39th Annual
Wilder Pageant
July 8-9, 15-16, 22-23

An outdoor drama based on the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder in Walnut Grove, whose writings provided the inspiration for TV’s “Little House on the Prairie”

Tickets – July 8-9, 15, 22-23
• Gates open - 7:00 p.m.
• Pageant Singers - 8:00 p.m.
• July 9 – Charlotte Stewart “Miss Eva Beadle” Speaking on stage - 8:30 p.m.
• Pageant Performance - 9:00 p.m.
• Reserved Admission - $17.00
• General Admission - $15.00
• Bring your own chair or blanket.
• Ages 5 and under are free in general admission.

Tickets – July 16
• Gates open - 5:30 p.m.
• Pageant Singers - 6:30 p.m.
• Karen Grassle “Caroline ‘Ma’ Ingalls” speaking on stage - 7:30 p.m.
• Pageant Performance - 9:00 p.m.
• Reserved Admission - $25.00
• General Admission - $23.00
• Bring your own chair or blanket.
• Ages 5 and under are free in general admission.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services
• Saturday, July 16 Performance
• ASL Interpreter provided
• Tickets must be purchased by July 1
• Call 888-859-3102 to order tickets

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Walnut Grove is the childhood home of author Laura Ingalls Wilder. Laura wrote about her days here in the book “On the Banks of Plum Creek”

Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum & Information Center
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Information subject to change. Visit website for updates.
Events & Historic Sites

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New Grandma’s Attic in Grandma’s House with Hands-on Area for Kids.
New Veteran’s Exhibit in Grandma’s House featuring photos of Area Veterans, Uniforms and Service Pieces.
The Depot displays Laura history & “Little House” memorabilia.
Grandma’s House has Laura & Rose Wilder Lane’s writing collections & a 300+ piece doll collection.
The life-sized Dugout is for all to enter.
The Little Red Schoolhouse allows you to have a seat in class.
The Early Settlers’ home is similar to many early pioneers’ homes in our area.
A Covered Wagon, General Store & Veterans exhibit are a few of the displays in Heritage Lane.
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HOURS:
June, July, August – Daily 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
May & September – Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 12 Noon-5 p.m.
April & October – Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun. 12 Noon-4 p.m.
Museum Buildings Closed Nov. 1 – March 31
Limited Gift Store Hours November thru March. Please call ahead.

ADMISSION IS CHARGED
The Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum is a non-profit organization working to preserve the history of Laura Ingalls Wilder and the community of Walnut Grove.

Hands-on Activities throughout the buildings

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Family Festival
Saturday, July 9, 16, 23, 2016
11 a.m. to 6 p.m. • City Park
The Walnut Grove Family Festival will provide activities for all ages. Demonstrations, activities, food, crafts, music performers & much more. Free admission! Some activities may include a small charge. Call (507) 859-2358 or email wgff@walnutgrove.org for more information.

Black Powder Shoot Rendezvous
July 8 & 9
Observe Powder Shooters as they compete in contests and activities. Participants are dressed in period clothing from the days of the Black Powder Shoots.

Laura & Nellie Look-a-Like Contest
Saturday, July 9, 16, 23
For girls ages 8-12. Registration at 1:30-2:30 p.m., contest at 3 p.m. Fee charged. Prizes based on overall appearance and knowledge of books. Two separate contests.

Bus Tours
July 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
Bus leaves from City Park. Fee charged per person. Friday 4 p.m., Saturday 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. & 5 p.m. Tour of Historic Sites in and around Walnut Grove.

Evening Meal
Open to the Public
Friday & Saturday Pageant Weekends
Held at the Walnut Grove Community Center, 311 6th Street. Sponsored by churches and community groups. Menu varies, moderately priced. Serving 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Loggers Fishing Derby
Saturday, July 16
10 a.m. at Lake Laura. For ages 12 and under. Prizes awarded. Bring your own fishing pole, bait provided.

Congregational Church Site
At the corner of 5th Street and Bedal is the site of the church that the Ingalls family attended in Walnut Grove, now a private home and unavailable for viewing.

Ingalls School Site
At the corner of 4th Street and Washington is the site of the school that Mary, Laura and Carrie attended while living in Walnut Grove, now a private home and unavailable for viewing.

Pa’s Bell
Now located in the belfry at the English Lutheran Church, 450 Wiggins Street, Walnut Grove.

Masters Hotel
Located at the corner of 8th Street and County Road 20 is the Masters Hotel where Laura worked while living in Walnut Grove, now a private home and unavailable for viewing.

Laura Ingalls Wilder Historic Monument
Monument erected remembering early pioneers like the Ingalls. Located 1.6 miles north of Walnut Grove on County Road 5.

Wahepeton Prairie
Remnant of tall grass prairie, ox-bow pond and woods along Cottonwood River. 5 miles north on County Road 5, 1 mile east, 1/2 mile north.

When the Prairie Whispers
A walking tour of identified tree varieties in Lower Plum Creek Park, 1 mile west on County Road 20, 1 mile south and 3/4 mile east on County Road 78. Purchase guide books at the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum.

Laura Ingalls Dugout Site
Readers of Laura’s books will enjoy the undisturbed, unreconstructed site located 1-1/2 miles north of Walnut Grove on County Road 5. Along with your imagination, interpretive signs help visitors locate prominent features Laura described in On the Banks of Plum Creek. The ruins of her dugout home are surrounded by more than 30 acres of original and restored native grasses. Visitors can enjoy exploring the landmarks, having a picnic on the banks, or just experiencing the serene prairie. There is ample space for RVs to turn around.

OPEN MAY THROUGH OCTOBER DAYLIGHT HOURS. WEATHER PERMITTING. NOMINAL FEE PER VEHICLE.

Charlotte Stewart
“Miss Beadle” & Author
July 9-10, 2016

Karen Grassle
“Ma Ingalls”
July 16-17, 2016

William Anderson
July 16-17, 2016

Laurie Anderson
July 9-10, 2016