



## Silver Eagles Newsletter

December 2017

**Silver Eagles,**

We have no new members this month. I sent this a little early to let you know of the passing of **Jim Danaher** and the funeral arrangements this Tuesday. I admit to have missed the NTSB Christmas Party. Our son asked us the day before to watch his dogs while they left for an overnight party for his company. Please forward any photos you have of the party for the next newsletter. I still plan to make Joe Epperson's retirement party. Hope to see some of you there! AND **Kay** sent a great video for those of you interested in physics - and who at the Board is not?

**New Members: None**

**Board News:**

This is **Patrick Danaher, Jim's** son. It is with great sadness that I'm writing to you to let you know that this past weekend, my dad passed away. I've been going through his contacts letting people know; I'm not sure how you knew my dad, but I'm sure he would want you to know. Funeral services will be at his church, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 1427 W Braddock Road in Alexandria, Virginia, this coming Tuesday December 12th at 11am. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

**Sheryl Cook** sent this note and a photo - Howard Plagens, Sr ASI, and Patrick Jones, ASI, from WPR are retiring December 31st. We all worked together in the Los Angeles office, and a few of us were able to get together for lunch to wish them well.



In the picture L-R, Ted Turpin (Rail), Van McKenny, Michael Hicks (AS-20), Sheryl Cook, Howard Plagens, Conrad Alberto (interned with us years ago and now works for an insurance company), Tealeye Cornejo, Patrick Jones, and Elliott Simpson. (*No one has contacted me yet.*)

### **The unofficial Jolly Holiday party**

#### **Member News:**

Both **Ron Battocchi** and **Phyllis Kayten** responded to Malcolm's family photos in the last newsletter. I hope that I managed get them directly in touch.

This from **Jean Bernstein** - After going back and forth to Seattle where my son lives with his family, my husband and I finally decided to move there. It was a challenging year for us but we finally settled down in Mill Creek, the north-east suburb of Seattle. Below is my new contact information, I would love to hear from any of my former colleagues who currently live or travel to the Pacific Northwest. And - **HAPPY RETIREMENT TO JOE EPPESON!** (*I'll add Jean's new contact info to the attached contact list.*)

OH, **Joe's Party** is Wed, December 13, from 5-9 pm, at Sine Irish Pub, 1301 S. Joyce St. in Arlington, VA. Be there or B<sup>2</sup>.

**Miscellaneous:**

The attached video is from **Kay Sommerfeld**. As a former physics teacher I really enjoyed it and would like to have had this video 40 years ago! See Galileo:

<https://youtu.be/74MUjUj7bp8>

Okay, I love this kind of a newsletter – full of news. Please keep it up! Workshops? Volunteer work? Vacations? Please! Please!

Don't forget the Silver Eagle Website: [www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html](http://www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html)

Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, Wonderful Kwanza and whatever you celebrate this time of year!

Jim Henderson