



**PRESERVING OLD LA VERNE'S  
ENVIRONMENT:  
MAKING HISTORY FOR THE FUTURE**

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March is coming in like a lamb in La Verne. We are so fortunate to have such good weather here. With a niece in Texas and a daughter in Washington State, I've heard a lot about snow and cold weather. Today I am painting outside-in shorts!

Don't forget to watch the video of Bill and me talking about *La Verne* by Arcadia Publishing. Although the show has left La Verne TV, you can still watch by clicking on the YouTube link below or going to the LVHS website and clicking on "Event Videos." You can also preview LVTV's weekly schedule on their website.

Here is the YouTube link for the video

<https://youtu.be/yHstGHKxtro>

Here is the link to our LVTV weekly schedule on our website

<https://lvtv3.org/airing-a-show/>

The latest LVHS *Legacy Links* is attached. We are delighted with this edition, as it contains an installment of Walter Gates' memoir, including rare photos of the Solomon Gates ranch as well as a great image of Walter Gates in the 1920s. When you read this article, you will be transported back in time. Another step back in La Verne history concerns Mount Spring Ranch, remnants of which still exist above Mountain Springs Estates in north La Verne. The article features past and contemporary photos and arose from a question posed by a resident and answered in "Just Ask Bill." We are especially interested to establish a connection between the advertisement by L. H. Bixby for "Mountain Boarding" and the ranch itself. Was Bixby the original owner of Mountain Spring Ranch? If you have verification, please contact us. Spend some quality time with this edition of *Legacy Links*.

Don't forget the antique tractor being offered to the LVHS by Kathy Kalousek's family. It needs a home in someone's driveway or as a focal point in a vintage yard. I hope this part of La Verne does not become a lost opportunity for savings our community history.

Be safe, be good, be happy!

Sherry Best, LVHS President