

PALISADE Historical Society

“HISTORY OF FRUIT AND WINE – PART 1” DEC. 9th HISTORY TALK 6 p.m.

The first in a series of half-hour talks about Palisade history at The Ordinary Fellow Winery – 202 Peach Avenue in Palisade – is Thursday, December 9th at 6 p.m. Priscilla Walker will present information about how Palisade has produced the best-tasting peaches for over 130 years. Additional information about how Palisade also became the center of Colorado’s wine industry will be presented in future history talks.



The Ordinary Fellow Winery, 202 Peach Avenue, will host monthly history talks starting December 9th at 6 p.m.

”We’re thrilled by the newest Palisade winery’s interest in local history,” Priscilla said. “Their location is in the heart of Palisade’s fruit processing and shipping facilities starting in the 1890s.” Buildings on the north side of the railroad tracks in downtown Palisade included the first Palisade fruit cooperative, and for 77 years, the United Fruit Growers’ Association which was formed in 1923. The Ordinary Fellow Winery building was built in 1977 after UFGA’s wooden platforms in the same location burned. Peaches continued to be shipped by the UFGA from this location until 2002.

In January, Gary Hines, Historical Society Board Member, will present a history talk on irrigation which is vital to agriculture and life in the Grand Valley. Gary has a special connection to irrigation history as his grandfather was caretaker of the Grand River Diversion Dam for 33 years.

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Check our website: www.historicpalisade.org our Facebook page, and The Ordinary Fellow Winery’s social media for dates and topics of future Palisade history talks.

HISTORY MUSEUM TO BE ALSO OPEN ON SATURDAYS STARTING JANUARY 8

.The Palisade History Museum at 3740 G Road is currently open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. It will be closed for Christmas Eve, December 24th and New Year’s Eve December 31st. Starting Saturday, January 8th, it will also be open on Saturdays. Admission is free, and donations welcome.

NEW CHRISTMAS TREE AT WEST PALISADE ENTRANCE

The U.S. Highway 6 west entrance to Palisade again sports a decorated pine tree to share the holiday spirit.



The original pine tree, planted by Fred Maurer in 1945, was decorated with lights for the holiday season and cheerfully greeted people driving to Palisade on Highway 6 for decades. It was located in the road right of way and removed for easements required by the new subdivision.

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Members of the Nancy Taylor family gathered to decorate the new tree in November.

Thank you for a great year!

We sincerely appreciate the generous support and encouragement of our donors, volunteers, and everyone who is interested in our efforts to preserve and communicate Palisade's unique history!



It's been an exciting and busy year for the Palisade Historical Society as we opened Palisade's first History Museum to the public! The History Museum is located at 3740 G Road (the north frontage road of U.S. Highway 6 near Elberta Avenue). It is now open three days a week We continue to create new displays, publications, and present programs and classes to preserve Palisade history before it slips away.

Best wishes for the holidays and 2022 from the Palisade Historical Society!

**Look for us on Facebook and Instagram:
Palisade Historical Society**

ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AT 1925 PALISADE HIGH SCHOOL



The asbestos mitigation project by the Town of Palisade for the 1925 High School has begun. The building will be removed next year in anticipation of constructing a medical clinic associated with Community Hospital. The area around the building is fenced off and the gymnasium/auditorium is closed until the work is completed.

HOW TO CORRECT OCR ERRORS IN THE DIGITAL PALISADE TRIBUNES

If you have looked at digital copies of *The Palisade Tribune* – or other historic newspapers on the Colorado Virtual Library database - you can often see differences between the scanned image on the right and the Optical Character Recognition printing on the left side of the screen. The OCR process is critical for researching by name or topic. Correcting those errors – by looking at what was printed – improves the accuracy of the searches.



The Colorado Virtual Library has come out with some new tips for how you can more easily correct errors:

https://www.coloradovirtuallibrary.org/digital-colorado/colorado-historic-newspapers-collection/important-tips-and-tricks-for-correcting-chnc-text/?utm_source=Colorado+Virtual+Library%20&utm_campaign=0ad3fc4646mailchimp_public&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_505f09cf91-0ad3fc4646-31189433

There are 2,650 issues of the Palisade Tribune currently on the CVL database. Thanks to generous donations, we recently sent more archival issues for digitizing. Soon, every issue we have located from June 6, 1903, through December 29, 1961, as well as all the issues published in 1966 will be on the database. *The Palisade Tribunes* are also on the Plains to Peaks Historic Newspaper database. <https://www.ppc-historicnewspapers.org/> We hear from students, teachers, professors, journalists, and television reporters who have used digitized *Palisade Tribune* articles for research and correct information for classes and work.

Become a Member!

If you aren't a current member of the Palisade Historical Society, please send your check to P.O. Box 631 Palisade, CO 81526. For credit cards, call (970) 464-2177 or include your information on our contact tab at www.historicpalisade.org

Volunteers Welcome!

Please contact us if you want to meet interesting people, learn more about Palisade history and/or work on committees, projects, fundraising, or being a host at the new Palisade History Museum. Send an email message with your contact information to historicpalisade@outlook.com to learn how you can be part of this organization.

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The Palisade Historical Society is grateful to participate in the City Market Community Rewards Program. If you have a City Market loyalty card and have used the City Market's website, just log into <http://www.citymarket.com> and search for the Palisade Historical Society. Select it as your designated community non-profit. It is another painless and amazingly effective way to support the Historical Society.



If you do not have an account, you will need to create one by providing some basic information, a valid email address, and a City Market/Kroger loyalty card number. You can get a loyalty card at any Kroger, King Soopers or City Market store's customer service desk. You must swipe your registered loyalty card or use the phone number attached to the card for your purchase to benefit the Palisade Historical Society.

AMAZON SMILE PURCHASES ALSO BENEFIT THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

For your on-line holiday shopping, please go to: <https://smile.amazon.com>

On your first visit, you can use the same email and password as you set up for Amazon. Then, select the Palisade Historical Society from the Charity Lists. If you bookmark Amazon Smile, you will automatically be taken there instead of the regular Amazon site when you shop. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases. **You may need to renew or update your charity choice before your next purchase. It just takes a minute to update.**





Become a part of History - Donate to the Palisade Historical Society.

The Palisade Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations are tax-deductible. The Historical Society relies on donations to facilitate projects that enhance our community by documenting local history and promoting our heritage. You can join us with your support in a targeted way that interests you most. Make a donation for any or all of the following categories:

- Become a member and enjoy notification of events and news
- Contribute to the **Palisade Tribune** Digitization Fund that will save invaluable Palisade history
- Donate to complete renovations for the Palisade History Museum at the Bunte Shop. It will feature displays and educational media to engage locals and visitors year-round.

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Annual Memberships (check one)

Individual \$25 Family \$50 Business \$100 Patron \$500

Extended Memberships

10-year (Family or Individual) \$200 Lifetime (Family or Individual) \$400

PALISADE TRIBUNE DIGITIZATION FUND

We have raised funds to digitize 2,650 issues of *The Palisade Tribune* for Colorado Historic Newspaper Newspaper database website. Please help us get more issues online for browsing and searching from anywhere!

\$1,000 \$100 Other \$_____

PALISADE HISTORY MUSEUM AT THE BUNTE SHOP

We are in our final fundraising phase to open the Museum. Help us at any level.

\$1,000 \$500 \$100 Other \$_____

\$2,500 (receive a "Proud Supporter" sign)

\$5,000 (advertise in the Museum for your business)

For credit card payments, call (970) 464-2177.

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