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"The History of the St. Vrain Mill"

LAS VEGAS, NM: The St. Vrain Mill was constructed in Mora, New Mexico in 1864 by the well-known fur trapper and trader Ceran St. Vrain. The mill was constructed due to increasing demands for flour from the nearby and expanding Fort Union; which was responsible for supplying the majority of Army in Southwest with food and supplies. During the mid-19th century the St. Vrain Mill was critical in helping establish the Mora Valley as the, "Breadbasket of the Southwest" Today, the St. Vrain Mill remains as one of the most prominent structures in Mora, but unfortunately the historic mill is also one of New Mexico's most endangered sites.

Join Merle Witt and discover the history and impact of the St. Vrain Mill, as well as the current efforts to save this once critical mill. The program will be held at the CCHP/Santa Fe Trail Interpretive Center, 116 Bridge Street, Las Vegas, New Mexico on Thursday, July 16, 2015, at 7:00PM.

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