

I am The **ROCK**

Noreen Herlihy

Job: Head women's soccer coach.

Joined SRU: August 1995.

Background: I was born and reared in Cork, Ireland. I came to the U.S. to study and play collegiate soccer, which paved the way for me to be able to coach. I have six siblings; two older brothers, two younger brothers and two younger sisters. Though I live far from my family, we remain very close and connected and talk almost every day. I live in the quiet area of Jackson Center.

Interests: I love being at home and spending quality time with my family and friends. I enjoy gardening and, though it is with lots of trial and error, find it very rewarding. I took up golf three years ago and finally understand what all the 'hype' is about and how addicting it can be. I am a trained hospice volunteer, which is something that I am honored and privileged to be able to do.

Last book read: 'Anne Frank: The Biography' by Melissa Muller.

Why I work at The Rock: As a coach, I believe in SRU as an academic institution and what it has to offer for student athletes, both in the classroom and on the playing field. It is a friendly campus, and I do feel that people here genuinely have the best interests of our students in mind. I enjoy coaching and mentoring my women athletes and having the opportunity to be around them on a daily basis. I am coaching and therefore count myself very lucky... I enjoy coming to work.

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