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Stories of autism, coming of age, and survival highlight the current issue of Choice Magazine Listening

Port Washington, NY – An article about the first officially diagnosed case of autism, a moving coming-of-age story by a master of the craft, and a true tale of survival against all odds highlight the current issue of Choice Magazine Listening.

Choice Magazine Listening compiles the finest literary efforts to be found in current magazines as selected by a team of professional editors. The articles are then recorded by talented narrators and distributed free of charge to the visually impaired and print-disabled. For nearly 50 years, CML editors have shown a knack for choosing articles, stories, and poems that have gone on to win many literary awards.

“Autism's First Child” is the story of Donald Gray Triplett, the first person ever diagnosed with autism, back in 1943. The article, written by John Donovan and Caren Zucker and published in the October 2010 issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*, gives readers a chance to meet Donald, now 77, and the community that supports him. The story also highlights what happens when autistic children grow up.

“Autism is a very timely issue,” said Pamela Loeser, editor in chief of Choice Magazine Listening, noting that now, one in 110 children are diagnosed with autism. “This fascinating article gives a historical foundation to an ever-changing discussion.”

“The Deep,” which was published in the Fall 2010 issue of *Zoetrope: All-Story*, is Anthony Doerr’s fictional account of a boy who experiences first love as he struggles with congenital heart disease. Doerr is a prize-winning author whose work is often featured in Choice Magazine Listening.

“Adrift But Unbroken” is the thrilling true story of three World War II airmen who were shot down over the Pacific and faced almost unimaginable physical and emotional trials. They spent weeks in an inflatable raft, battling not only hunger and thirst, but sharks and an attack by a Japanese bomber. Written by Laura Hillenbrand, the article is an excerpt from her new book, *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*. It appeared in the December 2010 issue of *Vanity Fair*.

The remainder of Choice Magazine Listening’s current issue is filled with riveting selections from *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times Magazine*, *Newsweek*, *Granta*, *Discover*, *Outside*, *Vanity Fair*, and many other quality publications.

About Choice Magazine Listening

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