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Sarpy Museum Hosts Program on Literary Portrayal of Native Americans

Join the Sarpy County Museum on Sunday, March 20th at 2 p.m. as Plattsmouth librarian, Kirsten Wood presents *Pioneer Girl* and the portrayal of Native Americans. Kirsten will be sharing her research on the new biography of Laura Ingalls Wilder printed last year. She will discuss whether the inaccurate portrayal of Native Americans in the books warrants the series being removed from library shelves. She is hoping that a middle ground can be discovered that will allow these works to continue to be read but without offending any reader. This free event, at the Sarpy County Museum, is open to the public.

Kirsten Wood is the Youth Services Librarian at the Plattsmouth Public Library which means she gets to share Laura Ingalls Wilder with her wonderful patrons. She graduated from UNO in 2010 with her bachelor's in Library Science. This talk developed from reading new viewpoints of Laura Ingalls Wilder's works particularly with regards to its depictions of Native Americans and the wish that the works be pulled from the shelves.

About the Sarpy County Museum

The Sarpy County Museum, incorporated in 1953, is committed to protecting, preserving and promoting Sarpy County's rich history. It does this by hosting a variety of free programs, archiving local records and assisting with genealogy research. The museum is generously funded by Sarpy County and continues to rely on donations from members, volunteers and community supporters. The museum is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. For more information, contact the Sarpy County Museum, 402-292-1880 or museum@sarpycountymuseum.org.

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