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## STORROWTON'S LITTLE HOUSE FAMILY DAY TO BE HELD JULY 14

Experience the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder at Little House Family Day Saturday, July 14, at Storrowton Village Museum. Wilder, best known for penning the *Little House on the Prairie* books, had adventures on the American frontier that have captivated the imaginations of children for well over 100 years, whether on the written page or via the popular television series based on her books.

Different 19th century activities will take place throughout the day, so guests can enjoy a whole day of fun or participate in a few favorites. All will be inspired by the *Little House* books, like washing laundry on a washboard.

Visitors can also play old-fashioned prairie games on the Village green, learn about foraging on the frontier, and make corn husk dolls. Bring your best detective skills because this year will include a new scavenger hunt and anyone who completes the hunt will receive a small prize.

The day's special guest will be Laura Ingalls historical interpreter, Rosalie Silliman. She will give two presentations, including one in the Village's one-room schoolhouse, for a taste of what Laura's life was like as a schoolteacher.

"It's an annual tradition to celebrate Laura Ingalls Wilder and her New England heritage here at Storrowton. Her ancestors hail from Corinth, Vermont, and Grafton, New Hampshire, which isn't too far away. This event is now in its fourth year and a favorite for many of the families that return each year," Museum Director Jessica K. Fontaine said.

Tickets for Little House Family Day are \$8 in advance via storrowtonvillage.com (through 7/13/18) or \$10 on the day of the event. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, visit storrowtonvillage.com/p/tours-and-events/little-house-family-day or call 413-205-5051.

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Storrowton Village Museum, an educational arm of Eastern States Exposition (a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization) and located on its grounds in West Springfield, Mass., presents hands-on school programs and guided tours of its historic buildings throughout the year as well as seasonal 19th century-themed events. It is the site of Storrowton Tavern/Carriage House and Storrowton Village Museum Gift Shop and is a picturesque, popular site for weddings held in its Meetinghouse and Gazebo. For more information, contact Storrowton Village Museum at 413-205-5051, weekdays between 9am and 5pm.