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HELLO SINGLETREE RESIDENTS!

Happy New Year! And welcome to 2017!

As I reflect on 2016, I realize that when the year began, I had no idea what was really in store for me. Little did I know how meaningful creating *Inside Singletree* would be for me, as well as for you, the residents. Your neighborhood has openly and warmly welcomed me into your community and for that, I am filled with tremendous gratitude and appreciation.

The opportunity to get to know so many wonderful families and to share their extraordinary stories brings me great joy. I am always truly excited to meet the next kid, pet, young achiever, athlete, volunteer, traveler, artist or whoever it is who would like to participate in the publication.

Hosting events in the neighborhood has been such fun and has generated great camaraderie amongst friends and neighbors, new and old. In this issue, we highlight a very special evening presented by Kathryn Matthews, who shared a gourmet Rocky Mountain Raclette experience with many Singletree residents, graciously hosted by Rob Spangler at his spectacular Singletree home.

We look forward to seeing many more of you at our events in the coming year, starting with the Grand Opening Celebration of the Singletree Community Center and a not-to-be-missed Night Out for Moms at the Walking Mountains Science Center.

I have also truly enjoyed meeting business owners throughout the Valley and am thrilled to introduce many of them to you. We would like to recognize the businesses that have chosen to sponsor this publication and I encourage you to thank them by frequenting their business and letting them know how much you appreciate their support of your neighborhood newsletter

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This issue of *Inside Singletree* offers a Year in Review and recaps the highlights from the inaugural issue in June through the year end in December. We hope you enjoy reliving the memories!

With my sincere appreciation for your support, I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year ... Here's to 2017!



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Alida Zwaan
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As the saying goes... it takes a village! Or in this case, an amazing neighborhood like Singletree -- with families, athletes, kids, pets, travelers, artists, volunteers and residents -- that have enthusiastically shared their lives through stories and photos with neighbors and friends. Many many thanks to each resident to contributed to *Inside Singletree* in 2016!

Inside Singletree would not be what it is today without the exceptional photography provided by Olga Barron and Ron Hiner. Many thanks for their contributions that help bring Singletree to life every month! Additionally, a huge thank you to our partners who sponsor regular feature articles on a monthly basis -- Amy Goscha, Cynthia Kruse, Happy Power and Alida Zwaan.

Your support of your neighborhood newsletter is sincerely appreciated in all forms: sending stories and photos, sharing ideas for feature articles or attending community events. We continue to seek residents to join the *Inside Singletree* team: junior writers, resident writers, photographers, and volunteer event hosts and coordinators. Please let us know if you are interested in participating in your neighborhood newsletter at a higher level. Your involvement will make the difference!

Please email holly.proctor@n2pub.com with your pictures, stories, ideas and suggestions. Let's make 2017 another memorable year!

Once again, a sincere thank you to every Singletree resident who contributed to *Inside Singletree* in 2016:

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Singletree Community Center
Sunday, January 8, 2017
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Please join us to celebrate the opening of the newly expanded Community Center in Singletree. Enjoy light appetizers and drinks as well as a tour of the new facility, including an expanded fitness room with new cardio equipment, classroom, and lockers.

Meet and mingle with friends and neighbors new and old to celebrate this momentous occasion in your neighborhood! RSVP by January 3, 2017, via e-mail to manager@singletreetoday.com.

Mom's Night Out

A Night at the Museum
Thursday, February 2, 2017
Walking Mountains Science Center
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6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Children from throughout the Valley know that "adventure never hibernates" at Walking Mountains Science Center! Now it's the adults' turn to visit this unique natural science education and environmental stewardship organization whose programs reach more than 90,000 people annually.

The holidays have passed and February is a wonderful time to see old friends and neighbors and meet new, and to enjoy a glass of wine and delicious hors d'oeuvres prepared by Second Nature Gourmet and wines personally selected by Riverwalk Wine & Spirits.

Space is limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. Join us and treat yourself to a soiree of fun and friends!

Walking Mountains is a community leader in sustainability; as such, it is our goal to minimize the carbon footprint of all activities at our LEED Platinum certified campus in Avon. One way you can support this mission is by carpooling or taking some other form of shared transportation (taxi, shuttle) to this event.

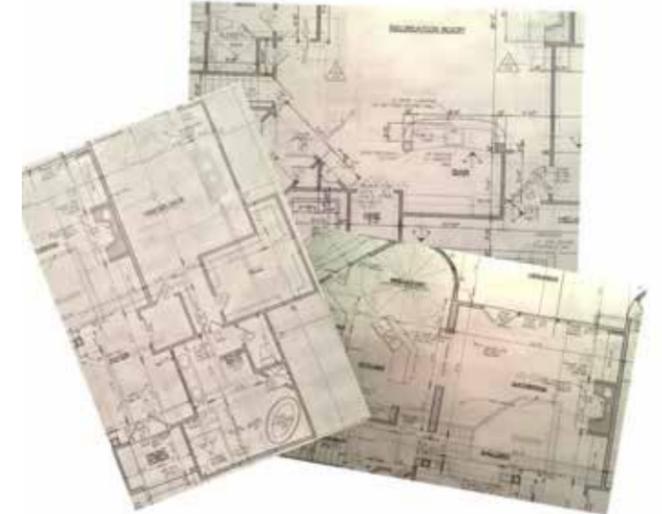
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Rocky Mountain Raclette

BRINGS A TASTE OF SWITZERLAND TO SINGLETREE

Kathryn Matthews started Rocky Mountain Raclette in 2015 as a way to offer Vail Valley residents and visitors a unique dining experience, in the comfort of their own homes. Raclette is a meal of Swiss origin, meant for sharing ingredients and stories while relaxing around the dining table.

To enhance the enjoyment of the meal, Kathryn expertly guides diners through a fully catered event. Artisan meats and vegetables are grilled on a tabletop granite stone, while delicious Raclette cheese is melted in paddles underneath, and then poured over potatoes, bread, and a variety of fresh vegetables. Rocky Mountain Raclette is not just about the delicious food and gourmet ingredients but also about sharing a unique and memorable dining experience with friends and family.

Graciously hosted at the home of Rob Spangler, this raclette cocktail party on a balmy November evening in Singletree proved

to be no exception. The ambiance of the evening was enhanced by the exquisite decor of Rob's recently remodeled home, accented with a remarkable Chihuly chandelier, saltwater fish tank and Rob's original works of art.

Rob provided a fully-serviced bar and Kathryn set a spectacular table featuring elk, beef, shrimp and fresh vegetables to accompany the raclette, topped off with gourmet cookies and apple strudel. Together, Kathryn and Rob formed a remarkable team in hosting friends and neighbors from the community for a truly memorable evening.

Consider Rocky Mountain Raclette as a unique and fun-filled way in which to entertain friends and family this winter! For additional information, contact Kathryn Matthews at **970-343-9299** or **info@rockymountainraclette.com**.





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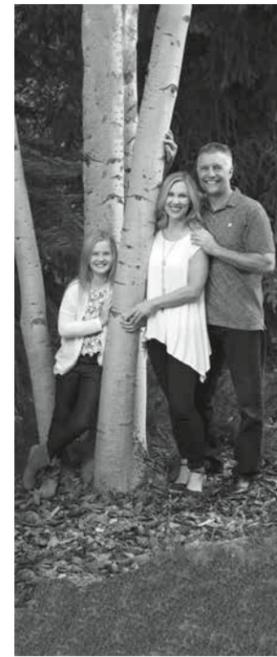
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Berkeley, Jeep, Price, Charlie and Atlanta Meynier



Piper, Mark, Jennifer and Fischer Sassi



Avery, Angi and Mike Begg



Pat, Jean, Kate and Kamryn Mitchell

meet your neighbors

GETTING TO KNOW Your Neighbors

Since June 2016, we have had the pleasure of getting to know a number of truly wonderful families in Singletree. Pat, Jean, Kate and Kamryn graced the inaugural issue with Peter, their bichon poodle, and Riva, the mini goldendoodle. Coming from opposite ends of the earth, Pat, from New Zealand, and Jean, from Ohio, have made Singletree their home since 1997 and have watched in awe as the area has grown to what it is today. The Mitchells love the views of Arrowhead from their home, the proximity to Edwards and the Sonnenalp Club lifestyle for family activities including swimming, tennis and golf.

Joel and Elizabeth Dekanich still marvel at their serendipitous meeting years ago that has led to thriving careers, he as a sports chiropractor and owner of Vail Integrative Medical Group and she as a Reading Specialist and Certified Language Therapist at Eagle County Charter Academy, and three happy, active children: Kate, Thomas and Joseph. For them,

Singletree is the perfect place to raise kids, providing short commutes, open space, trails for running and mountain biking and a great community. Outside Colorado, the Dekanich family gives back by building homes in Rosarito, Mexico with Hope Sports.

The Raichart family, Patric, Shelly, Alex and Madi, enjoy an inspiring range of activities, from hunting and fishing to musical theater and high school sports. Their most recent undertaking is the restoration of a homesteader cabin in McCoy, a project that has proven to be a labor of love for the entire family, including the full demolition and rebuilding of the interior, an irrigation system, two new ponds, and a beehive! Professionally, Shelly enjoys the esteem of being the first dentist to open an office in Edwards, 19 years ago, a full-service dental practice for which Patric manages the finances.

In September, we met Charlie and Atlanta Meynier, and their three busy

kids, Jeep, Berkeley and Price. In 2005, Charlie and Atlanta were looking for adventure and a place to start a family. With roots in Texas, Louisiana and South Dakota, they landed in the Vail Valley where Dr. Meynier owns and operates Vail Valley Animal Hospital today. The Meynier family appreciates the beauty of living in a small town and as Atlanta manages schedules and activities for the entire family, she capably admits, "Somehow it all falls into place!"

Mike, Angi and Avery Begg were drawn to Singletree after a visit to a lemonade stand on June Creek Road. Relocating from Durango, Mike returned to the Vail Valley to continue his career as a Physician's Assistant and since then, has moved on to pursue his interest in achieving personal growth with others; Angi brought her hair styling skills and amazing ability to connect with clients to W Salon in Edwards, and actively enjoys participating in many community events. Together as a family, they enjoy vaca-



Elsa, Alex, Shelly, Madi, Patric and Brutus Raichart



Barbara and Bill Goldy

tions in Hawaii, Phoenix and Texas, but at the end of the day, feel blessed to call Singletree their home.

Bill and Barbara Goldy are the first of our second homeowners to be featured on the cover of our neighborhood newsletter. Their love for Singletree is deep and genuine as they built their home in 1999 and still remember the rainbow that appeared the day they moved into their very special mountain home. Since then, they have built many fond memories with family and friends on Saddle Drive. They have watched their family of six grow to 19 over the years and now enjoy the stage of life where

"each day is Saturday and every night is Friday night".

Living in a New England Cape traditional family home, atypical for Singletree, reminds Mark and Jenn Sassi of their ties to the coast of Maine or the shores of Lake Michigan, respectively. Drawn to the home immediately because of that appeal, Mark, Jenn, Fischer and Piper Sassi moved to Singletree to be close to their friends and to the outdoors, and have since grown as a family to love everything about the neighborhood: sledding on the 1st fairway and ice skating on Charolais Pond, hiking June Creek Trail and watching fireworks on Charolais

Circle, and visiting the park regularly with friends and family regularly.

Many thanks to the Mitchells, Dekanichs, Raicharts, Meyniers, Beggs, Goldys and Sassis for your enthusiastic participation in *Inside Singletree!* This publication would not be possible without your enthusiastic contribution; we look forward to meeting many more fabulous Singletree families in 2017!



Get to know your neighbors better by featuring your family in the next available issue! Email me at holly.proctor@n2pub.com.

athlete spotlight

From Running To Rock Climbing:

Singletree Athletes Do It All In 2016



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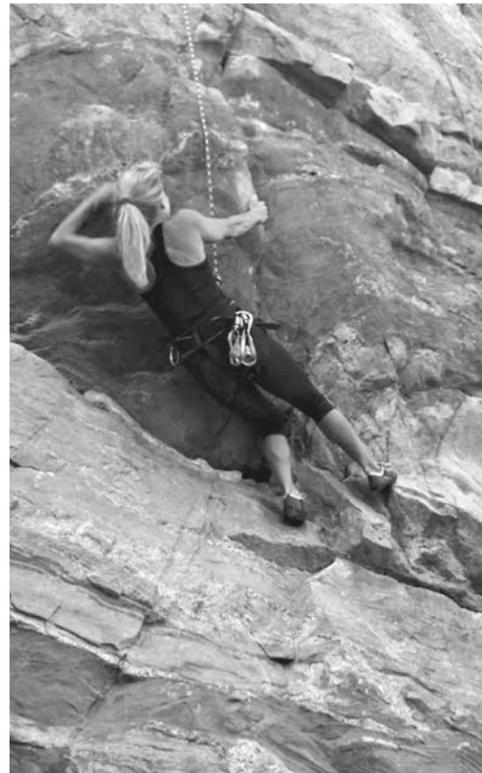
We know Colorado is home to plenty of outstanding athletes and Singletree is no exception. Lured by the appeal of the great outdoors, our residents enjoy a staggering range of activities every season of the year. We were fortunate to meet a handful of these amazing individuals over the past few months and we look forward to meeting many more athletes in 2017!



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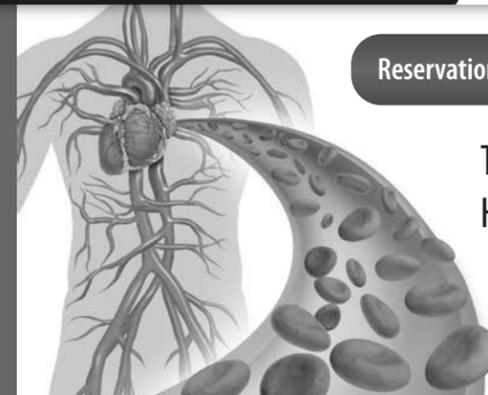
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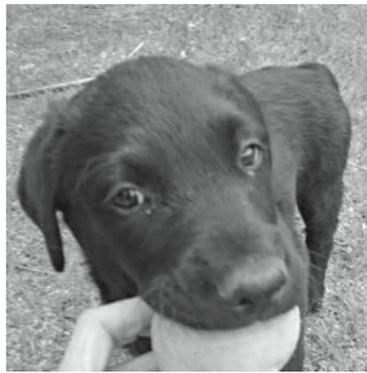
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SINGLETREE RESIDENTS ENJOY COMMUNITY EVENTS

WITH FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Many social events and activities brought Singletree residents together for fun and camaraderie. Highlights include. Music in the Park. Riverwalk Wine & Spirits Wine Tasting. Rewind at the Sonnenalp Club. Gore Range Brewery Restaurant Review. Singletree 2016 Summer Celebration. Back-to-School Ice Cream Social. Patterns of Joy Kids' Sewing. Mom's Night Out. Restaurant Review at Ticino. Rocky Mountain Raclette.

Singletree residents are out and about, seeing and being seen, and enjoying fun and festive neighborhood events! Relive some of the fun with this 2016 event recap of memorable moments in Singletree ...





... We look forward to many more great community events in 2017! Look forward to seeing you there!



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Views, Decks, Sunshine And Good Living

home of the month
Contributed by Alida Zwaan, Singletree Resident



60 Honda: Home of Alida Zwaan and George Gregory

Alida got her real estate license and initially worked with Holland and Associates. Not long after, she joined John Slevin's firm, Gore Range Properties, and has continued to work with John and now his son, Michael, in the different iterations of the firm, currently Berkshire Hathaway Home Services. During her tenure as a Realtor with the Slevin's family firm, she has received numerous awards as a Top Producer and has helped hundreds of individuals find their special home in the mountains.

Alida met her husband, George, at a business meeting in 1994, and they quickly discovered they had many mutual interests. Just like the "Bear" buying a townhome in Vail, the rest is history. George is from central Kentucky where he practiced law in Lexington and managed a horse farm in Woodford County, the heart of the Bluegrass and the center of the thoroughbred industry. George bought his first property in Vail in 1976 and finally decided the mountains were more alluring than law and horses. He moved to Vail permanently in late 1994 when he and Alida were married.

George had expected to retire in '94 but became bored quickly and began construction and general contracting work building a number of great homes in Vail, Beaver Creek and Singletree. Both Alida and George have been involved in the growth and development of Singletree since 1994 by serving on various committees of the Singletree Property Owners Association (SPOA) and the Berry Creek Metro-

politan District (BCMD) as well as other County and Water Authority Boards, plus volunteering for both The World Cup and World Championships.

Alida and George believe that Singletree is "the best residential community in the upper Vail Valley" and continue to work to assure that their belief manifests itself for years to come. They encourage their fellow Singletree residents to participate in annual clean-ups, trail maintenance, SPOA committees and make themselves available to help Singletree's Community Manager, Nina Timm when she needs assistance.

As has been said, we get the community or government we deserve. Alida and George believe working to enhance our homes and communities benefits all Singletree residents and they urge others to join with them in making Singletree the best.

With many thanks to Alida for helping to make Inside Singletree the best! On behalf of the residents of Singletree, we appreciate you sharing the homes showcased here in "Home of the Month" and look forward to more fabulous homes in 2017!



Would you like to have your home featured in an upcoming issue or would you like to nominate a neighbor's home? Please send an email to holly.proctor@n2pub.com and let me know about it!

Alida Zwaan Gregory has participated in Inside Singletree each month by offering neighborhood residents a glimpse into the homes of friends and neighbors throughout the community that exemplify the Singletree lifestyle. She, together with the owners, have shared views, decks, upscale closets, gourmet kitchens, and other favorite living spaces in each home. In recognition of her contribution, the 2016 Year in Review offers an opportunity to get to know the resident Sponsor behind "Home of the Month."

Alida Zwaan Gregory first came to Vail in the mid 60's with her family. Alida's father, known as the "Bear," had spent most of his youth in Holland and traveled through Europe bicycling during the summer and skiing during the winter. Mr. Zwaan served in the U.S. Army as an interpreter during World War II; after the War, the "Bear" married Alida's mother and the new couple moved to Lawton, Oklahoma, where Mrs. Zwaan's family had business interests. Mr. Zwaan wanted his children to experience the mountains and skiing as he did as a youth, so the family traveled during winter vacations to Taos, Sun Valley, Aspen, Breckenridge and Vail. Alida's younger sister, Wendy, said, "Daddy, I like Vail the best." The rest is history. The Zwaans bought a townhome in 1969. Alida left Vail to travel and work in Germany for two years after which she returned to Vail. She moved briefly to Austin, Texas, but the mountains continued to beckon her home. Alida returned to Vail permanently in 1978 and this has been her home ever since.

ALIDA ZWAAN HAS SOLD OVER 200 HOMES IN SINGLETREE ... SIMPLY STATED, SHE KNOWS THIS MARKET BETTER THAN ANYONE!



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travel tales

Oh The Places We Did Go!

Performing in Bermuda. Cooking school in Italy. Sight-seeing in Cambodia. Hut trip in Switzerland. Teaching in Tanzania. Single-tree residents traveled afar in 2016. We so enjoyed sharing the travel tales of these Singletree residents and look forward to lots of adventure in 2017!



Racquel Walder rocks it with Up with People in Bermuda



Lai White in Cambodia



Alice Plain at the Matterhorn while on the Imperial Haute Route in Switzerland



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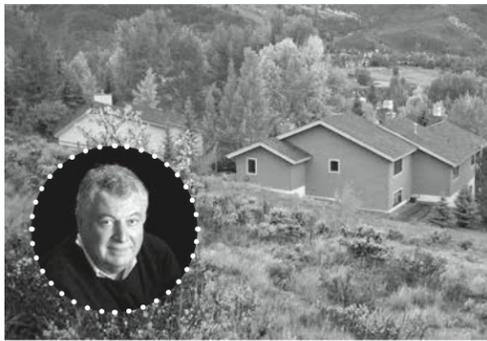
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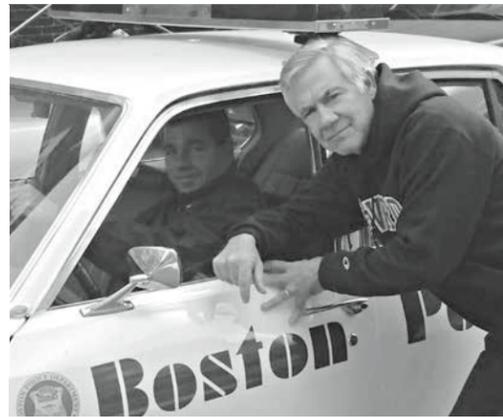
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The Berry Creek Metropolitan Board of Directors: Dan Godec, Karen Kern, Ann Darby and George Gregory



John Genova reaches young adults through Junior Achievement

making a difference *Singletree Residents Give Generously Of Themselves*

No doubt about it ... Singletree residents are doing great things for their neighborhood, the town of Edwards, Eagle County and the State of Colorado. As our residents appreciate the amazing life they live here, they are quick to give back, to donate time, energy and resources to causes for which they are passionate. Make a resolution to **Make A Difference** in 2017 - you will be glad you did!



Your SPOA Board: Jennie Longville May, Ralph Merritt, Melissa Nelson and Ralph Dockery



Linda Hill and Jeff Koch join other Edwards Rotarians to participate in the Eco Trails Clean Up



Pam Beaudin supporting COPA Soccer through the Edwards Rotary



Singletree kids sew with Patterns of Joy to give back to those in need



Kat Haber's TEDxVail event is not to be missed in Beaver Creek



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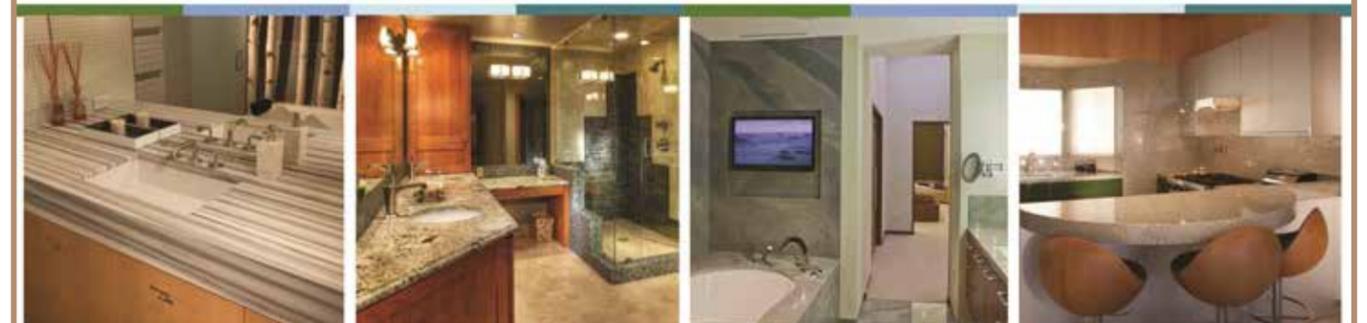
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1160 Winslow Rd (SF)	\$1,550,000	\$1,445,000	9/8/16	\$329.23	4	5 (4 0 1)	4389	No	214
*1121 Singletree Rd (SF)	\$1,545,000	\$1,400,000	9/1/16	\$333.33	5	5 (4 0 1)	4200	No	469
47 Howard Dr (SF)	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000	9/12/16	\$378.33	3	3 (0 3 0)	3304	No	33
160 Charolais Cir (DU)	\$1,095,000	\$1,050,000	8/18/16	\$296.69	4	5 (4 0 1)	3539	No	18
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