



## **Epsilon Sigma Phi- Alpha Sigma Wisconsin Chapter 2016-2017 Retiree Committee Report**

*Respectfully Submitted by Paul Roback, Chair*

The Retiree Committee continues to seek out ways to communicate with, engage and recognize ESP retirees. Committee members include Jeanne Baum, Marilyn Herman, Jim Hovland, Christine Kniep, Mary Mennes, and Paul Roback.

Committee activities over the past year include:

- Interviewed three ESP Life Members- Mary Kaye Merwin, Ginny Hall, and Kathi Vos. Articles based on these interviews were published in the June 2016, October 2016, and March 2017 ESP Newsletters. The intent of these articles are to address retiree engagement by capturing some of the amazing achievements Life Members have accomplished during their retirement and to learn how these members successfully transitioned into retirement.
- Successfully nominated a Life Member for the ESP Retiree Service Award.
- Collaborating with the UW-Colleges/Extension Benefits and Payroll Manager to update the ESP Helping Families of a Deceased Colleague or Retiree document.
- Continued to use the ESP Retiree e-mail distribution list to communicate:
  - ESP updates
  - Retirement announcements
  - Passing of colleagues
  - nEXT Generation Model updates
  - Communications from the Dean and Chancellor
  - Communications among retirees
  - Advocacy opportunities
  - Other relevant UW-Extension information.