

# June 2025

## JUNE HISTORY TALK THURSDAY, JUNE 19th - 6 PM 110th Birthday of the Grand River Diversion Dam

The Grand River Diversion Dam in DeBeque Canyon



or "Roller Dam," as it is commonly called, is 110 years old in June! Come learn more about its history! There will be fun videos, drone footage, and special guest Tina

Bergonzini, Grand Valley Water Users Association General Manager, will also share current updates. The Roller Dam is integral to the success of this valley and Palisade!

# Above Photo: Roller Dam taken in 2015, courtesy of Roberta Nelson.

This photo is from the Dedication of the Roller Dam on June 29, 1915.

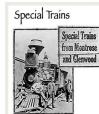
Photo: courtesy of Grand Valley Water Users Association

The talk will begin at 6

pm on Thursday, June 19th at The Ordinary Fellow Winery. This program is open to the public in a relaxed and comfortable setting for people to learn about Palisade's unique history and enjoy a glass of wine. Be sure to come early to get a piece of birthday cake!

#### JULY HISTORY TALK THURSDAY, JULY 17th - 6 PM

Local author, Joe Zeni, will presenting be "Entertainment in the Grand Valley in the Early 1900s" at the History Talk on Thursday, July 17th at 6pm at the Ordinary Fellow Winery. Come learn about the things that entertained those on the Western Slope at the turn of the last Century!





Wild West Show







At the May History Talk, Holly Daugherty (*pictured left*) shared the fur-trade era artifacts of her father, Alan

Schroeder, who was a member of the Grand Mesa Muzzleloaders. Dave Fishell (pictured right) presented the history of the



Old Spanish Trail & Fort Uncompany to a full house at the Ordinary Fellow Winery.

## **A SPECIAL DONATION**

Also at the May History Talk, the Grand Mesa Peaches Chapter of the Questers presented us with



generous donation check to be used for Palisade Tribune archival boxes! Pictured (left to right) JoAnn Rasmussen

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(Palisade Hist. Soc. Chair), Allie Stewart (holding a copy of the sign that will be displayed at the Palisade History Museum), Cheri Pederson, Jane Thompson, Chris Church, and Linda Moran.

## **SHARING HISTORIC PALISADE WITH FUTURE GENERATIONS**

We keep Palisade history alive by engaging local students in learning about Palisade history! At the end of April, we met with Taylor Elementary 2nd Graders to display items from their Historic Palisade Coloring Book: stilts used for pruning peach trees, pieces of coal, and a peach packing sack, along with a copy of its patent in 1900!



Photo left: Mrs. Moore's 2nd Grade Class. In the back. Priscilla Walker

models the peach picking sack, and JoAnn Rasmussen

holds the stilts. Photo right: Mrs. Graham's 2nd Grade Class, again with Priscilla and JoAnn.



### **GUIDED HISTORIC WALKING TOURS FOR SCHOOL GROUPS**

A few days later, the third grade students from Taylor Elementary went on Guided Historic



Palisade Walking Tours!

Photo left: Dave Cecuga, Palisade Historical Society volunteer standing

on the left, with part of Mrs. Philliou's 3rd Grade Class.

Photo right: Mrs. Philliou, standina on the right, with the other part 3rd of her Grade Class at the Aspinall Memorial.





Photo left: Mrs. Kopp's 3rd Grade Class with Dave standing the on right.

(Palisade Historical Society Volunteer tour quides not pictured: Steve Scroggins, Denice Primeau, Charlene Weidner, and Priscilla Walker)

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## COLORADO HISTORY DAYS FEATURES PALISADE

Also in May, The Palisade Historical Society was invited to participate in *Colorado History Days* at the Fourth Grade Classes at Broadway Elementary in Grand Junction. We are happy to share the history of Palisade across the valley! *Pictured below: Palisade Historical Society Volunteers Priscilla Walker and Sandra Geer with Ms. Sanchez' 4th Grade Class at Broadway Elementary.* 



Fun fact: Broadway marks the ninth elementary school with which we have shared the *Historic Palisade Coloring Book* and its wonderful history of Palisade!

## FREE SEARCHABLE DATABASE



There are 4,361 issues of *The Palisade Tribune* available on the Colorado Historic Newspapers and Plains to Peaks Databases. All available issues from June 6, 1903 to December 27, 1990 are available for searching. Check out our Newspaper Tab on <u>HistoricPalisade.org</u> for more information!



# FREE ADMISSION STOP BY IN PERSON!



The Palisade History Museum is open four days a week: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. Stop in and see us at 3740 G Road. Every time you visit, something new (and old!) will catch your eye!

# JUNE HOURS AT THE PALISADE HISTORY MUSEUM

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8	9	<b>10</b> 10am - 2pm	11	<b>12</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>13</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>14</b> 10am - 2pm	
15	16	<b>17</b> 10am - 2pm	18	<b>19</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>20</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>21</b> 10am - 2pm	
22	23	<b>24</b> 10am - 2pm	25	<b>26</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>27</b> 10am - 2pm	<b>28</b> 10am - 2pm	
29	30	JULY 1 10am - 2pm	JULY 2	JULY 3 10am - 2pm	CLOSED on 4 <sup>th</sup> of JULY	JULY 5 10am - 2pm	
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