

PALISADE

Historical Society

THE ORDINARY FELLOW WINERY MONTHLY TALKS – Thursday, Sept. 15th - 6 p.m. “Colorado Women’s Suffrage”

Priscilla Walker will talk about the history of how Colorado became the first state to have a popular vote to approve women’s right to vote in November 1893. Nationally, the crusade for the female vote took from 1848 to August 26, 1920. Women’s suffrage success in the Western states occurred well before when the 19th Amendment was finally the law.

The program is open to the public and Le Snack Fine Foods will be on the patio serving food starting at 4 p.m. The Ordinary Fellow Winery is located at 202 Peach Street in downtown Palisade in the former United Fruit Growers’ Association peach packing facility.

October 20 history talk is “The History of Wine – Part 2”

The October history talk at The Ordinary Fellow Winery will be the interesting history of our grape growing and wine making industry in which Palisade has 31 of the State’s 170 wineries.

Check out our website: www.historicpalisade.org Facebook and Instagram posts, and The Ordinary Fellow Winery’s social media for dates and topics of future programs.

Last month’s talk was The History of Newspapers by Bob Sweeney

For the August history talk, Bob Sweeney, publisher of *The Palisade Tribune* for two decades from 1992-2012, gave an insider’s knowledge about Colorado newspapers and his entrepreneurial career. He is the founder of the *Craig Daily Press* and *The Villager*, and currently also publishes the *Gilpin County Weekly Register Call*. (Continued)

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Bob Sweeney at the August history talk
(Courtesy of Merrideth Sieckert)

PEACH PRINCESSES VISIT THE HISTORY MUSEUM

Saige Houck and Kaylee Daugherty, 4th grade students at Taylor elementary, were chosen as Peach Princesses for the Palisade Peach Festival in August. The 2022 Peach Queen is Emma Steele, and Olivia Lagner is the Senior Ambassador.



Peach Princesses Saige Houck, left, and
Kaylee Daugherty in the “Home of the Perfect
Peach” display at the History Museum

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Saige and Kaylee visited the History Museum in July to learn interesting details about Palisade's peach growing history. Also of interest, Saige got to see photos of her family, including her grandfather, Earl Houck, in the PHS Senior Class photo display. He graduated from Palisade High School in 1961. Photos of several Houck relatives were in the display. The family lived in Cameo and great grandfather; Charles Houck, worked at the Cameo coal mine



Peach Princess Saige Houck points to her grandfather, Earl Houck, in the Class of 1961 PHS senior class display

HISTORICAL SOCIETY PEACH FEST PARADE ENTRIES



Bruce Walker, left, and Dave Cecuga led the Historical Society entries in the Peach Fest parade. *(continued)*



Historical Society Members and "Palisade Pickleball peaches" Pete and Wanda Robinson pose with posters advertising History Museum hours and peaches bragging they "grew up in Palisade"



Priscilla Walker drove her 1930 Model A Ford with Wanda Robinson in the rumble seat Ralph Branch, below, drove the 1951 Chevrolet Orchard Hoopie "Dale" with peach growing artifacts, including stilts, ladders, picking sack, boxes, bushel baskets, and an orchard heater.



(Parade photos courtesy of Pete Robinson)

HISTORIC REGISTER HOUSE GETS NEW PAINT

JoAnn and Kirk Rasmussen have spent much of the last year managing major renovation to their historic Crissey House at 218 West First Street. After restoring the inside, improving the landscaping, and enjoying the bumper crop of apricots, they updated paint on the outside. It now boasts an alabaster white body color, a brighter white color on the detail pieces, and a light blue for the soffits and porch ceiling. The porch floor, steps, and foundation are painted a slightly darker shade of blue. Unique features of the Classic Cottage Craftsman bungalow design included flared walls, ornamental columns, modillions, and corbels which made it a more challenging task.

Historic Register House - 218 West 1st Street
(Photo courtesy of JoAnn Rasmussen)




The fantastic new look preserves its historic character. This house has been on the State Historic Register since December 2002, and the National Historic Register since May 2003.

TOWN JAIL HAS A NEW HOME AT KOKOPELLI FARM MARKET


The former Palisade Town jail was moved outside the Municipal Building in the late 1970s and was in disrepair. In recent years, it was only used to keep stray animals and store junk.

Town officials contacted the Palisade Historical Society, and we contacted the Harrisons, at Kokopelli Farm Market at Exit 45. They stepped up and agreed to move, refurbish, and creatively display the jail. The Historical Society designed a sign to explain the jail's history and direct people to explore Palisade. Kokopelli's is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through in September and October and then weekends in December . (continued)

Palisade's Original Jail




**Come on in!
Put yourself in jail
and take a pic!**



(Photo courtesy of Jerry Nisbet)


**Palisade's first City Hall on Main Street
where this jail was originally located.**

Stop by the Palisade
HISTORY MUSEUM
3740 G Road
Palisade, CO



Near U.S. Highway 6 and Elberta Ave.

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The jail has been wonderfully refurbished by Aaron Harrison and is on display at Kokopelli's with a sign encouraging people to take photos of themselves "in jail" and enjoy this historic artifact.



Refurbished Town jail with sign at Kokopelli's



Jail being moved from the Municipal Building by Palisade Employee Troy Ward and Brant Harrison (continued).



Deteriorating jail outside the Municipal building in 2020.



Close up of jail manufacturer's tag. It was built in about 1900 and was a jail for humans in the Town's first City Hall on Main Street. It was moved to the Municipal Building in 1968 and then moved outside in the late 1970s.

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 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.

**Look for us on Facebook
and Instagram:
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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.



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 the Palisade History Museum for maintenance and creating displays about our unique agriculture and coal mining past. Help us engage with 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 2,930 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

Please help us at any level.

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

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