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S.C.V. HISTORICAL SOCIETY E-LETTER

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You are receiving this e-letter because you expressed interest in the goings-on of the Santa Clarita Valley Historical Society. To change your subscription preference, see below. This is a private list.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON SEPT. 14

Trained Historical Society docents will lead interpretive walking tours through historic downtown Newhall during the 5th Annual Old Town Newhall Street Fair, coming to San Fernando Road on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 10 to 6. Tours will embark from a booth at the fair, where literature and other Society wares will be offered. If you can spare an hour or two to help staff the booth, e-mail us at info@scvhistory.com and include your name and phone number. For complete Street Fair info, visit <http://www.oldtownnewhall.com>.

WATCH SANTA CLARITA HISTORY ON TV

Join host Leon Worden for "Legacy: Santa Clarita's Living History" on SCVTV Public Access Channel 20. The new half-hour show, peppered with historic photographs, features Santa Clarita's history makers – people whose families homesteaded in the valley, people with expertise in particular aspects of SCV history, and people who've carved out their own legacy. New episodes debut Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and repeat Wednesdays at 9:30 p.m. Available only to AT&T Broadband and Time Warner Cable subscribers in the Santa Clarita Valley. For a complete Legacy program schedule, along with show times for Philip Scorza's critically acclaimed SCV history program "Points of Interest," click here:
<http://www.scvhistory.com/scvhistory/channel20>

A CALL FOR 9-11 MATERIALS

As the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 tragedy approaches, the Santa Clarita Valley Historical Society is putting out a call for materials that represent the various ways the Santa Clarita Valley was affected, and how the local community participated in recovery efforts. Materials might include photographs, documents or other physical items, but oral histories – your own personal stories of the day, and the aftermath – are something the Society would like to preserve as well. If you have something to contribute, please send e-mail to info@scvhistory.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

One of the most successful mining operations of the early 20th Century had nothing to do with gold, silver or copper. Borax was mined from 1908 until the early 1920s in Tick Canyon, just above today's Canyon Country. Over time the local Sterling Borax Works merged into the company that would become U.S. Borax – which is headquartered in the Santa Clarita Valley. View photos here:
<http://www.scvhistory.com/scvhistory/ap1813.htm>

WHAT'S NEW AT SCVHISTORY.COM

Check out the new photos and text additions to the SCV History Archives by visiting <http://www.scvhistory.com> and clicking on "What's New."

HELP US PRESERVE YOUR HISTORY

Joining the Santa Clarita Valley Historical Society is easier than ever. No matter where you live, you can start or renew your membership immediately over the Internet. It seems like so little – just \$25 for an individual, or \$50 for the entire family – but your membership is what makes it possible for the all-volunteer Society to preserve the history that's important to you. All it takes is a click of the mouse and you can use PayPal, Visa, MasterCard or a check to pledge your support, to ensure that the stories and photos we all value will be passed down to generation after generation. Please click here:
<http://www.scvhistory.com/scvhistory/scvhs-memapp-1.htm>

EXCESS FREIGHT & BAGGAGE SALE

The SCV Historical Society will host an Excess Freight and Baggage Sale – in other words, a rummage sale – on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12 and 13, at Heritage Junction Historic Park in Newhall. Do you have some items to donate? Watch the Society's website at <http://www.scvhs.org> for dropoff times and other details.

S.C.V. HISTORY BOOKS ON SALE

Do you have the second volume of "Santa Clarita: A Pictorial History"? Volume 2 (1926-1976) covers everything from the St. Francis Dam Disaster to the development of Valencia in photographs and text. A School-to-Career Partnership project, this soft cover coffee-table book is available online and at Heritage Junction for just \$14.99. Volume 1 (1876-1926) is already a scarce collector's item but a few copies recently turned up. Act now for the holidays by clicking here:
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