Tanglewood was built for the Green Mountain Falls Town and Improvement Company in 1889. It served as a temporary rental for visitors. This was the first step for those who purchased a Company lot. Next, they could contract with the Company for construction of a vacation home. Although the building plans were for a similar cabin, a cabin could be customized as the owners wished.

Tanglewood was originally a one–room cabin, with a fireplace and small front and back porches.

In 1916, J. Will Johnson added a second story to the cabin which provided additional sleeping area as well as a free standing garage and gazebo.

Henry Baron Furr and his wife bought Tanglewood in 1920, owning it until 1946. Other than winterizing and the addition of bathroom facilities, Tanglewood had changed little since first built for the Town Company. H. Bedford Furr, son of Henry B., spent summers and three Christmases at Tanglewood.

In 1942, H. Bedford Furr and his bride enjoyed their honeymoon trip in Green Mountain Falls. Almost fifty years later, in 1990, he and his wife returned as guests of then-owner Ira Butler, Jr.

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The family, Mr. and Mrs. Furr, daughter Jewel and infant Bedford, came from Texas in 1918 on a Colorado Tourist Tour. They went from Colorado Springs to Cripple Creek in a Pierce Arrow Touring Car. It was just dusk as the tour was returning from Cripple Creek, approaching Green Mountain Falls from Woodland Park. Mr. Furr reminisced about the early trips in a 1990 Oral History interview with Jan Pettit for the Ute Pass Historical Society:

The lights suddenly came on in this little village, and knowing what I later found out, it would have had to be six o’clock in the evening when the power plant started up. The scene that my mother viewed of this little town when the lights came on just about dusk was just overpowering to her. She thought it was the prettiest sight that she had ever seen. That was the thing that got it all started, right then.

The impression that this little community had on my parents was so profound that on August 5, 1921 my father purchased Tanglewood.  

Bedford Furr, 1990

Three different winters the Furr family drove from Texas to spend Christmas at Tanglewood. In 1936, summer friends who owned nearby cabins joined them in Green Mountain Falls. Their last Christmas trip to Colorado was recorded in the family guest book by the senior Mr. Furr:

Yesterday, as we returned from a shopping trip to Colorado Springs, we witnessed what we regard as the most wonderful sight of our lives. The mountains, trees and shrubs were covered with a coating of hoarfrost, dazzling in its whiteness, the like of which we had never seen, and one seldom witnessed; all in all a most glorious and gorgeous spectacle, begging description, but one to be vividly stamped on memory’s tablet as a tribute to Nature’s wonderful powers.

Green Mountain Falls

Photo by Lars Leber
Upcoming Event:
Annual Patron Luncheon
Saturday, January 26, 2019
Ute Pass Cultural Center

Doors Open - 12:15 pm
Buffet Lunch - 12:45 pm
Program - 1:30 pm

Steve Plutt, popular local historian, presents
The Life and Times of Henry Hoder and
the Wildhorn Dude Ranch

New This Year!
Silent Auction from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm
Winners announced immediately after the program
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UPHS Volunteers Make History !!!!!!
2nd Annual Breit Award Dinner

T.H.E. Coalition President and one of the organizers of the Breit Award Dinner, David Martinek and 2018 award winner Larry Black. Larry is a longtime benefactor and volunteer for several organizations, especially the Ute Pass Historical Society. He received recognition “of his decades-long body of work to preserve the history of our Pikes Peak region and beyond.”

Midland Railroad historian Mel McFarland and David Martinek

Local reenactor Don Moon provided the entertainment with colorful tales of Teddy Roosevelt.

Your 2019 Patronage Renewal Form is Enclosed in this Newsletter!!!
Holiday Open House at History Park

From upper left:
Open House Coordinator Pat Hyslop
Local Author: Mel McFarland
Tree Spinner: Claudia Meyer
Miniature Horse Wrangler: Tim Rhatigan

The Open House was held December 1, 2018. There were many activities for kids, including butter churning and Christmas crafts, and, of course, the miniature horses. The buildings in History Park are all decorated festively for the holidays. Thanks to all the volunteers who made the day a smashing success!
Stone Placed in UPHS’ Memorial Garden

Jan Pettit, co-founder of Ute Pass Historical Society, passed away January 31st, 2018. Her memorial stone was recently laid in a place of honor in the Memorial Garden at History Park.

Judy’s Awesome Fudge

**Ingredients**
- 3 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup butter
- 5 oz. can evaporated milk
- 8 oz. Reese’s peanut butter chips
- 4 oz. semi sweet chocolate chips
- 7 oz. jar marshmallow crème
- 1 tsp. vanilla

**Directions**

Line 9-inch pan with foil. Bring sugar, butter and evaporated milk to full rolling boil in large saucepan on medium heat, stirring constantly. Cook 4 minutes or until candy thermometer reaches 234 degrees (I find using the thermometer is best), stirring constantly.

Remove from heat. Add peanut butter chips and marshmallow crème; stir until melted. Add vanilla; mix well.

Pour into prepared pan; spread to cover bottom of pan. Sprinkle chocolate chips over peanut butter mixture; lightly spread chips.

Put pan in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Score fudge and return to refrigerator until totally cooled. Enjoy!

Available only at the UPHS Gift Shop...

2019 Pictorial Calendar.
Calendars are $12 + tax—but, remember, Patrons receive a 10% discount on most items in the store!
2018 Annual Potato Soup Supper

This year’s well attended supper was held on Friday, October 26th, at the Pikes Peak Community Club in Divide. The annual event celebrates the history of the crops that were grown in the Divide area, and the farmers who grew them.

Local historian, Steve Plutt, offered a program about the farmers and crops of early last century. Merry Jo Larsen of the Cowhand mc d the festivities.

UPHS board member, Jean Rodeck, was the official greeter

The Old Curiosity Gift Shop

If you haven’t had time to check out the revamped UPHS Gift Shop, drop by and see us! Gift Shop hours are 10 to 3, Wednesday through Saturday, year round.

The shop contains an extensive selection of books and unique gift items. We’re conveniently located next to the Woodland Park Public Library.

If you haven’t finished your holiday shopping yet, or just want to browse, we’d love to see you!
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