Spring has arrived in Cass County Nebraska with beneficial rains pelleting the ground as I write this. As we look forward to these spring and summer months we are enthusiastic about numerous events and projects that we have scheduled at the museum, Rock Bluffs School, and the Cook cabin and Burlington caboose. More than ever we look to you, our members, for continued support, both financially and your volunteer hours. Please phone our Curator, Margo, if you feel that you can donate a few volunteer hours to help us keep our vision for our Historical Society alive. Enjoy springtime in Cass County, Nebraska.

--Douglas V. Duey, President

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Summer Hours
In April, we return to Summer Hours. Through October, the museum will be open Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 to 4:00. We will be closed the first Sunday in April (the 5th) due to the Easter holiday. The museum is closed on Mondays and major holidays.

Mission Statement: The Cass County Historical Society shall collect, preserve, and study materials to document, interpret and present the history of Cass County Nebraska to the public.
Temporary Exhibits

Throughout the year, we rotate exhibits in our Davis Conference Room and highlight different aspects of our Collection and County History.

"Remembering the Greatest Generation:
World War II"
March 31 - June 28, 2015
August of 2015 will mark the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. We have had many items donated recently that belonged to Cass County veterans who served in World War II. One of the most interesting is a scrapbook compiled by Charles Tasler who was a prisoner of war.

"John Falter: Painting and Prints"
March 31 - June 28, 2015
John Falter was born in Plattsmouth in 1910. He is best known for his Saturday Evening Post cover illustrations. This exhibit will include a selection of his works from our collection: an egg tempera painting of his grandfather's house "the Heights", lithographs from his Amish series, and prints from the "Sea to Shining Sea" bicentennial series.

Future exhibits:
"Wildflowers of Cass County:
Photographs by Linda Barnard Duncan"
June 30 - August 30, 2015
Karnival and Harvest Time
September 1 - October 31, 2015

Brown Bag Programs
The programs begin at 12:00 noon. They are free and open to the public. Coffee and cookies will be served.

Tuesday, April 28
"Children's Book Award Winners"
Speaker: Kirsten Wood
Kirsten will talk about recent children's book award winners and trends over the years regarding how the winners were chosen and the kinds of books chosen

Tuesday, May 12
"World War II Collection"
Speaker: Tony Moreno
Tony will bring items from his personal collection of World War II memorabilia. If you heard his program in the fall about World War I, you will want to attend this one also!

Cass County Historical Society will be hosting the annual conference of the Nebraska Museums Association on April 13 and 14. Staff members from museums across Nebraska will be attending. The registration fee for the conference is $45 for members of the Nebraska Museum Association and $60 for non-members. If you would like to attend, mail your check to Nebraska Museums Association, P. O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501.

Living History Day
Saturday, April 25
See special insert!

Members:
Is the date highlighted on your address label? If so, your membership is due. Please fill out the form on the back and mail or deliver to the museum. If you have internet and would prefer to receive your newsletter via e-mail, please send us an e-mail and put "electronic newsletter" in the subject line.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE! http://www.casscountynemuseum.org/
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DONATIONS
Special Donation
for use of Conference Room
Cass County Retired Educators

Donation toward bookbinding expenses
Barbara York Baker

New Flag for Porch
Kay Cunningham
Linda Duncan

New Railings for Victorian Room and General Store
Del Hervey

Donation following tour of museum
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Donations for Rock Bluffs School in memory of Minerva Hull
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MEMORIALS, continued
in memory of
One of our long time volunteers, Joan Barnard, passed away on March 7. From 1998 to 2015, Joan donated 5,347 volunteer hours. She worked mostly on weekends: greeting visitors, answering the phone, entering data on the computer, keeping track of the gift shop inventory, sewing accession numbers onto textiles. She also helped sometimes during the week, particularly when it was time to mail the newsletter! So, if this issue of your newsletter is folded upside down or the address label is on crooked, it's because our friend Joan was not here to help us!

Mary Egenberger, who passed away on March 6 at age 98, worked as a volunteer in the early 1980s. Many of the boxes in storage still contain her hand-written inventories.
CASS COUNTY MUSEUM, 646 Main Street, Plattsmouth, NE.
LIVING HISTORY DAY, BIGGER AND BETTER!
Saturday April 25, 2015, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m     Free Admission; Donations Accepted

IN THE MUSEUM, 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**WEAVING**  
by Linda Barnard Duncan of Plattsmouth  
on the Matilda Soennichsen Pein Loom

**SPINNING**  
by Dee Hogya of Omaha

**ORGAN MUSIC**  
with organist Florene Nickles  
playing the 1893 Packard Reed Organ

and....

**ROAMING HARMONICA PLAYER!**  
Jim Furlong of Rock Bluffs

OUTSIDE IN THE COURTYARD, 12:00 to 4:00

**ROPEMAKING**  
by William Duff of Weeping Water

**QUILTING**  
by Sandra Allgeier of Plattsmouth

Also, make a rag doll, make a candle, or sit down and play a game of checkers! And when you get hungry, there's a Bake Sale too!

**DOWN THE STREET!**
Dan Rohan, Rohan Photography, 521 Main  
will be set up to take "old time photographs".  
Come in costume and Dan will take your photo!  
If you need a costume, contact Sandra Allgeier before April 20 and make an appointment to borrow a costume from the Conservancy Costume Shop.

**Perfect Touch Bindery, 517 Main**  
Stop in and visit Jim and Lucy Gierham and learn about 19th Century bookbinding.

**AT THE END OF MAIN STREET**  
**BY CABOOSE:**  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
**BLACKSMITHING**  
by Ron Rookstool of Plattsmouth  
Vernon Grashorn of Louisville  
and Larry Hogya of Omaha

Cabin and Caboose will also be open for tours.

And Much, Much More! Bring the Children and Step back in Time!
Cass County Historical Society, organized in 1936, is dedicated to a mission of telling the history of Cass County since 1854, the year the county was opened for settlement. The Society's first permanent displays were housed in two rooms on the third floor of the Cass County Courthouse. In 1960, the present museum was opened at 646 Main Street in Plattsmouth.

Approximately one third of the museum's budget comes from the County. The rest of the financial support is from Memberships, Donations, Gift Shop Sales, Memorials and Grants.

To renew your membership or to become a member for the first time, please fill out the form at right and return to the museum.

MUSEUM HOURS
April through October:
Tuesday through Sunday: 12:00 to 4:00 pm
Closed Mondays and major holidays.

November through March:
Tuesday through Saturday: 12:00 to 4:00 pm
Closed Sundays, Mondays and major holidays.

Admission: $2.50 for adults; children under 12 free.
FREE for Museum Members
Donations accepted.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:
Individuals and Families:
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___ Benefactor ($500 and up)
___ Investor ($250)
___ Century ($100)
___ Promoter ($50)
___ Booster ($30)
___ Friend ($15)

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