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This year the  
Fort Collins Historical Society  
will be

Going Way

Back

to learn about the time before Fort Collins was incorporated as a frontier town.

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All meetings are free and take place from **7 - 8:30 pm** at the **Masonic Temple** located at **225 W. Oak Street**. Free parking is available behind (to the south of) the building. If you appreciate the talks **please consider becoming a member - only \$10/year!**

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Because we'll be meeting in a new, and historic, location, we will be kicking off the new year with **a tour of the Masonic Temple at 6pm, September 6<sup>th</sup>**. Come for the tour, stay for the talk at 7.

**September 6<sup>th</sup>:** Suzy Riding will tell us about the hardships and triumphs of the "Rustic Women" of Soapstone who embodied the homesteading spirit of the West.

**October 4<sup>th</sup>:** Jan Manning will share the stories of early traders and trappers in character as "the Iron Thumb."

**January 10<sup>th</sup>:** Jason LaBelle, from CSU's Dept. of Anthropology, will take us way, way back to the time of the Folsom People.

**March 7<sup>th</sup>:** Ron Sladek will present "Woolies on the Range: The Graves Camp and Corporate Sheep Ranching at Soapstone," giving us a look into the lives of early ranchers.

**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** Wayne Sundberg will present the tale of the early founding fathers of Fort Collins.

**Field Trips:** We will also be holding a couple of "field trips" this year! Stay tuned for details.

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