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## One Book One Nebraska

The Mari Sandoz historical biography, *Crazy Horse: The Strange Man of the Oglalas* (RC 14430) has been selected as the featured book for the 2007 statewide celebration of One Book One Nebraska. Published in 1942, *Crazy Horse* is one of the best-known books written by Sandoz. More than the life of an individual, *Crazy Horse* is an in-depth look at the culture and spirituality of the Oglala Sioux.

Sandoz conducted extensive research on all of her subjects, and *Crazy Horse* was no exception. She interviewed numerous native people who knew the subject and events that shaped the fate of their culture. An

unswerving advocate for the Plains Indians, Sandoz worked to shed light on the challenges native people faced in the wake of the expansion of a growing American nation.

Activities to mark the 2007 celebration of One Book One Nebraska are being organized by the Mari Sandoz Heritage Society and the Mari Sandoz Plains Heritage Center at Chadron State College. Those efforts will include book discussion groups, school resource guides, traveling exhibits, and the Annual Conference of the Mari Sandoz Heritage Society to be held at Chadron State College March 29-31, 2007. ■

## Book Requests from Anonymous

Many borrowers look forward to receiving Talking Book Topics so they can order the newest books from Library of Congress. Some order forms arrive at the Talking Book and Braille Service without the sender's

name and address. This makes it impossible for us to send the requested books to you. Please make sure your name and address appear on the order forms you send to us. ■



# Free Cassette Magazines for Family Living

To help us celebrate the arrival of spring, here is an assortment of free cassette magazines about family life. *Humpty Dumpty's*, produced by the Florida Regional Library, is a magazine full of stories, poems, puzzles, activities and more to engage children age 4 to 6. The magazine's philosophy is to help kids have fun through creative ways to exercise, eat right, and play safely.

An interfaith magazine, *Guidespots* offers inspirational stories of human interest. This magazine is recorded by American Printing House for the Blind.

*Your Dog*, published monthly by Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, is a resource for those who care about their canine family members. Articles cover health, training, and behavior issues, plus reviews of dog-friendly products. Recorded by the Florida Regional Library.

Providing an overview of proposed federal and state legislation, regulations, and policies, the *Mental Health Law Reporter, Including Report on Disability Law* contains articles of interest to individuals with

disabilities. It is produced by the Talking Book and Braille Service.

America's family magazine since 1882, *Grit*, focuses on taking a positive approach to life. Recorded monthly in our own studios, *Grit*, features articles that promote encouragement, dedication, and determination.

*The Saturday Evening Post*, produced six times a year, is a general-interest magazine containing humor, fiction, and non-fiction articles. It is recorded by the Braille and Talking Book Division of the Arizona State Library.

*Martha Stewart Living*, published twelve times per year, offers creative solutions, delicious recipes, and helpful hints to make your life more comfortable, organized, and fun. It is produced by the Florida Regional Library.

Designed to give the tools they need to explore and reach for their dreams. *O, The Oprah Magazine* is a monthly publication recorded by Associated Services for the blind. It is intended to help women make smart choices for a happier and more fulfilling life.

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# Free Cassette Magazines for Family Living

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A young woman's style and beauty magazine, *Seventeen* is tailored for women in their late teens and early twenties. Produced monthly by the Florida Regional Library, it highlights information on fitness, food, cars, college, careers, and crucial and

global issues.

To sign up for any of these free cassette magazines, please use the order form on page 7 or contact your Readers Advisor. ■

## New Cassette Books From Our Studios

*Non-fiction*

**RC 1016 *At Home on This Moveable Earth***, by William Kloefkorn  
read by Carlene Miller  
2 cassettes

Nebraska's State Poet and professor emeritus of English at Nebraska Wesleyan University offers the third installment of his projected four-part memoir. Preceded by *This Death by*

*Drowning* (RC 711) and *Restoring the Burnt Child* (RC 960), this book continues to describe the author's Kansas boyhood during the Great Depression, digging storm cellars, and how he experienced the dropping of the atomic bomb as a small-town paperboy. With a focus on earth, the author explores the struggle between settling in and moving on.

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# New Cassette Books From Our Studios

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**RC 1018 *Omaha Blues: a Memory Loop***, by Joseph Lelyveld

read by Tami Works

2 cassettes

Former *New York Times* executive editor recalls his unconventional childhood. His father a prominent social activist rabbi and his mother a Shakespearean scholar, he grew up in a dysfunctional and divided household and was subject to frequent moves and temporary placements in other people's families. The author attempts to come to terms with a fragmented childhood where key players in his life were involved in Civil Rights and Cold War events.

*Fiction*

**RC 974 *Secrets on the Wind***, by

Stephanie Grace Whitson

read by Windy Hirsch

3 cassettes

Two cavalry soldiers come upon a burnt-out settler's dugout and discover a lunatic woman hiding under a trap door. They carry her to Fort Robinson where a kind old woman nurses her back to health.

She has suffered a great deal and distrusts all men. Though she seems indifferent to all who try to help her, eventually she begins her journey to faith. Book one in the Pine Ridge Portraits Series.

**RC 1002 *Rain Dogs***, by Sean Doolittle

read by Mary Elizabeth Anderson

2 cassettes

Still numb from his child's tragic death and a subsequent failed marriage, former Chicago reporter Tom Coleman inherits a rundown canoe livery and campground on Nebraska's Niobrara River from his cantankerous grandfather. He soon renews his acquaintance with his former sweetheart and is asked to look after her troubled stepson. While seeking refuge in the solitude of the northern Sandhills, Tom's hopes for a fresh start and change of luck are shattered by the explosion of a meth lab on property adjacent to his own. His investigative instincts take over, even while a deputy sheriff and a powerful local businessman urge him to leave matters alone. Some violence and strong language. ■

# Great Books to Welcome Spring

This is the time of year when nature begins to renew itself. Here are some books, fiction and nonfiction, on the theme of self-renewal:

**RC 50587 *Tuck Everlasting*, by Natalie Babbitt**

Winnie Foster is ten when she meets seventeen-year-old Jesse Tuck in the woods and learns that his family hasn't aged in eighty-seven years since drinking from a secret spring. She is mighty tempted to drink that water too. For grades 4-7.

**RC 55124 *Chaff in the Wind*, by Edna Walker Chandler**

In the spring of 1887, Swedish immigrants Ingrid and John Halgren worry about their wheat crop in the Kansas drought. Farming and raising a family in the new world demands all the stamina, perseverance, and faith they can muster.

**RC 55221 *Just As I Am: Americans With Disabilities*. Text by Ellen Dossett; preface by Marlee Matlin; a message from Justin Dart; afterword by Ruth Stevens Appelhof**

Portrays forty individuals—children, teens, and adults—who live with a physical and/or mental disability. Describes their accomplishments, family perspectives, and hopes for the future. Foreword by former senator Bob Dole.

**RC 55283 *For the Love of Books: 115 Celebrated Writers on the Books They Love Most*, edited by Ronald B. Shwartz**

In brief essays, 115 writers—mostly American, British, and Canadian—identify three to six works that influenced or affected them most deeply and explain why. Respondents to editor Shwartz' invitation, arranged alphabetically, include Dave Barry, Rita Dove, Penelope Fitzgerald, Pete Hamill, Elmore Leonard, Ved Mehta, Joyce Carol Oates, Mario Puzo, and Kurt Vonnegut.

**RC 56090 *How to Keep Your Teenager Out of Trouble and What to Do If You Can't*, by Neil I. Bernstein**

Psychologist details the skills parents need to successfully guide their child through the teen years. Explains how to set limits, communicate, instill morals, and deal with school and peer pressure. Gives examples from his practice and recommends when to seek professional help.

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# Great Books to Welcome Spring

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**RC 56620 *The Traveler's Gift: Seven Decisions That Determine Personal Success*, by Andy Andrews**

Life looks bleak to forty-six-year-old David Ponder, who has lost his job and sense of purpose. Seven time-travel experiences impart motivational lessons that encourage David to change his attitude and gain a second chance at a worthwhile life.

**RC 58196 *No Picnic on Mount Kenya*, by Felice Benuzzi**

A wartime account of adventure and freedom in 1940s British East Africa. The author, an Italian officer captured by English forces, chronicles his daring escape with two compatriots from a remote prisoner-of-war camp to climb Mt. Kenya, their experiences on the 17,000-foot peak, and their inevitable return to captivity.

**RC 59208 *Resilience: Learning from People with Disabilities and the Turning Points in Their Lives*, by Gillian A. King, Elizabeth G. Brown, and Linda K. Smith; forward by John A. LaPorta**

Researchers disclose study results on disabled people's adaptation to change at turning points in their lives, focusing on individuals with cerebral palsy, spina bifida, and attention deficit disorder. Interviews explore factors that helped or hin-

dered fifteen adults' adjustment. Includes information about their diseases.

**RC 59322 *Seeking Enlightenment—Hat by Hat: a Skeptic's Path to Religion*, by Nevada Barr**

A collection of spiritual thoughts and meditations by the author of the Anna Pigeon mystery series. Barr's essays on a variety of topics from forgiveness and humility to "getting to heaven" reflect her personal search for meaning after the devastating failure of her marriage—a journey from atheism to faith.

**RC 61218 *Can I Get an Amen*, by Janice Sims, et al.**

Four stories in which Mother Maybelle helps the women at Red Oaks Christian Fellowship understand love. In "A Love Supreme" a sworn bachelor falls for his landscaper. In "Love under New Management" a gifted singer finds the courage to sing and love again.

**RC 61291 *Forever a Soldier: Unforgettable Stories of Wartime Service*, edited by Tom Wiener**

Veterans recall experiences of battle from World War I to the war in Iraq. Soldiers' letters, diaries, memoirs, and oral histories provide personal accounts of D-Day, the Tet offensive, heroic actions, and sinking ships. Includes an interview with Senator John McCain about his captivity in Vietnam. ■

# Golden Oldies From Our Studios

Here are more great books recorded in our studios in past years. To order, please check the box next to the RC number and return this page to Talking Book and Braille Service, or contact your Readers Advisor.

**RC 706 *History of Nebraska***, by James C. Olson and Ronald C. Naugle  
5 cassettes Nebraska history

**RC 710 *Leaving Your Mark: The Political Career of Nebraska State Senator Jerome Warner***, by Charlyne Berens  
2 cassettes Biography

**RC 711 *This Death by Drowning***, by William Kloefkorn  
1 cassette Autobiography

**RC 712 *Genoa, Nebraska. Historical Stars***, by Genoa U.S. Indian School Foundation  
1 cassette Nebraska history

**RC 713 *Day Trips in the Heartland***, by Elizabeth Wells  
1 cassette Travel

**RC 714 *Dreams of Glory: Women of the Old West***, by Larry D. Underwood  
2 cassettes History of the West.  
Contains some violence.

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## Order Form and Mailing Instructions

Use pages 7 and 8 to mark the books and magazines you wish to order, then put the page into an envelope and mail it to the Nebraska Library Commission Talking Book & Braille Service, 1200 N Street, Suite #120, The Atrium, Lincoln, NE 68508-2023.

Humpty Dumpty's

Guideposts

Your Dog

Mental Health Law Reporter, Including Report on Disability Law

Grit

The Saturday Evening Post

Martha Stewart

Living

O, The Oprah Magazine

Seventeen

RC 974

RC 1002

RC 1016

RC 1018

RC 14430

RC 50587

RC 55124

RC 55221

RC 55283

RC 56090

RC 56620

RC 58196

RC 59208

RC 59322

RC 61218

RC 61291

# Golden Oldies From Our Studios

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❑ **RC 715** *Amazing Tales of the Old West*, by Jeff O'Donnell

1 cassette History of the West.  
Contains some violence.

❑ **RC 716** *Joy of Grandparenting: Grandparents Make a Difference*, by Clarice Carlson Orr

2 cassettes Parenting

❑ **RC 718** *Wagon Wheel Kitchens: Food on the Oregon Trail*, by Jacqueline Williams

2 cassettes Pioneer cooking

❑ **RC 720** *Sports Illustrated Presents: The Tom Osborne Era: 25*

*Years of Nebraska Football*, by Sports Illustrated

1 cassette Nebraska football

❑ **RC 721** *Things That Tick Me Off*, by Jim Haberlan

1 cassette Humor

❑ **RC 723** *The Back-Up Girl*, by Dale Janda

2 cassettes Western. Contains some violence and descriptions of sex.

❑ **RC 724** *Out of Barbed Wire Into a Nazi Death Camp*, by Marie Kramer

1 cassette War biography.  
Contains some violence.

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