



Silver Eagles Newsletter

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Silver Eagles,

We have no new members this month! Spring has sprung, Fall has fell, Summer is here and it is hotter than @%&*!!

New Member: None

Board News:

Several Silver Eagles were at Debbie Hersman's departure ceremonies! My heads up wasn't too late! I have attached a photo of Debbie, Rob Hall (Dir of RPH – the current Bob Chip), and me. (*See Debbie departure photo*) Debbie is going to National Safety Council as its president and CEO. Chris Hart will be Acting Chairman – or – actually IS Acting Chairman... Many of you may remember Chris from the early '90s. He returned to the board in 2009 after I retired so I was surprised to run into him!

Member News:

None – Come on Guys, this is tough enough! Please!

I'll try a new tact! (Boring you to death!)

My days are spent watching the World Cup. You know, the World Series for Football or Soccer. "Why?" you ask. In spite of my age, I've played since high school. Quakers, it seems, found soccer less violent than American football. Either that or the equipment was cheaper – or both! I was varsity at my tiny Quaker boarding school and, well, mostly a varsity benchwarmer and JV star at my Quaker college. Oh, I also played in German pickup games when my father was stationed there. Top players the Germans are! After college, I continued to play in what we jokingly referred to as the semi-pro leagues (joking, since the pros were bringing players from other countries). The Mid Maryland Soccer Association was perhaps my toughest league. It was like the US World Cup. The embassies and just plain foreigners provided teams from around the world. I was in the Spanish/Italian team. My dark curly hair helped me fit in despite my mostly Scottish /English blood. – and they needed a strong center midfielder who could read plays – who could switch with the wing occasionally and make a mean cross.

This world cup is a trip!! Top teams, like Spain and England OUT while little countries, like Netherlands and Costa Rica are Rocking! Oh, and despite the last minute goal from Portugal, the US is holding its own. Ghana should have beaten us - only our Goalie saved us! And Portugal's

superstar, Ronaldo, was having a bad day or we would be going home. Now we play Germany (YIKES!), but, if defeated, we get a second chance to move on by playing and beating the winner of the Ghana/Portugal match. At least I think that is how it works. The weak at heart probably should not watch the US/ Germany match. No losers in my opinion, and one major upset if the US wins!

Now, PLEASE STOP ME! – Provide your own memories – experiences – evaluations of other sports – vacation/travel tips!

Misc:

Don't forget the Silver Eagle Website: www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html

Happy Fourth of July! GO USA!

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