



BE OUR VALENTINES!

Its “library lovers month” and the team at SSU is sending each of you warm wishes as you cozy-up with the perfect audio or large print book!



We are thrilled to have Burr Morse in our recording studio, reading his book “Golden Times: Tales Through the Sugarhouse Window” for our readers as part of the local talking book program! Journalist Mark Johnson remarks that his writing is “what living in Vermont is all about” – look for it in the collection after the busy sugaring season!

ACCESSORY UPDATES FOR YOUR BOOK PLAYER

Remote Control Unit: Readers confined to bed or who have very limited mobility may request a remote control unit. It turns playback equipment on and off, but it will not control other functions such as volume and speed.

Pillow Speaker: A pillow speaker is placed under your pillow and is normally heard only by you. Pillow speakers are only available for readers confined to bed.

The USB Breath Switch: Uses “Sip-and-Puff Technology” to operate the various buttons and functions of the player. The USB breath switch is programmed to mimic twenty-one pre-defined DTBM functions.

NEW VERMONT TITLES ADDED TO OUR COLLECTION

VTD 28 Flying Blind by Don Mitchell

When Middlebury writing professor Don Mitchell was approached by a biologist with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department about tracking endangered Indiana bats on his 150-acre farm in Vermont's picturesque Champlain Valley, Mitchell's relationship with bats—and with government—could be characterized as distrustful, at best. Mitchell's tale is as profound as it is funny—a journey that changes Mitchell's relationship with Chiroptera, the land, and, ultimately, his understanding of his own past.

VTD 30 Senator Leahy: A Life in Stories by Philip Baruth

Having vaulted to a position in the United States Senate at the tender age of thirty-four, Patrick Leahy now claims the longest tenure of any member of that institution still serving—and he was third in line for the presidency when the Democrats held control. Few recent American lawmakers have watched history unfold at such close range; fewer still have influenced it so powerfully. Leahy's improbable success, Baruth argues, in the end lies in his ability both to be and to play the top cop not only in post-Watergate Vermont, but in a post-9/11 America viciously divided between red and blue states.

VTD 33 V is for Von Trapp by William Anderson

V is for von Trapp: A Musical Family Alphabet gives a behind-the-headlines look at this real-life singing family made famous in the classic movie. Starting with their idyllic early life in Austria where their love of music and performing began, author William Anderson takes readers along on the family's courageous mountaintop escape from Nazi authorities to their new life in America and the famous von Trapp lodge in the Vermont hills.

OTHER NEW TITLES ADDED

DB 88502 Love Story by Karen Kingsbury

From bestselling author Karen Kingsbury comes a new romance which tells the story of how John and Elizabeth Baxter first fell in love. Their whirlwind romance started when they were young college students and lasted nearly thirty years. So when John Baxter is asked to relive his long-ago love story with Elizabeth for his grandson Cole's heritage project, he's not sure he can do it.

DB 88696 Y is for Yesterday by Sue Grafton

In 1979, four teenagers sexually assault a classmate—and film the attack. Not long after, the tape goes missing and the suspected thief is murdered. In the investigation that follows, two of the teens are convicted, but the ringleader escapes. Now, it's 1989 and one of the perpetrators, Fritz McCabe, has been released from prison and a copy of the missing tape arrives with a ransom demand. That's when Kinsey gets the call for help...

DB 89802 Fire & Fury by Michel Wolff

With extraordinary access to the West Wing, Michael Wolff reveals what happened behind-the-scenes in the first nine months of the most controversial presidency of our time. Since Donald Trump was sworn in as the 45th President of the United States, the country—and the world—has witnessed a stormy, outrageous, and absolutely mesmerizing presidential term that reflects the volatility and fierceness of the man elected Commander-in-Chief.

DB 89679 Preacher's Hellstorm by William W. Johnstone

Long ago, the legendary trapper known as Preacher took shelter with the Absaroka, and fell in love with a young woman. When he rescues the same woman and her young warrior son from an ambush twenty years later, it is revealed that Preacher is the warrior's father. Now the greatest fighter on the frontier is about to fiercely protect a family he never knew he had. Hopelessly outnumbered, Preacher and his son launch a war that will stain the Rocky Mountain snow with blood.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE TO READ?

Many of you already share your reviews of our talking book titles with us at SSU, but we were thinking that you might like to recommend what you love to read to our wider community – please let us know (through phone, email or letter) what your favorite titles are, and – who knows – you might just see your choices printed right here in the spring edition of our newsletter. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

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