



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

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The La Verne Historical Society is delighted to present its summer member/community meeting presenter on **Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm**. Mr. Paul Spitzzeri, Director of the Workman and Temple Family Homestead Museum, will tell the story of May Otis Blackburn, the self-appointed Queen and High Priestess of a 1920s religious movement, who was convicted of grand theft. Blackburn's case eventually was heard by the Supreme Court of California on appeal. The flyer for this event is attached. Click on the following link to attend.

<https://ulv-edu.zoom.us/j/96630172771>

Don't forget to watch the following LVHS-partnered productions with La Verne TV:

<https://youtu.be/NOSF03mvRhs> :The Fourth Street Mill mural by Eric Davis.

<https://youtu.be/EdPxylcNWa4> : Bill Lemon's time capsule of businesses that occupied the Fourth Street Mill on 2124 Bonita Avenue.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEC2h3\\_idFo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEC2h3_idFo) : A virtual tour of the M. J. Mishler House at 2513 Third Street.

La Verne TV has completed a third segment of "In Our Backyard" featuring artist Kyoco Taniyama who created her piece of artwork inspired by the packing houses in La Verne. Click on <https://youtu.be/NSxESNtwx94> to watch.

The LVHS wants to help folks who used some time during the pandemic to "edit" their possessions. If you have vintage or antique items that you plan to donate to a worthy non-profit, why not donate to us? Contact Sherry Best at [sbest@lavernehistoricalsociety.org](mailto:sbest@lavernehistoricalsociety.org) and she will send you further information. A LVHS member has offered to handle donations through Facebook Marketplace. We are also considering participation in the La Verne City Yard Sale if this event is revived in the fall.

It is very likely that we'll have a potluck picnic in August and be able to present a calendar of events for 2021-2022. To start, we'll re-schedule events that had to be cancelled with the advent of COVID-19. We will follow LA County Guidelines for gathering and will continue with virtual meetings until Hillcrest is once again available for our use.

Be safe, be good, be happy!

Sherry Best, LVHS President