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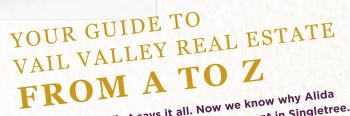
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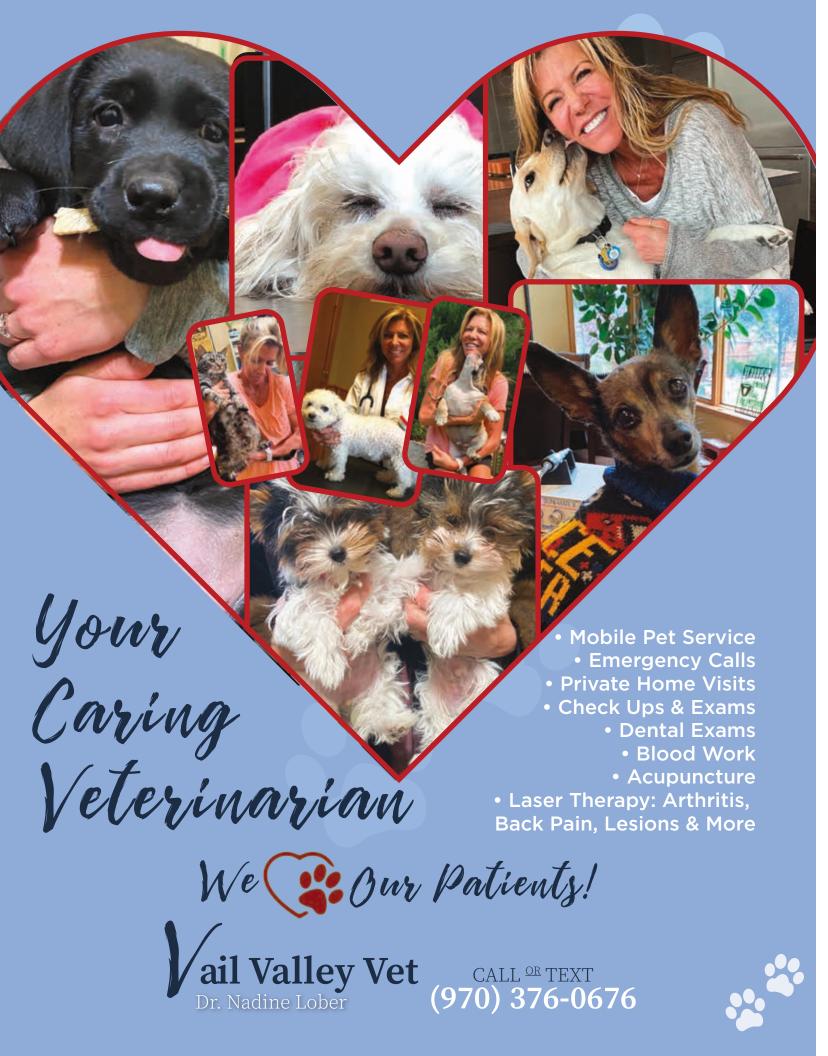


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publisher's note

This month, millions around the world will be captivated by the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing, beginning with the opening ceremonies on February 4. With this backdrop, this issue of **INSIDE Singletree** celebrates its own sports minded residents.

We start with seven current student-athletes at the Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy: Hahna Norman, Beckett DePriest, Olivia Lisle, Brooklyn DePriest, Sam Schaatt, Brenner Polatty, and Viviana Oram. All passionate snowboarders, here they enthusiastically share their love of the sport on a personal level. What does the VSSA experience really mean to its student athletes? Sometimes, those life lessons are not immediately apparent in the moment. Anna and Logan Martin enlighten us with their long-lasting impressions of their time at the ski academy and how that unique educational experience has helped shape the twins' lives.

As the team chiropractor for the USA Track and Field Paralympic Team, Dr. Joel Dekanich offers an insider's perspective on the 2021 Paralympics. Having served on the medical staff for past Paralympics in Guadalajara, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and London, Dr. Joel was honored to again bring his passion and expertise to support the athletes at the summer games in Tokyo.

And of course, we cannot forget Valentine's Day this month! Ricardo and Michelle Eguiarte and Sally and George Austen are two couples in Singletree who let us in on their "glue" that holds them together today. And we all know love is not limited to only humans...check out the puppy love in Precious Pets!



All this and more in this issue of INSIDE SIngletree! Wishing you a wonderful wintery February!

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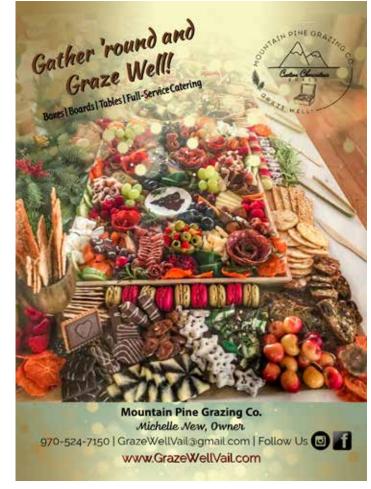
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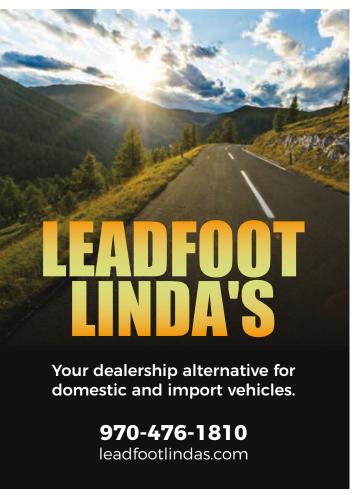


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Hahna, Beckett, Olivia, Brooklyn, Sam, Brenner,

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athlete spotlight

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With the eyes of the world on the XXIV Olympic Winter Games in Beijing this month, what better time to recognize the athletes in our own backyard? The students at Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy are a group of passionate and serious winter sports athletes who enthusiastically embrace the opportunity of world-class training and competition in their sport as well as a curriculum of challenging academics. This combination offers a unique platform for fostering lifelong relationships as well as providing valuable real-world life lessons. Here we meet seven current athletes who share their snowboarding experiences, their achievements, and their challenges on and off the hill.

OLIVIA LISLE GRADE 9

Where, when, and how did you first start snowboarding?

I first snowboarded at Massanutten, VA at age 7. My dad used to ski and we went up to try it and he said do you want to ski or snowboard, and I picked snowboarding.

What do you like best about boarding?

That you can do whatever you want, there are no rules, and you get to do it with your friends.

What events do you specialize in? Halfpipe and slopestyle.

What is your greatest achievement

Competing in the Burton Junior Jam U.S. Open.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding and why?

I don't have a specific person in snowboarding that I admire. I look up to lots of awesome riders.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

My snowboard coach Ronnie Barr.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

Not getting too worried before I drop in for my run.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

Being outside and learning new tricks so I can do better in my competitions.

What other sports or activities do you do?

When I'm not snowboarding, I like to skateboard, play tennis, go to the gym, and mountain bike.



POLATTY **GRADE 7**

BRENNER

Where, when, and how did you first start snow-

boarding?

In 2015, when I turned 6, I got a snowboard for my birthday and began trying it out at Keystone Resort.

What do you like best about boarding?

I love riding and having fun with my friends. I enjoy learning new tricks.

What events do you s pecialize in?

I specialize in slopestyle and rail jam and also enjoy half pipe.

What are your greatest achievements so far in boarding?

My greatest achievements are learning frontside and backside 720s.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding and why?

I admire Mark McMorris and Danny Davis because they always seem to have a smile on their faces while pushing themselves to do their best.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

My greatest mentors have been my parents because they help me out in competitions and support me in life.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

My greatest challenge when training is when I can't land a new trick on snow and it's really frustrating. My greatest challenge when competing is landing a clean run in competition.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

What inspires me every day is to learn a new trick and ride, and have fun with my friends.

What other sports or activities do you do?

The rest of the year when I can't snowboard, I skateboard, surf, and travel around to different places for vacation.



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BROOKLYN DEPRIEST **GRADE 10**

Where, when, and did you first start snowboarding?

I first started snowboarding on the side of the road in Oregon. I believe it was about 11 years ago when I was about 4 years old. It was just my dad and my uncle who took me out there, though I don't really remember much.

What do you like best about boarding?

For me, I love dropping into the big line on the first run of the day. The jumps are groomed, there's no wind, the sun is out, and everybody is pumped to be out there. Also, straight-lining down a run with a big squad is nothing but pure fun.

What events do you specialize in?

I specialize in slopestyle.

What is your greatest achievement so far?

I think my greatest

achievement is taking 16th overall in the past Rev Tour season.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding or skiing and why? I admire Stale Sandbech the most in the world of snowboarding. He does everything with ease, and he makes it look so good. He is

always smiling,

day I can have

and I hope some-

somebody see me like I see him.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

My greatest mentor has definitely been my coach. He has taught me so much more than just snowboarding. A lot of these things I maybe never would've learned how to do otherwise. Without him, I wouldn't be anywhere close to where I am today.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

My greatest challenge when it comes to training is fear. The fear of not making it back to your feet and everything going wrong. It terrifies me and I battle it day after day.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

When I wake up in the morning before training, all I want to do is take another step forward toward my dream of the Olympics. I'd say that for sure the dream of the Olympics inspires me day after day.

What other sports or activities do you do?

During the rest of the year, I love skateboarding, baseball, and biking.



BECKETT CASH DEPRIEST GRADE 8

Where, when, how did you first start snowboarding?

I started snowboarding when I was 3 years old.

What do you like best about boarding?

I like the camaraderie and having fun the most in snowboarding. The days when you are having a blast are always the best days on a board.

What events do you specialize in?

I specialize in halfpipe and slopestyle events.

What is your greatest snowboarding achievement so far?

My greatest achievement in snowboarding is qualifying for the Burton U.S. Open Junior Jam.

most admire in the world of snowboarding and why? The person I admire most in the world of snowboarding is Danny Kass because he is a great and genuine person and he makes pro-

Who do you

gression so easy when he is around.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

This is a hard question to answer because all of my coaches and friends help me out and push me on the snow day in, day out. I can't single out one person but I would say my parents because, without them, I would never have had any of my awesome coaches. If I didn't move to Colorado, I would never have met some of my best friends that push me. My parents are my greatest mentors on and off the snow.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

My biggest challenge when I'm snowboarding is myself. I get in my own way so much and have so many mental blocks, without a doubt that is my biggest challenge.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

Having fun and taking advantage of the opportunities I've been given by my parents are what get me on the snow every day.

What other sports or activities do you do during the rest of the year?

In the off-season, I play on a travel baseball team and skateboard.



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SAM SCHAATT GRADE 9

Where, when, and how did you first start snowboarding?

I started skiing on family vacations to Utah and Colorado when I was 3. I finally learned to snowboard when I was almost 12 and decided I wanted to compete that same year. We moved to Vail from Alabama in 2018 so I could join SSCV and snowboard full time.

What do you like best about boarding I like that there is always something

What events do you specialize in? I really like slopestyle best.

new to work on.

What is your greatest achievement so far?

My greatest achievement is that I was able to start competing within a year of learning to snowboard.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding or skiing and why?

I admire my teammates because they make me want to keep improving and learning new tricks. When they accomplish a goal, it makes me want to work harder to do the same.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

My coaches at SSCV have been my greatest mentors. They taught me so much that first year and made it possible for me to be competitive with kids who have been snowboarding their whole lives.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

My greatest challenge is continuing to progress and learn more difficult tricks.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

I'm inspired to get on snow every day because I have goals that I want to achieve so I can continue to progress and stay competitive in the sport.

What other sports or activities do you do during the rest of the year?

I used to wrestle and play baseball but now I snowboard as much as I can throughout the entire year. I also like hunting, fishing, and scuba diving.



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HAHNA NORMAN GRADE 11

Where, when, and did you first start snowboarding?

When I was 8, I begged my mom for a snowboard after watching my cousins do it the season prior. On my eighth birthday, we ran down to the local rental shop and I got my very first rental snowboard. My mom taught me my first turns at our local mountain, Northstar, and I immediately fell in love with it.

Snowboarding was more of a hobby at the time because soccer was my main priority. After living in Rome, Italy, for three years, I realized how much I missed snowboarding. As soon as we moved back to the states when I was 13, I got right back on my snowboard and started competing. I haven't looked back since and now I live out here in Colorado in hopes to pursue my snowboarding.

What do you like best about boarding?

There really is so much to love about snowboarding...from the adrenaline rushes to the places I've gotten to see and to all the people it has introduced me to. The feeling you get from landing a trick that you didn't think you were capable of is unmatched. This sport definitely has a special place in my heart

What events do you specialize in?

I specialize in slopestyle, which is essentially a course made up of jumps and rails.

What is your greatest achievement so far?

I'd say my greatest achievement so far is competing in a World Cup Big Air.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding or skiing

and why?

I think Zeb Powell is super cool because he is a super creative snowboarder and you can tell he was always having as much fun as possible.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

I don't think I can just pick one person so I'm gonna have to say all the coaches I've ever had up until this point are my greatest mentors. Each coach has shaped me into who I am as a person and as a snowboarder and I'm super thankful for that.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

Sometimes, I can be too hard on myself and that can get in my head. I have to remind myself to just have fun and enjoy it and be positive in order to stay in a good mindset

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

The environment that comes with snowboarding has to be one of my favorite things. Everyone is always in such a good mood and super positive and it's fun getting to ride with your friends and push each other to be better.

What other sports or activities do you do during the rest of the year?

In the off-season, I love to go snorkeling in Lake Tahoe, ride my bike with my dad, go to the lake with my friends, and go to the gym.



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VIVIANA ORAM GRADE 10

Where, when, and how did you first start snowboarding?

I first got introduced to snowboarding when I was 3 years old. My parents and my older sister all snowboarded. When my parents thought I was old enough to learn, they got me on a snowboard. I learned how to snowboard at Northstar

at Tahoe in California. My first year of snowboarding consisted of me standing on a snowboard while one of my parents gave me a push down a gently sloped snowy path while the other waited with open arms at the bottom.

What do you like best about boarding?

I love snowboarding and everything that comes with it. But I would have to say my favorite part is the community within snowboarding. Everyone is extremely welcoming and supportive. I have made so many lifelong friends and met people who have helped shape me into who I am today.

What events do you specialize in?

I specialize in slopestyle and have been focusing on slopestyle jumps and rails for three seasons.

What is your greatest achievement so far?

So far, my greatest achievement was my 2019-2020 winter season. This was my first season in Colorado and I accomplished a lot and I am very proud of my riding from that season. This was also

the season before I got hurt a few times. I was injured last year and couldn't train or compete but I tried to keep a positive attitude throughout the season.

Who do you most admire in the world of snowboarding or skiing and why?

I most admire how creative everyone is in the world of snowboarding. Snowboarders enjoy having their own style and adding flair to their favorite tricks or to carving down an open run. Everyone is unique in the snowboarding world, yet we all get along and keep inspiring each other.

Who has been your greatest mentor?

It's really difficult to pick just one person as my mentor. Each coach and mentor that I've met has made an impact on me and helped me along the way. But two coaches stand out. My first year in Colorado was in

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2019. I was living with a host family, attending a new school, and riding with new teammates. My coach my first year, Ronnie Barr, was super welcoming. He supported me and allowed me to open up. I feel I have a great connection with Ronnie. He really understands me and the challenges I've faced. I feel it is very important to be comfortable with your coach in order to grow, communicate, and progress. Last year, I lived with my current snowboard coach, Andy Weber, and two other teammates. Andy is extremely smart and patient. He is very understanding and easy to talk to about difficult things. He has helped me a lot through my injuries and recovery and has been a very solid person I can go to for anything.

What is your greatest challenge when it comes to training or competing?

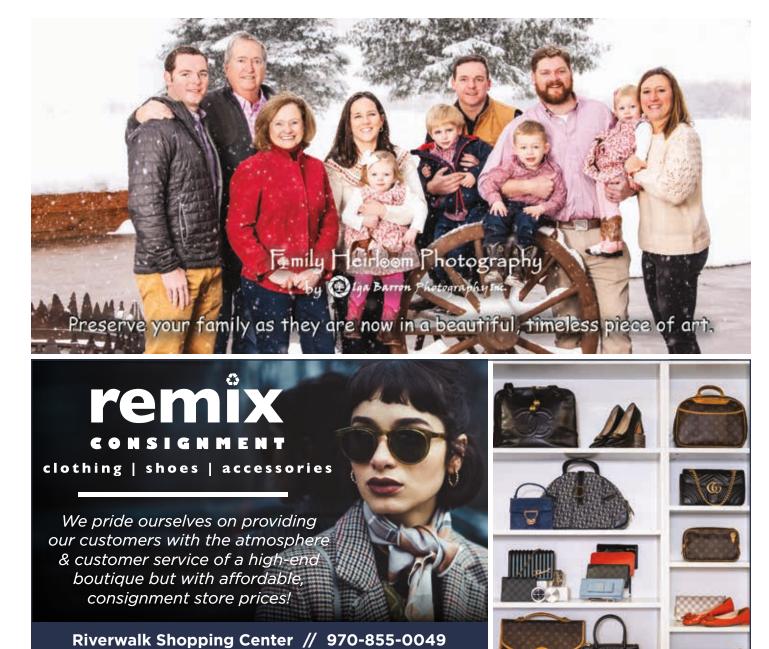
My greatest challenge when it comes to training is overcoming fear related to injuries. In the past, I have had several injuries. These injuries are fully healed now, but the scars are still there mentally and physically. It has been hard overcoming the fact that I am not at the same place in my riding as I was before I got hurt, and the fact that it's going to take time to get my tricks back and regain confidence. With the help from my coach, Andy Weber, I have started to gain confidence and learn new tricks again. His patience and understanding have helped me take steps at overcoming this challenge.

What inspires you to get on the snow every day?

Having the opportunity to learn more about myself and have room for personal growth gets me on the snow every day. I like pushing myself to get better and working to overcome the challenges I face.

What other sports or activities do you do during the rest of the year?

During the off-season, I spend a lot of time at the Edwards skatepark. I have met many people there and learned new tricks from friends. Skating has taught me perseverance and the ability to take risks. I also enjoy traveling with my family and taking pictures during the off-season.



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Rob Bruce is the CEO and principal of All Mountain Technologies (AMT); his passion is managing IT for businesses. AMT's goal is to make local companies more successful, efficient, and secure with the right technology.

Where are you from originally and how did you land in the Vail Valley?

I am originally from Springfield, VA, but lived in several West African countries growing up until the age of 10. My parents were diplomats with the U.S. State Department, which made for an interesting childhood, to say the least.

After graduating from Virginia Tech, a friend and I decided to travel to Vail to spend the winter snowboarding and, of course, more than 30 years later I am still here.

When did you establish All Mountain Technologies?

In 2003, four other IT specialists and I banded together to start our own IT company, and I am still at it, doing what I love to do with an incredibly talented and highly experienced team of professionals.

What inspired you to launch the business?

I didn't just want to fix people's computers; I wanted to help companies build and scale their businesses. AMT was founded with the mission to simplify business IT, allowing our clients to focus on their growth, development, and success.

Can you please describe the scope of services you offer?

Our comprehensive suite of services and solutions includes business managed services, cloud services, and VoIP phone systems. We specialize in managing technology for hospitality, property management, and architecture firms. But business issues around IT are often the same so we work with a varied and growing range of clients from many diverse industries.

What differentiates AMT from "other" computer companies in the valley?

All of our techs are level 3 techs, offering the highest level of technical skill, which ensures that any team member will be able to solve the user's issue — no escalation needed. This makes resolution faster and simpler for our clients.

What is the most challenging thing you encounter in today's world of technology?

Cybersecurity. Keeping data and systems secure and operational is a big challenge in today's technology landscape.

What is the most difficult thing you face as a business owner?

COVID-19. From making sure all of my employees could work safely from home to the ongoing supply chain challenges, it seems like every aspect of business life has been challenging since the start of the pandemic.



What is the most rewarding part of your role?

It is so rewarding when business leaders see how technology can really give them a reliable, competitive edge in their business growth efforts.

Who are your ideal clients?

Our ideal clients are small-tomidsize businesses who realize technology is integral to their success and are ready to commit the necessary resources for the best results.

What is one piece of advice you would offer our readers today



when it comes to computer problems?

Technology is a business game-changer, but it is important to have the right technology partner to choose, install, and utilize it properly for your specific business and needs.

Can you tell us about your family?

My wife, Heather, and my 10-year-old son, Robbie, mean the world to me. Heather helps me with the day-to-day activities of the business in her role as our Marketing Director. My son, Robbie, loves computers and video games and I see a lot of myself in him — it makes me laugh, but it also keeps me on my toes. We live here in Edwards, very close to the AMT office.

What are your favorite interests and activities?

I enjoy golf and tennis and working on our property. When I am not in the office, you will usually find me on the Sonnenalp golf course in the summer.



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Janeiro, Brazil, 2016, the World Championships in London, UK in 2017, and the 2020 Summer Games in Tokyo, Japan. "Ironically," he laughs, "I've never been invited to work at any winter Olympics, which is strange considering I specialize in athletes' needs in an area rife with winter sports and winter sports injuries."

Joel invites me into his office with his casual demeanor and takes a seat, arms behind his head, expectantly awaiting my questions. You'd never guess it from the youth radiating from his face, but he has been living and working in our Valley for the last 25 years and has raised his three children in Singletree. His energy is infectious, and I'm pretty sure that quality has helped him live this fantastic life. He starts off with a glowing review for the Paralympic team and his work during Tokyo in the midst of the pandemic. "It's a great, great honor, and nice to be part of something like that. Japan didn't mess around; the Games went off without too much difficulty because we were all separated, constantly tested, and then quarantined if necessary. It was difficult, but the only way for the athletes to compete with COVID everywhere."

When asked the burning question that dominated the games this year on whether or not the lack of fans in the stands impacted the athletes, he scoffs.

Dr. Joel Dekanich Brings His A-Game to JAPAN TO SUPPORT TEAM USA PARALYMPIANS

travel tales

Contributed by **Dr. Joel Dekanich**, FNP-C, MSN, DC, Singletree Resident; Article Written by Allie Decent, Singletree Resident

r. Joel Dekanich is a long-time resident of the valley with a passion for sports medicine, chiropractic, and nursing work that has helped him build a highly successful practice with Vail Integrative Medical Group. His stellar work on able-bodied residents of the Vail Valley, and his extensive training as a Diplomate of the American Chiropractic Board of Sports Physicians, earns him continuous opportunities to work as a PGA TOUR Sports Medicine and Chiropractic Staff, as well as all the way to the Olympics for Paralympic Team USA.

To date, Dr. Dekanich has been selected to the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) medical staff for Team USA Track & Field at the ParaPan American Games in Guadalajara, Mexico, 2011, Paralympic Games in Rio de





"The athletes like fans there, but honestly they are just there to compete against their peers. There was a camaraderie and sense of joy between athletes and staff because we were just thrilled to be there, plain and simple."

The 2020 Paralympics actually took place after the Olympics between August 24 and September 5, 2021. Though Joel didn't train for work with the Para community, he finds it extremely special to be support staff for these amazing athletes. Dr. Joel's first passion is working with athletes, and when he was awarded the opportunity to work as medical staff for Team USA Track & Field at the ParaPan American Games in Guadalajara, Mexico, 2011 as part of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), he discovered a fresh passion for track and field work with the Para community.

"These athletes impress me," he states matter-of-factly. "It takes quite a lot of determination and grit to fit into society, and you see more and more marketing and commercials highlighting our Para-athletes because they are so inspirational. It's a movement -towards normalization of Para-athletes- and these athletes are finally getting their due." Joel radiates inspiration himself as he talks about the Para community. "They never talk about their disability because that's not how they see themselves. They just ARE, and then they show up to perform at their best."

Media coverage is growing for the Para-athletes as we stumble into this decade as a society, as the movements for inclusion and celebration of differences gain footing. Who can forget the amazing



Lex Gillette, blind long-jumper

2020 documentary "Rising Phoenix," which featured team USA's most prominent and decorated Para-athletes and their journey towards self-actualization within their sports? Most of us also remember the Toyota commercial titled "Upstream" featuring the adoption story of Jessica Long, the double-amputee from Russia that pulled at all of our heartstrings. You might not also know that she has earned 29 medals for Team USA, 16 of which are gold, her most recent one at her final race in Tokyo for the women's 100m butterfly. Move over Michael Phelps, she's got one more medal than you do! (It's okay; they are friends, so ribbing is encouraged!) Jessica's story is just one of so many Para-athletes whose records for excellence are herculean.

We all know of Tatyana McFadden, the wheelie with the most impressive list of wins and medals and arguably the fastest woman in the world. She's one of Dr. Joel's personal friends and one of the reasons he keeps coming back to Para track and field. "Tatyana is such an inspiration," he gushes. "She's out there competing at the highest level I've ever seen of any athlete, and she crushes it each time despite any injuries." The last few years, she has suffered blood clots due to her spina bifida complications and wasn't able to follow her full training schedule but still managed to compete and earn gold, silver, and bronze. "That's what I'm there for," says Joel, "to support athletes to compete at their highest level."

The schedule for working with the athletes on-site at any games or event is grueling, with Tokyo being the most grueling of all. "A



Joel and Tatyana McFadden



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typical schedule is 12-15 hours a day for two weeks. We open up, and we are at the stadium until 10 - 11 at night," Joel recalls. Usually, there are parties and ways to relax with each other, but not this time around. The Olympic Village was 40 minutes away from the venue, and with direct transport, there wasn't any room for exploring the city of Tokyo and the culture of Japan. "There was nothing to do, though; you couldn't do anything or go anywhere really. My life was the Olympic Village, a bus or a van service, the Olympic Stadium, and that was it. From a provider perspective, it's a grind. But I did it and will continue to do it happily because it's so rewarding to watch the athletes perform at their best with our help."



also studying for medical school at night and on the table." Sam's right leg was amputated in 2012 after an aggressive form of childhood

The athletes are people with hopes and dreams beyond even the Olympic stage, as highlighted to Dr. Joel by Sam Grewe, an American Paralympic high jumper who took gold at Tokyo. "Sam is out there performing, being worked on by me and a few other practitioners, and

the U.S., if you're a Para person, you don't really know if you are good enough to compete on the international scale." He hopes that with the social growth of awareness, opportunities will begin to present themselves for these athletes. "Para-athletes and Para-athletics are gaining traction as achievements we as a country should be

celebrating, and I am

honored to be part of this movement".

athletic goals. Here in

Check it out: Follow the live media sports coverage of the 2022 Beijing Paralympics from March 4 - March 13 on NBC. Also visit www. paralympic.org for additional information on Paralympic Games, athletes, and more.



bone cancer necessitated the procedure. The University of Notre

Dame football team invited Sam to be on the field that year he was

recovering, and it was their undefeated season. Being around all

those athletes inspired Sam to look into becoming a para-athlete,

"I think, for kids, there aren't a lot of opportunities out there to

dream of competing as a Para-athlete," Dr. Joel muses. "China

really dominates the Paralympic scene because they get these

kids interested and they set up programs to support their highest

and clearly, he performed well for Team USA.



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Contributed by
Michelle and Ricardo Eguiarte,
Singletree Residents, and
Sally and George Austen,
Singletree Residents

You never know where a chance meeting might lead: be it in office in the Vail Valley or at an upscale bar in Manhattan. Having unknowingly crossed paths a million times before meeting, George and Sally Austen tied the knot at a fairy tale wedding in the Hamptons. Ricardo and Michelle Eguiarte have actually perfected the art of getting married...several times. In honor of Valentine's Day, we celebrate these couples and the glue that holds them together today!



GEORGE AND SALLY AUSTEN: A VALENTINE TOAST

George says he saw a flash of orange barreling toward him from Park Avenue. I know I was nonchalantly sauntering to meet my blind date for drinks at a toney Manhattan bistro.

We'd spoken several times on the phone, so I expected a blend of Southern charm

and Harvard arrogance. Hardly surprised when he described his ski instructor sabbatical in Vail, declared that he had returned to New York, briefly, to reenter the *Mad Man* advertising world, educate his first son starting at NYU, and *never* intended to marry again. Haha.

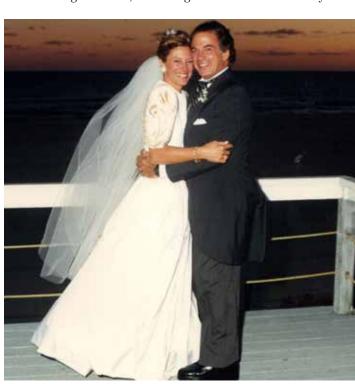
When he phoned at 6:56 the next morning, I knew the guy had met his match! I later learned that he had ridden his bike to that fateful date so he could escape, graciously, if it didn't go well...It remained chained to a parking meter for several days.

No two people could have crossed over at so many points and not met. HBS/Yale. Same beach clubs, same restaurants, same friends. Of course, he's the older guy with the much younger girl so his friends were my 'uncles'. He co-owned a restaurant that shared the kitchen with my favorite haunt. I ate there at least once a week. We

never noticed each other. Maybe I was too short or, as a focused Wall St. attorney, just too boring at the time. Things change.

Fast forward two years and the Hamptons wedding was a fairy tale day. Fittingly, our church in Bridgehampton had been the local golf building they slid across the ice in 1901 to become our chapel. Friends hosted a costume party brunch where one guest arrived as a "Mario Buatta couch" and another scattered leaves as a fall front desk. We found the person who'd introduced us, tuxedo-clad with a satin eye cover, asleep on our couch. My mother arrived at the church in pink curlers and a matching bathrobe. A groomsman buzzed the beachfront wedding venue in a single-engine advertising/crop duster plane, arriving in complete 1930s aviator regalia, and a friend told the caterer to put everything in my car, so we could reprise for brunch the next day at her cottage. Why waste food and wine? Fellini couldn't have written a better script.

We delayed the honeymoon. Fast forward again, and we're finally celebrating in Thailand. Wanderlust seems to be part of the glue that binds us. Whether it's a car trip through the Badlands, giggles at Wall Drug, the outer Scottish Islands to play an elusive 12-hole golf course, or waiting for aliens at Costa Careyes.



George golfs, I eat. We play a game as I "sniff out" the unusual and scream for him to stop the car while I run to read a posted menu or look inside at a local haunt. So, I guess food counts as a sort of endless roll of Scotch tape.

That's two: travel and tummies. But the real connection is family. Blessed with twin boys, Watts and Lang, we hang in there as geriatric parents in a world of swiftly moving technology that would leave us doddering in our seats were it not for 25-year-olds with new visions, perspectives, and skills. The pandemic has been a double-edged sword, bringing them home to us as evolving adults. We've adapted to a 24/7 feeding schedule (boys *eat*), three springer spaniels seriatim...(see, I needed to show off that law degree I seldom use), and video games I still don't understand. Flexibility and curiosity complete our formula. What's that phrase: "if you're moving, they can't catch you"?

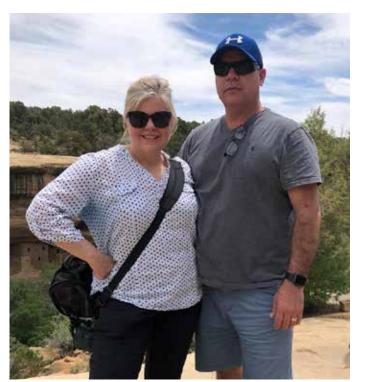
So, to my Valentine of 32 years (plus two for practice)...a toast to food, travel, flexibility, curiosity, and the friends and family that make all of that so much better than it is alone!

P.S. I kept that flashy "orange" (it was really red) linen dress in the back of my closet for years after it went out of style.

RICARDO AND MICHELLE EGUIARTE

How did you meet?

The very first time we set eyes on one another was when he came to my office to translate for his friend. Sometime later,



we both were at Agave, and our conversation was interrupted by another friend. When we finally had time to chat, it happened by accident, literally.

Where are you each from and how did your paths cross?

I am from central Pennsylvania and Ricardo is from Mexico. We met here in the Vail Valley in 2006.



Well, this is something we can't stop doing. We have been married four times to date. The first ceremony was in Vail and the second, third, and fourth were in Mexico. The fourth was very special. My father, a Presbyterian lay pastor, blessed our marriage with a small ceremony at a capilla (a small chapel) in Mexico.

Did you honeymoon and where?

Absolutely! We went to the most magical place on earth, Walt Disney World. We enjoyed sipping wine in France and rocking out to some great music in Morocco – all at the world showcase in Epcot. We couldn't go to Florida without spending a little time at the beach to round out the honeymoon.

Do you have kids and/or pets?

Yes. We are blessed to have two children and one Yorkie. Ethan, Adaline, and Lucas keep us busy.

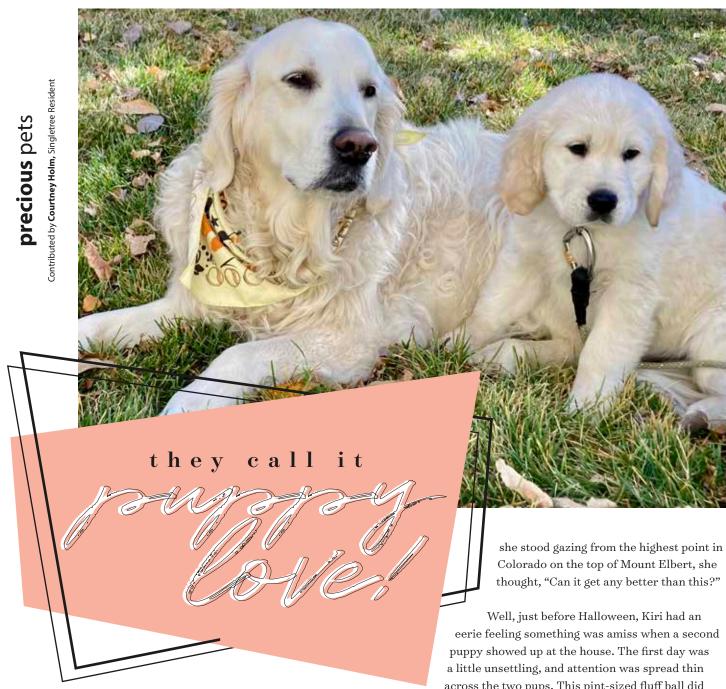
What are your favorite shared activities?

Apart from spending time together, we love to travel. We are always road-trip-ready.

What keep you together or makes it work still today?

Glue! Since day one, Ricardo has called me "pegajosa," or sticky. Add in mutual respect and laughter. That is our recipe for success.

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Kiri, a 9-year-old golden retriever, thought she had seen it all a Colorado native who loves the outdoors, people, and routinely watches the golfers at the Sonnenalp Course as she walks through the neighborhood to greet her many canine pals. Kiri loves to paddleboard, hike, swim, cross country ski, go skinning, and even clocks a few hours at the office, although she doesn't seem to bill as much time as she spends in treats.

She has been at Coors Field for Bark at the Park to cheer on the Colorado Rockies; she knows where all the best treats in town are and is always up for a quick treat stop at the Vail Valley Pharmacy. Since she was very young she has always loved spending time at Bart and Yeti's and tries to visit often.

Kiri has climbed dozens of Colorado peaks and has even hiked multiple treks between Aspen and Crested Butte. Last year, as

thought, "Can it get any better than this?"

across the two pups. This pint-sized fluff ball did not know dog etiquette and certainly did not know

how Kiri ran the house. Tension was in the air and Kiri thought, "Is this puppy staying for the whole weekend? Surely, she will depart after a brief stay...." Her heart raced and she was clearly a little nervous, but so was the new puppy, only eight weeks old at the time. The puppy explored around this new house and yard and each new surprise was confusing and exciting. The little pup just wanted to follow her new older sis and cuddle on her.

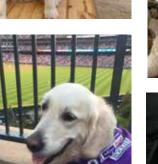
After the weekend, Kiri began to realize that the new addition seemed to have the smell of permanency; she finally had a friend that she could teach to play her way, and perhaps that was not so scary after all. Kiri was still getting her special attention plus the benefit of a buddy, so Kiri showed her true colors and brought the coveted Blue Bunny over to the puppy as a canine olive branch; the puppy was ecstatic and honored to be offered such a prize. The pups bonded and tugged the bunny back and forth, with

















Kiri careful to make sure she never pulled too hard from the tiny pup's razor-sharp teeth and slowing down just enough to keep the little one in the game. Soon after, the pair were often spotted together doing training exercises, walking the neighborhood, wrestling, and cuddling in a two-dog pile.

Kiri has quickly made all the house toys available for Stevie with a couple of exceptions and only on rare occasions does Stevie earn a quick woof to curb her sometimes overly rambunctious enthusiasm. Kiri patiently shows Stevie the ropes and when Kiri saw how delighted Stevie was with the first snowfall, she knew that they would be snow buddies for life. Kiri patiently waits on the walk while Stevie stops captivated by the birds overhead.

Now Kiri and Stevie are both thankful to spend their days frolicking in the snow together, napping in a stack, and tugging on the tiny hedgehog toy. Kiri now sees that her pondering atop Mt. Elbert was really a call toward her enlightenment and she realizes she was missing a sidekick to enjoy all that her life encompasses. Kiri can't wait to introduce her new sis to all her canine pals around the neighborhood and show her all the places they can go together. Neighborhood pups, stand back and make way for Stevie to join the Singletree pack.



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Anna and Logan Martin's

journey through the

VAIL SKI & SNOWBOARD ACADEMY

and beyond

Having graduated from Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy in 2015, Anna and Logan Martin have since completed college and embarked on two distinct career paths. Here they share their athletic and academic paths, including their experience at Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy,

to where they are today at age 24. "Wow. We're old!" says Anna almost in awe. What follows is a lively conversation between twin siblings sharing fond memories, challenges, and accomplishments.

which have brought them

The Martin twins were born in Grand Junction, grew up in Evergreen, and started skiing at Winter Park. Logan led



the way in racing with a start in fourth grade after putting skis on for the first time at the age of two. Skiing goes way back in the family as their parents, John and Deb, began their relationship as ski instructors at Purgatory. Anna adds, "Our mom is a teacher,









so education's important. But we started skipping school on Fridays so skiing became important too. Then in middle school, it definitely got harder to miss school all the time so we started looking at ski academies in Colorado."

When Logan is asked why he wanted to race, Anna quickly chimes in to reply, "Because he was *good*!" But Logan goes on to explain on his own behalf, "I just remember being at Winter Park and one day being like, 'Dad, what are they doing over there?' He's like, 'Well, you can try it if you want to.' So I hopped in for a day and it was really fun." Anna caught on to what her big brother, Logan – older by one minute — was doing and started the following year.

Flash forward a few winters, Logan and Anna started at Vail Ski and Snowboard Academy going into their eighth-grade year. Upon arrival, Logan confesses, "At first, it was pretty intimidating. I remember skiing for Winter Park and hearing about all the different racers. There're the Vail kids. There're the Aspen kids. They're all so serious. Once we got there though, we made friends really fast and fit in pretty well, pretty quickly. *And* we got to ski every day. I remember thinking this is pretty cool and, like, you don't

really realize at the time how unique and special the schedule is and how special the program operates. It's easy to take it for granted at the time."

As expressed by both Anna and Logan, attending Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy is a unique experience, from both an athletic and an academic perspective. When asked what it meant to each of them individually, the twins had very different responses.

Anna begins, "Well, for me, I ended up switching to cross-country skiing, going into llth grade, which was pretty late to be switching sports. I ended up skiing

Division One Nordic at the University of Denver. So one of the biggest things I took from VSSA was being able to have the confidence to move from one sport to the other." She attributes a lot of that confidence to the supportive coaches and VSSA community.

"I was thinking about my first year competing at the FIS level," Logan recalls. "Probably not on paper, it was not the most successful year, but it was the most feel-good, rewarding year. Just because of the group we had: there were three of us as first years, then three seniors, and three PG. I feel like we had such a tight and close unique group and we all did super well. That was one of the most memorable years for me at the ski academy."

Logan and Anna also reminisce about an exchange VSSA did with an Austrian boarding school, Schigymnasium Stams. Stams sent their best eight girls and eight boys in the U16 age group to Vail for two weeks and then they swapped, sending a similar number of Vail athletes to Austria immediately after. The Martin family hosted two girls who joined the Vail athletes for training, time trials, and races. Their trip fell over Thanksgiving, so they were able to experience a true American holiday complete with American football and Black Friday shopping. Shortly after



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they left, Logan, Anna, and teammates flew to Austria to train and race in Austria. Just this past month at the World Cup ski race in Killington, VT, Anna reconnected with one of the Austrian athletes she and her family hosted years ago, Katharina Liensberger, who placed fourth that day. "I was with her two weekends ago in Killington and she gave me her bib from the day. So it's really cool to have those long-lasting relationships from a high school foreign exchange program."

Logan interjects with a similar story about lasting connections as he recalls that during his semester spent in New Zealand, he went to a couple of races and ran into some of those boys from Austria. "It's kind of crazy," he says, "the places you run into people six or seven years later."

Whereas a handful of athletes at the ski academy aspire to professional ski careers, Anna and Logan agree that the ultimate goal following graduation from VSSA is to attend college and, for most, to continue skiing competitively for those four years before moving on to pursue a chosen career. A gap year is not uncommon for many students, which in fact, was the choice for most of the graduates in 2015. So Anna headed off to the University of Denver and Logan took a PG year after high school to stay here to ski before attending Plymouth State University in New Hampshire.

Anna raced Nordic for three years at DU before the demands of her masters' program absorbed most of her senior year and did not allow enough time for skiing. Most of her Nordic team was Norwegian and she still has a lot of really good friends in Norway. While reflecting on her ski team experience, Anna says, "Everyone that is a skier is a really hard worker. So being in classes with your teammates and being on the road was really nice because everyone was focused on school, too. I really look up to a lot of my

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teammates and I talk to them about their careers and what I should do with mine. It's cool to still have that commonality."

That being said, Anna, similar to some of her teammates, openly admits to struggling with the lack of definitive closure to her ski career. Having always anticipated skiing during college, the end of that season in her life proved to be almost anticlimactic as academic demands squeezed out skiing but left no clear new direction. Anna confesses to envying a peer who concluded his ski career with an NCAA win before moving directly into an investment banking career at Goldman Sachs. Unlike him, Anna feels rather unresolved by lacking a similar clean ending. She expresses the feeling that she should be training for 'something' but doesn't know what that 'something' is...except for the training she did to 'get fit for no reason' to occupy herself during the pandemic while looking for a job. Despite what Anna considers a difficult transition following her days on the Nordic team, today Anna has landed successfully in Burlington, VT, as a corporate credit trader and portfolio manager at Goldman Sachs.

Logan shares some of Anna's sense of lack of closure but offers a slightly different scenario. "When I finished my first year at college, I remember thinking, I have three years left! I have all this time ahead of me. And then, all of a sudden, I had one year left. So I finished my collegiate skiing career in February of 2020. I was planning to finish out the rest of the regular racing season and was able to compete in a few races in Canada before returning to Colorado over spring break. I was planning to race for four days at Vail Mountain. I raced the first day and the second day and that's when things took a turn for the worst as the pandemic grew in the US. Then I got the text that night telling me the rest of the races were canceled. I was out here by myself. None of my teammates were here. So I guess I was done. It was very dissatisfying."

Logan spent the summer in Vail and eventually went back to Vermont to coach skiing at Stratton Mountain School. He brings us up to date by relaying, "I finished my coaching job this past June and came back to Colorado. I was ready to leave the east coast and I was trying to figure out what I wanted to do. I started working with the Steadman Clinic two months ago with the regenerative medicine group. I am enjoying it. It's different. It's a good experience. It has been a great opportunity to gain experience in a completely different field and be able to observe potential career paths."

In conclusion, Anna and Logan summarize those lessons from the ski academy that have had the greatest influence on their paths so far. Anna begins with, "I feel like a very standard answer would be 'time management'; we're really good at multitasking and balancing, I mean, it is true. I'm super efficient at work. We have that instilled in us that we're always looking for the next thing. But I think another thing is that we have amazing friends that we still have from the ski





Logan also appreciates and respects the independence they gained on trips with the ski club to Steamboat or the fall trips to Europe. He remembers being told, "We're in this country. Here are the rules. They aren't hard to follow. Be respectful. Be nice to people. Go have fun. And be back for dinner!" He continues, "We also learned self-sufficiency. We're in Austria. We don't speak German. Go figure out how to get some food. It's just simple stuff like that."

academy. By traveling with people and having the sport as a common interest, you get to know them pretty well. I think that's the cool part: we all went to Ski Academy and we love to ski."

Logan adds, "I agree. Yeah, the friendships are a big part. And skiing helps you have a strong work ethic. Being an athlete definitely shows something. And leadership skills. When I applied for my job, they really liked the qualities you gain from being a coach."

Anna adds another lesson to the list. "You definitely learn to make the best of what you have; you can do as little as you want to some degree or you can do as much as you want. You are your own advocate. You are totally in control of how far you go, and that is the same with getting jobs. You can't just let things come to you; you have to figure out what you want for yourself and chase that."

Anna and Logan both agree their time spent at VSSA has greatly influenced who they have become and the paths they find themselves on today. From time management to long-lasting friends and a deep appreciation of an active lifestyle in the outdoors, VSSA has and continues to shape many student-athletes in the valley.

Thank you, Anna and Logan, for sharing your inspiring stories!

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Where Are They Now? This article kicks off a new feature in **INSIDE SIngletree** highlighting the accomplishments of young adults who grew up in Singletree. If you would like to participate, or if you know someone who should be featured in a future story, please email **holly.proctor@n2pub.com**.

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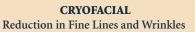
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Jade Ohde

Anyone involved in the local com-

munity nonprofits has most likely

crossed paths with one of Eagle Valley

Community Foundation's most trea-

sured volunteers - Singletree resi-

dent Jade Ohde. Not only does Jade

share her time with The Community

Market (TCM) in Edwards every

Tuesday and Saturday, Jade may

also be seen engaging in volunteer-

ism across the Valley. From building

homes with Habitat for Humanity to

hitting the path for the Walk to End

Alzheimer's to serving as an ambas-

sador for Small Champions and, of course, the highly esteemed skiing of

the torch down Copper Mountain for

the Special Olympics, Jade is known

throughout the community as the

Always with a smile, Jade warmly

customers alike such that everyone feels the community part of

The Community Market. Whether

she is helping to unload thousands

of pounds of rescued food (TCM

welcomes other volunteers, staff, and

volunteer of volunteers.

helps prevent more 500,000 pounds of food going to waste), stocking shelves with healthy grocery options (approximately 40% of the food TCM distributes is fresh produce), or simply sharing a genuinely kind word, 'Ambassador Jade' continually helps to FEED THE NEED in Eagle Valley.

Jade is so dedicated to community service that she alone has provided 288 hours of the 20,391 volunteer hours of service shared with the Eagle Valley Community Foundation thus far this year! We know her face, we know her smile, we know her heart, and we certainly know that she knows YOU! In truth, Jade epitomizes the kindness, caring, and compassion that is the trademark of volunteerism throughout our community. Jade represents humanity at its greatest, and our community whole-heartedly thanks you, Miss Jade Ohde!

Join Jade and other Singletree volunteers at The Community Market, a program of Eagle Valley Community



volunteer spotlight

Contributed by **Jade Ohde**, Singletree Resident and

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who's making a difference

Contributed by Pat Montgomery, Singletree resident

Pat Montgomery **Carries Forth the** Mission of the Vail Symposium

The Vail Symposium commemorates its 50th anniversary with a year-long celebration of open dialogue in the Vail Valley on topics ranging from "Hot Topics" to political, artistic, financial consciousness, and environmental awareness. Globally renowned speakers continue to support Vail Symposium's production of educational, thought-provoking programs for the community.

Pat Montgomery moved to Singletree in 2014 from a small boating community in the New York metropolitan area to another majestic Heaven in the Vail Valley. She worked in a variety of corporate environments and participated on non-profit boards. Upon retiring to Singletree, Pat knew she could not just "play" in the Valley, but had to give back. Looking among the many non-profits in the Valley, she sought out where her passion lay — an organization with a vision of continued education in the Valley. She found this goal with the Vail Symposium with its array of outstanding, thought-provoking, diverse speakers, accessible to all. Pat volunteered initially and then was asked to join the Board several years ago. She immediately said yes, happy to commit to a dedicated, fun, and smart group of Board members from various backgrounds and regions, and to help support the Vail Symposium mission.

In the early '70s, with Vail Town Manager Terry Minger driving a "think tank" for Vail, the Symposium fostered the development of the Vail master plan, the formation of the Eagle Valley Forum, and was the platform from which President Gerald Ford made a major energy policy speech in 1976. In those early years, notable participants included Pulitzer Prize-winning scientist Rene

Dubos, Robert Redford, former U.S. Senator Gary Hart, for-

mer Secretary of the Interior Cecil Andrus, Tom Brokaw, Sam Donaldson, and sportscaster Bud Palmer.

"As the valley grew and developed, so too did the scope of the Symposium's vision," said Kris Sabel, executive director of the Vail Symposium. "Its public appeal widened, and the programming was guided by the growing desire of its members to bring more diverse experts and topics into the valley."

In the 1990s, Kris said there was an ambitious change with Ebby Pinson at the helm as executive director. Ebby encouraged a diversity of educational topics and fostered the partnership with The Antlers in Vail to host speakers. As Rob LeVine, long-time general manager for The Antlers and Vail Symposium Board member, reasoned, "Vail doesn't want

to be Disneyland with snow. There needs to be an intellectual component in the community."

Current Vail Symposium Board chair Dale Mosier added, "The staff has done an outstanding job of continuously improving our delivery and program content. We are very grateful for the attendance and support that the community has provided. With our virtual programming, necessitated by COVID, but continued with many of the programs, we are reaching a much broader geographic audience. We are excited about the evolution of Vail Symposium as we strategize for the future."

The year-long 50th-anniversary celebration commenced on July 26, 2021, with a special program in conjunction with the Summer Vail Art Workshop





Your Brain's Nocturnal Pursuits with Dr. Jessica Payne



An Evening with the Ambassadors, a geo-political conversation with Ambassadors Hussain Haqqani and Christopher Hill



Clay Jenkinson enlightening audiences during the 50th-anniversary celebration



A Vail Symposium gathering in 1972

(which also began in July of 1971) and the Town of Vail Art in Public Places. As part of the 50th Anniversary, Clare Noble, program director, said, "The Symposium launched a new series in conjunction with the Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions program. Known as America's largest discussion program on world affairs, the series facilitates discussions about the most critical global issues facing America today."

Noble continued, "We also hosted Clay Jenkinson for two nights and we are welcoming back some of the speakers who visited in the early years." The 50th-Anniversary celebration and programming will continue through the winter season and conclude in June 2022.

The Vail Symposium has hosted world leaders, politicians, authors, athletes, celebrities, Pulitzer Prize winners, adventurers, and some of the most interesting people to set foot in Vail. "As we look at the future of our community and consider our role in it to be a very significant one," Kris said, "We continue to bring experts in a wide variety of fields to Vail to share their knowledge and spread the wealth of information."

Please find a sample of upcoming Vail Symposium programs below. For further information, please visit www.vailsymposium.org.

SYMPATHY FOR THE INNER CAVEMAN = NAVI-**GATING MODERNITY WITH THE ANCIENT BRAIN:** February 15, 6 p.m. The modern world is out of presentation, evolutionary biologists Heather Heying and Bret Weinstein cut through the politically der, and more to outline a science-based worldview

COLD COMFORT: INVESTIGATING A MYSTERI-OUS DISAPPEARANCE ON EVEREST: February

23, 6 p.m. Marco Siffredi mysteriously disapthe Hornbein Couloir, an unrelentingly steep, difficult-to-access route with a high failure rate. Jeremy Evans attempts to solve Everest's great-Marco's pursuit of a dream, his love of freedom and adventure, and how his French family was forever altered by his loss. Evans will be joined in conversation by legendary local mountaineer, Ellen Miller, the first American woman to complete

LONG HAULERS: THE COVID-19 AFTER-EF-FECTS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO REVERBERATE **GLOBALLY: March 8, 6 p.m.** Thomas Wright's the COVID-19 pandemic, one of the strangest and most consequential years on record. He draws on his research for this book in a program with the Vail Symposium to tell the story of how nationalism and major power rivalries constrained the response to the worst pandemic in a century. The COVID-19 crisis exposed the limits of the old international from COVID-19 will be felt for years to come.

SCOTT PELLEY OF 60 MINUTES: VALUES MATTER AND THE TRUTH IS WORTH TELLING: March 22,

6:00 p.m. Scott Pelley, one of the most experiand award-winning journalist, including a record 60 Minutes stories. Pelley is the author of a new Meaning in the Stories of Our Times. Hear his defense of free speech and a free press as well as some of his reported remarkable stories.

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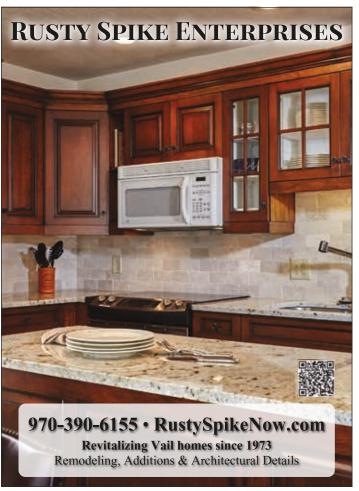








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