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## **Silver Eagles Newsletter**

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## **Member News:**

Rob Henry - I have attached a beautifully crafted trip report from him entitled: Rob Henry Rhone River Cruise June 2014 — For those nervous of opening attachments, just after retirement, he packed a bag for a two week trip to France to join a Tauck river cruise of the Rhone River. (Personally, I'm surprised that he didn't just grab his go-bag.) From Paris to Lyon on the TVG train in minutes! Then to Rob's favorite mode of transport, the MS Swiss Emerald and a Rhone River cruise. (He discusses "azipod propulsion" and "bow thrusters" and even the safety briefing. Needs a little more time in retirement, I think.) Later in his report, he mentions wine tasting, eating, walking, and biking, but ends with a probable cause of a future accident: "A tradition on this bridge is to add a lock to the guardrail and throw the key in the Seine. There have been so many locks added that the bridge it being structurally overloaded." Well worth reading the attached report. Beautiful photos!

I (**Jim Henderson**) have got a bit of news. My wife Cindy and I are fulfilling one of our bucket lists items starting at the end of next month: a visit to Denali, Alaska and a cruise down the inner passage to Vancouver. Unlike those of you who have been on every continent, this will be my final US State. Not sure how that trip will affect my newsletters in August and September. However, don't let that deter you from sending your fun stories!

## Misc:

Don't forget the Silver Eagle Website: www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html Happy summertime! Hit those swimming pools! For those that care, Germany's win of the World Cup was well deserved, but GO USA – next time!

Jim Henderson