

News From the Palisade Historical Society

April 2012

Next Program Wednesday, April 25th – 7:30 p.m.

“UTE INDIANS OF COLORADO AND THEIR PREHISTORIC ANCESTORS”

features Curtis Martin

The topic for our next program in the “Palisade Reflections” series is prehistory. Distinguished local archaeologist, Curtis Martin, will present information about the Ute Indians in our area and their predecessor Native Americans who lived here up to 13,000 years ago.

This program is free and open to the public. It will be held **Wednesday, April 25th from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.** at the Veteran’s Memorial Community Center at 8th and Main Streets in Palisade.



COAL MINING IN PALISADE – PART 2 – JUNE 9

Mark your calendars for another public program on **Saturday, June 9 from 9:30 until 11:00 a.m.** Because of the acclaim from the first “Palisade Reflections” program on Coal Mining in Palisade last October, Bennett Young will present additional information and new photos in a follow-up program, Coal Mining in Palisade Part 2 at the **Veteran’s Memorial Community Center** in Palisade.



Coal mining is an integral part of our history. In the early 1900s, it was a big business—and as important as fruit growing to the area’s economy. If you missed the first Coal Mining in Palisade program, or want to learn more about our coal mining past, plan to attend. And, as part of our on-going effort to expand knowledge on local history, everyone with information and photos of coal mining in Palisade is invited to attend and share their stories as well.

311 SOUTH MAIN STREET OPEN FOR ANTIQUE FAIR

If you haven't seen the growing collection at the Palisade Historical Society's offices at 311 South Main Street stop by during the Antique Fair on **Saturday, April 28th from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.**

Among the many items on display are a desk, credenza, law books, typewriter, paintings, and other items which belonged to Congressman Wayne N. Aspinall. Also, you can see photographs from the Palisades National Bank, peach packing equipment, and lots more interesting Palisade memorabilia.

PHOTOS NEEDED FOR HISTORY BOOK

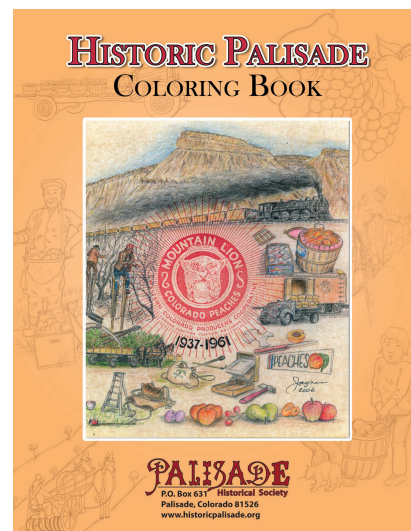
Thanks to the Palisade Tribune for its continuing series of "Historical Photos of the Week," people have opened up their family albums to share interesting historical photos of Palisade for a planned history book.

If you have old photos of Palisade to donate, please let the Historical Society know by calling (970) 464-2177 or by sending them to P.O. Box 631 Palisade, CO 81526. We will scan and return the originals to you.

COLORING BOOKS PRESENTED TO 3RD GRADERS

This year's 3rd Graders at Taylor Elementary enjoyed the *Historic Palisade Coloring Book* as a resource during the Grand Valley history unit taught by Mrs. Kohl and Mrs. Given.

Members of the Historical Society and the Palisade Sunrise Rotary Club Boards were guests in the 3rd Grade classrooms in March to hear students enthusiastically explain which illustrations were their favorites and what they learned about Palisade history from the coloring book. Through a generous donation from the Palisade Sunrise Rotary Club, the Palisade Historical Society can provide coloring books at no cost to all 3rd Graders at Taylor Elementary.



BILL BECKWITH AND CHARLENE WEIDNER APPOINTED TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD

Beckwith also elected Vice Chair

At its Annual meeting in February, the Board of the Palisade Historical Society elected Bill Beckwith and Charlene Weidner to three-year terms. Bill has been involved with Historical Society efforts from the beginning and served as Treasurer until August. He was subsequently elected Vice Chair at the March board meeting.

Charlene is a very active volunteer in several Historical Society projects including spending untold hours to create inviting and interesting displays at the 311 South Main Street Historical Society location. She also serves as a guide for the new downtown Guided Walking Tours. She is a long-time Palisade resident, certified acupuncturist, and former co-owner and operator of the Palisade Café.

RENEW YOUR PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Annual Membership in the Palisade Historical Society is just \$25.00 for Individuals, \$50 for Families, \$100 for Businesses, and \$500 for Patrons. 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.**

Everyone is invited to join the Palisade Historical Society-through volunteer time with committees and projects-and through annual memberships.

LINK: www.historicpalisade.org

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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