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TOURING SULLIVAN COUNTY'S MUSEUM . . . while dusting

Welcome to a new year! Because museums are the keepers of the past, in the case of the Sullivan County Historical Society's Museum – we are no different. The museum itself, or at least the idea of having one for the county, actually began in 1932. Today it has grown not only in artifacts and research material but also has become a complex. And this writer's guesstimation would be that well over 95% of what is within this museum is gifted. For that reason, we'd like to list for you a cross section of just some of the items donated to the museum in 2019:

A Bernice boarding house photo, photos of Lopez after a mill fire, Ganoga Lake Assoc. photo album, Satterfield topo map

1969, Jackson, Potter/Kellock, Tubach, Cox, Vargason, Yonkin genealogies, bull ring found in Cherry Grove Cemetery, booklet of Eagles Mere combination of Forest Inn & Raymond Hotel, Hemlock Grove primary school souvenir 1914, George Wayne Ballentine's discharge papers from CCC Camp 95 in 1936, photo of crusher plant on State Road in Colley 1912, John Daly's ledger book for the Daly House in Mildred 1927, policy from Farmers' & Mechanics fire insurance for John Bown in Elkland 1877, Bethel Cemetery plot map 1895 and 1980, Ulysses Bird map 1892, Dushore High School commencement program 1931-3-4, and a school geography book of Robert Kast Dushore for King School in Cherry Twp. 1907.

This is but a small sampling of the variety of items that have come into the museum to join and therefore expand the contents of respective compilings and displays. But none of this – including the very existence of the museum itself – would be possible without the generosity of the people who have given to it. Also, the efforts to maintain the Sullivan County Museum would not be possible were it not for the volunteers. This museum as been since its inception an all volunteer organization. Should you the reader have any interest and time to volunteer, please contact the museum by phoning 570-946-5020 or emailing [museum@scpahistory.com](mailto:museum@scpahistory.com). Meanwhile you can visit our web site at [www.scpahistory.com](http://www.scpahistory.com) and like us on Facebook.