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Up the Nebraska Cattle Trail & Songs of the West
The Better Half: Nebraska's Hidden Treasures

The Peterson Senior Activity Center will host Humanities Nebraska speaker Joan Wells on Tuesday, September 24 at 1:00 p.m. In 1867 and with a surplus of cattle in Texas, cattle drives brought hundreds of thousands of cattle to Nebraska. Herds were gathered near San Antonio, Texas and driven up the Western Trail to Ogallala, NE. During these four-month long drives cowboys would pass the time singing about life on the trail to calm the cattle at night. Joan Wells tells about the cattle drives and the origin of western music while singing the songs of the early day cowboys.

This presentation is made possible by the Nebraska Humanities Council, The Nebraska Cultural Endowment and Peterson Activity Center as part of the NHC Speakers Bureau. The Peterson Activity Center is located at 2020 W. 11th Street, Kearney. Please contact the Center at 308-233-3278 for more information.

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