

# PALISADE Historical Society

## THE ORDINARY FELLOW WINERY HISTORY TALK –

“Celebrating 80 Years of Legacy on  
the Colorado Plateau”

Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 6 p.m.

For the December history talk, Ashton Peterhans, Interpretive Specialist and Contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management, will explain how uranium changed Grand Junction at a critical time in the nation's history.



Historic photo of the Log Cabin and Refinery at  
2597 Legacy Way in Grand Junction

She will also explain the mission of the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management today. The Atomic Legacy Cabin celebrated its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary earlier this year. The Atomic Legacy Cabin has a rich and unique history beginning with the Manhattan Project and leading to the present.

The history talk is open to the public and will begin at 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at The Ordinary Fellow Winery - 202 Peach Avenue in Palisade. The tasting room will open at noon, and as food will not be available on site, you can bring food to the program. Come early and enjoy learning interesting history in a comfortable setting!

## December 2023

Next month's history talk –  
JoAnn Rasmussen  
“The Historic Crissey House”



The house at 218 West First Street was built in 1908 by pioneers Grant and May Sayles Crissey. It is the only house in Palisade on the State and National Historic Registers.

*(Photo courtesy of JoAnn Rasmussen)*

JoAnn and Kirk Rasmussen are the owners of The Historic Crissey House in Palisade. Join us as they share some of their adventures, and what it's like living in and rehabilitating a property on the National Register of Historic Places. Hear what it means to be an amateur archaeologist in your own home, and why they'd do it all again in a heartbeat!

The January history talk is open to the public and will begin at 6 p.m. on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at the Ordinary Fellow Winery - 202 Peach Avenue in Palisade. As no food is available on site, you can bring food to the program.

## Last month's talk was Matt Darling - “Cross Orchards Model TT and Early Trucks”

For the November history talk, Matt Darling, Curator of Cross Orchards, talked about the development of early trucks, the impact Model T cars had on American life, orchard hoopies from Palisade at Cross Orchards, and keeping the Model TT Truck there in tip top shape over the years.  
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Some of the audience at the November program by Matt Darling, Curator of Cross Orchards who talked about historic trucks

The enthusiastic audience also appreciated the new sound system which solved acoustic challenges in the historic United Fruit Growers' Association building.



Matt used the new sound system

Check our website: [www.historicpalisade.org](http://www.historicpalisade.org) Facebook posts, and The Ordinary Fellow Winery's social media for future programs.

## PALISADE HISTORY AT OLDE FASHIONED CHRISTMAS EVENTS

The Palisade History Museum will be open on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. and Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> for our regular hours 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Look for our entries, including the 1930 Model A with Mr. and Mrs. Claus in the rumble seat in the Parade of Lights on Friday at 5 p.m. On Saturday, our volunteers will also be at the Palisade United Methodist Church at noon to informally share the history of the Church and information about long-time Methodist Church member families--the Aspinalls and the Avon Taylors.

Also on Saturday, when you visit the Holiday Village Market and Kosi Lounge from 10 to 4 at the renovated Auditorium-Gymnasium on 7<sup>th</sup> and Iowa, look for the 20 new historic photos and information which the Historical Society provided to the Town that feature Palisade's schools and other nearby historic sites.

## JR's CARRIAGE SERVICE DONATED TO THE PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Joe Burtard, owner of JR's Carriage Service, donated 10% of his October reservation sales to the Palisade Historical Society. We appreciate his continuing support of the Palisade Historical Society, including tour guides who include Palisade history in their narratives on the different routes.

If you haven't taken a tour with JR's Carriage Service or have friends and family visiting, for the holidays, book a tour by visiting the website: <https://jrscarriage.com/> or by calling 719-671-7145. Their December specialty is Christmas Light Tours.

## Become a Member!

If you or your business aren't one of the current 100 members 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 send your contact information on the contact tab at [www.historicpalisade.org](http://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 be a host at the Palisade History Museum. Send an email message with your contact information to [historicpalisade@outlook.com](mailto:historicpalisade@outlook.com) to learn how you can be part of this organization.

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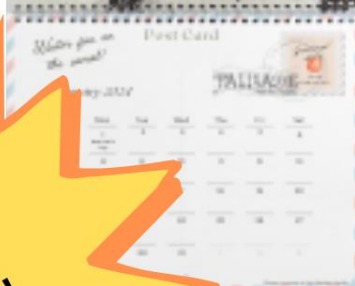
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*Shipping cost: \$10 shipping for up to 5 calendars to a single address.*

*Cost for shipping 6+ calendars will be calculated as needed.*

**Free local pickup at the Palisade History Museum  
(3740 G Road in Palisade) also available**



## 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 3,549 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!

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