

Hello LVHS Members!

In September you received my message about October activities sponsored by the LVHS. With the LA County Fair completed, save some time to engage with us. Visit the LVHS at the Cal Poly Pomona Pumpkin Festival on **October 8**th and **9**th and use our vintage orange squeezer. Come to the fall membership meeting on **October 10**th at the Hillcrest Meeting House on 2705 Mountain View Drive. LVHS members have an opportunity to nominate officers for 2017 before the presentation on the Saint Francis Dam Disaster.

Hopefully the weather will be cooler for the fall home tour of the Harvey Hanawalt and Frank & Rilla Seymour Houses on **October 22nd**. You have received flyers of this event and the attached newsletter provides more detail about the houses. Look for a fascinating article in an upcoming edition of the La Verne Community News about the original owners of the Seymour House. The tour doors will open at 11:00am and we'll stay open until 4:00pm. Current membership in the LVHS makes the tour free to you.

LVHS Board member and ULV Archivist Ben Jenkins urges us to celebrate former professor and alumnus Bill Neill on Tuesday, **October 4th**, at 12:00pm the ULV President's Dining Room. Bill shot footage of historical events at UNL and recently donated his archive to the UNL library. This event is free and open to the public.

Last year several LVHS members expressed interest in attending a cemetery tour, which is a popular event in October. On October 1st -2nd, the Claremont Marketing Group and Girl Scout Troop #1094 are sponsoring a family-friendly "Ghost Tour" of the haunted heritage of the Claremont Village. For more information, contact Joan Bunte at <u>stampnow@aol.com</u>. On October 8th, Ontario Heritage will sponsor a cemetery tour in which local costumed actors will take attendees on a tour of Bellevue Memorial Park to visit the resting place of early Ontario leaders. Bellevue Memorial Park is located at 1240 West G Street in Ontario. For more information call (909) 984-6558 or visit <u>www.ontarioheritage.org</u>. Finally, the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society will sponsor a cemetery tour on October 29th from 5-10pm. The cemetery is located at 601 E. Sierra Madre Blvd and ticket prices at \$40. Contact them at <u>www.smhps.org</u> and click on events for more information.

Take full advantage of the LVHS events, tours, and presentations planned for your education and enjoyment. Please consider being a docent at the home tour, attending the Pumpkin Festival, or bringing a friend to the presentation at Hillcrest. The strength of our organization is reflected in the involvement of its members.

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