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**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE PROGRAM ON MARCH. 15, 2020  
SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH  
801 SHERIDAN AVE., CAÑON CITY, CO 81212  
2:00 P.M. PUBLIC WELCOME**

Our Program Presentation will be by  
**GEOFF CLOTHIER**  
**Mines in the Arkansas  
Valley and Fremont  
County**

Geoff Clothier is a graduate of Red Rocks College, Idaho State University and the Colorado School of Mines. Started his working life in Public and Health Care Finance. After 10 years, returned to school for Water Quality Management and then Environmental Engineering.. Worked 25 years as an Environmental Engineer with the Climax Molybdenum Co/ Freeport McMoRan Copper and Gold. I retired in 2015

The photo was taken in 2019 year overlooking the open pit at the Bagdad Mine, northwest of Phoenix Arizona. The Bagdad mine is a Copper/Molybdenum Mine owned by Freeport McMoRan.



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**Kathy Uhland – FCHS Board Member.  
"Doc" Little Historian of the Year Award  
2020**



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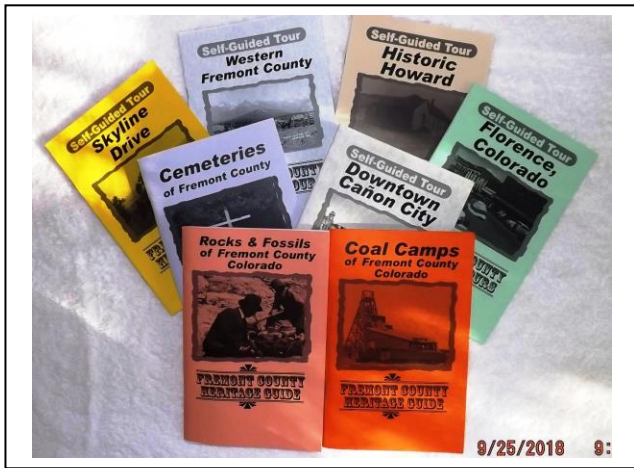
COPPERFIELD WAS A MINING COMMUNITY OF SHORT LIFE NORTH OF COTOPAXI IN WESTERN FREMONT COUNTY.



*Silas Ross - Copperfield Colo Dawson Reid Place  
 Silas hauled mail from Cotopaxi to Copperfield 1908*

PROGRAM FOR: May 17, 2020	Kathleen Eaton, Education Coordinator RGRMHC	Beer Today, Gone Tomorrow: Prohibition in Prospect Heights	Fremont County's complicated history with prohibition.
PROGRAM FOR: July 19, 2020	Don Moon	Portrayal of Mayor Stockbridge of Old Colorado City	Our favorite reenactor returns with a new character for us.





The history books written by Cara Fisher and Eleanor McGinn have been reprinted. The new Prospect Heights Town book is also available at retail outlets in Cañon City & Florence. These have been added to the library of Fremont County Historical books published in the past four years by the Historical Society. Self-Guided Tour Books for Cañon City, Skyline Drive, Florence, Howard, and Western Fremont County. The Guide books for Rocks and Fossils, Cemeteries and Coal Camps are also available online at [www.fremontheritage.com/fchs](http://www.fremontheritage.com/fchs)

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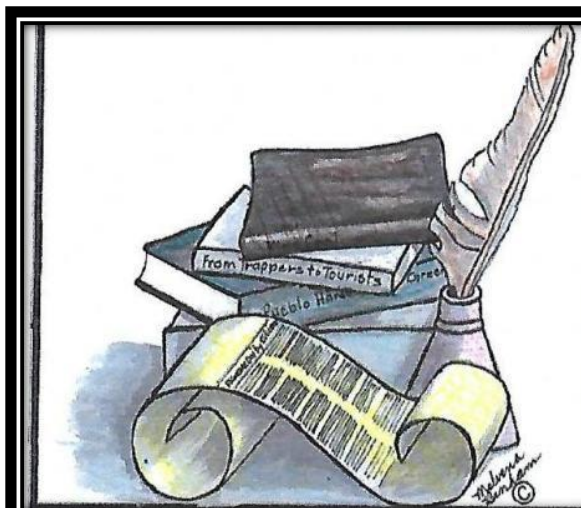


**MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

Thank you to all the new members who have joined this year - we are glad you have joined us. Dues cover Dec. 31, 2019 to Jan. 1, 2021.

- Individual . . . . . \$15.00
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From left: Pat Freda, Helene Blake, Patricia Nelson, Larry Linscott, Margaret Storm, Gloria Stultz, Kathy Uhland and Carol McNew. all members of the FCHS Board

**2020 “DOC” LITTLE AWARD  
Kathy Uhland**

Since 1986, the prestigious “Doc” Little Award has been an annual presentation by the Fremont County Historical Society to a person who has made a significant contribution to the Society’s goals. The award exemplifies a person who has promoted the heritage mission and has devoted their time and energy to preservation issues of the county.

The award is named in memory of Wilbur T. Little, the long-time journalist and historian of Fremont County. He received the “Doc” after his father because he succeeded his father as coroner in the 1930’s. “Doc” Little was instrumental in founding our Historical Society and served as its president.

A few prior recipients of the award are author Rosemae Wells Campbell, historians John and Carol Fox, Warden Wayne K. Patterson, former County Commissioner Ed Norden and RGRM & History Center archivist Sue Cochran.

We are pleased to present the 2020 award to Kathy Uhland of Cañon City. Kathy Uhland is a descendant of three pioneer families - Joshua and Ephraim Curtis, Francis Hall, and George Lackey, who came to Fremont County in 1863 and 1885 respectively, becoming ranchers and farmers in the area.

Kathy was born in Montrose, CO; however, her family moved to Cañon City and she graduated from CCHS. She was the office manager for Coldwell Banker Real Estate in Cañon City from 1978 until retiring in 2007.

Kathy is a Board member of the Fremont County Historical Society, chairman of the Greenwood Pioneer Cemetery Committee, a member of the Pueblo Community College Mini-College Board, a member of the Territorial Daughters of Colorado and the United Daughters of the Confederacy and is a long-standing member of P.E.O, which is a women’s organization that emphasizes women’s education.

She is very interested in the history of our area and does a lot of research on both our early settlers and their occupations. She has presented several classes at the Senior Mini-College on genealogy and Fremont County early settlers. Kathy also conducts tours of Greenwood Pioneer Cemetery and she is distantly related to quite a few residents of Fremont County.

Kathy, congratulations on your entry into the prestigious group of the “Doc” Little Award recipients. Along with this plaque of recognition, you also receive a life membership to the Historical Society.



*One of the many community service projects the Fremont County Historical Society is involved with is the:*

### *Legacy Trunk Program*

The Legacy Trunk Program is offered by the **Southeastern Colorado Heritage Center and Museum** in Pueblo. All trunks meet state history standards and can be adapted to class time schedules. The Zebulon Pike trunk is appropriate for grades 3 and up and adult audiences. The presenters, Doug (Zebulon Pike) and Jeannie Baxter (Clarissa Pike) dress in time period clothing made by Mrs. Baxter. Students will learn about Pike's life as a soldier and explorer, as well as his mission and journey to explore the southeastern part of the Louisiana Purchase, including Colorado. For a taste of the everyday life of a soldier/explorer in 1806 and the essentials needed on the trail, students have the opportunity to examine and handle many replicated artifacts of essentials that would have been used in the time period of Pike's journey. A few of these artifacts include a brass telescope, a wooden canteen, brick tea, a mouth harp, fire-starting tools, and a writing kit. They will also have the opportunity to sample hard tack (a staple food of the time). Presentations take 45 to 60 minutes, depending on class size.



**LEFT:**  
Doug Baxter, as Zebulon M. Pike, shows tools, equipment, and stories of travel to the West.

**RIGHT:**  
Jeannie Baxter demonstrates food, tools for cooking, sewing, etc, as Clarissa Pike would use in 1806.



CUSTOM TIRES and WHEELS  
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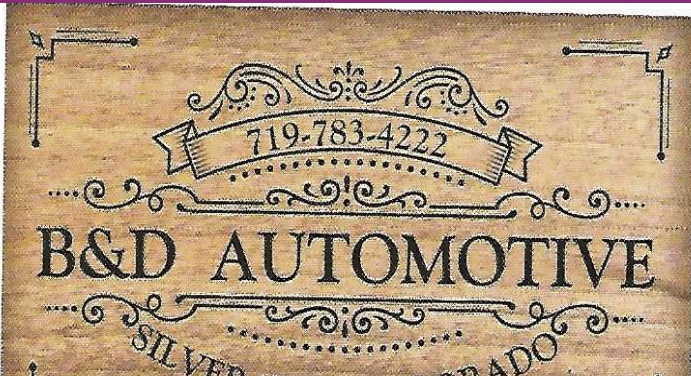
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