Talking Book Library Report

Goal 2: Montana residents will receive the best possible service from the Talking Book Library.

Activities:
Books, magazines, newsletters and descriptive videos were mailed to Montana patrons:
July - 11,363   August - 12,186

New book titles and copies received:
July - 165 new titles; 895 copies   August - 187 new titles; 1,024 copies

Machines replaced for existing patrons and machines issued to new patrons:
July, 233   August, 210

  Carolyn Meier continues shifting and weeding books through number 30,000 with a goal to reach 45,653.
  Cheryl Christopher wrapped up a successful Summer Reading Program. All participating patrons received certificates of completion. Small traveling backpacks were awarded to those who completed their contracts. Those achieving bonus points received additional rewards.
  Moriah Haley has revised the subject coding index we use for KLAS and will implement the re-indexing with KLAS the first of October.
  Lee Madison commended our summer student volunteers for their excellent help in cleaning machines.   Lee began an internal machine audit to be completed by the end of October.
  The Talking Book Library staff members have done an excellent job of serving patrons this summer. A large number of volunteers were on summer or partial summer leave, in addition to the regular staff vacations.

Goal 2. Objective 2.1: Increase qualified patrons being served.
Activities:
New patrons: July, 37 adults, 1 Juvenile, 1 Library   August, 37 adults, 1 Library

Goal 2. Objective 2.8: Improve the quality of the Montana Cassette Recording program.
Recording Program:
Recordings of the following books and magazines were completed:

Helena Recording Studio:
 "A Poet Goes to War" by Earl Martin; "Owls: Whoo Are They " by Kila Jarvis and Denver Holt; "Miles City Bucking Horse Sale" by Earl Martin

Prison Recording Studio:
none completed (still in process)

Volunteer Program:
New volunteers:

Beverly Tomaskie- TBL/CLR
Gloria Purcell-TBL/CIR

Kenzie Clark- TBL/MAC
Bob Holmes- TBL/REC
Judy Browning- TBL/REC