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HELLO WORLD



David Erlich and his wife, Ricka Berns, always wanted to go on safari, but didn't want to just ride around inside a Jeep. They take active vacations – mostly biking!

On their last vacation, David and Ricka took a five-week trip to Southern Africa, spending three weeks on a bike tour. Their biking group donated some bikes to a woman's organization in Swaziland (a region of very high HIV incidence) to ride around in their villages and help destigmatize HIV testing and treatment. The women, most of whom were in treatment for HIV, had never ridden a bike before, so this was a teaching and learning opportunity. The very sturdy bikes were designed for local conditions – but first the women had to learn how to ride!

David's travels include sneaking into Cuba through Mexico several years ago and biking throughout the country for two weeks. He also traveled via bike in Spain. When David was in Spain, he was having trouble using a Spanish-language ATM – so he called Paco Saenz at the credit union, who was able to find another ATM for David a few blocks away! This was important because the place where David was staying wouldn't give him the keys without cash!

At SRI, David was an Experimental Shock-wave Physicist and studied material failure, starting out in Poulter Labs. One summer he worked at SRI's Corral Hollow Experimental Site in the Livermore hills, making snow in 100-degree weather for an explosives project. Most of his time was spent working in the basement of Building E, which had a very large room with two gas guns (one was 60-foot-long). They would spend many weeks designing and building experiments that were over in a very exciting few micro-seconds.

Traveling – it leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller. To help create those stories, the credit union will be awarding **double points** on our Rewards Visa® credit card for travel merchants – hotels, airlines, travel agencies and auto rentals – during the months of June through September. Become a storyteller and **earn double points!** We have funds to loan for the fun that you are going to have!

Steve Bowles
CEO/CFO

“ *Stuff your eyes with wonder, live as if you'd drop dead in ten seconds. See the world. It's more fantastic than any dream made or paid for in factories.* ”
– Ray Bradbury

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