers.
- PR026467 — *Mouse Mess* — also available in Spanish (PR026468) by Linnea Asplind Riley, Preschool-Grade 2.
- PR026623 — *The Dark Prophecy: Trials of Apollo #2* by Rick Riordan, Grades 5-8 and older readers.

From the Colorado Collection — Audio Books:

Appealing for Justice: One Lawyer, Four Decades and the Landmark Gay Rights Case: Romer V. Evans

Author: Susan Berry Casey ** Narrator: Joanne Rudoff

This is the true story of Jean Dubofsky, who made history in 1979 when she was the first woman appointed to the Colorado Supreme Court, then made history again in 1996 at the U.S. Supreme Court when she argued and won the landmark gay rights case, *Romer v. Evans*. 2017. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03264**

Small Wonder: The Amazing Story of the Volkswagen Beetle

Author: Walter Henry Nelson ** Narrator: Hille Dais

This is the story of the birth, the development, the problems, the fantastic success, the classic ad campaign, the mystique — the whole story of the Volkswagen Beetle. 1998. Adult Non-Fiction.

DBC03161

Jane and the Wandering Eye: Jane Austen Mystery #3

Author: Stephanie Barron ** Narrator: Cathy Gloeckner

1804. Jane Austen accepts a peculiar commission from Lord Harold Trowbridge to shadow his niece, Lady Desdemona, who has fled to Bath to avoid the attentions of the unsavory Earl of Swithin. But Jane's idle diversion turns deadly when a man is discovered stabbed to death. 1998. Adult Fiction. **DBC03166**

Standing Outside of Life

Author: Scott Gibson ** Narrator: Norine Domenico

A series of surprise events and chance meetings throws ZeeZee's well-ordered, undemanding life into disarray. A causal flirtation leads to a clandestine romance with a man in the midst of divorcing his wife, her absent father returns, and her brother might just be connected to the series of armed bank robberies. 2015.

Adult Fiction. **DBC03198**

Outlaw Tales of Colorado: True Stories of the Centennial State's Most Infamous Crooks, Culprits, and Cutthroats

Author: Jan Elizabeth Murphy ** Narrator: Lori Kinney

This is a tale of fourteen of the most dramatic events, and the most daring and despicable desperados, in the history of the Centennial State. 2017. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03261**

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Everywhere Present: Christianity in a One-Storey Universe

Author: J. Stephen Freeman ** Narrator: Bob Serkowski
Popular blogger and podcaster Fr. Stephen Freeman of the Orthodox Church in America makes a compelling case for becoming aware of God's living and active presence in every moment of our lives. 2010. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03266**

Baker's Blues: Bread Alone #3

Author: Judith Ryan Hendricks ** Narrator: Laverne Rios
An early morning phone call turns Wyn Morrison's world upside down. Mac, her ex-husband, has died. She discovers divorce offers no immunity from grief. She turns to her bakery for solace and centering. Strong language. 2015. Adult Fiction. **DBC03273**

Secrets of the Sequoias: Sequoia and Kings Canyon

National Parks: Adventures with the Parkers #13

Author: Mike Graf ** Narrator: Beverley Zier
Tag along with the Parkers and learn all about sequoias as they hike among the giant trees, explore dark caves, scramble up huge granite domes, and cool off in the spray from amazing waterfalls. 2016. Grades 3-6 Fiction. **DBC03272**

Man-Eater: The Life and Legend of an American Cannibal

Author: Harold Schechter ** Narrator: Andrea Loughry
1873. After the butchered remains of his five traveling companions were discovered in a secluded Colorado valley, Alfred Packer vanished for nine years. This is the story is a gripping tale of unspeakable suffering, the desperate struggle for survival, and the fight to uncover the truth. Violence. 2015. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03197**

Sliced Vegetarian: Daisy Arthur #2

Author: Liesa Malik ** Narrator: Patricia Jonietz

Retired teacher Daisy Arthur learns of the mysterious death of a young woman in the supermarket and enlists the help of an attractive police lieutenant in her investigation. Some violence and strong language. 2015. Adult Fiction. **DBC03177**

Prophets and Moguls, Rangers and Rogues, Bison and Bears: 100 Years of the National Park Service

Author: Heather Hansen ** Narrator: Stephanie Briggs

The result of extensive research, this books recounts the history that connects the dots of past to present and brings to life Park Service history and characters. 2015. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03184**

The Hunter Killers: The Extraordinary Story of the First Wild Weasels, the Band of Maverick Aviators Who Flew the Most Dangerous Missions of the Vietnam War

Author: Dan Hampton ** Narrator: Tom Moran

At the height of the Cold War, America's most elite aviators bravely volunteered for a top secret program called Wild Weasel I. Their mission was to counter the Soviet SA-2 surface-to-air missiles (SAMs) which were blowing USAF planes out of the skies over Vietnam. Half the pilots never returned. All became legends. Strong language and violence. 2015. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03153**

When Denver and I Were Young

Author: Edwina Hume Fallis ** Narrator: Dee Miller

Starting in 1872, this autobiography of Colorado Women's Hall of Fame member Edwina Fallis provides an interesting glimpse into the early days of Denver and its residents. Some strong language. 1956. Adult Non-Fiction. **DBC03180**

Legacy Gifts

Legacy gifts to the Friends of CTBL are a vital way to ensure ongoing support for all the services the library provides to patrons. The Friends have established **Eyes to the Future** that honors and recognizes the generosity and vision of patrons, families and friends who have chosen to leave a legacy through their estates or other deferred gifts.

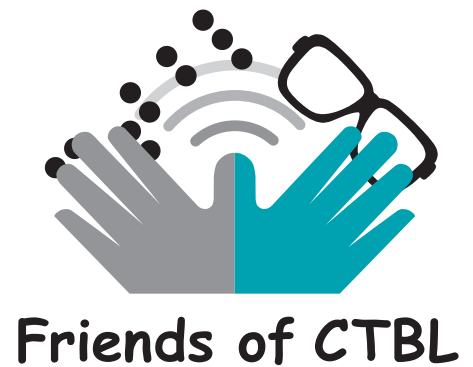
We invite you to become a member of **Eyes to the Future**. Enrollment in this honorary group is simply a matter of advising us about your plans to make a legacy gift, such as a bequest in a will or living trust, or designating The Friends of CTBL as beneficiary of an individual retirement plan, 401k or life insurance policy. The Friends of CTBL is a public 501 c 3 charity and the tax ID is 23-7243950.

Contributions to The Friends of the Colorado Talking Book Library and The Colorado Talking Book Library

An additional way to contribute to either the Friends or to CTBL is through a charitable bequest as part of a will or through life insurance. You do not have to rewrite your current document but can add a written amendment called a codicil. Such a bequest only becomes irrevocable at your death. Giving to the library helps support the programs and service we provide to our patrons and helps to secure the future.

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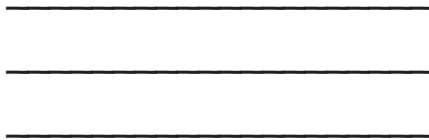
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