

## A Historic “Undressing”

**Wow! A Gibson Girl is coming to Dayton Feb. 15 – what were her hidden secrets that gave her that classic look?**



The Historical Society of Dayton Valley is hosting its first 2017 general membership gathering, which includes a unique, historical Victorian Era fashion presentation on Feb. 15 at the Dayton Valley Community Center.

A meet and greet with refreshments will be served between 7 and 7:30 p.m. At that time, fashion historian, Tina Hersey-Davis, will demonstrate an “undressing” to reveal what the Gibson Girls of the Victorian Era wore beneath their dresses. Tina will also display her collection of Victorian Era fashion wear.

A Carson City resident, Tina said she is excited to bring her presentation to Dayton.

“I am really excited to have Tina too,” said Laura Tennant, HSDV historian. “She has researched historical dress from the 1500s to the 1920s, is a board member of the Friends of the Nevada State Museum and she creates and hand sews her own costumes that date from the Victorian and Edwardian eras.”

Said Tina: “My presentation is based on an actual writing of a woman who was the quintessential Gibson Girl in 1903, and in her later years, she wrote about what she wore.”

Tina’s sister, Jena Gonzalez and her mother, Carolyn Davis will assist with the presentation.

So, what made up the Gibson Girls of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century? Find out on February 15!

Call Laura Tennant at 775-246-3256 or see [www.daytonnvhistory.org](http://www.daytonnvhistory.org) for more information.