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**News from The Folly**

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The Folly re-opens at Easter for the 2007 season. This year, all three of our new exhibitions celebrate special anniversaries. In the parlour on the ground floor, there will be a display of photographs, concert programmes and other memorabilia marking the 40th anniversary of Settle Orchestra. The musical theme continues on the first floor with an exhibition entitled 'Elgar in Craven' in honour of the composer's 150th birthday and his 50-year friendship with Dr Charles Buck of Settle. It will appeal not only to musicians but also to all those who are interested in scenes of local life in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The whole of the second floor room and upper staircase walls will be given over to a variety of displays commemorating the centenary of Settle College, tracing its development from the early beginnings, through the years of Girls' High and Mixed Comprehensive Schools to its present status of Technology College. The displays cover a wide range of themes and include much early material as well as contributions from current students. There are wonderful photographs from all periods, so come along and enjoy spotting the people you remember!

The Folly will be open at Easter from Friday, 6 April to Tuesday, 10 April inclusive, from 10.30a.m. to 4.30p.m and thereafter during all Bank Holiday weekends and from 30 June – 30 September on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Group visits are welcome by appointment. For further information, please telephone (015242) 51388 or (01729) 822361 or see our website at <http://www.ncbpt.org.uk/folly/>

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