

PWS Pot Luck! Pop in, pig out, and pick up your cookbook on Saturday, September 12



The members of the Pinewood Springs Brigade cordially invite the entire community to come out and celebrate the launch of the *Pinewood Springs Is Still Cookin'* cookbook followed by the Second Annual, and Pig Roast and Potluck Dinner.

The event will be held

Saturday, September 12, 2015 4 p.m. to 7p.m. at the Fire Station. Please bring a dish to share and enjoy with your fellow Pinewoodians.

The Brigade, along with generous support from the Fire Board, our firefighters, the PSPOA, and many others, will host the event. All proceeds support the new Fire Station & Community Center Project Fund.

"We are excited to be hosting the second annual Community Celebration & Pig Roast/Potluck and we are thrilled to launch the *Pinewood Springs Is Still Cookin'* cookbook on Saturday September 12," says Judy W. Bigger, Pinewood Springs Brigade Cookbook Co-Chair.

"Countless hours of volunteer time has gone into creating what's going to be an heirloom, one-of-a-kind cookbook with all proceeds going to the Fire Station & Community Center Project," Judy explains. "On behalf of the Brigade, we are looking forward to seeing you and celebrating our Mountain Strong Community."

If you have questions, or need more information, please contact Judy Bigger at judybigger@gmail.com

PROJECT FUNDING STATUS – Aug 2015

\$191,855.64

(↑ \$3,510.81 since July 2015)

Why Give?

Generous donations from many members of our fantastic community carry us ever closer to the Fire Station & Community Center Project's fundraising goal. We reached out to some of our donors to ask them why they donate and why they love being part of Pinewood Springs.

This month's featured donors are Kerry and Allison Grimes. Here's what they had to say:



"Kerry and I have lived in Pinewood Springs for 12 years. We moved here for the beautiful, natural setting, our house with stunning views from our deck, and the peacefulness. Now that we have been here and made wonderful friends, we stay for all the same reasons but it's the people in Pinewood who truly make it a unique, caring community.

We love that Pinewood Springs is surrounded by National Forest and we hike frequently with our dog, Mocha. It would be hard to name one quality that we enjoy most about living here.

Friendly, kind neighbors who are so willing to help each other, is one quality that makes Pinewood Springs special. Kerry and I love to travel but we always can't wait to come home to Pinewood.

We feel it is important to donate to the Fire Station & Community Center Project Fund because our firemen and women deserve and need a larger, improved facility. In order to do their jobs as effectively and efficiently as possible, the fire station needs to be updated and modernized. If you have ever attended an event at the fire station, you are aware of the size constraints. Our volunteer fire crew work very hard to protect us and are called on constantly to respond to accidents on our busy highway.

During the flood, we would not have had the organized effort to inform and evacuate residents in such a timely manner if it wasn't for our dedicated fire crew. Plus, it would be nice to have a larger space to host fun community events like we have had in the past. I cannot think of a better way to say thank you for all of their efforts and improve our already precious community than by helping this project come to fruition!"

Valuing our volunteers

We all recognize the contributions made by those who volunteer to serve our community. But if we saw them on the street, would we recognize them? To make sure we do, Springboard will profile a different community volunteer each month.

Kirk Ping, Firefighter



youngest children, Keara and Michael, from Longmont in 2003.

Of all the residents of Pinewood Springs, Kirk Ping and his family have one of the most unique memories of the 2013 flood – a small army of helicopters landing in their yard.

“It amazed us when we had three Blackhawks on the ground at the same time. Then we had two Chinooks on the ground at the same time,” he recalls. “It was great to get as many people out of here as we did.”

Originally from Eagle, Colorado, Kirk moved to Pinewood Springs with his wife, Pam, and their two

“We looked in Estes Park, Glen Haven, Allenspark, and then in Pinewood Springs. We picked Pinewood Springs because it was in the mountains but still close to work,” says Kirk, a hardware engineer.

Kirk joined the Fire District two years ago so he could better serve the community, as well as the visitors passing by. In order to provide the best care possible to those in need, he has also earned his Emergency Medical Responder certification.

His favorite part of being a firefighter is going out on calls. “You never know what you will have to do when you get to the scene,” he says. “But you do know it will involve helping someone that needs you help.”

Asked why he feels our community needs a new fire station, Kirk provided the following example and explanation:

“Just this last month we had a structure fire and we saved the house and kept the fire contained to just the shed. After the fire I needed to clean some equipment and put it back on the fire engine in the garage. I had to open the garage door to get to the other side of the fire engine to put the equipment away. There is no room to walk around the front or back of the trucks with the garage door down.”

An update from the DCC

The Project’s Design and Construction Committee continues to work with the project’s design firm, Idiam Architecture, on a conceptual design and cost estimate for the fire station. Idiam has consulted with Larimer County, Poudre Valley REA and others relevant parties, and generated costs for various aspects of the project.

The DCC has continued to work with the fire department to prioritize and fine-tune the elements to be included in the project based on the projected funding available, and has passed that information along to the design firm. The DCC has received preliminary drawings and estimates from Idiam, and are reviewing them with the Fire Board to ensure that the needs of the new fire station are met and that the project remains within budget.

Boot Campaign continues to kick butt

On Saturday, July 11 a group of our firefighters and several community volunteers took to the highway (or at least one side of Highway 36) for this summer’s second Boot Campaign to raise money for the Fire Station Project Fund.

A total of \$2,083.15 was collected from generous motorists travelling between Lyons and Estes Park. The previous Boot Campaign, held in June, raised just over \$2,100.

Ways to donate to the Project Fund

There are several ways you can make financial contributions to support the Fire Station & Community Center Project:

1. Drop a check (no cash, please!) in the water payment drop box at the Fire Station
2. Use a credit card to donate through the flood book website at www.coloradofloodbook.org/fire-station-community-center/
3. Via PayPal through the Fire Protection District website at www.pinewoodspringsfire.org/new-fire-station-fund-raising/
4. Become a monthly donor by picking up a Donation and Pledge Form at the fire station or the Colorado Cherry Company, filling it out, and dropping it in the water payment drop box