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News from the Folly: February 2016 (Vibrant Settle)

If you pass by The Folly and hear the sound of hammering there is no need to be concerned. Our long serving volunteer, Steve Smith, is busy constructing a mock battle trench on the top floor. When complete, it will offer a glimpse of life on the front line in 1916. Chronicles of Courage, the latest in our exhibitions revealing the impact of the First World War, will be on view throughout the season. In addition to the courage of those who fought, the bravery of those who contributed in many other ways such as treating the wounded will be revealed. Steve's handiwork is a reminder of the wide variety of ways to support your local museum, if you can find some free time. In addition to stewarding at The Folly during opening times, there are a host of year round tasks essential to our survival. For example, we urgently need to recruit a local volunteer to provide regular IT help and support. IT underpins everything we do so this is a vital role for us. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Anne Read for an informal chat on 015242 51388 or e-mail curator@ncbpt.org.uk

It is only 7 weeks until we re-open on March 22nd when, as well as Chronicles of Courage, we will have a lively exhibition by the Back In Settle group which will be a must-see for anyone with an interest in life in this area during the 20th and 21st centuries. We will also be joining in the celebration of cycling that marks the visit of the Tour de Yorkshire to North Craven. There were two very active cycling clubs in the Settle area in the 1890s and 1900s. Did any member of your family belong to these? Artefacts, programmes, adverts, photographs etc. would all be welcome and we should of course take great care of any loaned items. So please search your sheds and attics for any John Bull repair kits and other treasures which may be lurking there and get in touch as soon as possible.

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