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CONTINGENCY
A condition that must be met in order for a real estate contract to be finalized.

D

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The amount of money that a buyer must pay upfront as part of a real estate transaction.

I

ICE DAM
Ice dam formation on the roof edge caused by the thawing and re-freezing of snow on the overhang.

J

JOINT TENANCY
A legal term for when two or more people own equal shares of the same piece of property.



L

LISTING PRICE
A list price is the price of a home for sale set by the seller and listing agent.

W

WALK-THROUGH
The final inspection of a home by a buyer before finalizing a deal to purchase the home.



Y

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The Class of 2023 is a class to remember! *Stroll Singletree* is honored to recognize these outstanding graduates. Congratulations! We wish the best for each of you as you follow your unique and individual paths into the future!

In this issue, Linda Wilson shares her adventure on an ocean cruise to Scandinavia with husband Dave. Highlights included a four-day exploration of Norway's main cities, Oslo and Bergen, a tour of Norwegian fjords and a post-trip to Stockholm following the cruise. And on the home front, the work of Raymond Blesz was digitally projected upon the iconic Daniels & Fisher tower as part of the biennial *Month of Photography* exhibit that took place in March in downtown Denver.

Melinda Gladitsch enlightens us as to the resources and respite offered by Caregiver Connections, an Eagle County nonprofit that was founded

to provide family caregivers of older adults the support that will empower them to be the best caregivers they can be. And speaking of seniors, Ellie Baum has overcome hemangiosarcoma to embrace every day and offer her words of wisdom: Keep Smiling Because Life is a Beautiful Thing!

I would like to sincerely thank the 92 residents who responded to The Great 8 survey. With your valuable input, I will continue to strive to deliver a neighborhood magazine that is fresh and relevant for you every month.

Not to be forgotten, we wish all the moms in the neighborhood a very Happy Mother's Day! Enjoy the merry month of May and this edition of *Stroll Singletree*!



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SHE SAID YES!
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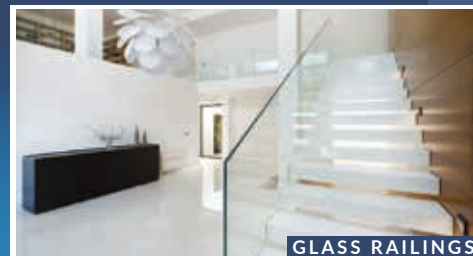
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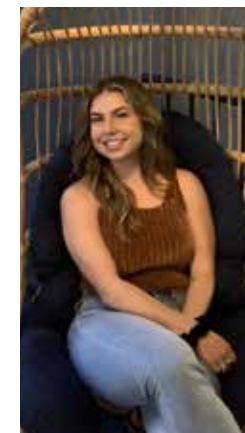
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Bhava can be roughly translated to a state of peace or bliss in several languages - and I strive for every client to feel the true meaning of that. You can trust that you will be well cared for at Bhava and I hope you find your state of peace here, just like I have.

Xo

Madalyn "May" Hethcote
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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2023 SINGLETREE GRADUATES!

Memories. Accomplishments. Plans. Aspirations. The Class of 2023 reflects on all that and more.

We are thrilled to celebrate the graduation of the Class of 2023 in Singletree. This class of graduates is passionate, accomplished, inspired, and motivated. Your neighborhood wishes you all the best in your future endeavors!



KAMRYN MITCHELL

High School: Vail Christian High School
Family: Jean and Pat Mitchell, Kate Mitchell (sister), Riva Mitchell (mini goldendoodle)
Most Memorable Experience: Going to States in tennis.
Greatest Accomplishment: Winning third place in doubles tennis.
Post-Graduation Plans: I plan on attending Colorado State University in the fall. This summer I am volunteering for the Children's Global Alliance for a trip to Morocco to teach English in a local middle school.
Aspirations: To graduate college and pursue a career in interior design.
Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: Being close to the Sonnenalp Club and Vail Mountain to go skiing. My favorite thing is hiking with my dog on the trails of Mesquite.
Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Take it one day at a time, it goes by faster than you think. You don't need to know exactly what field you will go into today as life is a journey and the future holds many opportunities.



PHILLIP D'ANDREA

High School: Battle Mountain High School
Family: June Terens (mom), Steve D'Andrea (dad), Sabrina and Maria D'Andrea (sisters), and Bronco (dog)
Most Memorable Experience: Studying abroad in Finland in the fall of my junior semester, 2021. It was an amazing experience because I got to meet new people, and learn about a different culture, and it made me more independent and open-minded.
Greatest Accomplishment: Earning my Eagle Scout rank.
Post-Graduation Plans: I am going to Europe to visit my Finnish host family and travel around with my family. I am still undecided about where to go to college, but I might end up in Canada, California, or Vermont!
Aspirations: I don't know what I want to do after college, but I will start by studying business and see where it takes me!
Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: I love the close proximity to my school and all of the mountain biking trails that are practically in my backyard.
Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Don't be afraid to go out of your comfort zone and try new things, and remember, everything will work out!

ANNE HILGARTNER

High School: Battle Mountain High School
Family: Mom = Stacy Schoening Knox; Sister = Quinn Hilgartner, Pets = No, I wish
Most Memorable Experience: Making it through.
Greatest Accomplishment: Yet to have one.
Post-Graduation Plans: I am going to Greece this summer with my mom and sister, then come back and be with all the people I love before I leave. I plan to attend the University of Kansas and major in architecture. I also hope to keep up with my internship and many different jobs.
Aspirations: To excel in interior design when I graduate from college and continue with lacrosse through college.
Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: To me, it's the most convenient place. It's right in the middle between Eagle and Vail; I'm close to school, sports, and friends.
Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Enjoy the time you have because it truly does fly by and find every part of the application process enjoyable.



LIV MORITZ

High School: Vail Mountain School
Family: Kaia & Misha, Kjersti twin, Solveig age 15, Annika age 22, Sisi - dog
Most Memorable Experience: Traveling to the San Diego-Mexico border for VMS Intraterm with Students Shoulder to Shoulder.
Greatest Accomplishment: I have 2! Being chosen to represent the U.S. at the World Alpine Junior Ski Championships in St. Anton Austria this winter. AND going through the soccer recruiting process and landing at a D1 school.
Post-Graduation Plans: Attending DU - planning to play Div. I Soccer and Alpine Skiing.
Aspirations: Continuing my skiing and soccer careers. I want to study Environmental Architecture and/or Marine Science.
Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: The sun!

AUDREY KNIGHT

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: Chris and Heather Knight, sister Ava (8th grade) and chocolate lab, Grazi

Most Memorable Experience: Most memorable high school experience was my first homecoming dance ever with all my new friends when I moved to Edwards in my junior year.

Greatest Accomplishment: Picking up lacrosse quickly and making Varsity my freshman year at my school in Denver and then again when I came to BMHS in my junior year. I am also very proud of my academic achievements - taking AP and Dual Enrollment classes - something that my old high school didn't offer.

Post-Graduation Plans: Attending the University of Colorado Boulder, Leeds School of Business, while joining the Air Force ROTC program.

Aspirations: I would love to continue to play lacrosse in college for a club team and continue to travel the world with my family. I want to set myself up for success with a great education while forming friendships that will last a lifetime.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: The close community - I have friends all around me and it's close to school. We are always there for each other.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Have fun in your high school years with your close friends - these memories will last a lifetime! Appreciate each other and be there for each other.



KJERSTI MORITZ

High School: Vail Mountain School

Family: Kaia and Misha Moritz (parents), Liv Moritz (twin sister), Solveig Moritz (younger sister), Annika DuPont (older sister), Sisi (dog)

Most Memorable Experience: Playing soccer at VMS - making it to the state playoffs 2 years in a row.

Greatest Accomplishment: Making the US Ski Team.

Post-Graduation Plans: First Taking a PG year to ski race. Will be attending Middlebury College in Vermont - playing soccer and skiing for them.

Aspirations: See how far I can get with my ski career. Professionally I would like to be a wildlife biologist.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: All the wildlife.



FISCHER SASSI

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: My mother is Jennifer. My sister is Piper. My father is Mark. And Moxie is our dog.

Most Memorable Experience: Playing football, all-encompassing has been my most memorable high school experience. I know that I would never play in college and did not play very much when I was younger. I embraced the opportunity and found that I was actually not too bad at the game. Practices were hard and rewarding, our coaches were also mentors and friends, not only coaches, and the entire experience connected me to more than just the sport, it also helped me with understanding life in general and it will be with me forever.

Greatest Accomplishment: My greatest accomplishment season to date would have to be plural since I have been fortunate to have recently gotten accepted into many colleges and universities around the county along with earning varsity letters in golf, football, and alpine ski racing.

Post-Graduation Plans: Upon my graduation from BMHS, I am hoping to get an internship/journeyman position working aside a civil engineer around Eagle County this summer since my college plans will focus on engineering. Next fall I will be attending either Clemson University or CU to study engineering.

Aspirations: Ultimately, I want to study aerospace engineering and graduate with a bachelor's degree then to possibly pursue a master's with my end sights set on working with NASA in some capacity.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: Singletree is where I have been for 18 years and there is such a sense of community here. Sledding parties at the community center to bigger sledding/skating parties at the Charolais pond...it feels like home because it is in every way.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: My advice for the classes of 2024 and beyond is that you must put faith in the process and trust your inner self. No matter what the decisions are that you may face, your gut has a voice so be sure and really listen to it because it knows you better than anyone else and will help steer you in a direction when you are struggling looking for one.



ALEX DIENST

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: I live with my parents, Georgi and Ryan Dienst, my two brothers, and two dogs. I am the middle child and only girl; Becker is 20 years old and Mac is 14. My two dogs are both English golden retrievers named Boone and Levi.

Most Memorable Experience: One of my most memorable high school experiences was during my junior year lacrosse season when we made it to the 2nd round of playoffs. We then went on to play Northfield High School in Denver, and these teams are usually expected to win based on the size of their schools to ours. We ended up winning 19-17 and I was able to get 4 of the goals! I just remember the adrenaline and that epic high we all felt after the game, personally and as a team.

Greatest Accomplishment: One of my greatest accomplishments during my high school career was climbing the Grand Teton in Jackson Hole Wyoming with my dad and older brother.

Post-Graduation Plans: After graduating from BMHS, I will attend the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill in the fall.

Aspirations: In college, I plan to play club lacrosse, rush a sorority, and go the pre-med route so I can attend Physicians' Assistant (PA) school after my undergraduate years. I also hope to study abroad to learn more about other cultures and the healthcare system outside of the US.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: My favorite part of living in Singletree is honestly the location. Not only am I close to my friends, but I am also close to my school, the gym and pool, the highway, Riverwalk, and much more.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Although cheesy, my best words of advice to the class of 2024 is to just do what makes you happy.





LILY WHELAN

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: My father, Robert Whelan, and my cat, Abigail

Most Memorable Experience: My most memorable high school experience was when I crossed the line at the state track and field race in 2021 with a personal best time of 5:12.

Post-Graduation Plans: I plan on travelling to Europe with my dad this summer and I plan to attend the University of Kentucky next year enrolled at the Lewis Honors College.

Aspirations: My personal aspirations are to get a degree in finance at the University of Kentucky, attend graduate school, and do a finance internship abroad.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: My favorite part of living in Singletree is that our neighbors with young children come and jump on my trampoline almost every day and I get to see the enjoyment and hear the fun they are having. I am happy to hear young children laughing and enjoying themselves, and especially happy that I can help provide that.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Always try your hardest, get your work done, spend time with your family, and after all of your requirements, remember to have some fun!

HAILEY GRANT

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: Parents Travis and Sharie, Older Brother Tanner and 2 dogs Niky and Moose

Greatest Accomplishment: Earning Academic All State 1st Team for both Volleyball and Basketball.

Post-Graduation Plans: Attending Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana, beginning next Fall 2023.

Aspirations: I hope to become a psychologist and help people struggling with their mental health, especially in the wake of COVID.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: It's really easy to get to school or Riverwalk to meet up with people plus there are so many families that also live in Singletree.



SADI PETROVSKI

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: Nikki and Pete Petrovski are my parents and Sofi and Kitz Petrovski are my siblings and we have one dog, his name is Gunner.

Most Memorable Experience: Most memorable high school experience was my whole high school volleyball season. I loved it and it was something I will never forget.

Greatest Accomplishment: My greatest accomplishments would be being honorable mention all-state for volleyball as a sophomore and first team all-conference my sophomore, junior and senior years.

Post Graduation Plans: My post-graduation plans are to go to college and study criminology and criminal justice.

Aspirations: I hope to one day be as accomplished as my parents are and have a family.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: I love living in Singletree because it has been my home for 18 years and I love the way my home looks out onto the mountains and the friendships I have made.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: My words of advice would be to enjoy where you are now because it goes by so fast and have fun in high school; never forget the friends you have made and enjoy the good and learn from the bad.

ANNIKA SHIKVERG

High School: Vail Mountain School

Family: Oleg, Kimberly, Keena Shikverg, and Winter

Most Memorable Experience: Wow, there are so many to choose from, but my trip to France senior year was by far one of the best experiences of my life. From figuring out how to get around in a foreign country without speaking the language, to touring museums, learning about new cultures beyond our own, and spending quality time with my best friends, I couldn't have asked for a more eye-opening incredible experience.

Greatest Accomplishment: This year, landing the role of Veta Louise Simmons in the play *Harvey* and also the role of Ariel Moore in *Footloose* has really been a big accomplishment during my time in high school. I worked so hard in my 5 years at VMS to get the opportunity to play these roles, and I learned a lot and had so much fun in the process.

Post-Graduation Plans: I will be attending college to study theatre and potentially double major or minor in either neuroscience or psychology.

Aspirations: I want to continue to grow as a person and discover more about who I am now and who I want to be in my future. I am very excited to continue to study theatre in college, maybe study abroad one year, meet new people, live in a new place, and find a new sense of independence as I begin the next phase of my life.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: I love going on long walks with my dog and enjoying the sun in the beautiful place we call home.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Just be you. Take advantage of all the fun opportunities given to you because before you know it, you'll be graduating. Just say yes, and don't be afraid to fail. Do what's best for you.



ADDI REIHE

High School: Vail Mountain School

Family: My parents are Brian and Carolyn, I have an older sister named Catie and a younger brother named George. I also have a black lab named Allie and a cat named Boo.

Most Memorable Experience: My most memorable high school experience is all the tele team trips I got to go on. We had fun on all the bus rides, chairlifts, and overnights. I loved the most recent one when we went to Aspen with CRMS and went sunset skinning.

Greatest Accomplishment: My greatest accomplishment from high school was getting second place at the telemark competition at Wolf Creek.

Post-Graduation Plans: After graduating, I will most likely work and travel over the summer, then go to college in September.

Aspirations: I hope to become a sports trainer or physical therapist.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: My favorite part of living in Singletree is how close it is to everything, as well as how great my neighbors are!

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Do everything with a smile!

CONRAD OSBORN

High School: Battle Mountain High School

Family: Parents: Diane and Jarrett Osborn, Brother: Malcolm Osborn, Dog: Bear

Most Memorable Experience: Camping with my friends the day school got out my junior year.

Greatest Accomplishment: Hearing another member of the school band say they listen to me when they get lost to figure out where they should be.

Post-Graduation Plans: I will be pursuing a degree in Aerospace Engineering at Virginia Tech.

Aspirations: I'm not entirely sure where I'd like to end up, but I'd like to do something I enjoy and make money doing it.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: Being close to a lot of great mountain biking.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Have fun. Don't get too stressed about what comes next. You've got time.



SKYE KARSH

High School: Vail Mountain School

Family: Mom: Cathy Karsh, Dad: Brice Karsh, My two dogs Pele and Gilly

Most Memorable Experience: One of my favorite high school memories is from my freshman year. Our volleyball team was playing a dig pink game against Battle Mountain at home, and the crowd was ecstatic and loud. It was such a fun environment and game that I will never forget.

Greatest Accomplishment: Attending the Island School for my fall semester of junior year.

Post-Graduation Plans: I am planning on moving to California to attend Santa Barbara Community College for two years. After that I plan to transfer to UCSB for junior and senior year.

Aspirations: I hope to join the SBCC beach volleyball team and compete with them in the spring. I also hope to join UCSB's Marine Biology program and study coral restoration.

Favorite Part of Living in Singletree: I love how close it is to every part of Edwards and being so close to my friends.

Words of Advice for the Class of 2024: Take in and enjoy the little moments.

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Caregivers Connections empowers family caregivers to be the best they can be

CONTRIBUTED BY MELINDA GLADITSCH, SINGLETREE RESIDENT

I love living in Singletree because it is a healthy, friendly and vibrant community. It is so wonderful to see so many young families here but many of us are over 65 and want to age healthily in our beautiful neighborhood. So, imagine that a loved one has just been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia, Parkinson's, a traumatic brain injury, or had a stroke and in order for them to remain at home, you are now a caregiver. More than one in five Americans provide unpaid care for a loved one without training, support or financial assistance. For most, this is a very stressful and isolating experience. That's where Caregiver Connections comes in.

Caregiver Connections is an Eagle County nonprofit that was founded in 2011 by a group of family caregivers. Our mission is to connect family caregivers of older adults to resources and respite that will empower them to be the best caregivers they can be.

RESOURCES

Being a caregiver can be overwhelming and people often don't know where to turn for help. We begin every relationship with a one-on-one **Care Consultation** with one of our Aging Life Care Professionals to help answer personal questions, find solutions and connect families to appropriate resources and support. Our **Dementia Caregiver Support Group** is offered twice a month to help caregivers navigate the special needs of this devastating disease. We also offer a **Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group** twice a month. For those in need of durable medical equipment, our **Medical Equipment Closet** allows people to borrow such items as wheelchairs, walkers and shower benches.

RESPITE

Higher levels of stress, anxiety and depression are common among family caregivers of older adults and it becomes essential that they get a break, known as respite. However, in many situations, their loved one cannot be left alone. The **Senior Spot Adult Day Program** is offered every Monday and Wednesday from 12:00 - 3:00 PM at the Golden Eagle Senior Center. It is designed to provide socialization for a loved one through shared meals, gentle exercise, reminiscing, and music while giving caregivers a break. An **Activity Buddy** volunteer can also be requested to spend time with loved ones and engage in an agreed-upon activity for up to three hours at a time. The relationships formed in this program are so rewarding and sometimes last for years.

I learned about Caregiver Connections as a result of my work as chair of the Rocky Mountain Walk to End Alzheimer's. I am so impressed with the dedication and compassion of everyone involved in Caregiver Connections and am thrilled to now be their Director of Development.

They are one of the only local organizations to provide these types of services and support to Eagle County residents. Many of our services are offered free of charge with donations encouraged. We are fortunate for our many donors who make this possible. We are so grateful for our volunteers and are always looking for people to help out with our programs or become an Activity Buddy.

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The work of Raymond Blesz graces the iconic Daniels & Fisher clocktower

CONTRIBUTED BY RAYMOND BLEESZ, SINGLETREE RESIDENT

Throughout the month of March, the work of Raymond A. Blesz was digitally projected upon the historic Daniels & Fisher tower in downtown Denver as part of a collection of images from a total of 60 photographers. Raymond's image entitled *Joe Berry*



Joe Berry and photographer Raymond Blesz

Christian Cowboy, Prague, Ok 1987 was cast upon the side of the building for periods of 12 seconds continuously rotating from 6:00 p.m. to midnight every night. As a citywide effort initiated in 2009 to promote fine art photography, the *Month of Photography (MoP)* festival in Denver is Colorado's largest photographic event.

Additionally, Raymond's work was accepted for *The Big Picture Colorado* exhibition. The founder of *MoP* and the creator of *The Big Picture Colorado*, Mark Sink of the Sink Gallery, selected two of Raymond's images to be digitally enlarged to be "wheat-pasted" on the sides of commercial buildings in downtown Denver during *MoP*. The first photo for wheat pasting is entitled *Hopi McDonalds*, a McDonald's fast-food logo at a traffic stop light in the Native American Reservation in Arizona, a biting satire of our society. Ironically and perhaps attesting to the artistic importance of the image, Sink also selected *Joe Berry, Christian Cowboy, Prague, Ok, 1987* as the second image for the open-air project.

Two of the photographer's images intended to evoke the "Essence of Colorado" were also accepted for the *MoP Capturing Colorado* exhibit at the Denver Four Mile High Historic Park: a portrait of Eagle County Rancher, Ben Wurthsmith, long time rancher, recently deceased, as well as a downtown scenic landscaping view of Historic Georgetown, the Silver Queen of the West.

In conjunction with these events, Raymond has compiled 20 BW photos, 8.5 x 11 sized images for perusal, browsing or contemplation. For Singletree residents who really appreciate photography, those who are photographers themselves, or those who would like to 'critique' the photographer's work, Raymond invites you to call or email him to schedule a time & place for a personal viewing. You can contact him at 970-376-2818 or preferably at bleszr@comcast.net.



Raymond's photographic image cast upon the Daniels & Fisher tower in downtown Denver



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All dogs bring us joy, and we treasure each for their own personalities, but once in a while, a dog comes along that is special. A person or family is lucky if he or she has a dog like this once in a lifetime. Such is our Ellie.

Ellie (born in 2011) was Debbie's dog, but when Ellie was 1 (October 2012), she met her Daddy, Ian. Ellie is sweet, loyal, smart, obedient and beautiful. All Ellie asks of us when we go somewhere, is to go too.

On Friday night, June 18th, Ian & Debbie went to Cordillera for an evening with friends. When they left home, Ellie was perfectly normal. Three hours later, when they returned home, Ellie had a nasty lesion on her paw, between her toes. Thinking she must have stepped on a sticker in the yard, they took Ellie to the vet the next morning. The good news was, they treated the paw; however, they found a tumor the size of a grapefruit wrapped around her spleen. A successful splenectomy followed, however, lab results found hemangiosarcoma, an aggressive cancer of the lining of blood vessels. Ellie's prognosis was 30-60 days to live.

Our Ellie is an outlier and has NOT had a bad day in 9 months! She enjoys walks with her Mommy and Daddy and can be frequently seen on the Singletree golf course or the Charolais Trail wearing her signature bright pink neck up. Ellie embraces every day, and we pray her quality of life continues.

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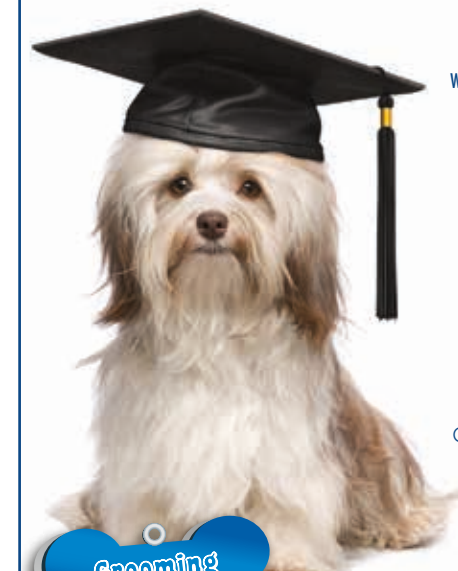
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A Cruise Through Viking Homelands

CONTRIBUTED BY LINDA WILSON, SINGLETREE RESIDENT

In August and September, Dave and I took a twice-delayed trip to Scandinavia. We had been to several places in Sweden and Denmark on two prior trips and always thought we would like to do an ocean cruise that included Norwegian fjords. Viking Cruises, based in Bergen, Norway, offered an itinerary called Viking Homelands that sounded ideal - visits to several old favorites plus many new places to explore. We decided to add on a four-day pre-trip to Norway's main cities of Oslo and Bergen, linked by a train ride across the central spine of

low mountains. I then added a post-trip stay in Stockholm on our own.

Late summer is an ideal time to visit Scandinavia due to the still-long days and warm temperatures without the mosquitos of early summer. One caveat, however, these are rainy countries, especially Norway. We flew into Oslo on a typical rainy day where we were whisked to our beautiful downtown hotel. Oslo is both extremely modern and romantically old-world with gleaming new apartments, museums, and the famous opera house on the waterfront

within walking distance of cobblestone streets, royal palaces, a still-working medieval fortress, and restaurants galore. A bit farther afield are Viking history and nautical museums, and the Holmenkollen Olympic ski jump.

After two days, we took a scenic rail trip across the country to Bergen. The scenery is wild, high tundra with mountain peaks and lakes as far as the eye can see. We passed many hiker's hotels and hostels along the way. The center of Norway is relatively uninhabited, with only five percent of the country's land mass arable. Most

people live in the major cities on the coast which serve as government and cultural centers and on the west coast as the base for both fishing and the North Sea oil industry.

Bergen is a stunning harbor city with its origins as one of the Hanseatic League trading cities. It was fabulously wealthy in the 1600s and the well-preserved old town of Bryggen on the harbor is a must-see. Two days in a downtown hotel were barely enough

to explore the old and new parts of the city, a living folk museum, and a tranquil park with lakes and hiking trails just a funicular ride above the city.

It was now time to embark on our two-week cruise. First up were the wildly-anticipated fjords. Dave and I spent a morning kayaking the Eidfjord, where the two-thousand-foot-high forested walls dropped immediately to a two-thousand-foot depth. Norwegians love their country cabins and their

boats, and most places we went, whether city or country, we passed the charming little red cabins and houses with smiling locals sailing by.

Our next port was Stavanger, the home of the oil industry, as well as a centuries-old fishing port. Until oil was discovered in the 1960's, Norway was a poor country with little ability to farm or provide food other than fish. It is now one of the wealthiest countries in Europe, with the oil profits



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Time to leave Norway and off to Denmark. The ship stopped at Aalborg in the far north, an ancient trading port dating from the time of the Vikings, and now known for its beautiful medieval merchant center and modern University and Opera House. Copenhagen was next. It is impossible to see as much as you would like on a cruise ship stop, but fortunately we had been there twice before. The inner harbor is a classic stop with colorful bars and restaurants lining a tiny harbor. I recommend a separate visit to this fabulous city to see all the royal palaces, design stores, and vibrant culture.

Our next stop was a train ride to Berlin from the north German port of Warnemunde. We took in all the must-see sights, including the Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, and the Berlin Wall Memorial. My father's aunts, uncles and cousins were stuck behind the Iron Curtain in the Harz Mountains area of the old East Germany so it was a meaningful visit for me.

From there we went on to Gdansk, Poland, the site of the Lech Walesa-led Solidarity shipyard protests which resulted in the fall of the Communist government. In addition to its recent historical significance, it is also a beautiful medieval trading city known for crystal and amber with a compact walkable center.

On to Mariehamn, in the autonomous region of Åland, islands which are intriguingly part of both Sweden and Finland. Reachable by short ferries from both countries, it is a very popular summer tourist area and extremely quaint.



BERLIN WALL MEMORIAL

Our last stop was Stockholm. But first, the ship spent a full day cruising the stunningly beautiful archipelago. It appears the Swedes love their island country homes and sailboats just as much as the Norwegians. Stockholm is another northern European capital city well worth an extended visit. Prosperous, modern, clean and friendly, it is situated on hundreds of islands with an old town (Gamla Stan), a vast royal palace, many large parks and museums, and fantastic dining and shopping. We easily spent three days exploring areas we had not seen on our previous visit.

So, if it sounds like we really enjoyed Scandinavia, yes, we did. Where else can you get Vikings, medieval merchant towns, kayaking and sailing, modern design, vibrant cities, fantastic food, and history lessons both old and new?

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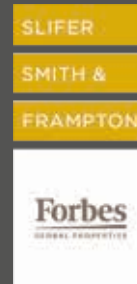
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Active	751 Singletree Road 6	Townhome	3	3	1,793	Furnished	\$1,495,000.00	\$833.80	12	-	-	-
	81 Lariat Road B	Duplex	4	3	2,005	Unfurnished	\$1,500,000.00	\$748.13	112	-	-	-
	48 Charolais Circle A	Duplex	3	3	1,954	Unfurnished	\$1,550,000.00	\$793.24	6	-	-	-
	1071 June Creek Road	Single Family	4	5	3,103	Unfurnished	\$2,095,000.00	\$675.15	14	-	-	-
	40 Miller Place	Single Family	5	5	3,863	Unfurnished	\$2,795,000.00	\$723.53	98	-	-	-
Under Contract	161 Stagecoach Road	Single Family	5	4	3,725	Unfurnished	\$3,690,000.00	\$990.60	1	-	-	-
	140 Charolais Circle	Duplex	4	3	2,543	Furnished	\$1,950,000.00	\$766.81	52	-	-	-
Sold	151 Howard Drive	Single Family	4	4	3,166	Unfurnished	\$2,750,000.00	\$868.60	140	\$2,600,000.00	\$821.23	2/22/2023

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