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**Nebraska Author Debuts Historical Fiction
*Inspired by true events at Camp Scottsbluff***

Scottsbluff, Nebraska - November 2022 - *Behind the Wire* is a historical fiction novel inspired by a packet of letters sent to the author's grandmother by four American soldiers and a German prisoner of war being held at Camp Scottsbluff during WWII.

Author Andrea Myers was born and raised in Gering, Nebraska, attended the University of Wyoming where she received her BA in English, and has been a prolific blogger for over 20 years. She moved back to her childhood hometown in 2020. This is her debut novel.

The story opens with Margaret Murphy and her two best friends as sophomores at Nebraska University. She was happily studying journalism until her overprotective mother forces her to come back to Gering after Pearl Harbor was bombed. Determined to feel useful during the war she worked as an assistant to the Quartermaster at the POW Camp. She joined in with women across the country in a letter writing campaign to boost the morale of soldiers overseas. Throughout the war she witnesses how war affects the mental health of everyone serving and relies heavily on her friends as she determines what comes after the war.

Few people know about Camp Scottsbluff and that the prisoners were vital to our ag industry during the war. Even fewer know that over 400,000 Germans were imprisoned across America providing much needed labor.

Advance readers have said:

"Andrea has written an exceptional account of one woman's brave and enlightening journey during WWII from the plains of Nebraska. She powerfully, yet gently, deals with the mental health, trauma, and equality issues of the time and reinforces the times of difficulty are made easier with the support of strong female friendships."

The history, combined with the captivating story, and the local angle would make an ideal story for your publication.

Behind the Wire will be available for sale November 11th and there will be book launch events scheduled throughout the Panhandle in the coming months.

For more information visit AndreaMyersAuthor.com or call 308-244-8448.