

Palisade Historical Society

Newsletter

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PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY RECEIVES 501(C) (3) STATUS

It's been an exciting two months! In case you missed the lead article in The Palisade Tribune last week, the Internal Revenue Service notified us The Palisade Historical Society is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization! We filed the application in late June, and were told the IRS typically isn't able to respond for six to nine months, so this a wonderful surprise! We can now take donations directly and are grateful for the Western Colorado Interpretive Association who provided tax deductions for our donors until now.

SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM in JULY and PEACH FEST BOOTH in AUGUST

We're also pleased to report the inaugural "Palisade Reflections" program in mid-July was very successful! An enthusiastic group of about 40 came to look at maps and share memories about Palisade businesses and historical sites which are being compiled on a detailed map.

We also sponsored a booth at the Palisade Peach Festival in August, and visited with a number of people who stopped to talk and ask questions. Between the program and the booth, we gained almost 20 members and expanded our e-mail contacts for this newsletter—perhaps including you!

Linda Quarles did a wonderful job with the Peach Fest booth which featured historic items including stilts, picking boxes, picking sacks, a souvenir pin from the 1895 Peach Festival as well as photos and historic DVDs of Palisade and Fruit Grower History, and long-time Palisade Resident Bill Beckwith's oral history. There was also a drawing for a rag quilt which Linda created by hand. Others who helped make the booth a success included Richard Mathews, Sheila and Jim Smith, Doris Butler, Z's Orchards, US Tech, Talbott Farms, Bill Beckwith, Bill Floryancic, The Palisade Tribune, Luann Ehlers, Dave Edwards, Arden Blatter, Sally Weese, and Margaret Stone.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COMMITTEES

We're planning additional programs for the fall, and recently added new volunteers and momentum to the Oral and Video History Committee and the Collections committees. If you

would like to volunteer for a committee--including Program, Acquisitions and Collections, Oral and Video History, and Fundraising--or work on special projects, please contact one of our directors. Also, let us know if you have historical photos or documents relating to Palisade's history which you want to share or donate, or have questions about Palisade's unique history.

BECOME A MEMBER!

We welcome all new members and encourage everyone else to sign up now because our new non-profit status. Annual Memberships--good through the end of September 2011--start at just \$25 for individuals, \$50 for families, \$100 for Businesses and \$500 for Patrons. Make checks directly to the Palisade Historical Society and mail to P.O. Box 631, Palisade, CO 81526-0631.

LINK: www.historicpalisade.org

ABOUT THE PALISADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The mission of the Palisade Historical Society is to collect, preserve, and communicate the unique history of Palisade, Colorado, and to foster, encourage, stimulate, and develop public appreciation of this history.

Everyone in the community is invited to join the Palisade Historical Society--through volunteer time with committees and projects--and through annual memberships

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