

## STAINED GLASS WINDOW — Drawing December 5th

Gary Hines and Lorin Merriam created an original stained glass window with grapevine motif, "Viva," displayed in a vintage window frame with some original hardware still attached. They are donating it as a fundraiser for the Palisade Historical Society.

This is an opportunity to support the Historical Society and get the perfect Holiday gift for someone you really want to please. All donations will benefit the Palisade Historical Society. Stop

by the History Center to fill out an entry form for the drawing on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., or on Saturday, Nov. 28, for the Art and Chocolate Walk from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For Olde Fashioned Christmas, Saturday, December 5th, the History Center will be open from 9:30 a.m. until the drawing at 2:30 p.m. Or, you can



*Enter the drawing for "Viva" stained glass window.*

mail your contact information for the drawing to P.O. Box 631 Palisade, CO 81526.

It will be on display at the History Center all month – except it will travel to St. Kathryn's Cellars on Elberta Avenue for the Palisade Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours (BAH) on Wednesday, November 18. You can enter the drawing for the stained glass window at the Chamber event as well.

Call the Palisade Chamber (464-7458) to register for the BAH which is from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Nov. 18th The

Chamber charges \$6 if you register early - or \$8.00 at the door.

The drawing for the stained glass window will be held at 2:30 p.m. on December 5th. You need not be present to win.

We appreciate the donation of materials for the window by Jackie Moore, owner of Working Artists Gallery.

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## Stop at the History Center for the Art & Chocolate Walk on Sat. Nov. 28th

The History Center, 311 South Main Street, will be open for the Art and Chocolate Walk sponsored by the Blue Pig Art Gallery on Saturday, November 28 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can see our interesting displays and historical photos, nibble on chocolate, mingle, and enter the drawing for the stained glass window too!

Since our History Center is located in the very heart of Palisade's art community, you can then stroll around

to enjoy a vast variety of fine art, gourmet foods, toys, jewelry, and one-of-a-kind gifts.

Pick up a punch card at participating merchants and get it punched at each location to be eligible to win a big gift basket brimming with art and chocolate! It's a popular event held right after Thanksgiving and just before Olde Fashioned Christmas.

## OLDE FASHIONED CHRISTMAS with the Palisade Historical Society SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5th Guided Walking Tours 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.

Don't miss this year's Olde Fashioned Christmas with the Palisade Historical Society on Saturday, December 5th. We will offer our Historic Guided Walking Tours of downtown Palisade at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. For a \$5 donation, you can select from four different tours. All tours start at The History Center, 311 South Main Street, and take about an hour.

The History Center will be open and staffed by volunteers from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 so you can browse interesting displays and historic photos.

The drawing for the "Viva" original stained glass window will be held at 2:30 p.m. that day.

## Ruth Phillips Painting Now Displayed at Public Restrooms on Main St.



*Ruth Phillips painting installed on south side of restrooms.*

Ruth Phillips was a well-known local artist. She was one of the nine members who began Palisade Art Lovers and served as the first president in 1979.

In 1966, When the Palisade Women's Club wanted something interesting on the west wall of the Independent Lumber Company across Kluge Avenue from the Post Office, they tapped PALS artists.

The first set of paintings were framed and hung to hide the unsightly wall. The Town had the paintings taken down in 1969, so in 1974, the Women's Club again raised funds and new paintings were hung in what had become Independent Park. PALS and Women's Club members and their husbands hung another set of paintings on August 21, 1982.

Because they faced the strong sun, a third set of paintings were hung in 1991.



*Women's Club Members install local artists' paintings at Independent Park in 1991. Ruth's painting is turned sideways in the lower left corner as it is prepared to be hung on the wall. Photo courtesy of PALS.*

In February 1994, when the Independent Lumber Company was down, the Palisade Women's Club gave its remaining treasury to the Town of Palisade, asking them to safely store the paintings until a suitable place could be found. At the time, it was hoped the paintings would be displayed in what is now the Town Plaza.

This Ruth Phillips' painting was recently chosen to adorn the south side of the newly renovated public bathrooms on Main Street.

## The Orchard Hoopie Was on Display for the Annual “Trick or Treat Street” Event Before Halloween



*Chamber and Historical Society Volunteers in front of the orchard hoopie at the October 23rd “Trick or Treat Street” included (l. to r.) Dixie Burmeister, Melissa McKay and daughter Natalia Duran, Bruce Walker, a unidentified trick or treat, Andrew West, and Bill Beckwith.*



*Above: Thomas Cox in his stroller.*

*Right: Bill hands out candy treats to a delightful group of young people who came in costume to see the hoopie and other trucks at the Town’s annual event.*



## Jordan's Inn Window Display Draws Interest



*The Palisade Historical Society's Jordan Inn display.*

Jennifer Lasley and Charlene Weidner's creative window display at the History Center calls attention to the 100th anniversary of Jordan's Inn burning to the ground in November 1915 has garnered a lot of positive comments.

The display features graphic photos of the smoking rubble of the former two-story brick hotel and office building, courtesy of Bill Beckwith. You can see an amazingly intact china plate found in the ashes the next day by Alonzo Akers, which was donated to the Historical Society by the Dodd family. There is also a clever, three dimensional photo of Jordan's Inn before the fire.

A reprint of The Palisade Tribune November 19, 1915 front page article about the fire, offers very interesting details of the disaster. The bottom of the window sill is simulated burned rubble with charred paper, bricks, broken bits of glass, and pieces of china. Caution tape around the border adds to the fire scene.

If you have historic photos of Palisade you are willing to share, please contact the

Palisade Historical Society at (970) 464-2177 or P.O. Box 631, Palisade, CO 81526. Photos can be scanned and originals returned to donors.

## RENEW YOUR PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Our success is made possible only through the work of volunteers and donations. Everyone is invited to join the Palisade Historical Society--through volunteer time with committees and projects--and by membership. Annual Membership in the Palisade Historical Society is just \$25.00 for Individuals, \$50 for Families, \$100 for Businesses, and \$500 annually for Patrons. Or for \$200 you can get a 10-year membership, or \$400 for a Lifetime membership. If you haven't signed up or renewed your membership, please do so today.

*Mail your tax-deductible checks to the Palisade Historical Society P.O. Box 631, Palisade, CO 81526.*

### ABOUT THE PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*The mission of the Palisade Historical Society is to collect, preserve, and communicate the unique history of Palisade, Colorado, and to foster, encourage, stimulate, and develop public appreciation of this history.*

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