

History Center – Open House Friday, July 4th • 9 a.m. - noon

As part of Palisade's July 4 festivities, the History Center, 311 South Main Street will be open. You can stop by after the Parade to visit with volunteers and **browse interesting displays and historic photos of Palisade.** Enjoy refreshments and watch our new "Palisade in 1904" video created for the town's CEN-TEN (Centennial plus ten years) celebration.

The parade starts at 9 a.m. at the fire station, and goes from 7th Street along Iowa Avenue and Third Street, then south on Main Street past the History Center. If you can watch the parade near the Plaza at 3rd and Main, you'll also get music and details about the Historical Society's cars and information about the floats and other parade entries.

Beginning at 11 a.m. at Palisade Park, you'll find food, games and activities for adults and children, and ice cream provided by the Palisade Lions Club.

Founding Director John A. Galloway passes away

The Palisade Historical Society lost one of its most dedicated board members last month. John, a principle of Wagner-



John Galloway 1943 - 2014

John, a principle of Wagner-Galloway Architects, died Tuesday, June 17 at his Palisade home. Though he was raised in New Jersey, John had a great interest in our unique history and was a strong supporter of the town. He also served as a founding member and Paul Harris Fellow of the Palisade Sunrise Rotary Club.

John was involved in all the Historical Society's efforts and supported our programs. He responded to every e-mail with thoughtful answers and questions. He persuaded the Rotary Club to underwrite the

cost of the *Historic Palisade Coloring Book*, one of our most successful projects. His perspective and work to make the Historical Society successful are sorely missed.

Colonel Bower declared Overall Winner of CEN-TEN Beard and Mustache Contest

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Dave Cecuga, AKA "Colonel Bower" for his effective portrayal of one of Palisade's founders on our Historic Guided Walking Tours, was named overall winner at the June 11 Beard and Mustache contest!



Dave Cecuga with impressive beard at the Peach Street Distillery.

Since the beard and mustache contest was one of the town's CEN-TEN events, Dave was nattily dressed in an early 20th Century bowler hat and vest that made him the easy winner. He was also runner up to Simon Schmalz in the beard contest, and edged out other contestants, including Mayor Granat, and Fire Chief Rupp (the lone contestant in the mustache contest) for the Overall award. By Saturday, though, Dave had shaved portions of his beard, admitting rising summer temperatures made

the long beard a tad uncomfortable.

Horizon Rotary Club member donations start the "Dam Fund"

A very generous donation from members of the Horizon Rotary Club will be used for the June 2015 100th birthday celebration for the Grand River Diversion Dam, or "Roller Dam" in DeBeque Canyon. The Club was treated to a rough cut of Larry Seibert's documentary on the dam's history.

Rotary Club Member and Palisade Historical Society Volunteer Marsha Kosteva invited Priscilla Walker to present at the Club's June 12 program. The new documentary is being created by Larry Seibert (InFilms & Design, Inc, and by his long time associate, video photographer and editor, Scot Stewart. It was very well received by the group. Look for more information about the documentary in future newsletters.

Volunteers Busy Organizing The Palisade Tribune Archives

The popular saying, "many hands make light work" is proving true as Historical Society volunteers sort through *The Palisade Tribune* archives. They are organizing and placing original newspapers in archival boxes to preserve them. Thanks to volunteers, including Ralph Branch, Syble Seckinger, Nancy K. Morrison, and Charlene Weidner, much progress has been made.

When Bob Dougherty edited *The Tribune* in the late 1990s, he lamented the 52 issues from 1960 were missing. In going through her family's mementos at the time, Historical Society Chairman Priscilla Walker discovered a copy of the March 20, 1960 issue of the Tribune. Her mother kept it for the photo and article about Priscilla's Girl Scout troop. Priscilla gave the issue to Bob, and expected to find it last month in the archive between 1959 and 1961. Priscilla was surprised to find nothing, though she later located it in a random stack of papers elsewhere in the office! It was the same issue she gave Bob years ago, because it had the mailing sticker with Priscilla's father's name on it! The lonely 1960 issue is now in its place.



Ralph Branch separated stacks of Fruita Times from Palisade Tribunes and took a truckload of the Times to the Lower Valley Heritage Center.

We've already received four donations to start the *Tribune* archive fund. One from a member of the Palisade High School Class of '66, plus donations from Bob Burdick and Gerry Burdick and an anonymous donation will help purchase archival storage boxes for *The Palisade Tribune*.

We are still seeking funds to purchase archival boxes. Please make your tax-deductible check payable to the Palisade Historical Society and mail it to P.O. Box 631, Palisade, Co 81526



Volunteer Syble Seckinger holds up the recycle sign destined to identify stacks of extra Palisade Tribunes.

We are also grateful to Jill and Scott Faskin, owners of Colorado Document Security company who have offered to help sort through the options and obtain the correct archival boxes for *The Palisade Tribune*.



Charlene Weidner searches through possible archives in addition to the original newspapers.

HISTORIC PHOTO OF THE MONTH Inspecting Oriental Fruit Moth Parasites



(Courtesy of the Museum of Western Colorado Peach Board of Control Collection)

Albert "Peanuts" Merlino (above left) worked at the Palisade Insectary from 1942 until 1986 when biological controls were developed for invasive insects, including Oriental Fruit Moth.

In this 1950s photo, he and Jim Hampton (right) examine trays of laboratory host potato tuber moth larvae. Each tray contains 100 female egglaying parasites, the *Macrocentrus ancylivorus*. The trays were moved to an incubator until the eggs hatched.

The California-developed process required separating the tuber moth from the parasite cocoons. The release of the parasites was timed to attack the fruit moth larvae feeding on peach tree twigs and fruit. The parasite lays its eggs in young oriental fruit moth larvae.

Once creating devastating problems for fruit growers, the Oriental Fruit Moth has been controlled in Palisade through the Insectary's extraordinarily successful efforts.

If you have photos you are willing to contribute for publication in a history book about Palisade, please contact the Palisade Historical Society at (970) 464-2177 or P.O. Box 631, Palisade, CO 81526. Photos will be scanned and originals returned to donors.

Nancy K. Morrison Wins National Book Award

Palisade Historical Society volunteer Nancy K. Morrison MD recently won a book award for her latest publication, *Sacred Desire: Growing in Compassionate Living.*

She, and co-author Sally K. Severino MD, draw on cutting-edge research, including the recent discovery of brain "mirror neurons" and understanding the physiology of social affiliation and attachment. They make a bold case that we are, in fact, biologically wired to seek oneness with the divine. They have termed this innate urge "sacred desire."

In addition to psychiatrists and neurophysiologists, who will undoubtedly welcome this significant contribution to their fields of study, *Sacred Desire* is sure to appeal as well to the much wider audience of spiritual seekers looking for intellectually and scientifically credible ways to understand spirituality in today's world.

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