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## National Magazines on Cartridge

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of the  
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Service

In addition to the magazines on cartridge available directly from the Talking Book and Braille Service, talking book borrowers now have access to more than 40 free magazines directly through the Library of Congress. These magazines cover a variety of subjects such as cooking and housekeeping, health, travel, and current events. There are titles for all age groups, including young adults and children. Magazine titles are listed near the back of each issue of *Talking Book Topics* just before the index. For more information about these magazines and to subscribe, please contact your Readers Advisor.

Borrowers who subscribe to more than one national magazine are likely to receive several magazines on each cartridge. When you receive a cartridge that contains more than one magazine, remember to hold down the green, square play/stop button for a few seconds. Your player will announce "Bookshelf." The rewind and fast forward keys can now be used to move from magazine to magazine. When you hear the announcement for the desired magazine, press the green, square play/stop key again. You should be able to listen to the selected magazine.



## Magazines Celebrate Nebraska

Here are some free magazines on cartridge, all recorded in our own studios and specifically about Nebraska, that help us celebrate early summer and appreciate the good life we enjoy:

*Nebraskaland* showcases Nebraska's beautiful state parks and other outdoor recreational opportunities. It is published ten times a year by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

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# Magazines Celebrate Nebraska

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Also published by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, *Trail Tales* is a quarterly magazine for younger readers who love Nebraska's outdoors and nature. *Great Plains Game and Fish*, published ten times a year, describes fishing and hunting hot spots in Nebraska, as well as in Kansas and North and South Dakota.

*Nebraska Life*, published bimonthly, features events, travel, and community profiles. A bimonthly magazine that includes Nebraska, *Midwest Living* covers places to visit, recipes, gardens, hobbies, restaurants, and more—all about Midwest states.

Published ten times a year, with an emphasis on Husker football, the *Big Red Report* attempts to cover the wide range of sports that are part of the University of Nebraska's athletic program.

A monthly magazine, *Nebraska Farmer* features Nebraska crop reports, articles on farm life, and new agricultural methods and technology. *Nebraska Newsletter*, published eleven times a year by the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, provides information about 4H clubs and projects, lawn and garden, acreage, farm and ranch, and nutrition, health, and safety.

*Nebraska History* and *Nebraska History News*, both published quarterly by the Nebraska State Historical Society, offer articles on the history and people of Nebraska.

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



## New Books from Our Studios

*Alligators under My Bed and Other Nebraska Tales: a Memoir* DB 1133

by James D. Hager  
read by Cherie Frederick  
7 hours 35 minutes

Raised on a farm near the Republican River and later moving with his family into

Red Cloud, the author tells what it was like to grow up in mid-20<sup>th</sup> century rural Nebraska. Farm chores, his first bicycle, school sports, his first car . . . James Hager describes a life filled with mischievous and sometimes dangerous escapades.

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## *Cornhusker Dreams* DB 1138

by Cara Putnam  
read by Marjory Gloe  
17 hours 15 minutes

Three romances set in Nebraska during World War II. In *Canteen Dreams*, schoolteacher Audrey Stone contributes to the war effort by volunteering at a train station canteen. Meanwhile local rancher Willard Johnson yearns to enlist in order to avenge his brother's death at Pearl Harbor. In *Sandhills Dreams*, Laine Gardner's poor health prevents her from enlisting as a nurse. Instead she gets a job at Fort Robinson, where she meets Tom Hamilton, who trains war dogs. In *Captive Dreams*, Anna Goodman tries to run the family farm while also caring for her father. Sid

Chance finds himself overseeing German prisoners of war, who are able to help in the fields.

## *No Angels for Outlaws: The Man from Boot Hill* DB 1141

by Marcus Galloway  
read by Dan Howell  
6 hours 30 minutes

An undertaker with a violent past, Nick Graves finally discovers some measure of peace on the edge of the desert, in the small New Mexico town of Ocean, where he hopes to use his skills with a gun to help keep order. When a quiet rancher turns desperate in seeking revenge for the murder of his family, Nick comes to his rescue in tracking down the marauding outlaws. Contains some strong language and violence.

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## *Barrelhouse Boys* DB 1155

by Joel Williamsen

read by Joel Williamsen

17 hours 55 minutes

In the gas-light era of 1894, Bud Gardner, a young ball player from Alder Grove, seeks refuge from drought and poverty by trying his luck in Nebraska's glittering capital city. Establishing a precarious existence within his uncle's saloon, Bud encounters shady characters in the Haymarket District. But even worse, he uncovers dark connections that lead from a deadly Nebraska train wreck to Chicago's railroad strikes and Omaha's slaughterhouse riots.

## *Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness: Special Issue on Technology* DB 1204

by the American Foundation for the Blind

read by Janene Sheldon, Kay McKinzie, Michael Cartwright, Helena Whitaker, Alice Timm, Deanna Weeks, Judy Hanefeldt, Zoya Zeman, Margaret Polk, Cherie Frederick, and Laura Johnson

10 hours 40 minutes

This October-November 2012 special issue examines how pervasively technology is impacting upon service providers dedicated to improving the lives of individuals with visual impairment. ■

## 2013 Summer Reading Program

Talking book and Braille readers age 13 and younger can really "Dig into Reading"- the theme of this year's free summer reading program. And young adult readers between 14 and 19 have their own summer reading program themed "Beneath the Surface."

Everyone who enrolls receives a reading packet. Those who complete five or more books between June 1 and August 15 will be sent end-of-summer prizes. The books could be in Braille, on cartridge or cassette, or

downloadable from BARD.

Information and a sign-up form have been mailed to all active talking book readers 19 and younger. Interested readers can also contact their Readers Advisor. ■

# Great Books for Early Summer

May and June is a time for Nebraskans to enjoy baseball, fishing, camping, and just being outdoors once again. Here are great books to help celebrate early summer.

**DB 1085 *My Brushes with Death and Other Outdoor Blunders: A Family Man's Guide to Hunting and Fishing Woe*, by Steven Paul Barlow**

Author presents 50 of his favorite "Parting Line" magazine columns originally published in *Game & Fish* publications. While meeting the minimal obligations of having a wife, four kids, and a job, the author describes with tongue-in-cheek his desire for the stress-free life of outdoors. His misadventures include family camping trips, backcountry excursions, and solo deer hunts.

**DB 66776 *Three Men in a Boat: (To Say Nothing of the Dog)*, by Jerome K. Jerome**

Tale of three overworked Englishmen who take a boating holiday on the Thames. George, William, and the narrator—accompanied by Montmorency, the dog—anticipate the joys of long, lazy summer days but instead face uncooperative camping equipment, inclement weather, rampant hypochondria, and other disasters.

**DB 67479 *Backcast: Fatherhood, Fly-fishing, and a River Journey through the Heart of Alaska*, by Lou Ureneck**

A divorced father describes taking his eighteen-year-old son Adam fly-fishing on Alaska's Kanektok River and having a wilderness experience together, including run-ins with bears. Ureneck reminisces about his own youth and career as a reporter while he relates trying to reconnect with Adam. Some strong language.

**DB 67877 *Haunted Baseball: Ghosts, Curses, Legends, and Eerie Events*, by Mickey Bradley and Dan Gordon**

The authors—who spent a year and a half interviewing fans, professional players, managers, and clubhouse employees—present anecdotes about strange happenings in the world of baseball. Includes "The Ghosts of Yankee Stadium," "I See Dead People," and "Bedeviled."

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# Great Books for Early Summer

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**DB 69299** *The Corporal Was a Pitcher: The Courage of Lou Brissie*, by Ira Berkow

Details the heroism and determination of World War II G.I. Lou Brissie, who was wounded in Italy in December 1944. Recounts Brissie's refusal to allow his leg to be amputated, against all odds of recovery, and his use of a leg brace to become a Philadelphia Athletics pitcher.

**DB 72204** *Are We There Yet? : The Golden Age of American Family Vacations*, by Susan Sessions Rugh

Presents a cultural history of American middle-class-family road trips in the post-World War II era. Explains the reasons for this summer ritual and its decline in the 1970s. Examines various types of vacations—including heritage, destination, and camping excursions—and their impact on civil rights and environmental issues.

**DB 73451** *One Summer*, by David Baldacci

As former army ranger Jack Armstrong lies dying, his wife Lizzie is killed in a car accident, and his three children are sent to various relatives. But Jack miraculously recovers, collects his kids, and moves to Lizzie's childhood home on the South Carolina coast.

**DB 74367** *Following Atticus: Forty-eight High Peaks, One Little Dog, and an Extraordinary Friendship*, by Tom Ryan

Newspaperman examines his unique relationship with his hiking partner, miniature schnauzer Atticus M. Finch. Explains how a fund-raising effort after a friend's death started man and dog's years of climbing in New Hampshire's White Mountains—188 peaks over three winters. Some strong language.

**DB 74762** *Wherever I Wind Up: My Quest for Truth, Authenticity, and the Perfect Knuckleball*, by R.A. Dickey, with Wayne Coffey

Autobiography of the journeyman knuckleball pitcher, who was cut from his first professional team, the Texas Rangers, when doctors discovered that Dickey lacks a ligament in one of his elbows. Describes his impoverished Nashville upbringing, his quest for a career, and his Christian faith.

**DB 74896** *Imperfect: An Improbable Life*, by Jim Abbott and Tim Brown

Autobiography of professional baseball pitcher and 1988 Olympic gold-medal winner who was born without a right hand. Abbott discusses his blue-collar Flint, Michigan, childhood spent playing sports; his achievements in the major leagues. ■

## New on Digital

**DB 22868 *Oliver Twist***, by Charles Dickens  
British classic

**DB 22936 *Heidi***, by Johanna Spyri  
Children's classic. For grades 4 through 7.

**DB 22978 *Happy Are the Meek***, by Andrew M. Greeley  
Mystery. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

**DB 22988 *Heaven: Casteel Family, Book 1***, by V. C. Andrews  
Horror. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

**DB 22993 *Flaming Tree***, by Phyllis Whitney  
Gothic

**DB 23022 *Dutchman's Flat***, by Louis L'Amour  
Western short stories

**DB 23073 *Crossfire Trail***, by Louis L'Amour  
Western

**DB 23130 *Death of a Salesman: Certain Private Conversations in Two Acts and a Requiem***, by Arthur Miller  
Drama

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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.

**Big Red Report**

**Great Plains Game and Fish**

**Midwest Living**

**Nepline Newsletter**

**Nebraska Farmer**

**Nebraska History**

**Nebraska History News**

**Nebraska Life**

**Nebraskaland**

**Trail Tales**

**DB 1085**

**DB 1133**

**DB 1138**

**DB 1141**

**DB 1155**

**DB 1204**

**DB 66776**

**DB 67479**

**DB 67877**

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**DB 72204**

**DB 73451**

**DB 74367**

**DB 74762**

**DB 74896**

# New on Digital

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❑ **DB 23149** *The Rustlers of Pecos County, and Silvermane*, by Zane Grey  
Westerns

❑ **DB 23150** *Gulliver's Travels*, by Jonathan Swift  
British classic

❑ **DB 23239** *High Line Rider*, by William A. Lucky  
Western. Contains some strong language.

❑ **DB 23292** *The Lieutenants: Brotherhood of War, Book 1*, by W.E.B. Griffin  
World War II fiction. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

❑ **DB 23293** *The Captains: Brotherhood of War, Book 2*, by W.E.B. Griffin  
Korean War fiction. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

❑ **DB 23294** *The Majors: Brotherhood of War, Book 3*, by W.E.B. Griffin  
Vietnam War fiction. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

❑ **DB 23295** *The Colonels: Brotherhood of War, Book 4*, by W.E.B. Griffin  
Vietnam War fiction. Contains strong language and descriptions of sex.

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