We are pleased to welcome Kinchafoonee Regional Library System to our Bainbridge Subregional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped service area effective July 1, 2009.

Teachers and Students

Just a reminder that it is the time of year for teachers and students to let us know if you will be needing machines or books for the upcoming school year. Please call us at 1-800-795-2680 and let us know what you need and we will be happy to get it out to you. Also, Arlene Freeman will be contacting you to get your student list updated.
\textbf{I Am Your Cassette Machine}

(From the article I am your cassette machine as printed in the TBLB Newsletter of the Fresno County Public Library, Fall 2008)

We have all been awaiting the birth of the new format. My son will be brilliant. He will be able to do what I do and so much more. He will weigh slightly over two pounds, have a twelve-hour battery, fast forward and rewind, thirty minute sleep timer, two inset bars for attaching a carrying strap, use one cartridge per book, have a speed control, tone control, and a cord for recharging the battery. I hope he will grow to be as tough as old Pop!

But until then, please be kind to this old machine.

I don’t eat or drink, so please keep food products far away. I am not a table.

Spaghetti sauce doesn’t looks as appetizing three weeks later. Sweet tea gums up the internal rubber wheels that turn the cassette sprockets.

I don’t wear nail polish.

Your pets don’t enjoy books. Pet hair is very difficult to remove. Don’t write your name on me in indelible ink (I am federal property). John Doe’s machine may come back for repairs and be sent out to Susie Que next week.

I don’t like to go to appointments with you. You may forget me and sighted people may think I am some leftover junk from the ‘70s and throw me away.

I don’t like to go to someone’s house for a few days. I have been checked out to you and only you. View our relationship as a marriage!
Please be aware of the time it takes a telephone pioneer volunteer to clean and recondition a C1-player. The longer it takes to clean and recondition, the longer you may have to wait for a replacement.

If you lose me or damage me beyond recognition you may still receive a replacement player. However, treat that second player like gold!

To be very truthful, I don’t care much for cockroaches, and I don’t enjoy being very close to cigarettes either.

If you or a family member or friend of a patron who passes away, and you find me in their home, please do the same. Parting is sweet sorrow, but I think your family member or friend would be glad to know I’m going to be used again by a new friend.

If you just can’t figure me out—all those buttons and switches—please call the library and they can try to help talk you through it. I know I can be a bit confusing at times!

If you move—I want to come with you! Take me with you to your new location so we can continue to have fun enjoying books together. Just be sure to let the library know your new address. Even if you move very far away, they will tell your new serving library all about us, and we can continue enjoying books together for a long, long time.

When you’re done with me—if you’re not really reading cassette books anymore and don’t think you will do so in the near future—please send me back to the library so I can find a happy new home elsewhere. Let the library know that our time together is through. I’ll be sad to leave you, but I’ll be happy to move on. My numbers are dwindling, I’m too old to reproduce anymore, and spare parts for me will eventually become so scarce, so I need to be able to share my wealth of talents with those who will use me, for as long as I possibly can.
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F/T Blind & Handicapped
Southwest Georgia Regional Library
301 South Monroe Street
Bainbridge, GA 39819

Free Reading Matter
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U. S. Mail
Do Not Cancel

Hours:
Monday 9am to 8pm
Tuesday 9am to 6pm
Wednesday 9am to 6pm
Thursday 9am to 7 pm
Friday 9am to 6 pm
Saturday 9am to 4 pm

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and Subregional Library
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www.swgrl.org/handicap.php

Information presented in this newsletter will be provided in alternative formats upon request.

Online Catalog for ordering library books: www.klas.com/glass
Call the library for your log-in and password.
NOTE: Please submit information or news that you would like to share to Kathy Hutchins.