



WALNUT GROVE — This pair of little girls joyfully played on the mini saucer at the Family Festival Saturday afternoon. (Photo/Tom Merchant)



WALNUT GROVE — Julie Miller gave a presentation about the times of Laura Ingalls Wilder at the Family Festival. (Photo/Tom Merchant)



WALNUT GROVE — The Sapsuckers performed music for the audience at the Family Festival last Saturday. (Photo/Tom Merchant)



WALNUT GROVE — Musicians Curtis and Loretta performed during the Family Festival last Saturday afternoon. (Photo/Tom Merchant)



WALNUT GROVE — This family posed in the Ingalls family cutouts at the Wilder Museum last Saturday during the Family Festival. (Photo/Tom Merchant)

Family Festival Saturday; July, 24

From 11:00 am to 6:00 pm.

The Family Festival will be held in the Walnut Grove City Park.

The Family Festival will provide activities for all ages. There will be demonstrations, kids activities, food, craft vendors, music performances, and much more. Free admission. Some activities may include a small charge.

For more information call 507-859-2358

Demonstrations & Presentations

- *Spinning
- *Weaving
- *Leather stamping
- *Woodcarving

Events

11:00 – 6:00 p.m. Food and Craft Vendors, Demonstrations

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Musical Performance by Curtis & Loretta

12:15 – 12:45 p.m. Presentation by Author Cindy Wilson

12:45 – 1:15 p.m. Presentation by Author Carolyn Van Loh

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Musical Performance by Singleton Street

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Registration Laura and Nellie Contest

2:45 – 3:45 p.m. Musical Performance by Curtis & Loretta

3:00 p.m. Laura and Nellie Look-A-Like Contest

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Musical Performance by Singleton Street

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1:15 p.m. Books she has written are historical in nature, and how she went about getting her family history books published. She told people to not be afraid to work on their family's history, it does take a lot of effort, but it is very much worth it.

After that the "Sapsuckers" provided a variety of old favorite tunes playing the violin, banjo, and guitar.

Once again, the Laura and Nellie look-A-Like Contest was held starting at

3:00 p.m. Ten Lauras and two Nellies would compete to be named as the Laura and Nellie Look-A-Likes. After being interviewed and judged three Laura's were selected and the three "Nellies" paired up to do a short scene from the "On the Banks of Plum Creek"

After the judges finished the judging, Aira Kaufman of Portsmouth, Ohio was named as Laura Look-A-Like and Cora Vander-Tuin of Sioux Center, Iowa was named Nellie Look-A-Like.

Aira is the daughter of Dan and Heidi Kaufman. Cora is the daughter of David and Sally Vander-Tuin. Both girls and their families enjoyed being at the Friday night performance, but would not be able to stay to attend the Saturday performance. Each of the girls received a \$40.00 gift certificate good for souvenir items at the pageant souvenir stand.

The Wilder Museum and Visitor Center, was as usual, very busy. People were seen throughout the museum grounds and buildings.

Local artist Dan Wahl, set up in the park with his drawing cards, pens and pencils for visitors to add their drawings to the collection of horse drawings at the Masters' Hotel building across from the Wilder Museum. The collection now has over 1,400 drawings as of the weekend. The artist himself did over 400 of the drawings. Visitors are encouraged to draw their own picture of horses on 4 by 6 cards. The exhibit ends October 31, 2021. It is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

All in all, it was another successful weekend for the festivities in Laura's childhood home of Walnut Grove.

WWG Schools Fall Festival is Back in Action

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31
3 pm - 7 pm
WWG Volleyball opener to follow

We are looking for donations to help fund our festival and make a free, enjoyable experience for all.

Donate Today!

Become a **PLATINUM DONOR** by donating \$500 or more.
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 Become a **SILVER DONOR** by donating \$100 to \$250.
 Become a **BRONZE DONOR** by donating \$25 to \$100.
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Visit with Mr. Woitalewicz about sponsorship opportunities:
CALL: 507-620-3001
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MAIL DONATIONS TO:
 WWG Schools, 344 8th St., PO Box 129,
 Westbrook, MN 56183
 Deadline for donations is Monday, August 9.

70th Anniversary

Sanford Westbrook Medical Center
70th Anniversary Celebration Picnic
Thursday, August 5 • 5-7 p.m.
 Peterson Estates Garage, Columbus Ave.
 Menu: Burgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Chips, Cookies and Beverage
 Event is open to the public.
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