



# Interchange Newsletter Spring 2026

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## Summer Reading Announcement

Patrons 19 years old and younger are once again invited to participate in our free Summer Reading Program. This year's theme is **Unearth a Story** and we are digging up fun with three crafts planned over the course of the program.

Those who register will receive a welcome prize that includes pencils, stickers, and a fidget popper. Continue reading over the course of the summer to win a dinosaur LEGO kit!

We will be sending registration forms to our young patrons at the end of April. Please return them to us by Monday, May 11th.

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## Summer Reading For Adults

If you are older than 19 and want to participate in Summer Reading, now's your chance! This year we are debuting an Adult Summer Reading Program.

Adults who register will receive three issues of our Summer Reading Bulletin, which will contain book discussions and engagement articles relating to the theme of **Unearth a Story**.

Adults also have a chance to win prizes! For every five NLS Talking Books or one Braille book that you read, you will earn another entry in a raffle to win one of three prizes. Winners' names will be drawn at random at the end of the program. Prizes will include a t-shirt, a tote bag, and a tactile card game. To register, please contact your Reader Advisor before May 26th.

# Interchange Now Available in Digital Braille Format

*Interchange* is now available in a digital braille format (BRF). Beginning with this current issue, the BRF file will be available for download on our website. You may also subscribe to receive it via email.

The hardcopy version of the braille newsletter will continue to be made available to our borrowers. However, due to rising paper costs, we kindly ask that anyone who prefers to access the digital braille version contact us to be removed from the hardcopy mailing list.

Please let us know if you experience any issues with the BRF file. We welcome your feedback, and are excited to be providing this new format to you.

As a reminder, any patron can change the format of their newsletter subscription at any time by contacting their Reader Advisor, or by using the form found at: [bit.ly/NewsletterFormat](http://bit.ly/NewsletterFormat).

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## 2026 Nebraska State Travel Guide

An audio version of Visit Nebraska's *2026 Nebraska State Travel Guide* is now available for loan on cartridge! Interested patrons can call, email, or use this newsletter's order form to request a copy. Current subscribers to *Nebraska Life* have automatically been sent the travel guide.

You can also access a digital version or request a print copy at [visitnebraska.com/request-travel-guide](http://visitnebraska.com/request-travel-guide). Visit Nebraska is part of the Nebraska Tourism Commission.

The *2026 Nebraska State Travel Guide* includes a monthly calendar featuring events, festivals, and activities from the Sandhills to the Missouri River. From Nebraska City's Arbor Day Celebration in April and Sidney's Gold Rush Days in June, to Seward's Fourth of July Celebration and Central Nebraska's Junk Jaunt in September, there's something for all Nebraskans!

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The 2026 Travel Guide also profiles great locations to visit this summer and year-round, including spots for your next outdoor adventures, places to grab a memorable bite, and historic sites.

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## Changes to Talking Book Topics on Cartridge

National Library Service (NLS) has made changes to the cartridge distribution of the bi-monthly catalog *Talking Book Topics*.

Distribution will now be handled directly by each regional library. This means that *Talking Book Topics* will be mailed to you directly from the Talking Book and Braille Service in Lincoln, Nebraska. We hope that these changes will lead to more consistent and efficient service for our borrowers.

Each new issue will be mailed in the same format as your regular audiobooks. When a copy is checked out to you, it will not count towards the maximum number of audiobook cartridges you have elected to receive.

There will be no order form sent with the cartridge. Instead, you can order books by calling your Reader Advisor at 402-471-4038 or toll-free at 800-742-7691. You may also email your selections to [nlc.talkingbook@nebraska.gov](mailto:nlc.talkingbook@nebraska.gov).

A downloadable PDF of the order form will continue to be made available online at <https://www.loc.gov/nls/new-materials/talking-book-topics>. You may choose to print this form and mail it to us, or save it to your computer and email it to us. In lieu of sending an order form, you can also write and mail your requests on any piece of paper. Please make sure to include your name.

We anticipate that the next issue of *Talking Book Topics* will be available in mid- to late April, and we will mail it to subscribers at that time. If you are not subscribed and would like to be, or if you wish to confirm that you are subscribed, please contact us as soon as possible.

# Magazines Available in Our Collection

***Nebraska Life.*** Founded in 1997, *Nebraska Life* is an independent, family-owned magazine that captures life in Nebraska. In six colorful and entertaining issues per year, it brings Nebraska to Nebraskans no matter where they live. It explores the state's culture, heritage, and natural surroundings and focuses on interesting stories from Nebraska's towns and cities. *Nebraska Life's* writers and photographers travel the state in search of the untold stories of the nature, history, businesses, events, communities, and people that we share the state with. This makes the publication one of Nebraska's best resources for travel and entertainment information.

Talking Book patrons who subscribe to this magazine will receive six issues each year on cartridge.

***Overland Journal.*** The *Overland Journal* is the Oregon-California Trails Association quarterly journal of scholarly research into the emigrant experience and America's 19th century historic trails. In addition to research articles, the journal regularly includes book reviews, letters to the editor, and a page of diary quotes from original trail diaries. This publication is perfect for fans of Nebraska's own pioneer history.

Talking Book patrons who subscribe to this magazine will receive four issues each year on cartridge.

***Living Well.*** *Living Well* educates and informs older adults, their families, and caregivers on topics, programs, issues and activities that are of concern and interest to the mature population. *Living Well* places specific emphasis on articles pertaining to the services of Aging Partners, an agency based in Lincoln that plans, coordinates, and advocates for seniors 60 years and older in an eight-county area: Lancaster, Butler, Fillmore, Polk, Saline, Saunders, Seward, and York.

Talking Book patrons who subscribe to this magazine will receive four issues each year on cartridge.

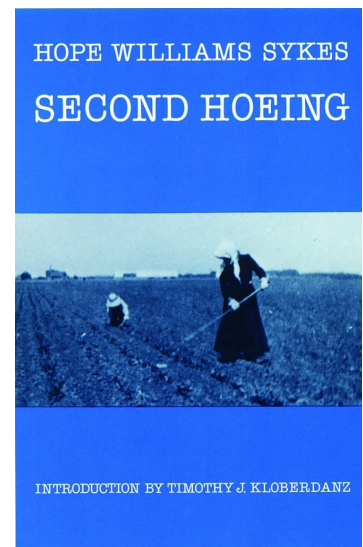
# New Books Added to Our Collection

**DBC02213** *Sports Illustrated Presents that Championship Season: Nebraska 1994* edited by David Bauer. Special collector's edition of Sports Illustrated highlighting the 1994-95 Nebraska Cornhuskers national championship season.

**DBC02110** *An Orphan for Nebraska* by Charlene Joy Talbot. Orphaned on the journey to America in 1872, a young Irish boy finally makes his way to Nebraska where he goes to work for a newspaper editor and learns to do the work of a printer's devil.

**DBC02130** *Second Hoeing* by Hope Williams Sykes; introduction by Timothy J. Kloberdanz. This novel describes the harsh life of the German Russian immigrants who settled in Colorado in the early 20th century and worked at the back-breaking labor in the sugar beet fields.

**DBC02104** *Duckie's Wise Quacks & Poems to Remember* by Fred Lenox Duckworth. Nebraska poet Duckworth, also known as "Duckie," narrates his 1982 collection of inspirational and humorous poems.



**DBC02114** *Dakota Diaspora: Memoirs of a Jewish Homesteader* by Sophie Trupin. To most Jewish immigrants, New York was America. Not many ventured as far as North Dakota at the turn of the century. Sophie Trupin writes of her father and other Jewish farmers who came to the northern plains. In a series of vignettes, the author recalls her childhood in "Nordokota," where her father built a sod house and farmed a quarter-section of rocky land before opening a butcher shop in the town of Wing.

These locally-produced audiobooks, and more, can be found here: <https://nlc.nebraska.gov/tbbs/nebraska-bks.pdf>. A complete listing of audio magazines can be found at: <https://nlc.nebraska.gov/tbbs/magazine.aspx>.

# Order Form and Mailing Instructions

Mark the books and magazines you wish to order, then mail to:

Nebraska Library Commission Talking Book and Braille Service  
1200 N Street, Suite 120, The Atrium  
Lincoln, NE 68508-2023.

Or call (402) 471-4038 or 800-742-7691. You can also order online by going to [bit.ly/tbbsorderform](http://bit.ly/tbbsorderform), or by emailing [nlc.talkingbook@nebraska.gov](mailto:nlc.talkingbook@nebraska.gov).

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## Books

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Nebraska 1994 – Nebraska Football Nonfiction
- [DBC02110](#) An Orphan for Nebraska – Historical Fiction
- [DBC02130](#) Second Hoeing – Historical Fiction
- [DBC02104](#) Duckie’s Wise Quacks & Poems to Remember – Poetry
- [DBC02114](#) Dakota Diaspora: Memoirs of a Jewish Homesteader –  
Historical Biography

## Magazines

- 2026 Nebraska State Travel Guide
- Nebraska Life
- Overland Journal
- Living Well