

# Kirkwood tragedy shines spotlight on deadly mountain hazard

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During the late afternoon hours of March 4 there was no reason to think Olga Perkovic and her son, Aaron, were in any danger.

Perkovic, 50, a lifelong skier, and Aaron, 10, a member of the Kirkwood JETS ski team, had just spent the day doing what they loved at Kirkwood Mountain Resort.

At 4:27pm they loaded onto the TC Express chairlift to make one last run before skiing back to their condominium to join Olga's mother, Radmila, 80, and daughter, Sophie, 8, to watch the Academy Awards.

They never arrived.

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