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**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE PROGRAM ON
SUNDAY -SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 - 2:00 P.M.**

PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT WILL APPEAR AT THE FREMONT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM



The President will be speaking about his accomplishments while President of the United States.

One of his most notable achievements was the enactment of the Antiquities Act and the naming of the National Monuments through the Department of Interior and the National Parks Division.

This monumental event was one that the nation has forever been blessed with the results and the use of its public properties that are open for all to see and enjoy.

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church,
801 Sheridan Avenue, Cañon City
2:00 p.m. - Public Welcome
Refreshments served

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Our Presenter

Don Moon is a Colorado native, historian, father, husband, and a well-seasoned actor historian. He has a Bachelor's Degree in History from the University of Colorado and uses that degree to bring to life President Theodore Roosevelt. His one-man, first-person performances, have been seen in six states and performed at the THEODORE ROOSEVELT Symposium. Moon will bring 'history to life' and challenge today's concepts with the real story of Theodore Roosevelt.

We present this program with pride and urge our members to attend so they can enjoy the educational and historical contents of this presentation.

Public is Welcome.

We always have refreshments to enjoy during the program. We invite you to join the Society:

Individual: \$15.00 -- Family \$20.00

Advertisement: \$40.00

Life Membership: \$150.00

Pick up an envelope at the Program!!

The Law | The Monuments

The Antiquities Act is the first law to establish that archeological sites on public lands are important public resources. It obligates federal agencies that manage the public lands to preserve for present and future generations the historic, scientific, commemorative, and cultural values of the archaeological and historic sites and structures on these lands. It also authorizes the President to protect landmarks, structures, and objects of historic or scientific interest by designating them as National Monuments.

The Act grew out of concerns that developed over the course of the last quarter of the 19th century for the preservation of America's archeological sites and the artifacts and information that they contained. National and regional educators and scientists, including those involved in the developing profession of archeology, joined together in a movement to safeguard sites on public lands being endangered by haphazard digging and purposeful, commercial artifact looting.

After a generation-long effort, on June 8, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt signed the Antiquities Act into law, thus establishing the first general legal protection of cultural and natural resources in the United States. The Act set important precedents, including the assertion of a broad public interest in archeology on public lands, as well as support for the care and management of archeological sites, collections, and information. The act linked the protection of sites and their appropriate, scientific excavation with public programs to care for and provide public interpretation of artifact collections and information from the study of a site and its contents.

The Antiquities Act stands as an important achievement in the progress of conservation and preservation efforts in the United States. Its effects are still felt. The Act created the basis for the federal government's efforts to protect archeological sites from looting and vandalism. It provided a foundation of public policy from which more specific public attention to and preservation of historic places and structures, cultural landscapes, and other cultural resources developed during the course of the 20th century. Today, many different organizations cooperate in diverse partnerships, including governments at the Federal, state, tribal and local levels; professional and scholarly groups; and communities. In shaping public policy to protect a broad array of cultural and natural resources, the impact of the Antiquities Act is unmatched.

From the National Parks website

American Antiquities Act of 1906



Our popular presenter, Don Moon, has been to our Society Programs three times. He is an accomplished re-enactor, and when here, is immediately in character when he walks in the door, which is a very enjoyable experience for anyone who meets him.

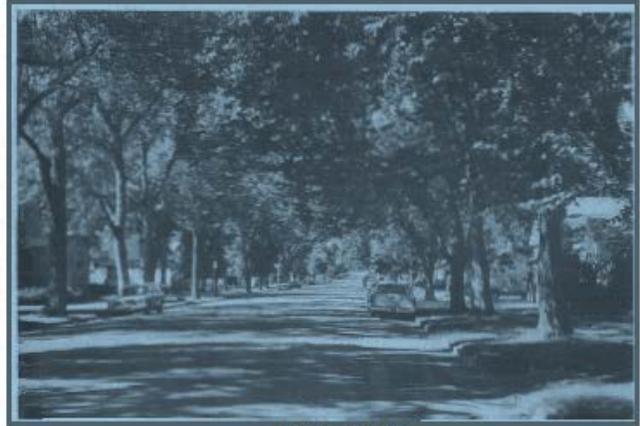
We appreciate his expertise and knowledge about our President Theodore Roosevelt, and his portrayal of a time when many of us were not yet born. Welcome, Teddy, we'll have a BULLY time.



Howard Avenue

These stories, in a somewhat different form, were prepared as Historical Vignettes for KRLN Radio, Canon City, Colorado, and donated by KRLN to the Fremont County Historical Society, Inc.

About the Avenues



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The republishing of some old favorites (out of print for many years) will be done this year by the FCCHS Board. We hope you will remember to get one of these gems for your library, and your guests who may want to refresh their memory of the Cañon City Streets and homes. Each book will be \$5.00, available in most of the places you find the Self Guided Tour books, or from any member of the FCCHS Board.

The City of Cañon City is pleased to print the Fremont County Historical Society Newsletter as a contribution to the Society. Thanks for all you do for Fremont County History!



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Our most accessible National Monuments to Fremont County are:

One of the nation's most popular locations for whitewater rafting, **Browns Canyon** was just named a national monument in 2015. This Arkansas River-carved beauty also hosts fishermen, wildlife watchers, hikers and more throughout the year.

Don't Miss: The canyon is a great place to see bighorn sheep (Colorado's state mammal), elk, deer, eagles, falcons and many other wildlife species.

Around the Monument: Part of the **Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area**, the region around Browns Canyon offers spectacular opportunities for camping, mountain biking, cross-country skiing, hiking, OHV riding, rock-climbing and many more activities. The **Collegiate Peaks Scenic & Historic Byway** is a great way to explore the area, including many scenic vistas amid the state's densest concentration of **fourteeners**. **Nearby Cities: Buena Vista Salida**

FLORISSANT FOSSIL BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT

Why Go?: Tourists have been visiting the fossil beds since the 1870s. Groves of petrified redwood forests and thousands of fossilized insects populate this national monument. Although the **Florissant Fossil Beds** are lush and green today, roughly 35 million years ago, volcanic eruptions covered this area in ash and lava, encasing plants and animals in preserving stone. Up to 1,500 different kinds of fossil insects have been found here, making it one of the most diverse insect fossil sites in the world.

Don't Miss: Easy hikes to petrified forests are great for the whole family. Take the Walk Through Time (1/2 mile) and Petrified Forest (1 mile) trails to see some of the largest petrified sequoias in the world.

Around the Monument: The **Gold Belt Tour Scenic and Historic Byway** begins near the park. Take this 135-mile route through areas that were once integral to Colorado's gold rush. To the east, just outside of Colorado Springs, is the **Garden of the Gods**, where paved hiking paths weave through a giant natural rock garden.

Nearby Cities: Cripple Creek, Colorado Springs

COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT

Why Go?: Picturesque Colorado lives here. Don't blink, because with colorfully striated cliff walls, rock arches, high mesas and ample wildlife, there's a magnificent sight everywhere you look in the **Colorado National Monument**.

Don't Miss: The geology of the site appeals to rock hounds and landscape lovers alike. View the varied formations by taking the winding 23-mile Rim Rock Drive along the plateau, where wind and water-sculpted sandstone greet you around every turn.

Around the Monument: The Colorado National Monument is a gateway to the **Dinosaur Diamond Scenic and Historic Byway**. Prehistoric rock art is found along this route, as are many dinosaur excavation sites where museum-quality bones have been extracted.

Nearby Cities: Grand Junction, Fruita



BAKER & BIGGS - Mercantile store at 6th and Main in 1900 after purchasing the lot from Pioneer Lumber



Golden Age Center

Cañon City's Senior Center

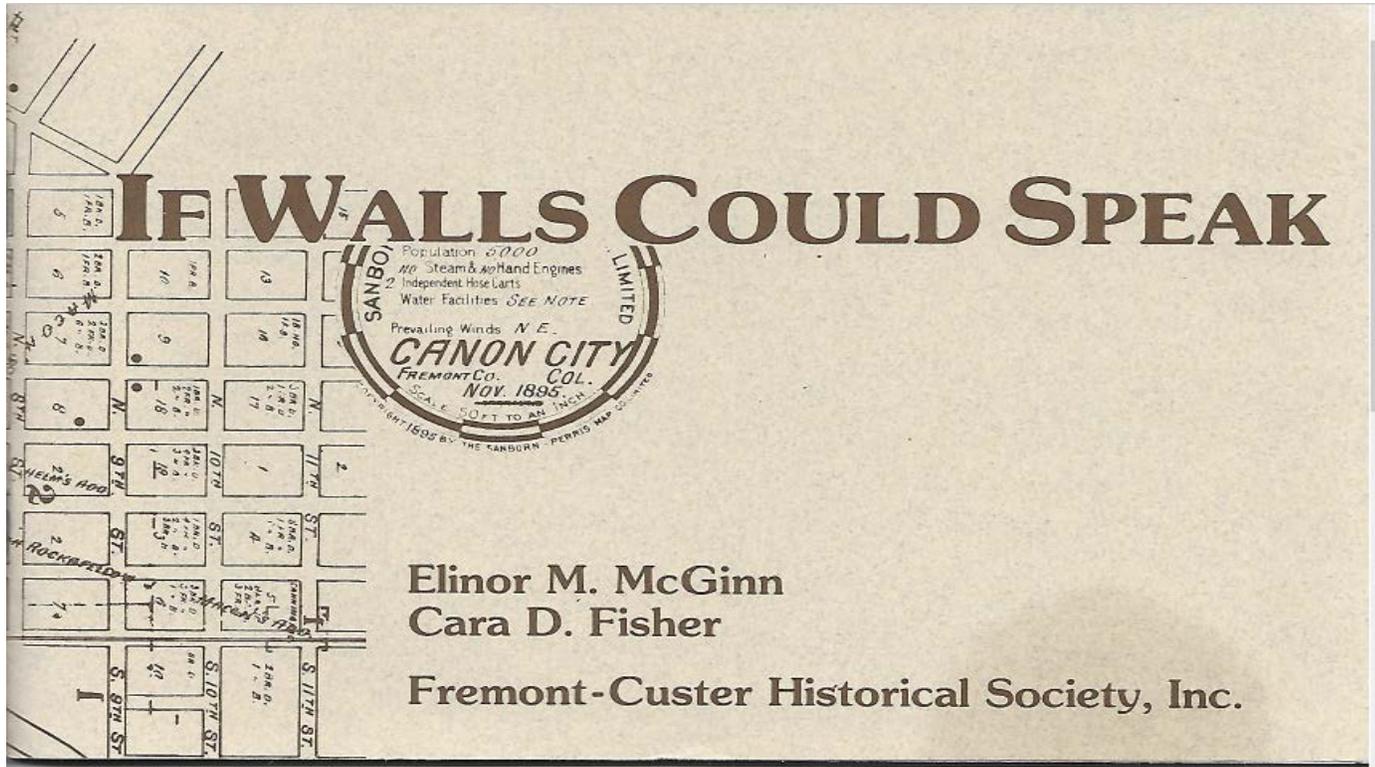
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The renovation of the building at 6th and Main Street is not the first. The original business there was a lumber company in 1872. The First National Bank stood for many years, and was renovated by Sunflower Bank in the early 1980's. The present building will be Valley Wide Health Systems.



Elinor M. McGinn
Cara D. Fisher

Fremont-Custer Historical Society, Inc.

Another gem that belongs in your historical library, written by historians of note in the Fremont County area and given to the Fremont County Historical Society. We are re-printing these books this year for your enjoyment, and hope you will pick them up at the next program. \$5.00 will be the cost unless mailed.



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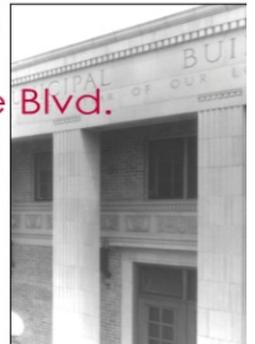
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