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Hello LVHS Members!

We just finished out fall home tour of the Hanawalt and Seymour Houses and gained almost 30 new members in addition to 20 LVHS participant members. It was a beautiful day. If you were at the Hanawalt House later in the day you might have seen a gust of wind pick our membership EZ-up off the ground. Quick-thinking Bill Lemon grabbed it as it was being launched across the lawn and onto Bonita Avenue! There was no damage but lots of excitement. Many thanks to the home hosts and all the LVHS members who helped with registration and docent support.

At the **October 10th** membership meeting we nominated officers and Galen Beery was nominated to remain as our Vice President. Doris had remained as our Website Manager. Now, in addition to our personal loss of Galen and Doris, the LVHS is faced with a gap in our leadership. Bill Lemon has agreed to help on the website and has already updated our activities and posted next month's event. Visit our website and see how busy he has been. Brenda Gonzalez is our new Membership Chair and she is adding new members to our excel membership files and email lists. The position we desperately need to fill is Vice President. In that capacity, Galen was in charge of the bronze marker program. He also produced our newsletter. If anyone is interested in helping the LVHS in this capacity, now is the time to contact me.

This is an important week for historians. **October 24-27** (right now) is the University of La Verne Archives Week. I have attached the flyer and hope you can get to an activity.

I made an error in an earlier email. The City Council meeting that will be adjourned in Galen and Doris' honor is Monday, **November 7th**. The location is 3660 "D" Street in the Board Room. Please attend as a show of solidarity for our friends and send a message to the City Council about the importance of the LVHS.

Our next event is scheduled for **November 19th**, and will feature Mr. Nat Read and his presentation on Don Benito Wilson. This sounds really informative and I have attached a flyer as well as our completed calendar for 2016-2017. Put the calendar on your refrigerator for an instant reference.

You are probably tired of hearing me say that the strength of our organization is reflected in the involvement of its members. But nothing could be more true, especially now as we move forward to keep the LVHS important to our city and its citizens.

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