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**DEEP VALLEY BOOK FESTIVAL HOSTS “CABIN FEVER” VIRTUAL GATHERING
OF AUTHORS AND READERS**

MANKATO, Minn.—The Deep Valley Book Festival will hold its second annual “cabin fever” virtual gathering of authors and readers from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 5. This event is free, but preregistration is required to reserve a spot on the Zoom platform.

Minnesota author Cindy Wilson, author of *The Beautiful Snow*, is the featured speaker. Wilson will share an introduction to the history of the Hard Winter of 1880-81 as found in the newspaper records of the time, along with some introductory context about Laura Ingalls Wilder's novel about the long winter. Wilson explores some of Wilder's struggles to convert her family's experience during those months into a full novel within the Little House series. *The Beautiful Snow* placed gold in the 2021 IPPY awards and was a finalist in the 2020 National Indie Excellence Awards.

A variety of authors will give panel presentations throughout the day with drawings for free books following each panel. The Author Directory page of the website contains dozens of participating authors and books available to order online. For a complete program listing and registration, visit: <https://www.deepvalleybookfestival.com/cabin-fever-schedule>

Registration information is available at www.deepvalleybookfestival.com. Stay updated with the most current information by following “Deep Valley Book Festival” on Facebook. Questions can be directed to contact@deepvalleybookfestival.com