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## Magazines for Summer Reading

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Service

The long days of summer are a time to appreciate living on the Great Plains. *Grit* and *Capper's*, two bimonthly publications that focus on small-town and rural living, include humorous and inspiring articles, gardening and cooking advice, and do-it-yourself projects. *Country*, published bimonthly, offers feature stories and columns for those who live in or long for the country. It includes country diaries, travel, features, and recipes. *Great Plains Game and Fish*, published monthly, describes fishing and hunting hot spots in Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, and North Dakota.

For information about destinations a little further from home, *National Geographic Traveler*, a bimonthly produced by the Florida Regional

Library, offers six to ten travel articles, mostly about the United States. An additional section gives full data, such as cost, phone numbers, and addresses for the destinations discussed.

*Sunset: The Magazine of Western Living*, a monthly publication, discusses what, when, and how to enhance your life in the West. It is produced by the Arizona Regional Library. *Cowboys & Indians*, produced eight times a year by the Oklahoma Regional Library, features articles on western lore and Native Americans, plus a listing of rodeos and other events across the United States.

To request these magazines, please use the order form on page 7 or contact your Readers Advisor. ■

## Ready for Digital?

The Talking Book and Braille Service receives two allocations of digital players per month from the Library of Congress. If you are an established talking book borrower

who is ready for a digital player, please let your Readers Advisor know. Because most talking books and magazines are still on cassette, we are urging borrowers to retain

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# Ready for Digital?

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their cassette players until we can offer a wider selection of materials on cartridge. This means you would have

two types of players: one for cassette and one for digital. ■

## Books to Celebrate Horses, Cowboys

Nebraska's summer is a time for rodeos. Here are fiction and nonfiction about this celebration of the American West.

**RC 55027** *Horse Thief: a Novel*, by Robert Newton Peck

Chicalookee, Florida; 1938. First, rodeo worker and seventeen-year-old orphan Tullis Yoder loses two fingers on his first bull ride. Then, when he learns that his only family—the thirteen horses he cares for—are going to be sold for dog food, he steals them—with help, of course. For junior and senior high.

**RC 60320** *A Thousand Tomorrows*, by Karen Kingsbury

All bull rider Cody Gunner cares about on the Pro Rodeo Tour is his brother with Down syndrome and winning the national championship. He meets barrel racer Ali Daniels, who hides having cystic fibrosis. Their love is made even stronger when Ali reveals her condition.

**RC 61369** *Chasing the Rodeo: On Wild Rides and Big Dreams, Broken Hearts and Broken Bones, and One Man's Search for the West*, by W. K. Stratton

Journalist follows the 2003 season of professional rodeo and bull riding tours.

He reminisces over boyhood experiences with this quintessential western pastime as he explores rodeo's disputed history, the culture of cowboys and cowgirls, animals and audiences, and the event's growing popularity. Strong language.

**DB/RC 64470** *Sun Kissed*, by Catherine Anderson

Rancher Samantha Harrigan and veterinarian Tucker Coulter meet while protecting a horse from its drunk owner. When her own horses are poisoned, Samantha suspects her ex-husband. But authorities think that Samantha—the insurance beneficiary—is involved.

**RC 64474** *A Small White Scar*, by K. A. Nuzum

Colorado, 1940. Fifteen-year-old Will Bennon has his heart set on entering his first rodeo. He is fed up with his father's rules and acting as caretaker for his twin brother, Denny, who has Down syndrome. But when Will sets out on his horse, Denny follows him. For grades 6-9.

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# Books to Celebrate Summer

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**DB/RC 67593 *Public Cowboy No. 1: The Life and Times of Gene Autry***, by Holly George-Warren

Author chronicles the life of Gene Autry (1907-1998), who rose from an impoverished Texas childhood to become a yodeling cowboy, actor, and multimillionaire owner of radio and television stations, rodeos, real estate, and the California Angels.

**DB/RC 68515 *Dylan***, by Linda Lael Miller

Rodeo champion Dylan Creed returns home to his Stillwater Springs, Montana, ranch with his daughter Bonnie after Bonnie's mother abandons her. Dylan takes Bonnie to story hour and runs into an ex-lover, Kristy Madison—and their romance rekindles. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. ■

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## New on Digital:

Here are some Nebraska books and magazines that are already on cassette but are now available on cartridge as well. Please remember to return your books and magazines on cartridge promptly.

**DB 995 *The Man from Boot Hill*,**

by Marcus Gallaway

Western. Contains strong language, violence, and sex.

**DB 1024 *The Brother*,** by Jack

Barron

Christian fiction

**DB 1028 *Broidered Garment*,** by

Hilda Martins Neihardt

Biography

**DB 1042 *Forty Acres and a Fool:***

***How to Live in the Country and***

***Still Keep Your Sanity*,** by Roger

Welsch

Humor

**DB 1046 *Heart of a Husker: Tom***

***Osborne's Nebraska Legacy*,** by Mike

Babcock

Football

**DB 1052 *Only Two Came Back*,** by

Dale Janda

Western

**DB 1080 *Lawrence Bixby:***

***Preserver of the Old Spade Ranch*,**

by Ruth Vanacker and Robert M.

Howard

Nebraska history

**DB 1099 *When Blacks Were Green*,**

by Karla J. Cooper

Conservation

**DB 1105 *The Plain Sense of***

***Things*,** by Pamela Carter Joern

Nebraska fiction. Contains some strong language.

**DB 1117 *By Train They Came:***

***Fragile Excess Baggage*,** Volume 1,

by Charlotte Endorf and Sarah M. Endorf  
U. S. history.

For Grades 6 to 9.

**DB 1122 *Lights on a Ground of***

***Darkness*,** by Ted Kooser

Biography

Also available on cartridge as well as on cassette are five magazines:

*Big Red Report, Nebraska Farmer, Nebraska History, Nebraska Life, and Nebraskaland.*

To order any of these books or magazines, please contact your Readers Advisor. ■

# New Books from Our Studio

## *Fiction*

### ***The Plain Sense of Things***

**DB/RC 1105**

by Pamela Carter Joern

read by Tami Works

1 cartridge/2 cassettes

Set in the Nebraska panhandle, this novel follows three generations of the Preston family, 1930 through 1979, as they exhibit quiet integrity in the face of hardship, hard work, and poverty. Following his estranged daughter's death, a stoic grandfather brings his grandson home. Family members struggle and endure, as does the nation, through the Great Depression, World War II, the killing spree of Charles Starkweather, and the resignation of Richard Nixon, and find the strength to renew their hope with every sunrise. Contains some strong language.

## *Non Fiction*

### ***The Wide Open: Prose, Poetry, and Photographs of the Prairie***

**DB/RC 1088**

edited by Annick Smith and Susan O'Connor

read by Karen Boyer

1 cartridge/2 cassettes

Writers such as Judy Blunt, James Welch, Rick Bass, and Jim Harrison

describe how the high, cold plains of the American West challenged their imagination and provided inspiration. The grasslands, badlands, rivers, and sagebrush provided the stimulus to produced beautiful prose and poetry. Contains some strong language.

### ***By Train They Came: Fragile Excess Baggage – Volume 2***

**DB/RC 1118**

by Charlotte Endorf and Sarah M. Endorf

read by Cherie Frederick

1 cartridge/1 cassette

More true stories of children who rode Orphan Trains in order to be placed in foster homes. For grades 6 to 9.

### ***The Death of Raymond Yellow Thunder: and Other True Stories from the Nebraska-Pine Ridge Border Towns***

**DB/RC 1123**

by Stew Magnuson

read by Michael Cartwright

1 cartridge/3 cassettes

The 1972 murder of Raymond Yellow Thunder was a graphic reminder of conflict between some members of the Oglala Lakota Pine Ridge Reservation and some members of bordering communities such as Whiteclay and Gordon, NE. The context for this modern-day tragedy include the history

# New Books from Our Studios

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of Black Hill incursions, the Ghost Dance, Wounded Knee and the second Wounded Knee, and the American Indian Movement. The author explores the misunderstandings and prejudice that have plagued this blended region. Contains some strong language.

***Down to Earth: Celebrating a Blessed Life on the Land***

**DB/RC 1126**

by Curt Arens

read by Judy Hanefeldt

1 cartridge/1 cassette

A farmer and a devout Catholic, Arens describes how his occupation and his faith are inseparable. Arens and his family live on a homestead along Bow Creek near the Nebraska-South Dakota border that has been in his family since 1917. The author provides information

on the physical and economic burdens faced by family farmers, and reflects on Catholic social teaching and ethical land stewardship.

***Nebraska Kitchens Cookbook: Favorite Recipes of Our State***

**RC 1127**

by Nebraska Life Magazine

read by Laura Johnson

1 cassette

Features 134 favorite recipes submitted by readers of *Nebraska Life* magazine.

***Nebraska Kitchens Cookbook: Volume 2***

**DB/RC 1128**

by Nebraska Life Magazine

read by Margory Gloe

1 cartridge/1 cassette

Features 150 favorite recipes submitted by *Nebraska Life* magazine. ■

## Questions and Answers

Question: Now that I am enjoying the new Library of Congress digital player, should I return my Library of Congress cassette player?

Answer: Please understand the transition from cassette tape to cartridge will take several years to complete. In the meantime, many magazines and books will be offered only on cassette. Our own Nebraska magazines and books are

making a gradual transition to cartridge. A significant number of cassette titles from the Library of Congress may never make the transition.

If eventually you still choose to return your Library of Congress cassette player, please call your Readers Advisor so we will not send a replacement cassette player to you. ■

# Golden Oldies From Our Studios

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

RC 1041 *The Big Empty: Contemporary Nebraska Nonfiction Writers*, edited by Ladette Randolph and Nina Shevchuk-Murry  
2 cassettes                      Essays

RC 1043 *One House: The Unicameral's Progressive Vision for Nebraska*, by Charlyne Berens  
2 cassettes                      Political science

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## Form and Mailing Instructions

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. Borrowers currently using a Library of Congress digital player will receive Nebraska magazines on cartridge when available.

Big Red Report

Capper's

Country

Cowboys & Indians

Great Plains Game and Fish

Grit

National Geographic Traveler

Nebraska Farmer

Nebraska History

Nebraska Life

Nebraskaland

Sunset: The Magazine of Western Living

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DB 1099

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RC 1127

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RC 60320

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RC 64474

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**RC 1044 *Africa on Six Wheels:***

*A Semester on Safari*, by Betty Levitov

1 cassette                      Travel

**RC 1045 *Link Across America:***

*A Story of the Historic Lincoln Highway*, by Mary Elizabeth Anderson

1 cassette                      American history  
For grades 2 to 4.

**RC 1047 *Stadium Stories:***  
*Nebraska Cornhuskers: Colorful Tales of the Scarlet and Cream,*

by Mike Babcock

1 cassette                      Football

**RC 1048 *Death at the Door***, by

K. C. Greenlief

2 cassettes                      Mystery

**RC 1049 *Dying to Decorate: A Friday Afternoon Club Mystery, #1***, by Cyndy Salzmänn

2 cassettes                      Mystery

**RC 1050 *Crime and Clutter: A Friday Afternoon Club Mystery, #2***, by Cyndy Salzmänn

2 cassettes                      Mystery

**RC 1051 *Luck: The Story of a Sandhill Crane***, by Jean Craighead

George

1 cassette                      Animal story

For grades K to 3.

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