Survivor With A Story Joins State NFB Conference Lineup

The National Federation of the Blind of Alabama (NFB) will bring author and survivor Michael Hingson to its annual conference in Montgomery at the Embassy Suites Hotel on March 16-18, 2018. If you want to register for the conference, visit the NFB website at http://www.nfbal.org/2018-convention.

Although Hingson has been blind since birth, he along with his guide dog Roselle made their way to safety from the 78th Floor of Tower One when the World Trade Center was attacked on September 11, 2001. If you want to read about the two, check out Thunder Dog, Talking Book number DB73300 or in Braille it is item BR19434. Look for the Alabama Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (BPH) to have an information table at the conference scheduled March 16-18, 2018 in Montgomery.

Continue to Help Us Spread the Word – Our Numbers Are Up!

The number of active network library patrons throughout the state of Alabama grew to a total of 7,188—an increase of 19% over last year’s reported total of 6,029. This combined total includes 5,907 from BPH with its subregional locations reporting 346 in Huntsville and 935 in Talladega. BPH alone reported a circulation of 120,871 for FY2017. If you know of someone who might be eligible for our service, give us a call at 800-392-5671 or 334-213-3906.
Thanks for Your Support
Thanks to the following who made donations to our BPH Consumer Advisory Committee during the fourth quarter of 2017 and through February 2018:

- Gaye Barefoot
- Janice Bartel in Memory of Mr. Luther Brown
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As you make plans throughout the year for giving to various causes, please remember the work of the Consumer Advisory Committee of the Alabama Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (BPH). For additional information about the BPH Consumer Advisory Committee, contact the BPH regional librarian at 334-213-3921.

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Advisor’s Corner

Each quarter, BPH Reader Advisors Mike Coleman and Tim Emmons, share NLS annotations from new titles they think may be of interest to our readers. For this quarter, we want to focus on non-fiction and the many titles we have on the history of various wars. Here are three that Mike wants to recommend:

**DB81814**
**Narrated by Peter Johnson**
Downing, Taylor  
**NF 15 hours 30 min**  
*Secret Warriors: The Spies, Scientists, and Code Breakers of World War I*  
Behind the physical fighting of WWI, an intellectual war was fought between engineers, chemists, code-breakers, physicists, doctors, mathematicians, and intelligence gatherers.

**DB88310**
**Narrated by Arthur Morey**
Olson, Lynne  
**NF 18 hours 49 min**  
*Last Hope Island: Britain, Occupied Europe, and the Brotherhood That Helped Turn the Tide of War*  
An account of how Britain became the base of operations for the exiled leaders of Europe during the struggle to reclaim the continent from Hitler.

**DB88311**
**Narrated by Kevin Stillwell**
Starobin, Paul  
**NF 8 hours 51 min**  
*Madness Rules the Hour: Charleston, 1860, and the Mania for War*  
An account of how, with Abraham Lincoln’s election looming in 1860, Charleston, South Carolina, faced the decision to submit to abolition or leave the Union with hopes that the rest of the South would follow suit.

If you are interested in receiving the titles listed above and need assistance, please call BPH at 334-213-3906 or Toll Free at 1-800-392-5671.
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