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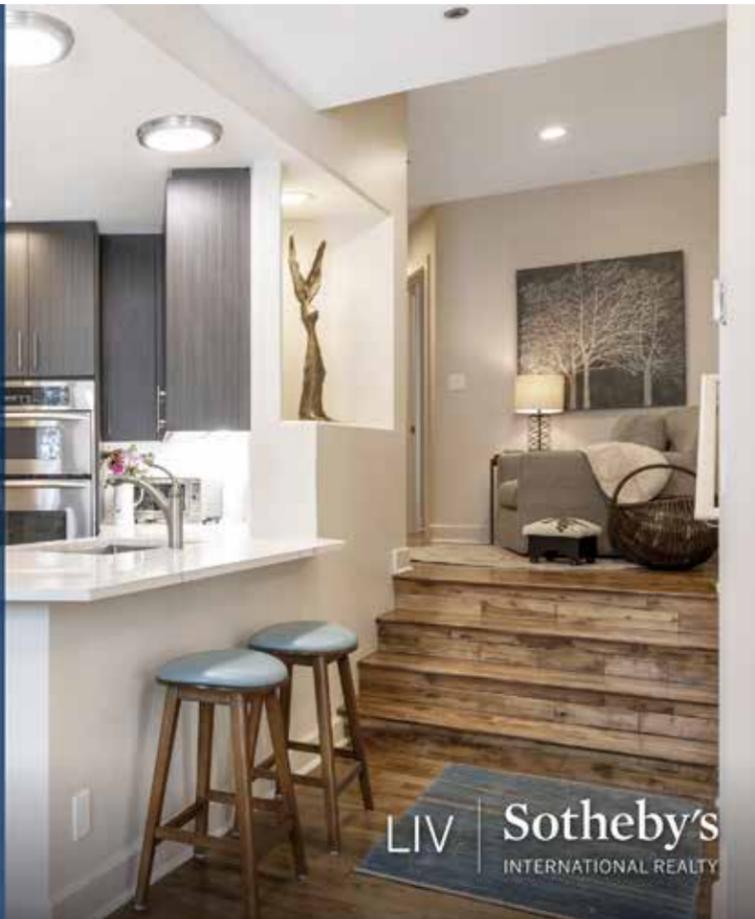
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It is almost impossible to believe that *Inside Singletree* has been in print for three years! Since June 2016, we have met amazing families, hilarious kids who say whatever is on their minds, and a bevy of beloved furry companions. We have been inspired by athletes, traveled vicariously to fascinating destinations, and recognized our residents who give back through their involvement in the community...and that's not all! I am eternally grateful for every contribution, be it a single photo or a feature article, that has made this magazine what it is today.

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And here we are in June, the long-awaited gateway to summer, is here in all its glory! This month, our residents share their stories from near and far – from Bogey Molloy finding unconditional love at her new home in Singletree to an up and coming wine vineyard on the Western slope to outrageous street parties in Brazil

Meet Clint and Sarah Janssen. Here, they share with you their journey that began with an innocent dinner in Denver to a partnership with Steve Steese and Jayme Henderson, the winemakers at The Storm Cellar in Hotchkiss, CO. Don't miss the opportunity to join them at a wine release party on June 18!

Bobbie Ruh leads us on an adventure through Brazil where she and Jim experienced the majesty of the Iguazu Falls, the largest waterfall system in the world, and the chaos of Carnaval, the largest carnival in the world with two million people on the streets of Rio de Janeiro every day!

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The Storm Cellar showcases high-elevation, high-quality white wines, and roses and was recently selected to represent the beverage portion of the 2019 Colorado FIVE

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David specializes in all sides of residential mortgage financing from lot loans, construction loans, second homes, investment properties, condotels, and of course, he takes special care of the locals purchasing their primary residences.

When not at the office, Dave can be found enjoying everything this great area has to offer – from outdoor recreation to concerts to golf, biking, hiking, and most importantly raising his fantastic daughters, Cassidy (13) and Dakota (11).



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# Clint AND Sarah Janssen

*W*ine, it has been said, is “alive and well,” and to state the obvious, so are we. Because of that, we dream, we grow, we love, we experience life, and we hopefully meet others who share these same thoughts. We were lucky enough to have done just that in 2009 when we first met Steve Steese and Jayme Henderson, who were then the sommeliers at Shanahan’s Steakhouse in Denver. We were sitting in the lounge and had the wine list open, searching for our favorite wine at the time, Opus One. Steve saw us perusing the list and came to sit with us. He asked casually, “Are you set on that wine, or are you feeling adventurous?”

*We hit it off immediately and talked about food and wine at length. This is how it all began.*

From then on, we made Shanahan’s our go-to spot in Denver whenever we were there. The more we learned from Steve and Jayme, the more we desired to learn: rainfall in Napa, soils in Burgundy, or the various chateaux of Bordeaux. It didn’t seem to matter – any topic regarding wine was in their wheelhouse. The stories, details, and passion about the topics that they passed on to us kept us enthralled each and every time we were there.

As time passed, we attended many private wine dinners with many notable vintners, and one of our most frequent comments to Steve and Jayme was, “You two are more excited about this wine than the actual winemakers who made it!” That thought permeated our conversations, and we continually mused that if Steve and Jayme ever decided to do something on their own, we wanted to be part of it. Then one day in the summer of 2016, much to our surprise, they came to us and said, “We think it’s time to put Colorado on the international wine map.” Sarah and I were immediately intrigued and were ready to talk dollars.”

*But first, let’s go back and tell you how we got here.*

Clint was born and raised in New Jersey and arrived in Colorado at the age of 14. He graduated from high school in Monument and got his start in the fire sprinkler industry when he joined the union as a pipe fitter. His travels as a road fitter ultimately brought him to the Western Slope. In 2000, he and Sarah started Vail Valley Fire Sprinkler, which they continue to own and operate today.

Sarah grew up in Minnesota but has spent most of her life in Colorado since moving here in 1990. A high school mission trip to Alaska sparked her initial love for the mountains, and knowing the Colorado terrain, she ventured here sight unseen. Sarah and Clint’s paths crossed when they met in Colorado Springs in 1998. They were married in Monument two years later and moved to their home on Hereford Road in Singletree shortly thereafter, along with their two kids and two cats. They still live in that same home with their 17-year-old Ocicat, Nia.

Their son, Michael, graduated from Battle Mountain High School in 2006 and is a manager for the moving company, Two Men and a Truck. He and his wife, Jacqueline, and their darling



Sarah and Clint with Jayme Henderson and Steve Steese; photo courtesy of Sue Lathrop

granddaughter, who will be 6 in June, live in Colorado Springs. Athena, their daughter, graduated from Vail Christian High School in 2011 and Harvard four years later. She currently lives in Los Angeles, CA, where she is a research and development strategy manager. With an avid passion for film, Athena co-founded the nonprofit organization, Chinese in Entertainment, which presents the Los Angeles Chinese Film Festival each year.

With a deep passion for sports cars, Clint enjoys his weekly “Cars and Club” meetings and is on the board for the Vail Automobile Classic, which takes place this year September 6-8. Clint serves as the chairman of the Eagle River Fire Protection District Board, and Sarah participates on HOA boards in both Avon and Edwards.

*And where are we now?*

After purchasing the Redstone Vineyard almost three years ago, The Storm Cellar is finally ready to release its first wines. Jayme and Steve have spent the past years revitalizing the neglected vineyard and transforming the property into a winery, as well. At nearly 6,000 feet above sea level, the entire property lies within the West Elks AVA, on Sunshine Mesa, in Hotchkiss. It boasts a total of 85 acres of land, most of which is steep, rocky, alpine desert terrain. Atop the mesa, however, the vineyard encompasses a fenced-in area of 23 acres, 16 of which are currently planted. Over the past two years, 2,000 new vines have been added, to



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begin filling in the fallow areas of the vineyard, and there are more vines on the way. We currently grow riesling, chardonnay, pinot gris, and sauvignon blanc, and a few stray pinot noir vines from a prior planting.

In working with Steve and Jayme, we have learned that a wine is greater than the sum of its parts. It is not just a winemaker. It is not just a vineyard. It is a collaboration between humans and nature. It is a living story, and our wine story is incredibly unique. Our team has worked diligently not only to nurture the vines and craft great wines but also to tell our story. We are thrilled to share the journey with Jayme and Steve and to be part of The Storm Cellar venture, showcasing high-elevation, high-quality white wines, and rosés. We encourage you to follow The Storm Cellar's exciting, ongoing story on social media.

*We would love for you to join us for our wine release party in Singletree on June 18. We promise you a memorable evening of tasting, education, and enjoyment!*




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# Lauren Mutter

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She returned to the Vail Valley and promptly started giving back to the community she grew up in. She worked at Vail Christian High School (where she was an alumnus) and wore several hats including academic advising counselor, director of admissions and director of student life. She also coached volleyball and soccer. Her legacy included volunteering as a Young Life leader. Lauren had a gift of sharing God's love with all she encountered and making everyone feel like they were her best friend.

Lauren passed away on March 9, 2019. She is survived by her parents, Michael and Terry, and her sister, Caitlin, as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins around the country.

The sunshine she spread every day of her 31 short years of life will be truly missed by so many. Please take a few moments to view Lauren's memorial tribute at <https://vimeo.com/324494226>.



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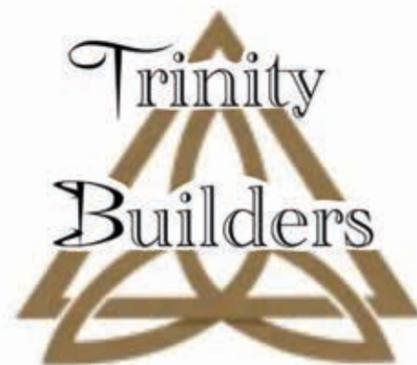
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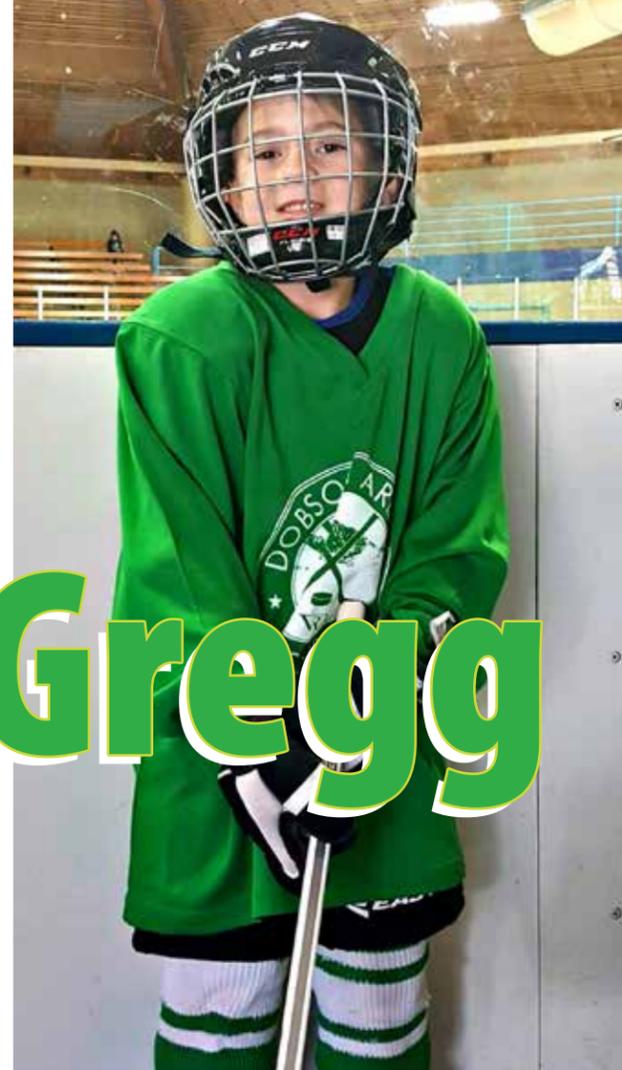
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# meet Jackson Gregg

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**My name is Jackson, and I am in kindergarten at St. Clare of Assisi.**

**What is your favorite thing about kindergarten?** Umm ... lunch or recess.

**What's your favorite lunch?** Probably yogurt things. The juice ones.

**Do you have a favorite flavor?** Umm ... banana something.

**What's your favorite dessert?** Fruit Roll-ups.

**Favorite flavor?** Chocolate.

**Tell me about your book.** It's *The Big Book of Why*.

**What is the most interesting thing you learned in your book?** That London Bridge actually fell down.

**When did it fall down?** In the 1960s.

**What else is in there that is interesting?** Why do people get thirsty? Because they lose water. And it's not a good idea to pick your nose.

**What are your favorite**

**games at recess?** Probably "Red Light Green Light." You have one person turn around, and if someone tags the person, they're it.

**Do you like to ski?** Yea.

**What else do you like to do outside?** I like going to get our Christmas tree. My other thing is ... um, there are these snow forts. First we let it snow a lot. Then, there's a big thing. Then, I start making the snow fort out of that, and every time it snows, there's

time, I saw him at the ocean, and then one time, I saw that bird fighting a seagull. Then, I saw him and I jumped on the seagull and the seagull flew away, and then I petted the bird. I didn't really pet the bird.

**Do you play any sports?** My uncle Brad used to play hockey, so I called him after my hockey practice, I mean, game. It's my only sport. And one time at hockey practice, I twisted my foot. I fell wrong. I twisted it.

**Do you play on a team?** The Vail. We play the Eagle team. Our game was on Sunday. We won 10 to 2.

**What do you do in the summer?** Tennis, swimming on the swim team, and I think that's it.

**What is the best part about being a kid?** School. I do like PE.

**What do you like most about living in Singletree?** I like it because we can golf every summer here. And we play tennis here. And we swim here. We mostly do all of our sports here.



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Having grown up on a farm in Minnesota, Mike was introduced to the building business after high school by his neighbors. He joined the Navy and spent a lot of time in the carpentry shop and, then upon leaving the service, went to work for a custom home builder, constructing homes from the bottom up as part of a two-man crew. Mike road-tripped from his home in Washington to his sister's wedding back in Minnesota and left with the intent of making it to Arizona to skydive and work for a home builder there. Like many in the Vail Valley, he detoured through Breckenridge, fell in love with the mountains, and ultimately, took the back road to Vail for a day and decided this was a pretty nice place to work.

It was 1973. Mike shares his memories of those early days: "At that point, I didn't have any money, so I took the first job I could get. I worked at the Bully III, and I took every job that was available and worked my way up to chef -- so I would have meals. Then, I ran into a bartender, Dave Haakenson, who was also laying carpet. So, I worked with him for a while, and then the waiters introduced me to Joanne Swift, who had the decorating firm, Finishing Touch, in those days. I started getting introduced to people who wanted to have work done. My first crew was the waitresses who would do the painting."

One day, Mike was hiking down in Gilman and discovered a rusty spike on the ground, which inspired him to name the company,



deploying a logo that incorporated the spike as the "i" in "Spike," which he then had hand-painted on his fleet of red vans. The business continued to grow as he met more and more good clients and property managers, leading him to ultimately buy an office at The Wren. The company reached a peak of about 25 employees, and in 2003, Kris left her position of 18 years in property management to help Mike run the company.

Today, the Rusty Spike crew consists of a core of eight select guys who have worked together for years. With the exception of electrical and plumbing, the Rusty Spike team does everything required for a remodel: demo, framing, sheetrock, tile work, painting, trim work ... you name it. This structure offers the homeowner the unique advantage of efficiency from a cohesive team that consistently operates from the same page; there is no need to wait for bids from subs or concern about the quality of work. The team knows exactly how the process goes and the standard of quality expected from their workmanship.

Mike remarks that one of his favorite parts of the business is the opportunity to work on a design-build basis to create unusual design concepts for his clients. Kris chimes in, "The owner or a designer will have an idea and Mike can figure out how to make it work." She goes on to emphasize the value of their teamwork in saying, "We meet the clients together. I pick up something he misses and vice versa. If they need simple design work, I don't presume to be a designer, but I have an eye. I can help with color, furniture, paint colors, tile; it has worked out well for us."

Mike and Kris are more than willing to work in phases to accommodate an owner's budget or timing; they understand that a full-blown remodel requires a leap of faith and, often, deep pockets. By working with the owner to understand their long term perspective, Rusty Spike will work in phases to bite off small pieces of the project, for instance, a bathroom or two to start, and will

often complete projects comprised of five or six distinct phases in order to fall within timing and/or financial parameters.

Over the years, Mike and Kris have worked together to create a name for Rusty Spike Enterprises based on trust and attention to the client's needs. "We work for whatever the owners want. A lot of our work is repeat business and referrals," says Mike. "We stand behind what we are doing. Our clients know we are reliable and that things are done properly. We're not going to cut corners." Kris enthusiastically adds, "What is rewarding for us is that the owners absolutely love it. We have our guys participate in that – whether they are sweeping up or pounding nails. We want them to take pride in their work; nothing makes them happier than to know their workmanship is truly enjoyed by the client. We want happy customers."

To find out more about Rusty Spike Enterprises or to reach Mike and Kris Krohn, please visit [www.rustyspikenow.com](http://www.rustyspikenow.com) or e-mail [rustyspikeinvail@earthlink.net](mailto:rustyspikeinvail@earthlink.net).



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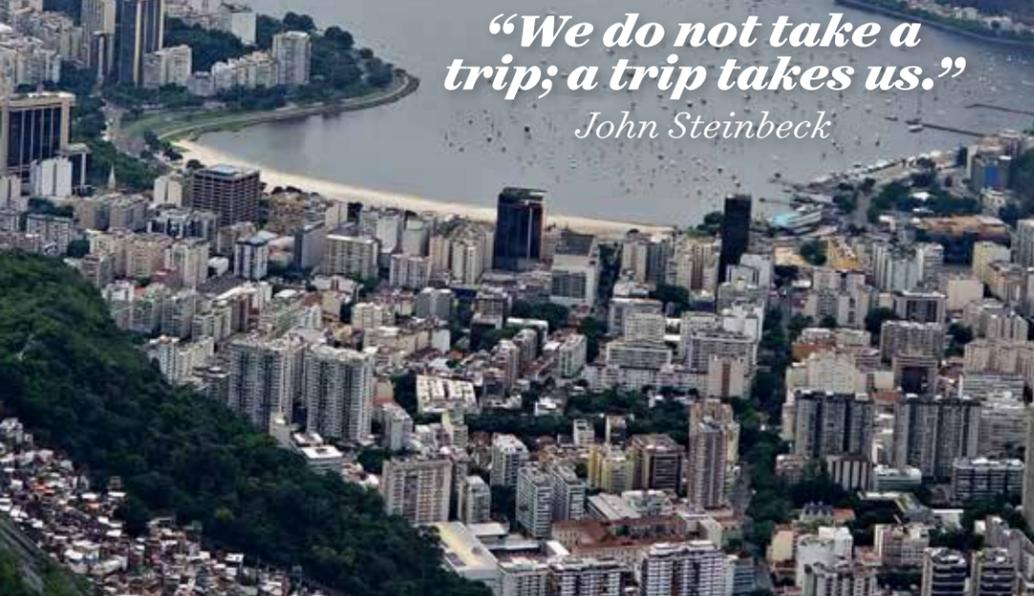
The Iguazu  
Falls from the  
Brazilian side

*After years of trepidation about traveling to Brazil (the crime, the favelas, the poverty, the corruption), we decided it was time to go when we learned that Azamara Club Cruises (our favorite cruise line) was visiting Rio de Janeiro during Carnival and would stay in port for three full days. This would allow us to experience Rio and Carnival without the hassle and risk of having to navigate the city on our own. An added bonus was that the cruise departed from Buenos Aires, giving us the opportunity of visiting that city and Iguazu Falls, which was also on our bucket list.*

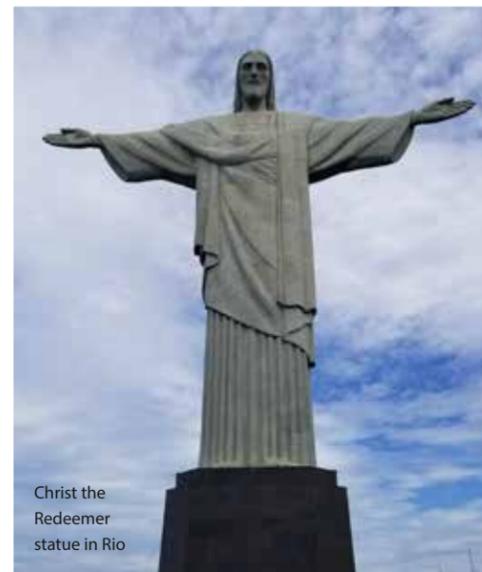
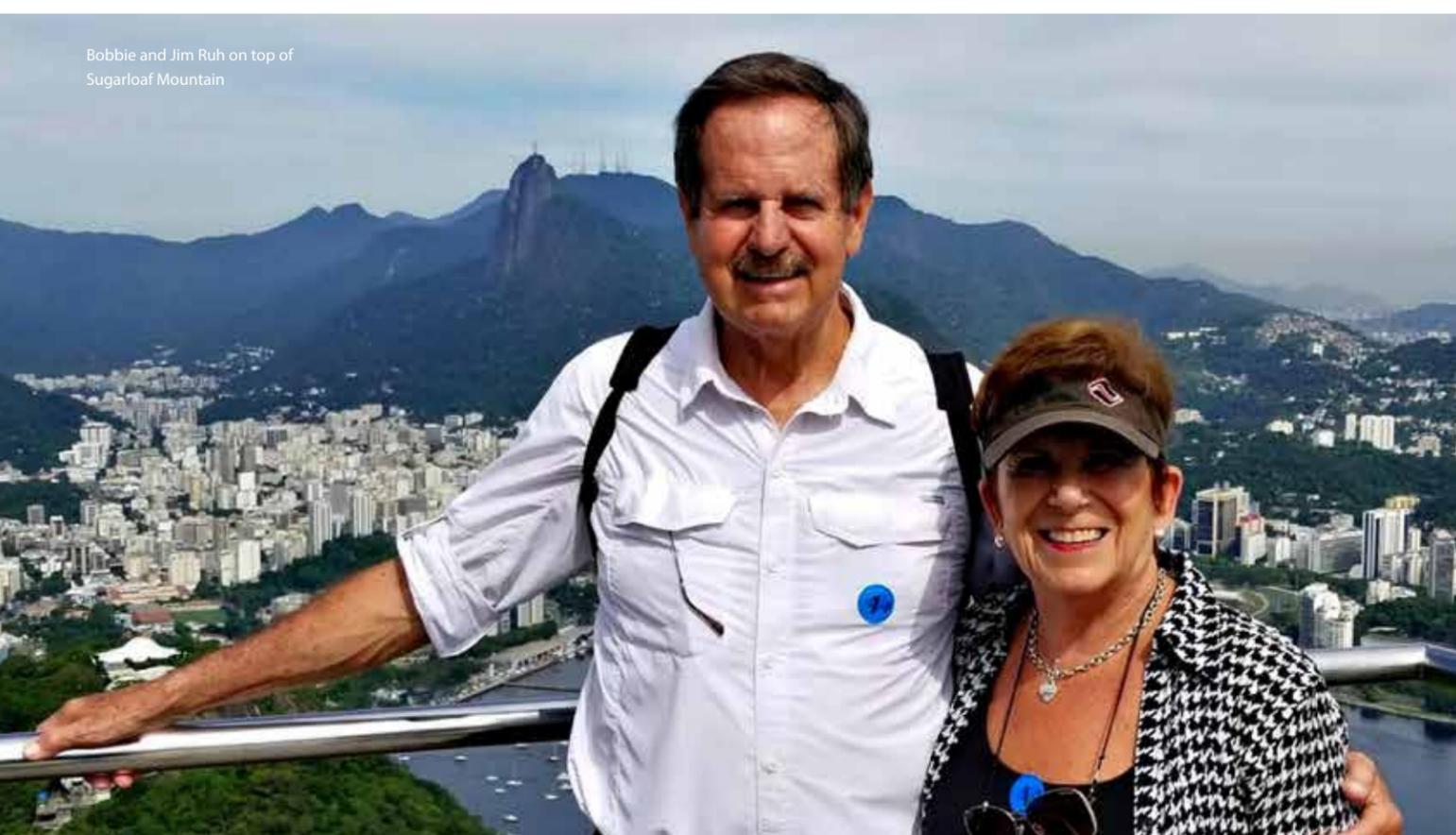
The Iguazu Falls, on the border between Argentina province and Brazil, make up the largest waterfall system in the world. The falls are most easily reached via a two-hour direct flight from Buenos Aires. The area consists of 275 falls stretching for almost two miles. Two-thirds of the falls are in Argentina, the most dramatic of which is the “Devil’s Throat,” at 270 feet high and 1/7 miles wide. It’s definitely worth spending two days to visit both sides: the Argentinian for the drama of being up close to the thundering waters and the Brazilian to enjoy the panoramic views of the vast cataracts. The area surrounding is a largely uninhabited jungle, and the climate is steamy and often rainy, which isn’t a problem because you are guaranteed to get wet at the falls. The town of Puerto Iguazu is relatively uninteresting; most visitors stay at one of several resort properties tucked away in the bush near the Iguazu River.

There could hardly be a greater contrast to the majesty of Iguazu Falls than the chaos of Carnival in Rio de Janeiro. It is the biggest carnival in the world, with two million people per day on the streets. The highlight of Carnival is a two-day spectacle performed in the Sambadrome, the permanent open-ended stadium designed by the famous Brazilian architect, Oscar Niemeyer. The parade takes place over two days, from 10 p.m. until nearly 6 the next morning. On each of the two days, the top 12 samba schools parade to compete for the top prize, six schools per evening. We were fortunate to have reserved seats on the second day, when the top six schools paraded. Each school is comprised of around 4000(!) participants and is given 70 minutes to parade through the Sambadrome.

Samba schools are actually guilds and are associated with a particular town or neighborhood, often in shanty towns. These guilds promote and support the Afro-Brazilian heritage of dance and drumming and spend months designing a theme, composing a song reflecting the theme, building the floats and rehearsing. The preparations, especially producing the many different costumes, provide work for thousands of the poorest in Brazilian society. The participants are graded on their theme, their song, their dancers, their costumes and their floats and are penalized if they do not complete the parade within the allotted time. The parade overwhelms all five senses with colors, singing and drumming (we were given earplugs and needed to wear them!), crowds, heat, and delicious foods. It was a peak experience, for sure, but there was still more to see.



Bobbie and Jim Ruh on top of  
Sugarloaf Mountain



Christ the  
Redeemer  
statue in Rio



Blcco partygoers



Samba parade celebrants



Samba  
dancers -  
Which one  
is the guy?



The Imperial Palace  
Museum in Petropolis



Copacabana Beach



View from a boat ride approaching the Iguazu Falls on the Argentinian side



Sambadrome parade - Team Vila Isabel

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Carnaval isn't just about the Sambadrome parades. The real action takes place in the streets throughout the city and goes on for days. Called *blocos*, these street parties take place anywhere there is an open square. There can be more than 300 *blocos* taking place at any given point in time, and they can pop up at any time, filled with music, dancing, and general merriment. We were fortunate to locate a *bloco* very near where we were docked and spent a delightful time with revelers in various states of dress and sobriety. I asked one of our guides about the proper attire for Carnaval, and his reply was "as little as possible." These photos prove that he was correct! Never were we concerned about our safety, but at times our sanity may have been in question.

Because we were in Rio for three days, we were also able to visit the famous statue of Christ the Redeemer and the iconic Sugarloaf Mountain that overlooks the harbor and Copacabana Beach. Both were very crowded during Carnaval but were not to be missed. Finally, we discovered another destination of which we were ignorant until our trip: the royal city of Petropolis. Who knew that Brazil had kings? Portuguese King Juan fled from Napoleon to Brazil, and his descendants founded Petropolis, only 35 miles from Rio in a beautiful mountainous area. It served as the summer residence of the Brazilian emperors and aristocrats in the 19th century. Emperor Pedro the Second (Juan's grandson) ordered the construction of

the Imperial Palace and other government and related buildings in 1843 and, because he hired German immigrants to do the construction, the city still has a large German population.

It was in Petropolis that Peter's daughter Isabel signed the decree emancipating all slaves while acting as regent in her father's absence. The decree, called the "Golden Law," is displayed in Petropolis at the Imperial Museum of Brazil, which was once the royal palace. The museum has been restored with original furnishings and artifacts from the royal period and is a must-see. Because of its German connection, Petropolis is also home to the oldest brewery in Brazil, another must-see, and hosts an annual "Bauernfest." It was also a center for gambling until the sport was outlawed in 1946, and the beautiful casino has been converted to condominiums. Don't miss Petropolis if you visit Rio. Its beautiful architecture and fascinating history make for an interesting side trip. We only wish we had more than a day to visit this charming city.

*Our one regret is that we had not visited Brazil sooner, and we wouldn't hesitate to return to this vibrant and fascinating destination.*



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# BERTHA TO BOGEY... THE JOURNEY HOME



## precious pets

Contributed by **Gail and Bogey Molloy**, Singletree resident and pet



Dog-less for over two years after my Charlie the Cairn terrier left this world for longer walks in the sky, I had vowed to never weaken again and complicate my life with another dog. And I kept that promise for two years.

Then one morning, I happened to be leafing through the *Vail Daily*. Never had I even peeked at the pet section of the classified section, when for some

reason, a photo of a black haired, long-eared, brown-eyed, shaggy face stared out at me from the page.

Bertha was a 4-year-old Australian Labradoodle. She was staying with the daughter of the breeder since it so happened that she was not going to be used for breeding any longer, as she did not produce enough of those cute and fluffy caramel-colored puppies that are so popular. And since Bertha's disposition



was very shy and fearful, for a reason that was never to be explained, they decided to spay her and put her up for adoption. She was very fearful of men and so they were looking for a single woman to win her heart -- and as it turned out, to own mine!

I called the owner and decided to drive to Frisco to "have a look," and 30 minutes later, I was on my way back to Vail with Bertha in the back seat for a few days of a trial period. I was living in East Vail at the time, and carefully, on a leash, I brought her into my condo, which happened to have a Dutch door. I did not realize at the time that Bertha was an Olympic high jumper but quickly learned of her skills.

Out the Dutch door she leaped and took off like a greyhound headed east up Vail Pass back to Frisco. I jumped in my car and followed her as best I could while she ran and leaped over fences and gullies, avoiding oncoming traffic. She reached the traffic barrier, which stops all cars before the road turns into a bike path. I had to leave my car and tried to chase her, but soon she was gone and out of sight. She was also deaf to my calls of panic.

I figured she was headed up the pass in her attempt to get back to Frisco. So, I drove up to the top of the bikeway to head her off if she got that far. I waited and asked every



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biker who passed if they had seen a very frightened black dog heading east. No luck. I then headed back to where I had last seen her, and a biker (my angel) said she had spotted her about a mile up the pass, heading into the tree line up above an open expanse. I feared Bertha was a goner for sure ... and imagined the worst (i.e. a mountain lion dinner).

I phoned her owner, Shelly, and she immediately got into her car and met me at the area of Bertha's escape on the bike road up Vail Pass. I figured if I did see Bertha, she would not recognize my voice or whistle, but she would probably come to Shelly. We waited at the bottom of the open expanse and started calling her name and whistling.

After what seemed like an eternity, we spotted a tiny, black movement way up at tree line. And sure enough, the spot was moving slowly to the edge of the trees and out into the field! Bertha was responding to Shelly's calls. An angel and a miracle in one morning!

The end of the story is that I renamed Bertha to Bogey (I am a golfer, and the only score I hope for is a bogey). I kept her on a leash and locked the Dutch half of the door for two weeks to cement our bond. And one lovely spring day, I opened the door. She bolted out, and of course, I panicked, but by the time she reached the end of the street, I knew she was mine as she looked back and ran as fast as she could back to her new home.



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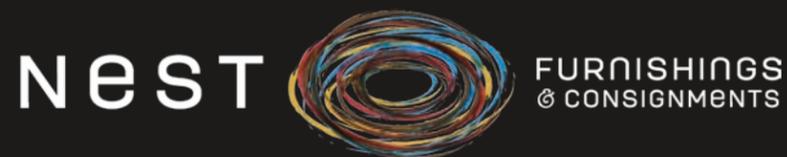


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UC	30 Foal Cir	Single Family	\$1,290,000	--	--	\$330		4	5 (3 1 1)	3,914	Unfurnished
UC	670 Winslow Rd	Single Family	\$1,620,000	--	--	\$299		5	7 (5 0 2)	5,411	Partial
Sold	20 Buckboard Rd E	Duplex	\$545,000	\$550,000	4/12/19	\$276	\$278	3	4 (3 0 1)	1,978	Unfurnished
<b>Sold</b>	<b>68 Hackamore Rd</b>	<b>Duplex</b>	<b>\$815,000</b>	<b>\$790,000</b>	<b>3/8/19</b>	<b>\$324</b>	<b>\$314</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 (3 0 1)</b>	<b>2,516</b>	<b>Unfurnished</b>
Sold	21 Longhorn Rd N	Duplex	\$1,095,000	\$1,050,000	4/12/19	\$401	\$384	4	3 (3 0 0)	2,732	Unfurnished
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*When Sarah Siegel, a general contractor with Sarlyn Homes, and Brian Judge, an architect with Judge and Associates, first set out to find a new home in Singletree, the number of homes were few, but the opportunities were great.*

The one “project” that stuck out the most to the creative couple was Eleven Buckboard. Originally built in the early 1990’s, the house was a true survivor of an original Singletree southwest design, one with “good bones” they said. Sarah and Brian were looking for an opportunity and this lower Singletree corner lot was it.

Sitting at the tee box of the 8th hole with commanding southern views of Arrowhead Mountain (yet concealed by almost 70 trees planted by the prior homeowner), it is just a short walking distance to the parks, the Golf Club, and very bike-able to the paths and the schools. With their creative vision, they could see that 11 Buckboard certainly had that “modern potential”.

The previous homeowner had planted so many trees around the property that you could barely see through to the amazing views. The home that was unoccupied for some time was in real disrepair yet had a mostly wide-open floor plan including a main floor master with potential for a walk out to grade. All musts for the young and active couple.

On the day the property closed, the demolition crew went straight to work. “It looked like a bomb went off on day one,” Sarah recalls. The new design created by Judge and Associates



Architects and Planners was one of an open family floor plan; it created new bedroom suites for the two teenage kids, an enlarged master bedroom and bath, a central family/chef’s kitchen and the installation of major large windows to that stunning view. The new modern exterior of cedar and stucco, complete with concrete and landscaped patios as well, was created to bring that outside in. The home was to reflect the fresh and new start for Sarah and Brian.



Sarah spent the next 8 months recreating the family home with the sub-contractors. She managed the daily challenges of finalizing finishes and coordinating the custom cabinetry. She took the entire house down to the studs and replaced all the mechanical and electrical systems. Although the project was more than they initially expected, like so many remodel/renovations, the process itself wasn’t. It built a strong foundation for the family and has created new and exciting opportunities for the future.

The inside was designed around a beautiful 1950’s antique pool table and the dual living and family

rooms with the dining and kitchen all in one large open space, making it perfect for entertaining and family game night. The home hosted a Singletree get together of almost 125 people and felt ready to take on an even larger event. The kids have held pre-prom get togethers and team dinners for many of their classmates and Sarah and Brian host a weekly Thursday get together in the summer.

The home is furnished with many items from both Town and Worth Interiors, sourced and selected by Eddy Doumas, including vintage furnishings by Ralph Lauren, Baker, Ethan Allen, Knoll, Mitchell Gold, Holly Hunt and others. It is complemented

by many items from their travels and family mementos; it is just a perfect home to showcase the family of four.

Well, in fact the project was so much fun, they plan to do it again! 11 Buckboard is currently available with The Stockton Group at LIV Sothebys International Realty and J+A Architects. Certainly, they will be sad to see it sell but they are excited to create another home in Singletree once it does. Any ideas?



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# Outside Your Home



### Did you know

that fences are permitted in Singletree and no fence shall be permitted to be constructed in any of the setbacks? Fencing further than 25' away from the home should be open and no more than 4' in height.



### Did you know

that all outdoor construction in Singletree is limited to –  
Monday – Friday 7 AM to 7 PM  
Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM  
And is prohibited on Sundays and holidays?



### Did you know

that exterior changes to your home in Singletree require Design Review approval prior to commencing work? You can find the Design Guidelines and applications on the website, [www.singletreetoday.com](http://www.singletreetoday.com).



### Did you mark

your calendar for Singletree's first summer concert on June 20, from 6 PM to 8 PM? The Riverfront Ramblers will be playing bluegrass music at the Singletree Community Center.



### Did you know

that all mechanical equipment and air conditioning condensers installed on the exterior of the home shall require DRC approval? Such equipment shall be installed within the setbacks and as close to the home as possible and should be screened from view.

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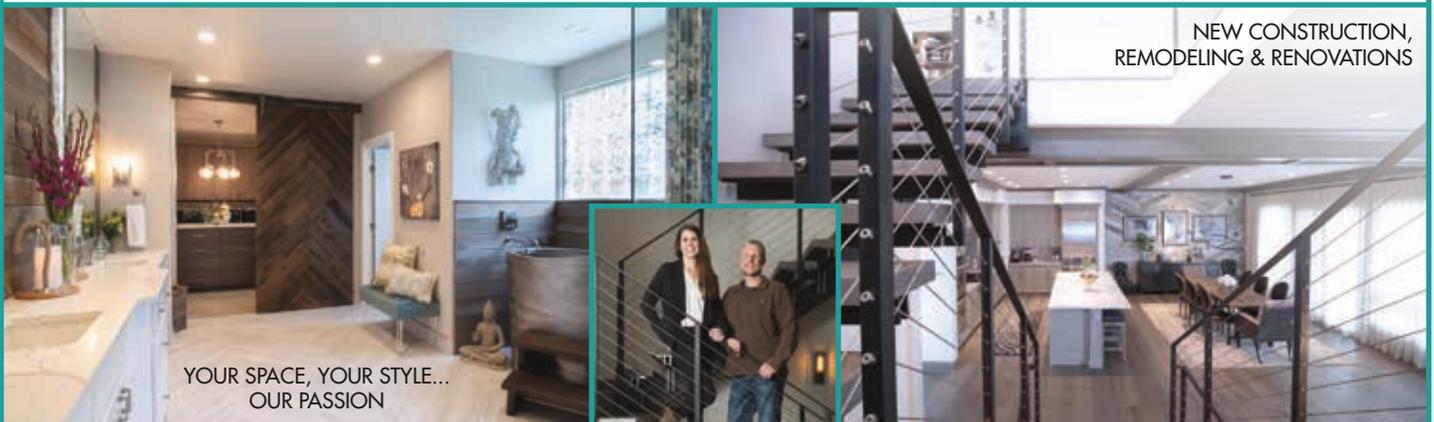
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