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For many Nebraskans, autumn brings back memories of farm life and family, cooking and baking, harvesting, and back to school. *Mother Earth News*, published six times a year, features articles on cooking from scratch, nutrition, organic gardening, renewable energy, affordable housing, and outdoor recreation. It is recorded in our own studios.

Living Well, a quarterly published by Aging Partners and recorded in our own studios, features general topics, programs, issues, and activities concerning the older population, their families, and community organizations.

To many Nebraskans, fall means football. Dedicated to University of Nebraska athletics, *Big Red Report* emphasizes football but attempts to cover the wide range of sports that are part of the university's athletic program. Published ten times a year, it is recorded in our own studios.

Mother Earth News, Living Well,

and *Big Red Report* will soon be available on cartridge only.

If you are looking for short stories, advice on child rearing, reunions, home decorating ideas, and fashion and beauty tips, try *Redbook*, published monthly. *Arthritis Today*, a bimonthly publication, offers news about arthritis research, medications, alternative therapies, exercise, self-help tips, and more.

Seventeen, produced monthly, is a young woman's style and beauty magazine tailored for women in their late teens and early twenties. It highlights information on fitness, food, cars, college, careers, talent, entertainment, fiction, and crucial personal and global issues.

For now, *Redbook, Arthritis Today*, and *Seventeen*, all produced by the Florida Regional Library, are available on cassette only.

Guideposts, a monthly publication, offers interfaith, inspirational articles of human interest. Also published by

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Guideposts, *Angels on Earth*, recorded six times a year in our own studios, presents true stories of God's angels as well as humans who have played angelic roles in the daily lives of others. *Vantage Point*, produced quarterly by Christian Record Services, features interviews and inspirational articles on health and fitness, the environment,

travel, music, the arts, and stories of personal accomplishment.

Guideposts and *Angels on Earth* are available on cartridge. For now, *Vantage Point* is available on cassette only. To sign up for these free magazines, please use the order form on page 7 or call your Readers Advisor. ■

Questions and Answers

Question: Can Nebraska schools, retirement centers, nursing homes, senior centers, hospitals, and other facilities receive digital talking books and digital players?

Answer: Yes, schools and other facilities that are set up for talking book service are now able to enjoy digital talking books, digital magazines, and digital players. All of the advantages that come with the new format—better sound, ease of use, no more side changes or turning anything over—make digital books and players ideal for use within schools and other facilities. The staff member within the facility who is our contact for talking book service should let us know how many digital players are needed and how many books should be sent at a time. These facilities would also benefit from receiving the digital magazines that we now offer.

Even if a facility chooses to retain several Library of Congress cassette players, it should request digital players, books, and magazines. While our library still offers older titles on cassette, all new books are now being produced on digital cartridge and not on cassette. In order to keep current with new authors, titles, and subjects, facilities will need the new Library of Congress digital players and books on cartridge.

Another advantage for having a Library of Congress digital player is that facilities can now download talking books and magazines directly from a free website known as BARD. That would mean no more waiting for materials to arrive through the mail. To find out more about BARD, please contact your Readers Advisor. ■

Guideposts on Cartridge, Please Return

If you are receiving *Guideposts* on cartridge, please remember to return it to us. For years, *Guideposts* was one of those cassette magazines that arrived in a paper mailer and did not

need to come back to the library. But now, *Guideposts* needs to be returned to us, whether it arrives on cartridge or cassette. Thank you. ■

New Hours for Utah Braille Service

If you order Braille through the Utah State Library, you may appreciate knowing that the Utah Braille Service is now open Monday

through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mountain Time, or 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Central Time. ■

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New Books from Our Studios

A Stay Against Confusion: Essays on Faith and Fiction DB 1068

by Ron Hansen

read by Judy Hanefeldt

6 hours 50 minutes

Author explores how his Christian faith has enriched his writing and how creating stories has helped him examine his own faith-filled life. He discusses the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, the works of Leo Tolstoy, and the influence of John Gardner as mentor. He includes such religious figures as St. Ignatius of Loyola along with his twin brother, Rob, who is a priest, and their grandfather—a tough-as-nails Colorado rancher.

Plainsong for Caitlin DB 1101

by Elizabeth M. Rees

read by Nathalie Freeman and Elizabeth Avery

3 hours 45 minutes

1871. New Bedford. Fifteen-year-old Caitlin's and her older sister, Rebecca's lives crash when their father and Rebecca's fiancé die in a sea disaster. Responding to an ad for a mail-order-bride, Rebecca moves to Sweetgrass, Nebraska, bringing Caitlin along with her. When Caitlin meets Nate, the young settler who is Rebecca's husband-to-be, she senses a strong mutual attraction. Out of a sense of honor, Nate marries Rebecca and soon a baby is on the way; however, a tragedy offers a bitter-sweet possibility

that Nate and Caitlin can be together after all. For grades 6 to 9 and older readers.

Tagging Along: a Memoir: Neville Family Memories of Nebraska and Florida DB 1103

by Irene Neville Bystrom

read by Janet Remmenga

15 hours 15 minutes

A family memoir, written by the youngest daughter of Nebraska's former "Boy Governor" Keith Neville. The author lived a charmed life, growing up in North Platte, Nebraska, and in Pass-a-Grille, Florida. Her family's saga includes hunting and fishing, pets and family, politics and travel, the Great Depression, two world wars, and raising Baby Boomer children.

The Eleventh Hour Can't Last Forever DB 1119

by Alison Johnson

read by Brad Meurrens

8 hours 20 minutes

True story of growing up in Palisade, Nebraska, with a father who believed fervently that the government was on the brink of collapse and banks could not be trusted. He started hiding large quantities of gold and silver coins in and around his house. With the father's declining years and then death, the family became increasingly dysfunctional as members struggled with how to deal with hoarded wealth. ■

Books That Are Close to the Earth

Autumn is a season for harvesting the vineyards, orchards, and fields. Here are some wonderful books pertaining to the harvesting of crops.

DB/RC 65429 *Wife for Hire*, by Janet Evanovich

Former bad boy Hank Mallone needs to appear settled to secure a bank loan for his recently inherited apple orchard in Skogen, Vermont. After teacher-turned-writer Maggie Toone responds to Hank's ad for a pretend wife, the two try not to fall in love. Some descriptions of sex.

RC 66967 *Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm during the Great Depression*, by Mildred Armstrong Kalish

Retired English professor's memoir of her childhood in 1930s rural Iowa, a time Kalish describes as "quite a romp." Recalls years of deprivation and hard work mitigated by simple rewards. Discusses daily life and the influence of religion and literature, and describes family members whose lessons shaped her upbringing.

DB/RC 67296 *Peeled*, by Joan Bauer

Eerie occurrences at a house in the apple-growing community of Banesville, New York, have the local newspaper printing sensational articles about ghostly activities. But high school reporter Hildy Biddle is determined to find out the

truth—including possible connections between the paper and a theme-park developer. For senior high readers.

DB/RC 67452 *Gardening at the Dragon's Gate: At Work in the Wild and Cultivated World*, by Wendy Johnson

Johnson, a founder of the organic Farm and Garden Program at Green Gulch Farm Zen Center in Marin County, California, discusses her meditative gardening life, describes principles that influence her garden work, and provides instruction for following her example.

DB/RC 67499 *Growth of the Soil*, by Knut Hamsun, translated with explanatory and textual notes by Sverre Lyngstad

Deep in Norway's backcountry, Isak perseveres in building a homestead, nurturing his crops, and raising a family. The demands of civilization eventually intrude upon—and destroy—his simple way of life.

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Books That Are Close to the Earth

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DB/RC 68575 *Where Our Food Comes From: Retracing Nikolay Vavilov's Quest to End Famine*, by Gary Paul Nabhan

Ethnobiologist recounts his travels in the footsteps of Russian botanist Nikolay Vavilov (1887-1943), who collected food-crop seeds from five continents to preserve agricultural biodiversity. Nabhan documents varietal changes that have occurred since Vavilov's time to assess the effects of climate change, globalization, and genetic engineering on food resources.

DB 68668 *Deadly Harvest*, by Heather Graham
Salem, Massachusetts. New Orleans PI

Jeremy Flynn is searching for a friend's missing wife when a woman is discovered murdered. Historian Rowenna Cavanaugh, worried that a past serial killer called Harvest Man is back, assists Jeremy. Some violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex.

DB/RC 68752 *Sweetwater Gap*, by Denise Hunter

Josie Mitchell is summoned home to North Carolina to help run her family's orchard. Josie embraces old friends and family and, despite her guilty memories and illness, falls in love with orchard manager Grady Mackenzie. When a crisis occurs, Josie opens her heart to God. ■

Moving Toward Cartridge Only

After January 1, 2012, the following magazines will be offered on cartridge only:

Big Red Report

Interchange

Living Well

Mother Earth News

Nebraska Farmer

Nebraska History

Nebraska History Newsletter

Nebraska Life

NCompass

Trail Tales

Soon all magazines recorded in our studios will be offered only on digital cartridge. If you have not yet received a Library of Congress digital player to go along with your cassette player, please contact your Readers Advisor. The new player is smaller and lighter than the cassette player, has excellent sound, and is easy to use. ■

New on Digital

DB 646 *On Solid Ground*, by Tom Osborne
Football. Devotional.

DB 684 *One Final Pass: the Brook Berringer Story*, by Arthur L. Lindsay with Jan Berringer
Biography. Football.

DB 1057 *Eight Women, Two Model Ts, and the American West*, by Joanne Wilke
Biography. American history.

DB 1059 *Calling Me Home*, by Patricia Hermes
Pioneer. For grades 3 to 6.

1063 *The Jugger*, by Richard Stark
Suspense.
Contains violence and strong language.

DB 1069 *The Cleanup*, by Sean Doolittle
Suspense. Contains strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex.

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Order Form and Mailing Instructions

Mark the books and magazines you wish to order, then put the page into an envelope and mail to the Nebraska Library Commission Talking Book & Braille Service, 1200 N Street, Suite #120, The Atrium, Lincoln, NE 68508-2023. Borrowers currently using a Library of Congress digital player will receive Nebraska magazines on cartridge instead of cassette automatically.

- Angels on Earth
- Arthritis Today
- Big Red Report
- Guideposts
- Living Well
- Mother Earth News
- NCompass
- Nebline Newsletter
- Nebraska Farmer
- Nebraska History

- Nebraska History Newsletter
- Nebraska Life
- Redbook
- Seventeen
- Trail Tales
- Vantage Point
- DB 1068
- DB 1101
- DB 1103

- DB 1119
- DB/RC 65429
- DB/RC 66967
- DB/RC 67296
- DB/RC 67452
- DB/RC 67499
- DB/RC 68575
- DB 68668
- DB/RC 68752

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❑ DB 1070 *Dueling Chefs: a Vegetarian & a Meat Lover Debate the Plate*, by Maggie Pleskac and Sean Carmichael
Cookbook.

❑ DB 1073 *America: Our Next Chapter: Tough Questions, Straight Answers*, by Chuck Hagel
Politics.

❑ DB 1075 *A Flowering of Quilts*, edited by Patricia Cox Crews
Quilting.

❑ DB 1076 *Nebraska's Cowboy Trail: a User's Guide*, by Keith Terry
Travel.

❑ DB 1078 *Living Blue in the Red States*, edited by David Starkey
Politics.

❑ DB 1079 *From the Garden Club: Rural Women Writing Community*, by Charlotte Hogg
Biography.

❑ DB 1094 *Husker Numbers: a Nebraska Number Book*, by Rajean Luebs Shepherd
For grades K to 4.

❑ DB 1096 *The Path to Pelini*, by Lincoln Journal Star Books
Football.

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